

Program #40085B - Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)

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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) is a new innovative pilot program developed to address low-level drug street crime in downtown Portland. The goal of LEAD is to improve community health and safety by using a harm reduction and assertive engagement model and coordinating with law enforcement.

Program Summary

Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) is a pre-booking diversion program that allows police officers to redirect low-level offenders engaged in drug activity to community-based services instead of jail and prosecution. This program focuses on low-level misdemeanor and felony drug possession crimes. LEAD is modeled after a similar program by the same name in Seattle, WA. The Seattle program has been thoroughly evaluated and found to reduce crime (and associated costs) and improve participant outcomes like employment, housing, and health.

LEAD eligible individuals are referred to a treatment provider from the central precinct if they are deemed eligible for the program. LEAD is based on the collaboration between arresting officers with the Portland Police Bureau and treatment provider case managers. The goal is to engage individuals during pre-arrest in efforts to provide support and resources for basic needs and SUD treatment versus entering the criminal justice system.

LEAD eligibility is determined by the Portland Police Bureau Street Crimes Unit and Bicycle patrols in the downtown neighborhood of the City of Portland. There may be additional law enforcement assistance/referral with the TriMet Police Patrol and Multnomah County Sheriff's Office. Eligible individuals will then be connected with a LEAD intensive case manager who will then be responsible for brokering all services needed or requested by eligible individuals. All determining factors, criteria for LEAD eligibility, data collection criteria, etc. are vetted through the LEAD policy committee.

Performa	Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY17 Actual	FY18 Purchased	FY18 Estimate	FY19 Offer				
Output	Number of referred eligible diverted participants who are screened	na/-	100%	100%	100%				
Outcome	Participants will be assessed and have at least one primary need met within a six (6) month period.	na/-	65%	65%	65%				

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Multnomah County contracts with Central City Concern for \$750,000 dollars to provide LEAD services.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2018	2018	2019	2019	
Contractual Services	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	
Program Total:	\$750,000		\$750,000		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Program Revenues					
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: