DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY JUSTICE

Community Safety Through Positive Change

FY 2027 Adopted Budget - DCJ Impacts

Submitted to LPSCC June 22, 2026

- **Total budget reduction:** $5,413,592 ($4,051,840 County General Fund and $1,361,752 SHS)
- **Total impacted staff:** DCJ will reduce 29 FTE (27 FTE reduced from County General Fund and 2 from Supportive Housing Services (SHS) Funds
    - **Reductions** include total program eliminations detailed below, as well as several unit mergers, management reductions and FTE reductions in programs including Adult Electronic Monitoring, Adult Specialty Courts, Community Service, among others.
    - **System Impact:** Reduction in SHS funds reduces some DCJ housing capacity and 2 FTE that supported in-house system navigation, placement and reporting. DCJ continues to have 216 housing units available/night in FY 2027 for justice involved adults.
    - **System Impact:** Reduction of 1 School Based Juvenile Court Counselor FTE that worked with Multnomah County Sheriff's Office School Resource Officers previously, this reduces Juvenile Services Division capacity to engage with justice involved youth.
    - **System Impact:** Reduction of 1 Victim Advocate FTE in Victim and Survivor Services Unit impacts DCJ's capacity to inform victims of their rights, provide notifications of critical stages of the justice process and additional advocacy to help them understand their rights and options, identify supportive resources, and support them in navigating the post conviction system.
- **Programs added:**
    - Adult Stabilization and Readiness Program (SARP): SARP was fully funded with ongoing funds for FY2027, including the request for two additional FTE to fully staff the program to ensure staff and client safety and coverage. **System Impact:** Provides continued services for justice involved adults on supervision with acute mental health challenges and housing instability, connecting them with supervision and treatment services, while keeping the streets of downtown Portland safer.
- **Programs concluded:**
    - Adult Pretrial Services Program (PSP): Reduced 17 FTE. The PSP monitoring will conclude, effective June 30, 2026. The DCJ Recognizance Unit will continue to support the application of the Presiding Judge Order (PJO) and Public Safety Assessment (PSA) for MCSO, with reduced capacity and availability. This work may transition to the Courts when an Intergovernmental Agreement is in place, foreseen by amendment 37c, that funds the pretrial transition. **System Impact:** The Recognizance unit

will discontinue in the previous structure and will be merged with the Custody and Release Services program, with staff providing after hours support for law enforcement calls, compiling data for pre-sentence investigations, and working with individuals on supervision in custody to determine housing needs and connect them to housing resources for their release to support the County's HRAP goals.

The required adjustments due to this reduction in applying the PRO and PSA is still under review with system partners. The reduced staff will have more limited availability to provide these assessments.

- Juvenile Culturally Responsive Youth and Family Treatment Services: Reduced 3 FTE. The Juvenile Culturally Responsive Youth and Family Treatment Services program was designed to support high-risk and high-need youth pre- and post-adjudication and their families as they navigate transitioning back into their communities, or stabilize following acute challenges and juvenile justice system involvement.This program was established in FY26 as result of the loss of the Assessment and Evaluation Program due to reduced revenue, and positions had yet to be filled. **System Impact:** While this program was yet to be established, it reduces the resources available to support system navigation for youth and their families transitioning from detention into the community.

- **Budget Notes**
  - **#10 Victim Services Programs:** Requests the Health Department, Department of County Human Services, Homeless Services Department, Department of Community Justice, the District Attorney's office and the Sheriff's Office, to coordinate a shared report to identify all costs associated with victim services programs, FTEs, and contracted services, by December 31, 2026.
  - **#40 Community Based Restorative Justice Programs:** Requests LPSCC to launch a Restorative Justice workgroup including representatives of the District Attorney's Office, the public defense, Portland Police Bureau, Gresham Police Department, Sheriff, DCJ and community based organizations to explore the feasibility of expanding restorative justice programs, with the first report to the board due in December 2026.
- **Amendments**
  - **#37c Pretrial Transition:** This amendment funds a pretrial monitoring transition to the Courts over the next year, and includes an extension of MCSO's Close Street Monitoring program until December 31, 2026. This creates the path for the application of the PJO and the PSA to transition from DCJ's Recognizance Unit to the Courts in the future.