

Department: District Attorney **Program Contact:** Chuck Sparks
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Domestic Violence program screens and prosecutes all domestic violence cases, violations of restraining orders and human trafficking crimes. This unit is made up of 8 DDAs and one fellowship attorney all of which are supervised by one Senior DDA. This unit has three support staff including a legal assistant, a subpoena clerk and an issuing clerk. This high volume unit prosecutes more than 1,400 domestic violence and human trafficking cases annually. This unit provides outreach and access to support services for all domestic violence victims including under-served populations.

Program Summary

The Domestic Violence unit prosecutes all types of family or intimate partner violence including assaults, sex crimes, and homicides. Last year the unit screened and prosecuted 1,403 domestic violence cases including 607 misdemeanors, 426 felonies, and 370 restraining order violations. The crimes include all level of assault, sexual assault, kidnapping, harassment, compelling and promoting prostitution and homicides. The unit works with our Victim Assistance program to assign an advocate to each case to provide outreach and access to support services for all victims of domestic violence and their families.

The unit works in collaboration with state and local law enforcement, the Multnomah County Department of Community Justice and a variety of local nonprofit domestic violence organizations and shelters. For example, the unit works closely with the Portland Police Bureau Domestic Violence Reduction Unit (DVRU) and the Domestic Violence Emergency Response Team (DVERT). The Senior Deputy of this unit is an Executive Committee member for the Family Violence Coordination Council and, the Domestic Violence Fatality Review, the DV court workgroup and is the Co-Chair of the local Chapter of Justice Jammers, a work group that meets to identify gaps in the justice system affecting domestic violence victim's safety and offender accountability.

The Domestic Violence Unit participates in the Deferred Sentencing program for eligible offenders. This program allows first time offenders an opportunity to earn a dismissal of the charge upon successful completion of a highly supervised and closely monitored program of batterer's intervention strategies and counseling. The Domestic Violence Unit works with the county's Adult Protective Services agency to provide a specialized emphasis on the prosecution of elder abuse cases within Multnomah County. This unit acts a resource for training of community partners and state and local law enforcement agencies. The unit targets human trafficking offenders with two attorneys specially assigned to this role. The unit dedicates a full time attorney to mental health court and civil commitments for the county.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer
Output	All Domestic Violence Cases Issued (Felony, Misdemeanor, Violation of Restraining Order)	1403	1450	1665	1500
Outcome	All Domestic Violence Cases Resolved (Felony Misdemeanor, Violation of Restraining Order)	1056	1220	1299	1300
Output	All Domestic Violence Cases Reviewed (Felony Misdemeanor, Violation of Restraining Order)*	3027	--	2970	3000

Performance Measures Descriptions

*This is a new measure.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

ORS 8.660 - Attending court and prosecuting offenses. (1) The district attorney shall attend the terms of all courts having jurisdiction of public offenses within the district attorney's county, and, except as otherwise provided in this section, conduct, on behalf of the state, all prosecutions for such offenses therein.

ORS 8.665 - Prosecuting violations. Upon the issuance of a citation by any person authorized to issue citations for violations, a district attorney shall prosecute the case if it appears that a violation has occurred.

ORS 8.670 - Proceedings before magistrates and grand jury. The district attorney shall institute proceedings before magistrates for the arrest of persons charged with or reasonably suspected of public offenses, when the district attorney has information that any such offense has been committed, and attend upon and advise the grand jury when required.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Personnel	\$1,601,212	\$55,848	\$1,674,540	\$48,552
Contractual Services	\$15,400	\$0	\$37,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$22,600	\$0	\$21,020	\$0
Internal Services	\$6,376	\$2,792	\$7,930	\$2,428
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,645,588	\$58,640	\$1,740,490	\$50,980
Program Total:	\$1,704,228		\$1,791,470	
Program FTE	11.62	0.38	11.70	0.30

Program Revenues				
Indirect for Dept. Admin	\$2,050	\$0	\$2,009	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$58,640	\$0	\$50,980
Total Revenue	\$2,050	\$58,640	\$2,009	\$50,980

Explanation of Revenues

\$50,980 State of Oregon for Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention (CAMI).

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2016: 15102-16 Domestic Violence Unit