



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 22, 2024

SUBJECT: Oregon Department of Education Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency
Prevention Title II Formula Grant Application

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval for Deschutes County Community Justice: Juvenile Justice Division to apply for Oregon Department of Education Title II Formula Grant Funds.

Move approval for Deevy Holcomb or Erik Kropp to sign Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. Section 1373 by Prospective Sub recipient: Recipient sub award to a Government Entity.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The grant opportunity detailed in the Request for Applications (RFA) aims provide alternatives to juvenile detention and prevent delinquency through increasing partnerships with community-based programs. Administered by the Youth Development Division, the funding is part of the FY2021-FY2022 JJDP Title II Formula Grants. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations, government entities, and tribal organizations actively engaged in juvenile justice and youth development work.

The primary goal of the grant is to reduce juvenile justice system involvement by implementing evidence-based practices and strategies that address the underlying causes of delinquency. Priority is given to proposals that demonstrate a commitment to culturally responsive practices and collaboration with diverse community stakeholders.

Applicants are encouraged to propose programs that emphasize diversion from the juvenile justice system, promote restorative justice approaches, and engage youth in constructive activities that foster positive development and resilience. Key programmatic goals include enhancing community-based alternatives to detention, supporting comprehensive case management for youth, and increasing access to supportive services such as mentoring, counseling, and educational assistance.

Deschutes County Community Justice is pursuing funding from two Title II program areas to support existing initiatives and priorities.

No new full-time equivalents (FTE) will be added if funded.

Community Programs and Services: (1) Increase accountability options for youth, including opportunities for victims to directly share impact of crime and be involved in accountability and resolution methods, and improve reentry coordination for school-based incidents between schools and juvenile community justice. Funds will be used to contract with school and community-based organizations to train existing staff, co-facilitate youth and victim accountability processes, and assist with reentry coordination. **(2) Expand youth mentoring, after-school, and arts-based programming for juvenile justice involved youth to support reentry and opportunities for success.** Funds will be used to contract with community-based providers whose programs youth would be referred to as appropriate.

Delinquency Prevention (1) Establish a sustainable in-house substance use disorder treatment program. Funds will be used to develop and pilot the program, and facilitate the integration of department billing for services rendered through Oregon Health Authority (OHA) resources. Existing staff will deliver direct services to our youth participants. An external consultant will assist in establishing necessary policies, procedures, and technological infrastructure to effectively utilize OHA funding, ensuring the program's sustainability.

If selected funds are generally provided for one year with the possibility of renewal for a second year depending on funding availability.

As part of the application we are required to submit a Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. Section 1373 by Prospective Sub recipient: Recipient sub award to a Government Entity. We are seeking permission for Deevy Holcomb or Erik Kropp to sign this document. A copy has been provided to legal.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

Materials & Services Addition of \$250,000

Community Programs and Services: \$150,000

Delinquency Prevention Program: \$100,000

Total Funding Applied For: \$250,000

ATTENDANCE:

Deevy Holcomb, Director Deschutes County Community Justice

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