

## **Attachment #2: LPSCC Agenda 05/07/2024**

### **Deschutes County Justice Reinvestment Program**

#### **Supplemental Grant Application 2023-2025 Biennium**

1. Applications must be submitted by the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC). Did your LPSCC approve your Supplemental Funding Round application?
  - a. Going to LPSCC on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  
2. Briefly describe what you are requesting funding for and how it meets the focus of the funding opportunity to restore programs or associated components currently not funded.
  - a. This biennium Deschutes County is proposing to utilize supplemental grant funds to support part of our administrative analyst FTE that provides direct support to our JRP program. Our administrative analyst position is our housing subject matter expert and we would like to utilize these funds to support time to expand and seek out additional housing options and additional housing funding resources. Housing in Central Oregon is a major barrier for clients on supervision. This position will also focus on identification and management of our current JRP funded beds which require extensive planning and management for the AIP/STTL prison releases. These beds are also regularly used by clients on a downward departure.
  
  - b. The second part of our funding request is aimed at supporting mentor services for clients in our JRP program, with a specific focus on targeting gender responsivity. We have recently relaunched our gender-responsive cognitive-behavioral programming and aim to complement it with mentor support. These funds will be allocated to partnering with a local nonprofit specializing in assisting women in recovery and reentry, particularly those grappling with addiction, homelessness, and other barriers. This nonprofit employs evidence-based communication and behavior change methods to offer holistic life skills training, fostering self-sufficiency and empowerment. Their hands-on training model, conducted in group settings, is supplemented by accessible technology platforms, ensuring ongoing support in identifying and achieving personal goals beyond group sessions.
  
3. Describe how the above request will help the county reduce prison usage and / or recidivism while maintaining public safety and holding individuals accountable.
  - a. Housing programs and resources play a crucial role in supporting clients transitioning from prison to post-prison or transitional leave supervision, as well as those on probation. Extensive research highlights the positive impact of stable housing on the successful reintegration of justice-involved individuals into society. Access to transitional housing resources significantly reduces the



# Application: 0000000009

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Oregon Behavioral Health Deflection Program 23-25

## Summary

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## Part Two: Questions

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A deflection program is defined in [HB 4002 \(2024\)](#) as a collaborative program between law enforcement agencies and behavioral health entities that assist individuals who may have substance use disorder, another behavioral health disorder or co-occurring disorders, to create community-based pathways to treatment, recovery support services, housing, case management or other services.

As part of a consortium, did your county establish another county as designee to apply for the Oregon Behavioral Health Deflection Program's planning grant on the cover sheet?

No \_\_\_\_\_

1) Please describe your county's deflection program or tentative plan to implement a deflection program.

**NOTE: Your county will be able to adjust its program or plan again during the regular application period for the remaining 50% of formula funds.**

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Deschutes County intends to implement a Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program comprised of five law enforcement agencies (Bend, Sunriver, Black Butte and Redmond Police Departments and the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office), two Behavioral Health Network Providers (Ideal Options and Best Care Treatment Services), the District Attorney's Office, District Court, Public Defender, Community Corrections and coordinated by the Community Mental Health Program (Deschutes County Behavioral Health (DCBH)). Two of our participating partners have extensive involvement in both the Marion County LEAD program as well as the Seattle-based LEAD program, bringing robust programmatic and implementation knowledge and expertise to our team. Twenty-five attendees participated in a planning meeting on April 5, 2024 to develop an initial concept.

The Deschutes County LEAD program will provide county-wide 24/7 in person response by one of our two BHRN providers (or other approved partners) at the request of law enforcement on the scene or other predetermined location, when they have encountered someone in possession of deflection-eligible amounts of drugs or who have committed deflection-eligible crimes other than simple drug possession and that person meets on scene screening guidelines set forth by law enforcement personnel. A screening will take place by a Peer Support Specialist who will offer deflection from the criminal justice system to eligible individuals. Referrals to deflection could also come via the DCBH 24/7 Community Crisis Response Team (CCRT) and/or the Deschutes County Stabilization Center (DCSC). If the individual completes follow-up requirements, charges will be dropped.

Over the next several months, DCBH will hire a Deflection Coordinator who will begin convening regular meetings with required partners and additional relevant stakeholders to initiate program design and implementation. Collectively, the workgroup will create a budget, develop a staffing model, design eligibility and program requirements (including our plan to address language and other access barriers for program referrals and procedures whether through personnel or technological means), set meeting cadence, and establish a case review process and data tracking plan. Once finalized, DCBH will complete the second grant application in order to receive the remaining funding needed to support the program. Deschutes County's long-standing history of innovation and

collaboration positions us well to implement a strong, evidenced-based LEAD program in order to deflect individuals struggling with mental health and substance use out of the criminal justice system and into treatment.

2) Has your county identified a program coordinator as specified in HB 4002 §76(5)(b)?

Yes

Please complete the following information of that program coordinator:

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3) At this time, when does your county estimate it will begin operating a deflection program?

**NOTE: If your county already has a program in operation that will serve as its deflection program please provide the date that program began.**

Month:	September
Year:	2024

4) Please identify the local partners currently involved in the development and/or administration of your county's deflection program.

Check all that apply and indicate the involved organization(s):

**Responses Selected:**

<h4>District Attorney<h4>: Deschutes County elected District Attorney

<h4>Law Enforcement<h4>: Bend, Sunriver, Redmond and Black Butte Police Departments as well as the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office

<h4>Community Mental Health Program<h4>: Deschutes County Behavioral Health

<h4>Behavioral Health Resource Network Provider<h4>: Ideal Options and Best Care

<h4>Other<h4>: Community Justice, Public Defenders, District Court

5) At this time, does your county intend to request the remaining 50% of its formula funding during the regular application period (tentatively May-June 2024)?

Yes