

Lane County - Service Option Sheet - FY 20-21 Proposed

SOS 23: **Commitment Investigation**
 Dept: HHS-Behavioral Health
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Service Category: Public Safety

Mandate	None	Related	SHALL
Leverage	None	Some	HIGH

Executive Summary

Lane County Behavioral Health, as the Community Mental Health program, is responsible to provide Commitment and Investigation Services, a critical part of the mental health and public safety systems. This service is responsible for investigating situations where someone is a danger to themselves or others. These services follow up on any mental health holds in Lane County and assesses appropriateness for pursuing a 180 day commitment, then arranges for a hearing. The service also addresses family petitions for commitment. Additionally, the service is responsible for monitoring outpatient commitments, ensuring that committed individuals are following the trial outpatient commitment conditions. In addition to the public safety benefit of this service, this will allow the county to better manage hospital levels.

Service Descriptions

	Revenue	Expense Total	General Fund	FTE
Proposed Budget Total	\$285,365	\$404,771	\$119,406	2.50

The State of Oregon funds 1.5 FTE Mental Health Specialists that are dedicated to provide the mandated commitment services. Due to the size of Lane County 1.5 FTE is not adequate coverage to meet the demand for these services. The program is seriously challenged to meet statutory investigation timeframes with the current level of FTE. The additional 1.0 FTE Sr. Mental Health Specialist is dedicated to respond to situations where someone is a danger to themselves or others and will follow-up on any mental health holds in Lane County. These services including conducting civil commitment investigations, provide monitoring and treatment to clients in the community and transporting clients to necessary services and appointments.

State/Federal Mandate

ORS 426 defines the responsibilities of the County related to commitment investigations.

Leverage Details

The General Fund portion of this program leverages the following:

_____ \$0	back to the Discretionary General Fund
_____ \$0	into other non Discretionary County Funds
_____ \$0	directly to community members