

## Federal Government Impact

- 1) How much federal money received by the agency is tied to a mandate by the Federal Government?

Formula & Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG)

Total available at the beginning of FY16– \$1,369,157

All formula funds are tied to the four core mandates of the federal JJDP Act.

- a. De-Institutionalization of Status Offenders (DSO);
  - b. Jail Removal;
  - c. Sight and sound separation, and
  - d. Reduction of Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC)
- 2) Are any of those funds inadequate to pay for the federal mandate?
- They are not inadequate; however, meeting the core mandates uses a much larger percentage of available funding as the amount of federal funds is reduced.
- 3) What would the consequences be of ending all of the federal funded programs for your agency?

The following plan has been developed to deal with the loss of all federal funds.

- a. Cancel 14 community prevention formula grants and 9 JABG grants
- b. Cancel DMC program – OJA provides evidence based training to law enforcement on the reduction of bias.
- c. County and City jail monitoring will be discontinued (Compliance Review with federal requirements concerning detained youth).
- d. The agency's impact on juvenile delinquency in the community will be significantly reduced. Over time this will result in a lengthy waiting list for secure placements and other treatment options. OJA's facilities are struggling to maintain a safe, therapeutic environment with the current number of juveniles needing secure placement. In many cases, juveniles adjudicated as delinquent may be left in the community while waiting for placement and treatment.

Due to the loss of Title XIX federal funds one of the following options would be implemented:

- a. Close 112 Level E Beds, or
  - b. Close 75 level E beds, and close all Community Intervention Centers (CIC's, or
  - c. Close all CIC's and significantly reduce Communities at Risk Services (CARS) funding by 87%
- 4) How will your agency be affected by federal budget cuts in the coming year
- a. Community treatment may be significantly reduced.
  - b. Grants to communities/local government for prevention and reentry will be at risk.
  - c. Prevention Services, Re-entry Services, and Community Treatment could be significantly impacted.
  - d. There will be reduced treatment options for OJA clients. Fewer juveniles will be diverted from the juvenile justice system. Those leaving placements such as secure institutions or group homes will receive less reintegration services making them vulnerable for additional contact with law enforcement causing recidivism rates to increase.
- 5) Has the agency requested any additional federal earmarks or increase?

Most federal grants are released in a cycle correlating with the federal fiscal year, which begins in October. Applications for ongoing grants are therefore usually sought beginning in January. The exception to this pattern is any new funding initiatives which target specific concerns announced by the President, often during a State of the Union address. OJA will aggressively pursue additional federal funds whenever grant opportunities are announced, which relate to our mission.