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Profile of Federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Funding: Oregon

Formula & Block Grant

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Decrease of 62% so

far this decade.

Funding FY10:

Funding FY18:

\$510,129

\$1.35 million

Federal Funding Overview:

In Oregon, the Youth Development Council serves as a State Advisory Group, the state's federally-mandated state advisory body on juvenile justice. The group administers the state's Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA) funds and provides the governor, state legislature and other policy makers with recommendations for improving and supporting the state's juvenile justice system. The Youth Development Council helps determine how funds granted by the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) should be expended, and reports regularly to the Governor and state legislature on the status of the state's compliance with the four core requirements of the JJDPA.

Diminishing Funds:

The federal allocation of grant funding to Oregon has dropped

significantly in recent years. Nationwide, during the 16 years that the JJDPA went unauthorized, **federal juvenile justice funding decreased by nearly 48%.**¹ In Oregon, meanwhile, between FY10 and FY 18 alone, the state experienced **a 62% reduction in its formula and block grant allocations.**² In FY10 the state received \$621,300 through the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) program. For the past five fiscal years, however, that sum has been zeroed out in the federal budget. Oregon also received \$84,945 in Title V funding in FY10, but Congress has earmarked Title V funding in the last several years, decreasing the likelihood that states receive funding under the program. The lone remaining source of federal funding, Title II, has also diminished. In FY10, Oregon received \$646,000 in Title II funding. In FY18, that figure decreased to \$510,129.

Federal Dollars in Action:

The Youth Development Council is required to develop a three-year delinquency prevention plan in regards to the distribution of Title II Formula grant funds. Without adequate funding, they will not be able to fulfill these priorities, which include:

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¹ Act4JJ. (2019). Juvenile Justice Federal Funding Chart. Retrieved from,

http://www.act4jj.org/sites/default/files/resource-files/Historic%20Funding%20Chart%20-%20FY19.pdf

²All numbers are based upon figures reported by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Grant Awards and Past Solicitations. Retrieved from, https://www.ojjdp.gov/funding/funding.html#2. Accessed June 4, 2019.

- School Programs: Oregon strives to provide high quality education and educational support services to all students, including those in the juvenile justice system. Ensuring a successful and seamless transition from a juvenile justice educational setting back to regular schools requires planning and coordination of services between agencies as well as additional resources.
- **Diversion:** Oregon strives to maintain a developmentally appropriate juvenile justice system where low level offenses are handled appropriately.
- Racial and Ethnic Disparities: Disproportionality continues to be an issue of importance in Oregon. The extent of racial and ethnic disparities varies by jurisdiction, racial/ethnic group and the points of contact within the juvenile justice system. Information from the Juvenile Justice Information System (JJIS) indicates that all minority groups are represented in the juvenile justice system at percentage levels greater than their proportion of the total juvenile population. Disproportionalities in school discipline and academic achievement are also notable and require special attention.
- **Compliance Monitoring:** Oregon is committed to assuring that all public and private facilities that could or do hold juveniles under public authority understand and follow the federal core requirements of the JJDPA. Oregon is in full compliance with the JJDP Act. The YDC will continue to collaborate with the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) and Department of Corrections (DOC), law enforcement agencies, county juvenile departments, and other entities to ensure compliance in the future.³

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³ Three year delinquency information can be found at : <u>https://bit.ly/2KJLN9r</u>.