

FACTS SHEET – Gang Impacted Family Team (GIFT) / Coordinator Position

In 2012, the Gang Impacted Family Team (GIFT) program was created collaboratively by the Police Bureau and the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office.

GIFT modeled after: Boston Operation Ceasefire and the Cincinnati Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV) programs, involving a multi-agency and community collaborative effort designed to quickly and dramatically reduce gun-violence and associated homicides, with sustained reductions over time.

GIFT was structured as a non-funded collaborative City and County services multi-disciplinary team, created to provide support for youth and families to break intergenerational ties that perpetuate gang involvement and violence within the community.

GIFT is comprised of representatives from the Portland Police Bureau, Office of Youth Violence Prevention, Multnomah County District Attorney's Office, Multnomah County Department of Criminal Justice, Multnomah County Public Health Department, Multnomah County Department of Human Services, and private non-profit service organizations.

In 2013, the City received grant funding through the State of Oregon Youth Development Council, to support the creation of a Coordinator position for GIFT. Currently, the Office of Youth Violence Prevention supplies grant funding for the Coordinator position.

GIFT Coordinator responsibilities:

- To work with GIFT stakeholders to create a formally aligned system to ensure that GIFT clients receive appropriate service.
- To serve as the single point of contact to provide quick response to GIFT clients, setting appropriate service schedules and conducting service assessments.
- To assist in connecting gang impacted youth and families with pro-social assistance programming.

The GIFT Coordinator serves as a stakeholder service representative with the following programming:

- Healing Hurt People Portland Program and provides direct referral service to shooting victims receiving care through Legacy Emanuel Hospital.
- The Multnomah County HEAT (Habilitation, Empowerment, Accountability, Therapy) reentry program. **For additional information please contact:**

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