

Lane County - Service Option Sheet - FY 22-23 Proposed

SOS 14: **Family Law**
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Service Category: Public Safety

Mandate	None	Related	SHALL
Leverage	None	Some	HIGH

Executive Summary

Parents are obligated by law to support their children. The Family Law Division establishes paternity and child support orders for children and families. The Family Law Division collects child support for the custodial parents, when the court has ordered such support, and enforces medical support orders. The Family Law Division also modifies child support orders to be in compliance with Oregon law. Total collections average \$20,000,000 per year for local children and their families.

Service Descriptions

	Revenue	Expense Total	General Fund	FTE
Proposed Budget Total	\$1,872,119	\$2,530,494	\$658,375	15.00

Mandated services include: establishment of paternity, child support and medical support orders; enforcement and modification of child support orders and medical insurance obligations; initiating and responding to interjurisdictional child support establishment, enforcement, and modification requests. Federal and state laws govern the level of service required. Strict timelines and performance guidelines are imposed. Failure to meet them can lead to a loss of federal funding.

State/Federal Mandate

ORS 25.080; OAR 137-055-2020; 42 USC Sections 651-669; 45 CFR 303; ORS 25.080 "... The entity shall provide the support enforcement services described in subsection (4)...". The following entity is primarily responsible per ORS 25.080(1)b "...the district attorney in cases other than those described in paragraph (a)". 25.080(7) "All county governing bodies and all district attorneys shall enter into child support cooperative agreements with the [D]epartment [of Justice, Division of Child Support]".

Leverage Details

The General Fund portion of this program leverages the following:

_____ \$1,872,119 _____	back to the Discretionary General Fund
_____ \$0 _____	into other non Discretionary County Funds
_____ \$20,000,000 _____	directly to community members