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## Probation Improvement and Incentive Grants

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## FISCAL YEAR 2014 – 2015 PROBATION IMPROVEMENT AND INCENTIVE GRANTS

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In response to a Council of State Government's (CSG) evaluation of Ohio's criminal justice system, the Ohio legislature passed House Bill 86, a bill that addressed many of the concerns voiced in the CSG report, including increasing the professionalism of local probation departments through standards and training; enhanced data collection; and sentence reform. In order to offset the impact to local communities, the bill also included probation improvement and incentive grants. Those grants are administered by the Bureau of Community Sanctions, which administers Ohio's other DRC funded community correction programs.

County Courts of Common Pleas and Municipal Courts submitted grant applications describing 1) the problem being faced by the county; 2) the proposed solution for the problem; and 3) how solving that problem would result in lowered commitments from that county to Ohio prisons and jails.

Funding for FY 2014 and 2015 was increased by more than \$5 million dollars above the total amount in the initial grants from FY 2012 – FY2013, reaching 8 additional counties. Funding for the current 2-year grant cycle was allocated thusly:

Probation Improvement	\$12,194,078
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Probation Incentive	\$3,380,735
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Thirty-one separate counties and three multi-county collaboratives received Probation Improvement Grants. Since each county and collaborative expressed a somewhat different issue that needed resolution within their systems, the scope of the grants were quite varied, however, all grants included some form of enhancement of the programming services available to offenders to address their criminogenic needs.

### **Performance Goals:**

All grantees were required to identify specific performance measures as part of their grant agreement. All of the agreements included the measure of reduction of commitments to prison and/or jail, targeting technical violators and Felony 4/5 commitments. Goals include the following performance totals:

- Reducing the number of community control violators revoked to prison by 553.
- Reducing the number of felony 4 and felony 5 commitments to prison by 939.
- Reducing the number of community control violators placed in jail by 374.
- Reducing the number of commitments to jail by 676.

If grantees achieve established goals, it will result in 1,492 fewer offenders placed in prison and 1,050 fewer placed in jail during the 18-month performance period (October 1, 2013 – March 31, 2015). A mid-performance report will be published in July 2014 to provide progress on the goal achievement.

The incentive funding is being held to reward grantees that achieve their agreed upon performance measures. The courts will be able to use that incentive funding for whatever community correction purpose they choose. The grantees will be evaluated in May of 2015 to determine if they have achieved their performance measures and for those successful in achieving all or a significant portion of the measures, incentive funding will be awarded in June. Those who fail to achieve at least 25% of their target performance measures will receive notice that their grant will not be renewed in July 2015.

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Approved Budget</b>	<b>Reduction in P.V.'s to prison</b>	<b>Reduction in F4/F5 Commitments</b>	<b>Reduction in P.V.'s to jail</b>	<b>Reduction in commitments to jail</b>	<b>Projected No. of Offenders Served</b>	<b>Incentives</b>
Adams Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$396,001	13	26	0	0	150	\$74,160
Allen Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$278,684	9	12	0	0	75	\$41,800
Butler Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$511,251	13	39	0	0	296	\$99,600
Circleville Municipal Court	\$127,414	0	0	104	118	200	\$117,000
Clark Co. Prosecutor's Office	\$124,776	2	29	0	0	100	\$59,800
Clermont Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$303,514	23	32	0	0	644	\$105,000
Columbiana Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$147,064	5	11	16	0	450	\$40,800
Cuyahoga Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$1,199,200	96	246	0	123	320	\$689,092
Darke Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$240,144	1	4	0	0	300	\$15,000
Erie Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$99,750	20	48	0	0	150	\$124,400
Franklin Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$992,845	60	52	0	0	400	\$211,528
Fremont Municipal Adult Probation Dept.	\$977,270	15	38	0	50	390	\$130,173
Fulton Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$21,370	0	0	2	1	80	\$3,500
Greene Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$312,497	12	19	0	0	275	\$59,800
Hamilton Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$140,025	24	42	0	0	450	\$124,800
Hancock Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$334,636	2	7	5	0	130	\$22,700
Licking Co. Municipal Adult Probation Dept.	\$459,874	0	0	97	78	2354	\$92,099
Lorain Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$230,003	15	20	0	0	105	\$69,000
Lucas Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$776,645	14	43	0	49	305	\$134,866
Mansfield Municipal Adult Probation Dept.	\$185,003	0	0	0	50	198	\$33,000
Marion Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$519,701	24	22	17	0	240	\$96,497
Medina Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$311,490	3	13	21	0	210	\$42,415
Mercer Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$448,759	34	39	0	0	290	\$135,888
Miami Co. Municipal Adult Probation Dept.	\$197,126	0	0	78	89	300	\$87,500
Morrow Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$70,044	7	18	0	0	120	\$49,000
Portage Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$103,638	6	21	0	0	60	\$50,600
Richland Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$107,262	45	44	0	0	445	\$162,200
Sandusky Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$114,000	7	9	0	0	100	\$30,800
Scioto Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$435,000	16	28	0	0	160	\$83,550
Summit Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$164,186	42	13	0	0	347	\$103,000
Toledo Municipal Adult Probation Dept.	\$772,223	0	0	34	118	430	\$83,722
Union Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$510,564	24	31	0	0	460	\$104,106
Warren Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$413,877	18	25	0	0	2300	\$81,539
Williams Co. Common Pleas Adult Probation Dept.	\$168,242	3	8	0	0	150	\$21,800
<b>FY 2014 - 2015 Total</b>	<b>\$12,194,078</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>939</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>12,984</b>	<b>\$3,380,735</b>
		<b>1,492 Grand Total</b>		<b>1,050 Grand Total</b>			