



# Multnomah County: Community Response to Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC)

**Purpose:** Collaborate as community partners to create a coordinated community response to the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC). We will create an action plan that will help us meet or exceed the goals of our CSEC 3-year grant awarded by OJJDP.

## Grant goals are focused on

Victim services – training, case staffing and work with Janus  
Improving investigation and prosecution of CSEC cases  
Improving the collaborative response to CSEC  
Prevention/demand



## We do this by staffing ...

- The steering committee and executive team that each meet bimonthly to address systemic issues and barriers.
- Eight topic specific work groups – groups address the various issues critical to combating CSEC.

## 2011 highlights

Since receiving the CSEC grant, Multnomah County and its community partners have made great progress towards the grant's goals. These accomplishments include:

- Developing a comprehensive system of care for CSEC victims that includes Multnomah County, the City of Portland, 25 community partners, and local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies.
- Formation of an executive team and 8 work groups that meet monthly to develop, refine, and implement specific aspects of a creative, multi-disciplinary, systemic response.
- Providing training for local police officers, students, and community volunteers. In the past 18 months, 3295 people have received CSEC training, including 1384 first responders.
- Developing and spearheading passage of 6 key bills in the Oregon Legislature to help identify and provide better protection for CSEC victims and increased penalties for CSEC offenders.
- Opening 2 – 4 emergency shelter beds for CSEC victims, and a separate 7-bed long-term shelter exclusively for CSEC victims – the first dedicated CSEC shelter in the region.
- Trained 2500 people including first responders, community members and system partners.

## **Upcoming CSEC Activities** - planned between January 1 and June 30, 2012:

Train PPB school resource officers to recognize and respond to CSEC victims & perpetrators within the school setting.

Provide training to local and national audiences on how to create a coordinated community response to CSEC.

Seek funding to maintain and expand programs and services related to CSEC.

Create a plan for DCJ adult & juvenile programs to address training, protocols & resource allocation in response to CSEC.

Keep doing the things that work!

### **WANT TO LEARN MORE? PLEASE CONTACT:**

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- SARC hotline 1-888-640-5311
- Lifeworks NW 503-710-1513

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