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**Department:** Department of Public Safety

**HB Section(s):** 8.005

**Program Name:** State Drug Task Force Grants

**Program is found in the following core budget(s):** Department of Public Safety Office of Director Administration

**1a. What strategic priority does this program address?**

Protection and Service

**1b. What does this program do?**

The State Drug Task Force Grant Program makes it possible for Missouri to aggressively address the many public safety issues associated with illicit drugs and violent crime. Since the inception of the first statewide drug strategy in 1986, Missouri has implemented many programs focused on drug awareness/education, enforcement, prosecution, and rehabilitation and treatment efforts. These programs have helped improve the quality of life for Missouri's citizens. With the continued funding, the Missouri Department of Public Safety will be able to address the current and future needs of the state relating to drugs and violent crime. The Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) collaborates with state and local law enforcement agencies to provide a proactive approach for the public safety of Missourians. The State Drug Task Force Grant provides funding to drug task forces (DTF) throughout the state for drug related crime response and prevention including equipment/technology for drug interdiction activities.

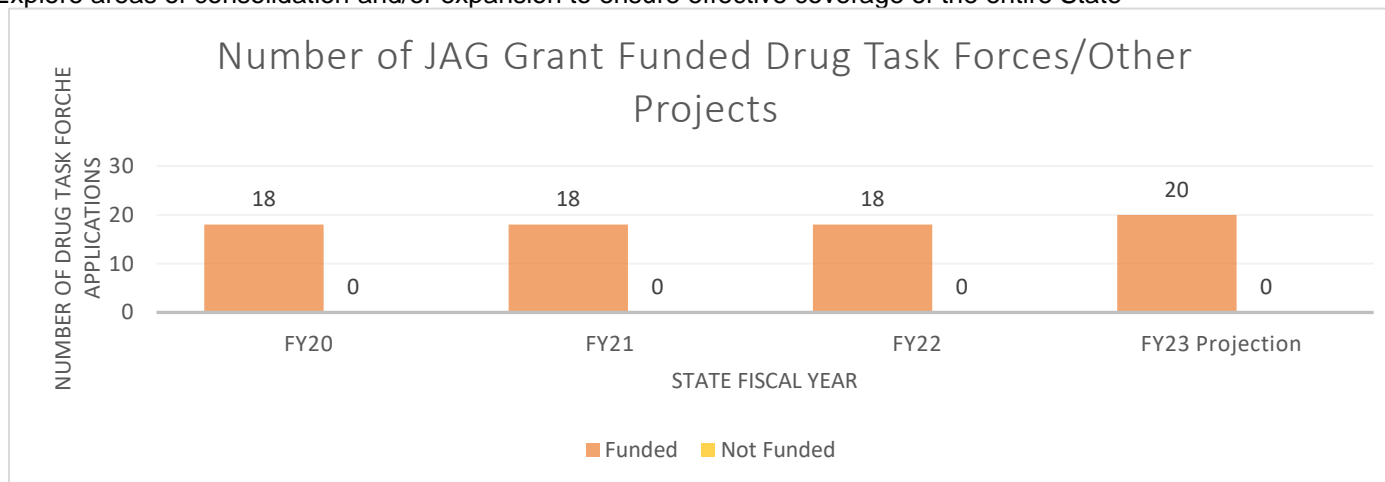
**\*This program is ran in conjunction with the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program HB Section 08.005\***

**2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.**

Measure: Make grant funding available to the drug task forces that exist in Missouri

Base Target: Support the existing drug task forces that request funding

Stretch Target: Explore areas of consolidation and/or expansion to ensure effective coverage of the entire State



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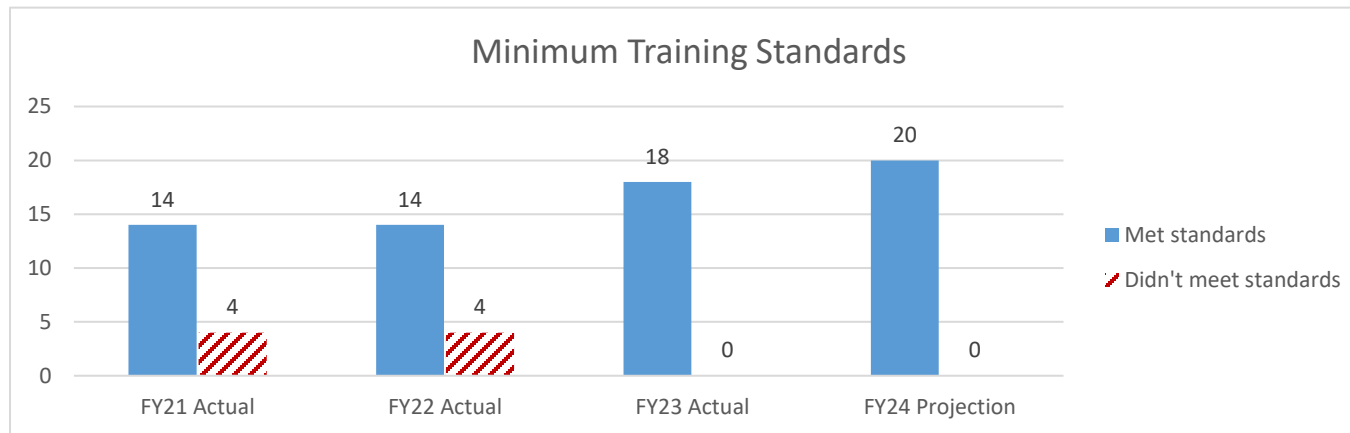
**2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.**

FY24 will be the 10<sup>th</sup> year of a plan started by DPS in FY14 to impose minimum goals and objectives for drug task forces receiving State Drug Task Force Grant funds. The intent was, and continues to be, to ensure all funded drug task forces possess the minimum level of training to initiate drug investigations and result in successful prosecution, adopt policies and procedures to ensure efficient and effective operational activities, and proactively engage the public to bring better awareness to the subject of illicit drug use and rehabilitation. FY16 was the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the 3-Year plan (and thus is the baseline data to compare to), and all funded drug task forces were expected to be compliant with the goals and objectives by SFY 16. Compliance has resulted in incentives of grant funding from FY16 – FY23 and subsequent incentive to become and remain compliant in order to receive maximum funding.

Measure: Compliance with goals and objectives established for all drug task forces

Base Target: 100% compliance

Stretch Target: Continue 100% compliance for all new and continuing projects



*NOTE: Minimum training standards include: 1) basic narcotic training, 2) advanced narcotic training, and 3) clandestine methamphetamine lab certification, where applicable if tasked with clean-up and disposal of clandestine methamphetamine labs.*

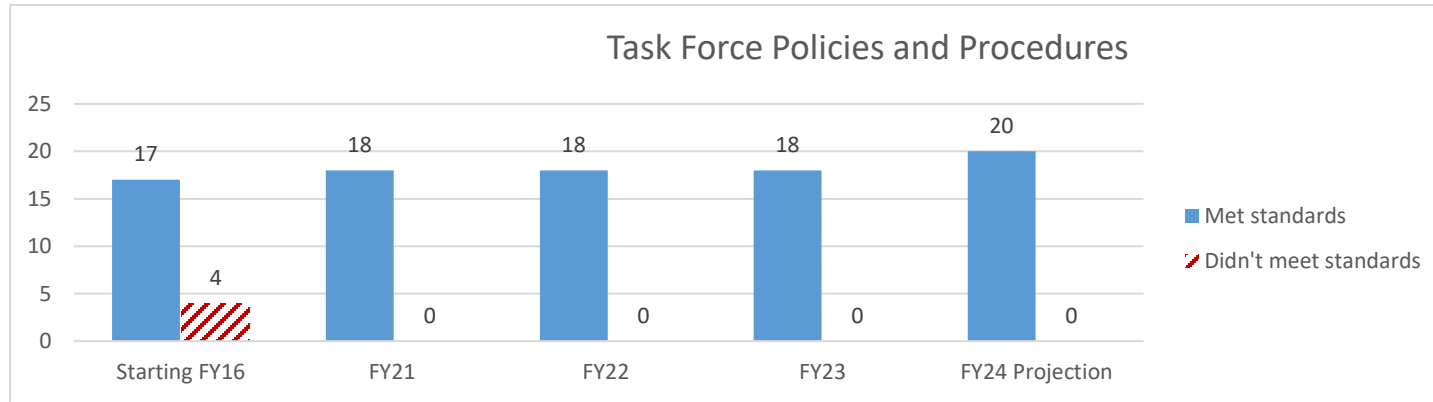
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*NOTE: Adoption of policies and procedures extends to, at a minimum, a policy addressing: 1) deconfliction, 2) hiring/selection of personnel, 3) information sharing, 4) development and use of informants, and 5) evidence storage and handling.*

**2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.**

Realistically, the possession and distribution of illicit drugs is not a problem that will be completely eradicated. History has shown that a "drug of choice" will always exist in some capacity. Rather, as a result of the program quality measures, the hope is to further identify individuals possessing and distributing illicit drugs and to prevent teens and adults from starting to use illicit drugs. This can be achieved through the arrest of abusers and the seizure/removal of drugs from the street.

Measure: Number of arrests made and number/value of drug seizures

Base Target: Make as many arrests as possible and seize as many drugs as possible (it should never be the target to increase or decrease these numbers because neither an increase nor a decrease is indicative of the problem that exists)

Stretch Target: Make as many arrests as possible and seize as many drugs as possible (it should never be the target to increase or decrease these numbers because neither an increase nor a decrease is indicative of the problem that exists)

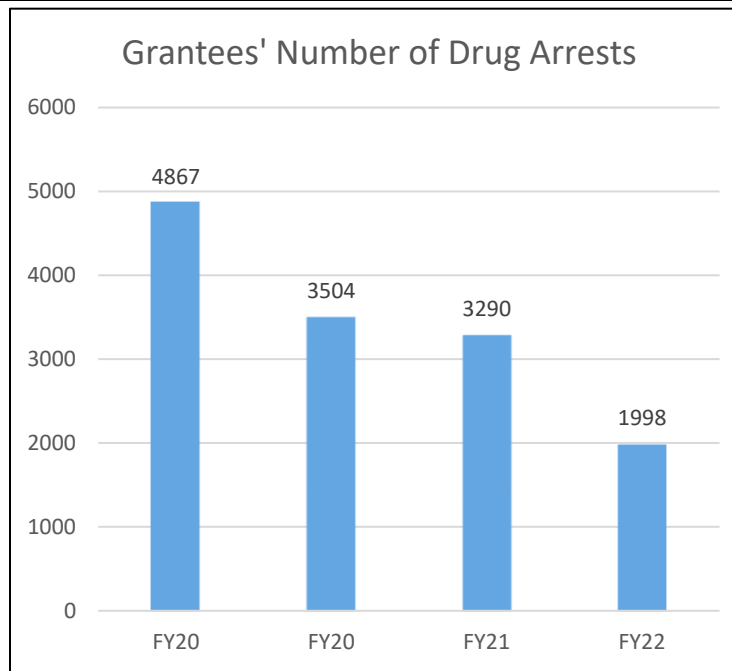
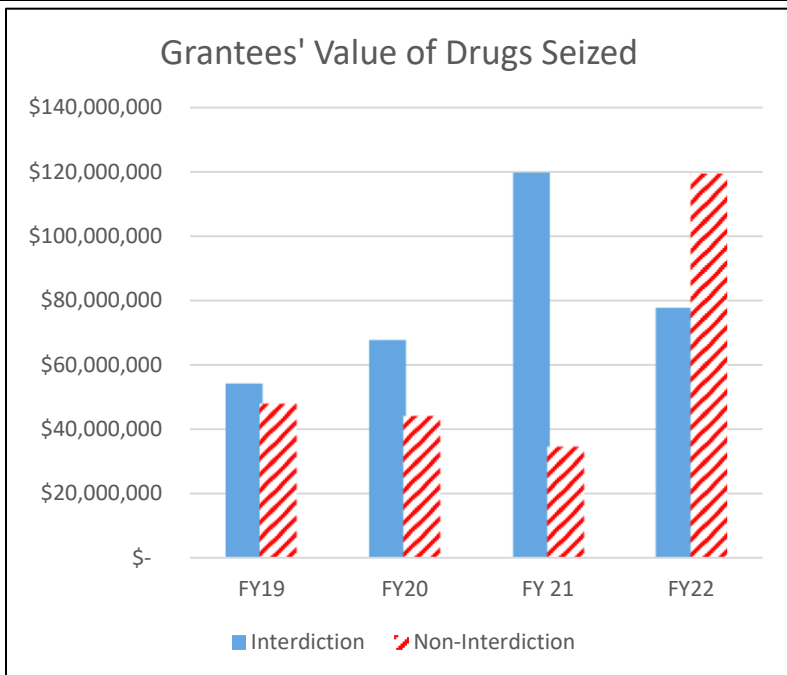
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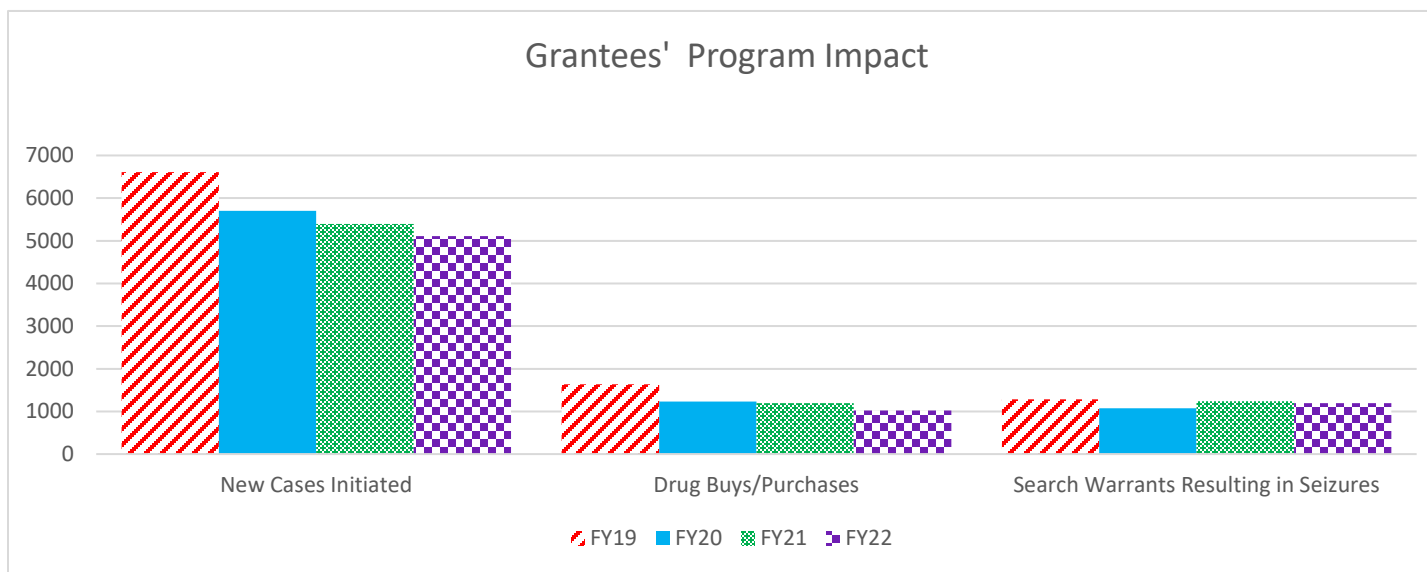
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Measure: Number of new cases opened, number of drug buys made, and number of search warrants resulting in drug seizures

Base Target: Open as many new cases as possible following receipt of a drug tip and/or proactive investigations, make as many drug buys as possible to affirm the possession and/or sale of illicit drugs, and execute search warrants that will result in positive identification (it should never be the target to increase or decrease these numbers because neither an increase nor a decrease is a clear indicator of the problem that exists)

Stretch Target: Open as many new cases as possible following receipt of a drug tip and/or proactive investigations, make as many drug buys as possible to affirm the possession and/or sale of illicit drugs, and execute search warrants that will result in positive identification (it should never be the target to increase or decrease these numbers because neither an increase nor a decrease is a clear indicator of the problem that exists)



**2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program’s efficiency.**

The Department of Public Safety administers the grant monies to sub-recipients, and the sub-recipients implement the program and utilize the funding. The Department of Public Safety is not involved in the delivery of services or the outputs of such services. The following measures are part of the grant administrative process.

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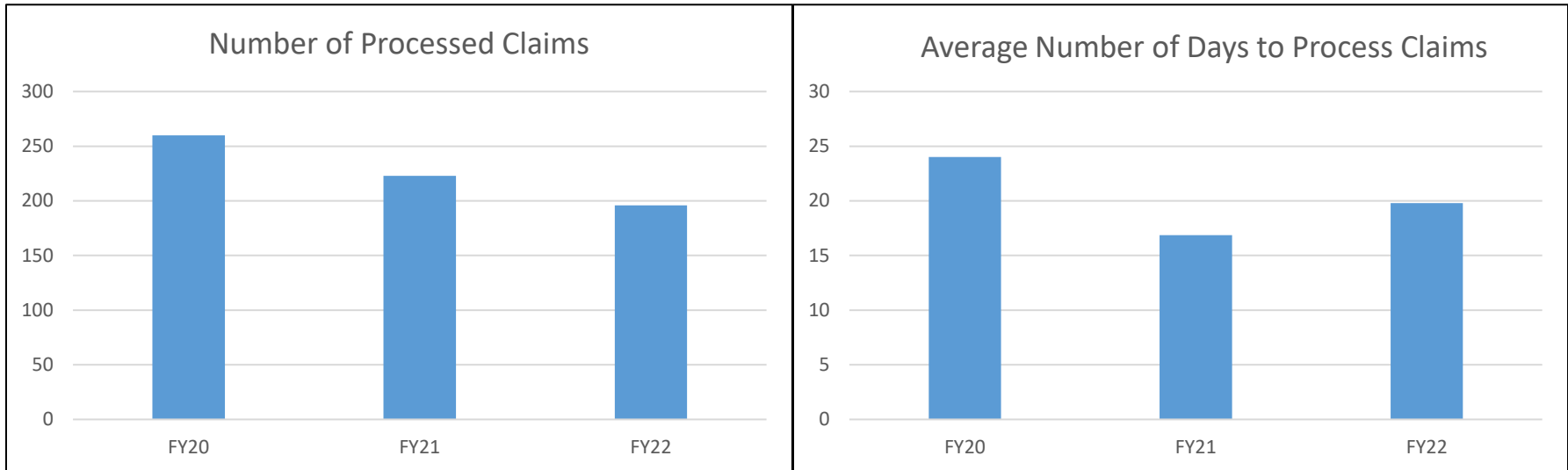
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Measure: Number of grantee claims processed throughout the grant cycle, average number of days to process claims

Base Target: Process all claims submitted during the grant cycle

Stretch Target: Decrease average number of days to process claims to 20 days



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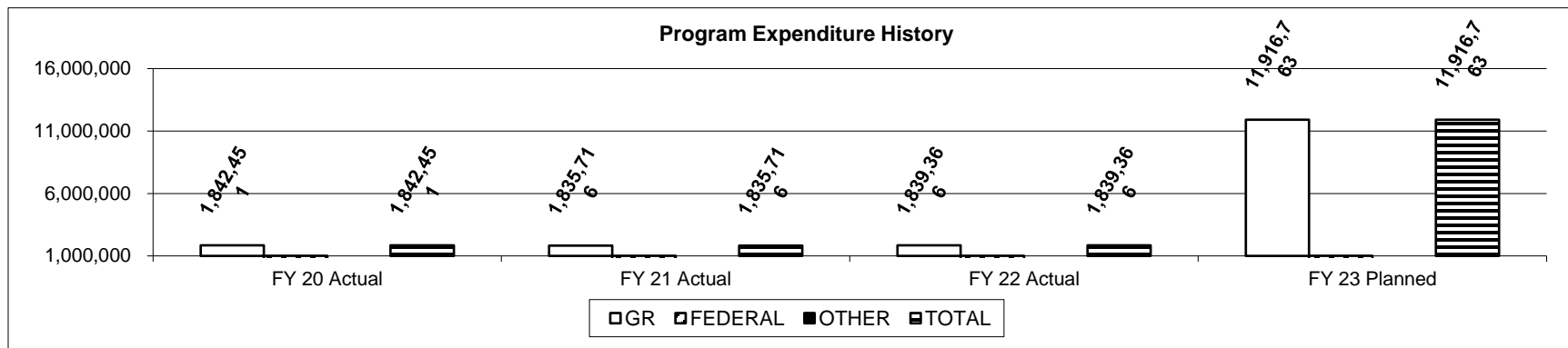
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**3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)**



**4. What are the sources of the "Other" funds?**

NA

**5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)**

NA

**6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.**

No

**7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.**

No