Executive Summary
The Electronic Monitoring Program (EMP) in collaboration with Pre-Trial services, ensures compliance with release conditions and reduces the utilization of jail beds by providing monitoring services of pre-trial defendants. EMP can also be used for some sentenced offenders serving their sentence locally who are unable to participate in other Alternative Programs, like Community Service or Sheriff’s Work Crew.

Service Descriptions
This level maintains 3.0 FTE Deputy Sheriffs to manage the EMP program. EMP utilizes a range of monitoring equipment to help achieve accountability and community safety. The GPS ankle monitors have designated “exclusion” and or “inclusion” zones, as well as designated curfews allowing staff to build custom monitoring services based upon each individual’s circumstances. Another monitoring option is alcohol monitors, which requires the participant to provide a test at random or selected times to ensure compliance and provides GPS points for each test performed. The newest monitoring option is the aCheck smart phone app where the participant performs scheduled or on demand check-ins prompted through the app. Each check in on the app is verified through facial recognition and or voice recognition if both biometrics are being utilized for verification. This app has several features; which include a shared calendar to set appointments, a chat feature, the ability to upload documents, set “exclusion” and or “inclusion” zones, and each check in provides a GPS point of where the check in occurred. EMP monitors approximately 100-120 individuals a day which equates to 494 unique Pre-Trial defendants and sentenced offenders in FY 20/21 supervised by EMP. This next fiscal year, EMP will grow to approximately 150 individuals being monitored each day with a goal to grow the program even further as technology expands. EMP is vital in assisting with the management of hard jail beds. Best practices indicate that individuals who are able to maintain employment, housing and community ties are less likely to reoffend. EMP provides individuals the opportunity to be productive members of the community while maneuvering through the court system.

State/Federal Mandate
ORS 137.520 requires the Sheriff to operate a jail. Also, sentences emanating from Lane County Circuit Court are state mandates. Related statutes include ORS 144.087, ORS 169.005, ORS 169.076, ORS 169.320.

Leverage Details
The General Fund portion of this program leverages the following:
- $0 back to the Discretionary General Fund
- $0 into other non Discretionary County Funds
- $0 directly to community members (child support payments)