

State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety
Support
Component

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Component Mission

The mission of the Division of Alaska State Troopers is to preserve the public peace and to protect life and property.

Component Services Provided

The Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) BRU consists of three components that provide funding to support the VPSO program. The three components include VPSO Contracts, VPSO Support and VPSO Administration.

Throughout rural Alaska, the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) is often the only person responsible for a broad range of public safety needs. These include law enforcement support duties, emergency medical services, search and rescue missions, water safety and fire prevention activities. Currently eighty-five VPSOs present an ongoing positive public safety presence in eighty-four rural communities. VPSOs also often assist Troopers in alcohol and drug enforcement efforts.

VPSO oversight troopers and detachment troopers travel regularly to all villages under their oversight. During these visits troopers provide training through special VPSO training modules on specific subjects such as report writing and search and rescue coordination. The close working relationship developed between VPSOs and Troopers helps VPSOs in carrying out their duties, as well as assuring the VPSOs that the state troopers will be there during crisis situations.

VPSOs are employees of native regional non-profit corporations that share in direction of VPSOs' daily activities with village leaders and troopers. VPSOs prevent child abuse, prevent domestic violence, reduce aggravated assaults, prevent injuries, save lives and protect property in rural Alaska.

The VPSO Support component includes thirteen state positions that communicate on a daily basis with VPSOs, native nonprofit corporations, state and federal agencies, and village leaders working in a partnership to meet the demands of rural public safety. While providing expertise and oversight to VPSOs carrying out their duties, these positions identify training needs, equipment needs and supply requirements, which are funded through this component.

Component Goals and Strategies

The goals of the VPSO Support component are to: (1) provide hands-on support to the VPSOs by telephone and routine village visits which involve remaining in the villages overnight, during which training and oversight are routinely provided as is participation with the village elders and community leaders in establishing an effective public safety program; (2) expand training for VPSOs through their participation in Department of Public Safety, Alaska Police Standard Council, and other training in addition to their basic and regional training to enhance their ability to accomplish their mission and provide an effective service to their community; and, (3) ensure each VPSO's work meets public safety standards set by the community and the state.

Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002

See VPSO BRU Narrative.

Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000

See VPSO BRU Narrative.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

- 1) DPS - Powers and duties of department (AS 44.41.020)
- 2) State Troopers (AS 18.65.010-110)
- 3) VPSO is a Peace Officer (AS 01.10.060(7)(c))
- 4) VPSO Program (AS 18.65.670)
- 5) VPSO Regulations (13 AAC 96.010-900)

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Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	1,178.7	1,190.8	1,191.5
72000 Travel	96.0	136.7	154.3
73000 Contractual	322.1	404.1	368.1
74000 Supplies	105.0	67.9	86.4
75000 Equipment	5.9	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	1,707.7	1,799.5	1,800.3
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	1,707.7	1,741.7	1,800.3
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	0.0	50.0	0.0
1053 Investment Loss Trust Fund	0.0	7.8	0.0
Funding Totals	1,707.7	1,799.5	1,800.3

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2001 Cash Estimate	FY2002 Governor	FY2003 Forecast
Unrestricted Revenues						
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues						
Interagency Receipts	51015	0.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Investment Loss Trust Fund	51393	0.0	7.8	7.8	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		0.0	57.8	7.8	0.0	0.0
Total Estimated Revenues		0.0	57.8	7.8	0.0	0.0

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Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002

Included in the VPSO Support component is \$60.4 GF for support costs such as training, uniforms, and oversight travel associated with the funding of twenty new VPSO Officers as part of the Governor's Rural Law Enforcement Initiative.

All other budget changes are technical adjustments.

Summary of Component Budget Changes From FY2001 Authorized to FY2002 Governor

All dollars in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2001 Authorized	1,749.5	0.0	50.0	1,799.5
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-RP#1210044 - VPSO Admin / Support	-10.3	0.0	0.0	-10.3
-Year 2 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY2001	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.7
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Delete Excess I/A Receipts	0.0	0.0	-50.0	-50.0
Proposed budget increases:				
-VPSO Support Costs Associated with Twenty New VPSO Officers	60.4	0.0	0.0	60.4
FY2002 Governor	1,800.3	0.0	0.0	1,800.3

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Personal Services Information

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor		
Full-time	13	13	Annual Salaries	801,565
Part-time	0	0	COLA	19,307
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	99,303
			Annual Benefits	288,902
			<i>Less 1.45% Vacancy Factor</i>	<i>(17,577)</i>
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	13	13	Total Personal Services	1,191,500

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk I	0	0	0	1	1
Administrative Clerk II	1	0	0	1	2
Aircraft Pilot I	0	0	0	1	1
Lieutenant PS	1	0	0	0	1
Sergeant PS	1	0	0	0	1
State Trooper	0	1	0	6	7
Totals	3	1	0	9	13