

State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety
Judicial Services-Anchorage
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

Judicial Services is responsible for providing security to the Alaska Court System, the safe transportation of inmates to and from court, between correctional institutions, and the extradition of wanted persons to and from the state, as well as the timely service of legal process.

The security provided by Judicial Services includes protection of the judiciary, security of the court buildings, and maintaining peace and order in the court rooms. The prisoners transported by Judicial Services include felons, misdemeanants, and fugitives. The writs served include subpoenas, summons and complaints, writs of assistance, evictions, executions, child custody orders, mental health commitments, domestic violence protective orders, and several other types of court process.

By statute, the Commissioner of Public Safety is the Executive Officer of the Alaska Supreme Court. In Anchorage, responsibilities are carried out by personnel assigned to the Judicial Services component within the Division of Alaska State Troopers. Service requests are generated by components of the Criminal Justice System (the Departments' of Administration - Public Defender Agency and the Office of Public Advocacy, Corrections and Law), the Department of Health and Social Services, Department of Revenue, Federal and Municipal Law Enforcement agencies - inside and outside Alaska, and the public. The troopers and officers of this unit transport prisoners within and outside of Alaska. In many cases it is necessary for two or more troopers to accompany prisoners on these escort duties. Troopers assigned to the unit also serve warrants and civil process writs.

Component Goals and Strategies

To provide a safe and secure environment for the administration of justice by protecting the public, judges, and other employees from violence. In addition to courtroom protection and prisoner transportation, Court Service Officers and Troopers are tasked to serve civil and criminal process papers and arrest warrants in a timely manner. Their goal is to process an estimated 38,800 writs by prioritizing the most serious court papers to serve and execute an estimated 11,000 felony and misdemeanor warrants by prioritizing the most serious arrests to pursue. Successful completion of this goal will enable Judicial Services to stay current with its workload and avoid backlogs which can hamper the administration of justice.

Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002

The number of Court Services Officers (CSOs) located around the state are inadequate to properly provide court security, move prisoners and serve court writs. Since the development of the CSO program as a cost effective method of providing the statutorily mandated support of the Court System, the number of CSO positions has not kept pace with the increase in criminal and civil cases, and the increase in number of judges or courts to be served.

Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000

Judicial Service units are located statewide in the following locations: Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Palmer and Nome. In total these offices accomplished the following in FY 2000.

9,366 warrants received
11,348 warrants served or closed
38,307 writs received
38,421 writs served or closed

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

- 1) Judicial Services duties (AS 22.20.100)
- 2) Prisoner Transportation (AS 33.30.071 & 081)
- 3) State Troopers (AS 18.65.010-110)

Judicial Services-Anchorage
Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	1,715.4	1,750.7	1,747.2
72000 Travel	1.5	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	159.3	161.4	164.3
74000 Supplies	12.7	34.9	34.9
75000 Equipment	0.0	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	1,888.9	1,947.0	1,946.4
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	1,831.8	1,885.4	1,893.4
1005 General Fund/Program Receipts	32.1	0.0	0.0
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	25.0	0.0	0.0
1053 Investment Loss Trust Fund	0.0	9.7	0.0
1156 Receipt Supported Services	0.0	51.9	53.0
Funding Totals	1,888.9	1,947.0	1,946.4

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	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Fund Program Receipts	51060	32.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Receipt Supported Services	51073	0.0	51.9	51.9	53.0	53.0
Investment Loss Trust Fund	51393	0.0	9.7	9.7	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		57.1	61.6	61.6	53.0	53.0
Total Estimated Revenues		57.1	61.6	61.6	53.0	53.0

Judicial Services-Anchorage**Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002**

The current level of service will be maintained without significant changes.

**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	1,895.1	0.0	51.9	1,947.0
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Convert Special FY2001 Labor Cost Fund Sources to GF	-0.9	0.0	0.9	0.0
-Year 2 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY2001	-3.7	0.0	0.2	-3.5
Proposed budget increases:				
-HWCF Vehicle Rate Increases	2.9	0.0	0.0	2.9
FY2002 Governor	1,893.4	0.0	53.0	1,946.4

Judicial Services-Anchorage**Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor		
Full-time	26	26	Annual Salaries	1,196,680
Part-time	0	0	COLA	29,350
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	109,013
			Annual Benefits	471,134
			<i>Less 3.27% Vacancy Factor</i>	(58,977)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	26	26	Total Personal Services	1,747,200

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk II	5	0	0	0	5
Administrative Clerk III	2	0	0	0	2
Court Services Officer	15	0	0	0	15
Lieutenant PS	1	0	0	0	1
Sergeant PS	2	0	0	0	2
State Trooper	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	26	0	0	0	26