

State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Judicial Services-Anchorage Component Budget Summary

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Contribution to Department's Mission

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

Core Services

By statute, the commissioner of the Department of Public Safety is the executive officer of the Alaska Supreme Court. Across the state, those responsibilities are carried out by personnel assigned to the Judicial Services' component within the Division of Alaska State Troopers. Alaska State Troopers and Court Service Officers (CSOs) staff Judicial Services' units. Troopers allocated to patrol and investigative assignments assist the troopers and officers assigned to Judicial Services. 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 public and the judiciary, security of the court buildings and facilities, and maintaining peace and order in the courtrooms. Prisoners transported by Judicial Services include felons, misdemeanants, and fugitives. These prisoners are transported between institutions, between an institution and the courthouse, and to doctor's appointments. Prisoners are then guarded while at the courthouse and doctor's office.

Troopers and officers assigned to Judicial Services transport prisoners within and outside of Alaska. Prisoners who are transported outside require two escorts and the trip can take several days to complete.

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.

Service requests are generated by various agencies within criminal justice system, including: Public Defender Agency, Office of Public Advocacy, Department of Corrections, Department of Law, Department of Health and Social Services, Department of Revenue, federal and municipal law enforcement agencies inside and outside Alaska, and the public.

FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2005 Component Budget: \$2,185,500	Personnel:	
	Full time	27
	Part time	0
	Total	27

Key Component Challenges

The number of court services officers (CSOs) located around the state is inadequate to properly provide court security, move prisoners, and serve court writs. Over the years, the number of CSO positions has not kept pace with the increase in criminal and civil cases, and the increase in the number of judges or courts to be served. At least ten new court security officers are needed statewide. However, given the fiscal restraints facing the state, additional funding is not currently available. To help alleviate the situation, in FY2004 DPS will identify positions that can be reclassified to create five new court security officer positions. Existing funds will be reallocated to support these new positions. Although this will be a significant step forward, additional funding for more court security officers will likely be needed in the future.

The Department of Law added helping victims collect restitution judgments issued by the court to the duties of its Collections unit. This has resulted in process that has to be served on every correctional institution and financial

institution statewide.

The closure of the Kotzebue contract jail has caused an increase of prisoner moves from Kotzebue to Nome.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

No significant change in current level of services is anticipated.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

Judicial Services (JS) units are located statewide in Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Fairbanks, Homer, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Palmer, and Nome. These offices collectively accomplished the following in FY2003.

- warrants received 8,803
- warrants served or closed 8,350
- writs received 29,393
- writs served or closed 28,239

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

DPS - Powers and duties of department (AS 44.41.020)
State Troopers (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.110)
Police Protection (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.790)
Law enforcement duties (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.086)
Controlled Substances (AS 11.71.010 - AS 11.71.900)

Judicial Services (AS 22.20.100 - AS 22.20.140)
Prisoner Transportation (AS 33.30.071 and AS 33.30.081)
Search & Rescue (AS 18.60.120 - AS 18.60.175)

Village Public Safety Officer Definition (AS 01.10.060(c)(7)(C))
VPSO Program (AS 18.65.670)
VPSO Regulations (13 AAC 96.010-900)
Concealed Handgun Permits (AS 18.65.700)
Security Guard Licensing (AS 18.65.400 - AS 18.65.410)
Sex Offender Registration (AS 12.63.010 - AS 12.63.100)
Central Registry of Sex Offenders (AS 18.65.087)
Department to assist other agencies (AS 18.65.090)
Document and disseminate information regarding homicides (AS 44.41.040)
Document and investigate missing persons (AS 18.65.610)
Investigate fires resulting from crimes (AS 18.70.030)
Investigate sexual assault and child exploitation (AS 18.65.086)

Aeronautics (AS 02)
Criminal (AS 11)
Environment (AS 46)
Fish & Game (AS 16)
Fish & Game (5 AAC)
Guide/Outfitting (12 AAC)
Guide/Outfitting (AS 08)
Health & Safety (AS 18)
Limited Entry (20 AAC)
State Government (AS 44)

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Judicial Services-Anchorage Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	1,638.9	1,933.8	1,934.6
72000 Travel	0.9	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	167.3	236.6	241.6
74000 Supplies	7.3	34.9	9.3
75000 Equipment	0.8	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	1,815.2	2,205.3	2,185.5
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	1,772.3	2,158.6	2,137.5
1156 Receipt Supported Services	42.9	46.7	48.0
Funding Totals	1,815.2	2,205.3	2,185.5

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<u>Unrestricted Revenues</u>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
<u>Restricted Revenues</u>				
Receipt Supported Services	51073	42.9	46.7	48.0
Restricted Total		42.9	46.7	48.0
Total Estimated Revenues		42.9	46.7	48.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2004 Authorized	2,158.6	0.0	46.7	2,205.3
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Transfer PCN 12-1183 State Trooper & 12-1685 CSO from JS-Anch to Detachments - ADN 1240081	-185.5	0.0	0.0	-185.5
-Transfer dispatcher position from AST and reclassify to Court Services Officer	54.6	0.0	0.0	54.6
-Transfer administrative position from Admin. Services and reclassify to Court Services Officer	40.0	0.0	0.0	40.0
-Changes to Retirement and Other Personal Services Rates	69.8	0.0	1.3	71.1
FY2005 Governor	2,137.5	0.0	48.0	2,185.5

**Judicial Services-Anchorage
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor		
Full-time	27	27	Annual Salaries	1,292,792
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	75,523
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	668,124
			<i>Less 5.00% Vacancy Factor</i>	<i>(101,822)</i>
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	27	27	Total Personal Services	1,934,617

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Accounting Clerk I	2	0	0	0	2
Administrative Clerk II	3	0	0	0	3
Administrative Clerk III	2	0	0	0	2
Court Services Officer	16	0	0	0	16
Lieutenant PS	1	0	0	0	1
Sergeant PS	2	0	0	0	2
State Trooper	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	27	0	0	0	27