



Multnomah County District Attorney's Office Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee

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Multnomah County District Attorney's Office

MISSION

To provide the citizens of Multnomah County with fair, timely, and cost-effective justice services.

District Attorney's Office Services

- The District Attorney's office reviews and prosecutes criminal cases presented by seven police agencies within the county; represents the State in cases of juvenile dependency and delinquency; enforces child support orders; and provides services to victims.
- The office works in collaborative partnership with other public safety and social service organizations to prevent and intervene in domestic violence, elder abuse, child abuse, and to eliminate chronic sources of crime through appropriate sanctions, supervision and treatment programs.
- Felony and misdemeanor units, programs that specialize in prosecuting specific crimes and support services for victims, enable the office to respond effectively to community safety issues and victims of crime.

FISCAL YEAR 2007 CASE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Felony trial units** – 8,716 cases reviewed
 - The Property Crime unit – 2,290 cases reviewed
 - The Drug Crime unit - 3,126 cases reviewed
 - The Domestic Violence unit – 756 cases reviewed
- **Misdemeanor trial units** – 20,538 cases reviewed
 - Domestic Violence unit - 2,828 misdemeanor and 548 violation of restraining order cases reviewed
- **Victims Assistance Program** - \$2,048,495 victims restitution collected
- **Child Support Enforcement** - \$32.4 million collected
- **Juvenile Delinquency** - 1661 cases reviewed
- **Juvenile Dependency** - 672 cases involving 934 children
- **Termination of Parental Rights** - 152 children freed for adoption

Achievements



- Created an online docketing system that informs victims and witnesses of felony trial notices. The system reduces the number of phone calls and has recently averaged 450 to 500 visits per month.
- Worked closely with our system partners to improve domestic violence case investigation, offender accountability and support for victims.
- Received federal Meth Initiative funding to target drug, property crime and juvenile cases as well as providing mentorship services to meth affected parents of children at risk.
- Collaborated with the Portland Police Bureau, Department of Community Justice and the Sheriff's Office to create the Neighborhood Livability Crime Enforcement Program which targets chronic non-violent offenders in the downtown and surrounding area.
- With the leadership of Commissioner Naito and the Board, Phase I of the Warrant Project is nearly complete and yielded warrant deactivation and case dismissals for approximately 5,000 felony cases, 2,200 aging misdemeanor cases and we anticipate at least 2,000 more misdemeanor dismissals in the next few months. In addition the partnership between the DA's Office and the MCSO Warrant Strike Team generated 675 documented service attempts and 155 arrests, including 17 arrests in Ballot Measure 11 cases.
- Worked with state and local public safety partners to initiate a feasibility study for an integrated Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS).

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE



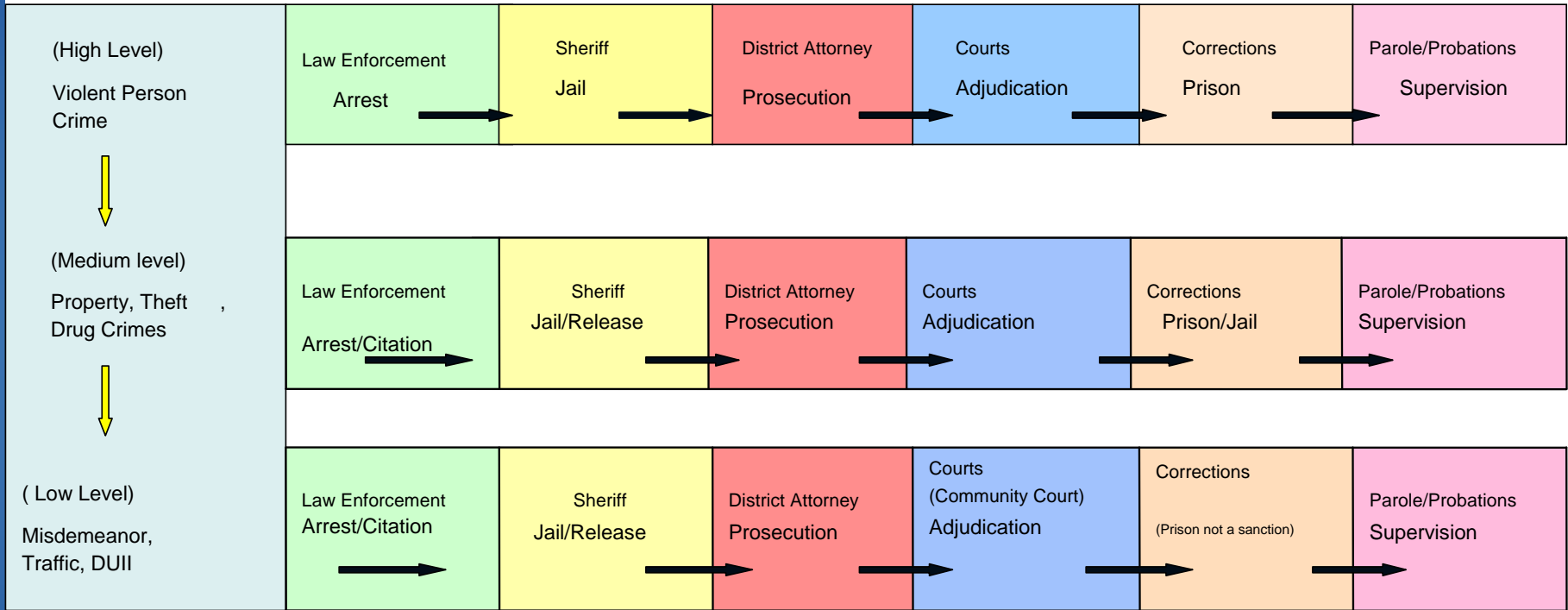
- The District Attorney's Office works collaboratively and cooperatively with its public safety partners to maintain a balanced, fair and effective system, based on the *stream of offenders* strategy, that protects the citizens of Multnomah County and reduces the crime rate.
- Holding offenders accountable, protecting children, bringing a sense of justice to the victims of crime and innovative programs that reach out and engage citizens in the development of crime prevention and protection strategies are the core themes that run throughout the program offers submitted by the District Attorney's Office.
- Fourteen program offers have been submitted which meet the District Attorney's Office general fund target of **\$19,799,786**, and include other funding sources equaling **\$6,542,697** for an all funds budget totaling **\$26,642,481**.
- In addition two program offers (15014B Juvenile Trial, 15018B Neighborhood DA) have been submitted outside of the general fund target. Each of these represents a Deputy District Attorney position lost in order to meet the constraint target.

STREAMS OF OFFENDERS

BALANCED PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM

Offender Stream

Public Safety Partners



A system that can address a continuum of crimes and offenders with an appropriate and proportional level of response.



District Attorney's Office Program Offers

District Attorney Felony Programs Offers

- 15008- Felony Trial Unit A-Property
- 15009- Felony Trial Unit B-Drugs
- 15010- Felony Trial Unit C-Gangs
- 15011- Felony Trial Unit D
- 15012- Felony Pre-Trial
- 15013- Investigations

District Attorney Family and Community Justice Programs

- 15014A- Juvenile Court Trial Unit
- 15015- Domestic Violence Unit
- 15016- MDT-Child Abuse
- 15017- Misdemeanor/Community Court
- 15018A- Neighborhood DA
- 15019- Victims Assistance
- 15020- Child Support Enforcement

Other

- 15007- Medical Examiner

Outside of General Fund Target

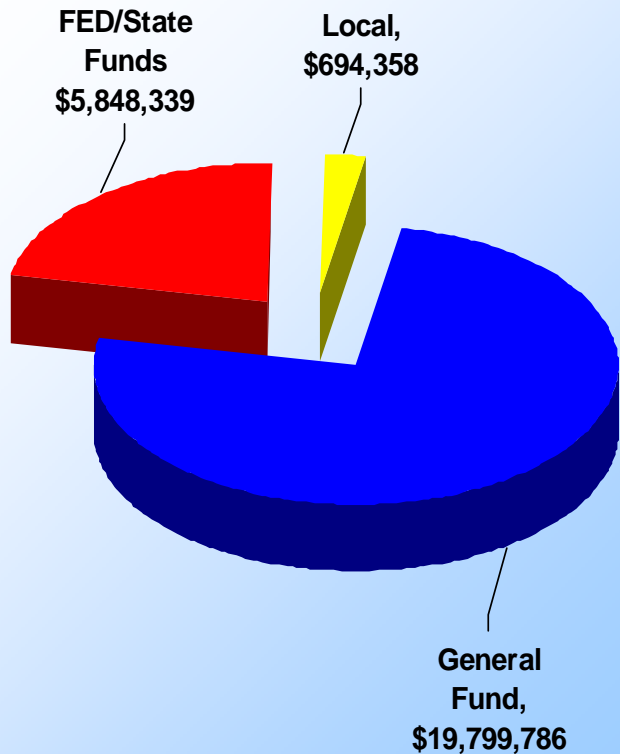
- 51014B- Juvenile Court Trial Deputy District Attorney
- 15018B- Neighborhood DA Deputy District Attorney



DISTRICT ATTORNEY BUDGET

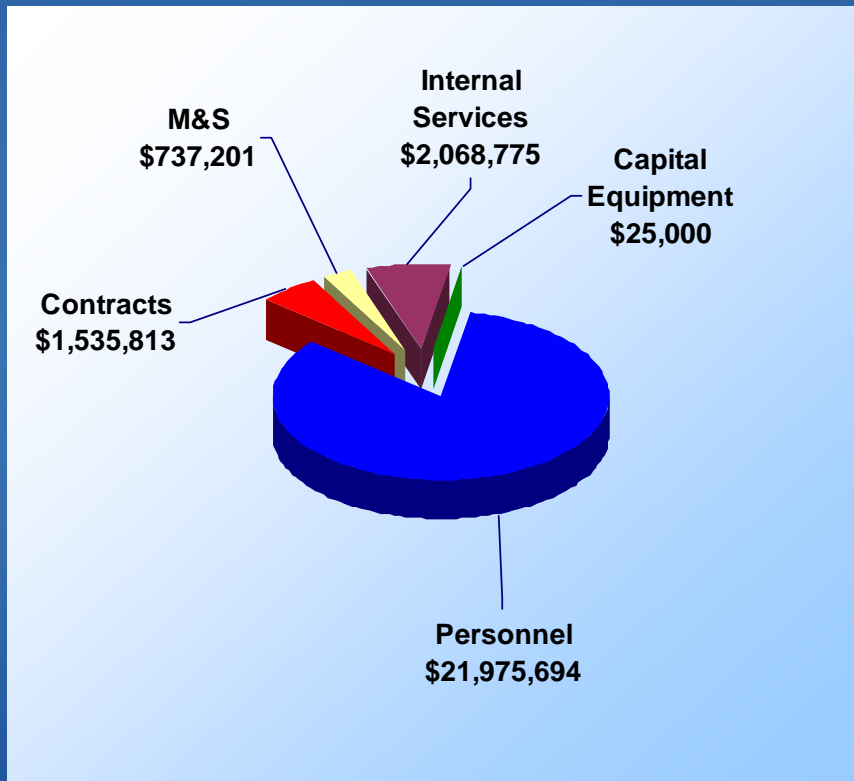
FY09 Funding

\$26,342,483



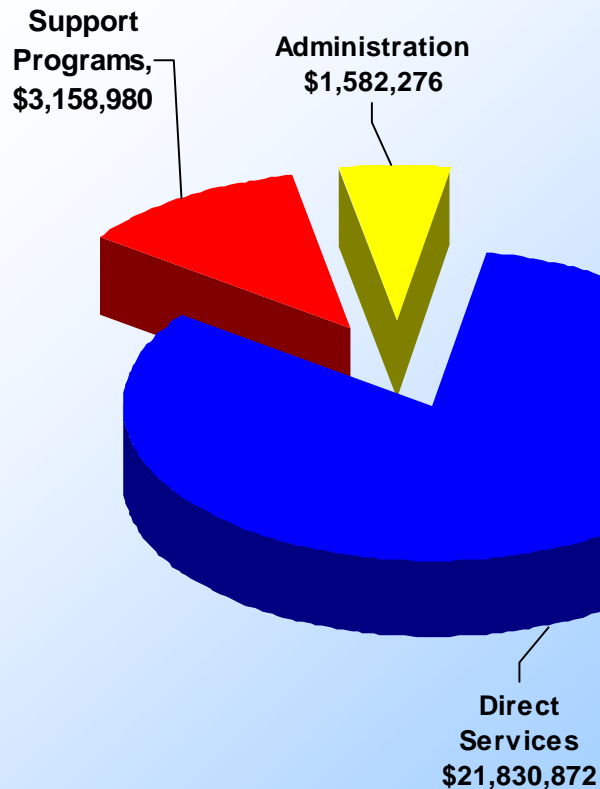
- 75 % General Fund
- 22% Federal/State
- 3% Local

District Attorney Budget Cost Breakdown Total \$26,342,483



- Personnel 83.4%
- Internal Services 7.8%
- Contracts/Professional Services 5.8%
(Includes \$802,794 CAMI pass-thru)
- Materials & Services 2.8%
- Capital Equipment .2 %

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FY09 Program Offer Breakdown \$26,342,483



- 83 % Direct Services
- 11% Support Services
- 6% Administration

Program Offer and Budget

Changes from FY08

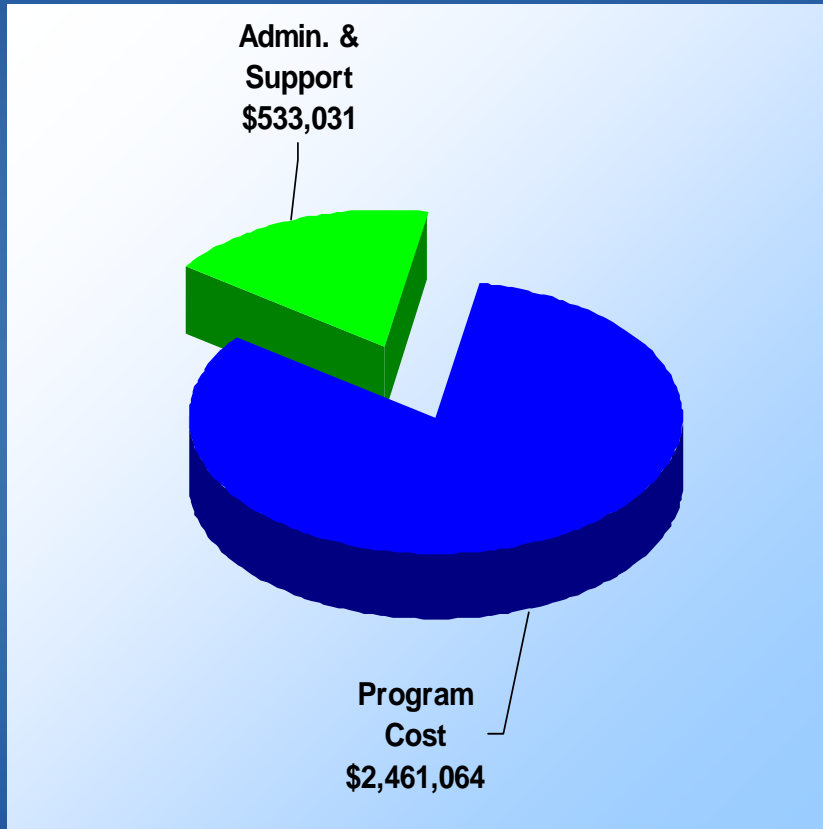
- In fiscal year 2008 one program offer (15021 DA Office Warrants) added 1.5 positions dedicated to reducing the backlog of warrants. In the fiscal year 2009 budget submittal 1 clerical position has been included in program offer 15012 Felony Pre-Trial to continue working with the Warrant Task Force.
- The fiscal year 2009 budget submittal contains an increase of 11% or \$741,076 in federal, state and local funding. Of this a total of \$698,245 represents new funding received after adoption of the 2007/2008 budget for the COPS Meth Initiative, Juvenile Dependency and Chronic Offender prosecution.
- The District Attorney's Office submitted program offers representing current service level only.



Program Offers Impacted
By The
Executive Budget

Juvenile Trial Unit

Program Offer 15014A

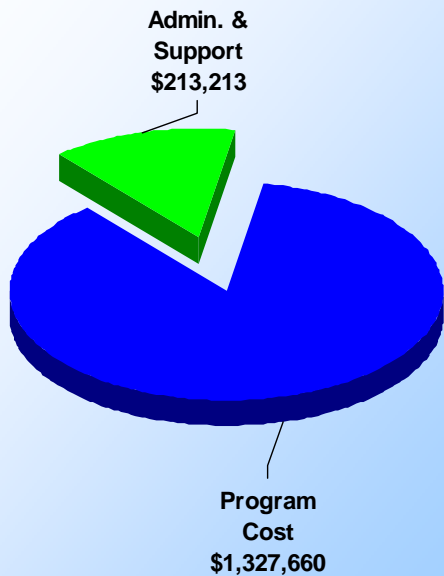


- **Total Cost \$2,994,095**
(Includes Admin. & Support)
- **High, Medium and Low Level Juvenile Offenders- Delinquency Cases**
- **Termination Parental Rights and Dependency Cases**
- **FY07 Dependency Cases- 672**
- **FY07 Children Protected- 934**

Includes loss of 1 DDA 2- \$109,273 from current service level, requested in Program Offer 15014B

Neighborhood DA

Program Offer 15018A



- Total Program Cost
\$1,540,873 (Includes Admin. & Support)
- Low Level Offenders
- Misdemeanors, Crime Strategies, Engaging Communities
- FY07 Cases Reviewed- 5,652
- FY07 Cases Issued- 4,864
- FY06 Problem Solving Contacts- 13,975
- Deputy District Attorneys- 6.8
Includes loss of 1 DDA 2- \$120,371 requested in 15018B

Workforce Impacts

Positions lost

- 3.5 Deputy District Attorneys
- .5 Medical Examiner Office Assistant 1

Impacts to Services

- Neighborhood DA- 2,000 fewer contacts with citizens, business leaders and law enforcement in Neighborhood Districts and approximately 800 quality of life crime impacted.
- Juvenile Deputy-Less involvement in Juvenile case planning conferences, longer time frame for legal sufficiency reviews, less interaction with families and community.
- Warrant Deputy- The DA Deputy work will be largely completed by the end of the current fiscal year with any remaining backlog the responsibility of the Warrant clerical position and individual trial units.
- COPS Deputy- .5 Deputy District Attorney assigned to work with the Portland Police Bureau's Drug and Vice Division. Participates in the investigative process, advises investigators on search and seizure issues, and is available to review warrant applications. The DDA handles the prosecution of cases initiated by DVD from indictment to conviction.
- Medical Examiner OA 1- position is on-call and funding has been budgeted to continue the work. No impact to services.

Federal/State Impacts

Federal Revenue

- **Federal grant opportunities**

Grant funding and opportunities continue to dry up at the federal level. At risk in FY09 are Justice Assistance Grants and Project Safe Neighborhoods grants which will likely have sharp reductions.

- **Stomp Out Meth Project**

Multnomah County's received a Congressional earmark for this program and will ask for a second year of this Federal Appropriations request. The comprehensive package that includes enforcement, prevention, treatment and prosecution.

State Revenue

- In 2007/2008 \$235K in State general fund backfilled a loss of federal match dollars in the Child Support Program and will make funding available again in 2008/2009.

- The State Department of Justice has provided funding for Juvenile Dependency for the current biennium. The \$377K supports a Deputy DA and Clerical position for the two year period.

Issues and Challenges

Policy Issues

- Comprehensive Public Safety Plan
- Balance within the Public Safety System
- Resource Allocation

Short/Long Term Concerns

- Methamphetamine related Drug and Property Crimes
- Elder Abuse Crimes (physical, mental, financial)
- Mental Health Court
- Available Federal/State funding
- Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS)
- Initiative 40 and SB 1087