

Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

DPS32000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Legislative FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	1,461	1,461	1,466	1,466	1,465	1,467	2
Cannabis Regulatory Fund	2	2	2	2	2	2	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Legislative FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	175,691,719	187,137,710	190,161,731	180,361,731	180,911,731	180,561,731	(350,000)
Other Expenses	36,564,787	37,560,248	34,749,783	34,715,572	43,032,873	43,032,873	-
Other Current Expenses							
Stress Reduction	130,320	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fleet Purchase	7,063,650	7,713,276	7,449,099	7,782,053	8,317,320	8,317,320	-
Criminal Justice Information System	4,967,691	5,476,045	4,763,320	4,763,320	4,568,027	4,763,320	195,293
CRISIS	-	-	400,000	1,800,000	1,800,000	2,050,000	250,000
Law Enforcement Training Partnerships	-	-	765,000	2,050,000	1,700,000	2,050,000	350,000
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
Fire Training School - Willimantic	242,176	242,176	242,176	242,176	242,176	262,176	20,000
Maintenance of County Base Fire Radio Network	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	-
Maintenance of State-Wide Fire Radio Network	12,996	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	-
Police Association of Connecticut	107,410	107,010	172,353	172,353	172,353	172,353	-
Connecticut State Firefighter's Association	175,887	242,268	236,625	176,625	306,625	306,625	-
Fire Training School - Torrington	172,267	172,267	172,267	172,267	172,267	192,267	20,000
Fire Training School - New Haven	108,364	108,364	108,364	108,364	108,364	128,364	20,000
Fire Training School - Derby	50,639	50,639	50,639	50,639	50,639	70,639	20,000
Fire Training School - Wolcott	171,162	171,162	171,162	171,162	171,162	191,162	20,000
Fire Training School - Fairfield	127,500	127,501	127,501	127,501	127,501	147,501	20,000
Fire Training School - Hartford	176,836	176,836	176,836	176,836	176,836	196,836	20,000
Fire Training School - Middletown	70,970	70,970	70,970	70,970	70,970	90,970	20,000
Fire Training School - Stamford	75,540	75,541	75,541	75,541	75,541	95,541	20,000
Various Grants	-	-	-	-	1,537,600	2,858,112	1,320,512
Grant Payments to Local Governments							
Volunteer Firefighter Training	58,721	42,496	140,000	140,000	140,000	140,000	-
Agency Total - General Fund	225,988,163	239,507,034	240,065,892	233,189,635	243,714,510	245,660,315	1,945,805
Personal Services	157,028	88,025	509,758	509,758	509,758	509,758	-
Other Expenses	-	11,527	124,000	124,000	124,000	124,000	-
Agency Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	157,028	99,552	633,758	633,758	633,758	633,758	-
Total - Appropriated Funds	226,145,191	239,606,586	240,699,650	233,823,393	244,348,268	246,294,073	1,945,805

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Legislative FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding for Various Fire and Police Grants

Various Grants	-	1,261,112	1,261,112
Total - General Fund	-	1,261,112	1,261,112

Legislative

Provide funding of \$1,261,112 in FY 27 as follows:

- \$800,000 to Plainville for purchase of a fire truck
- \$106,112 to Ball Pond Fire Department for roof and parking lot repairs
- \$100,000 to Baltic Fire Engine Company No. 1 for infrastructure/vehicles
- \$100,000 to Middletown for a fire training facility
- \$100,000 to Newington Police Department for participation in the Greater Hartford Regional Car Theft Task Force
- \$30,000 to Marlborough Volunteer Fire Company for equipment and station repairs
- \$25,000 to Newington Volunteer Fire Department for Fire Station #3 Footprint Expansion

Appendix A identifies the FY 27 recipients of legislatively directed funds. Adjustments to funding amounts or recipient allocations contained in the FY 27 Revised Budget are detailed at the end of the agency's budget sheets.

Provide Funding to Expand the CRISIS Initiative Statewide

CRISIS	-	250,000	250,000
Total - General Fund	-	250,000	250,000

Background

The CRISIS initiative (Connection to Recovery through Intervention, Support and Initiating Services) supports a partnership with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to provide dedicated clinical mental health staff at each troop for five days per week. Section 14 of PA 26-12 requires DESPP and DMHAS to expand the CRISIS initiative statewide by January 1, 2027.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$250,000 in FY 27 to expand the CRISIS initiative statewide.

Provide Funding for Grants for Junior Firefighter Programs

Various Grants	-	50,000	50,000
Total - General Fund	-	50,000	50,000

Background

Section 39 of PA 26-12 requires the State Fire Administrator within DESPP to establish and administer a grant program for the purposes of providing grants-in-aid to junior firefighter programs administered by volunteer fire departments.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$50,000 in FY 27 for grants-in-aid to junior firefighter programs administered by volunteer fire departments.

Provide Funding for Regional Fire Training Schools

Fire Training School - Willimantic	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Torrington	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - New Haven	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Derby	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Wolcott	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Fairfield	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Hartford	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Middletown	-	20,000	20,000
Fire Training School - Stamford	-	20,000	20,000
Total - General Fund	-	180,000	180,000

Background

There are nine regional fire training schools in the state. These schools are not part of DESPP organizationally but have historically received financial support from the agency.

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Legislative

Provide funding of \$180,000 in FY 27 to the regional fire training schools for continuing education for volunteer firefighters as defined by the Education Committee of the CT State Firefighters Association & National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) 1403-compliant live fire training. These funds can be used to offer free and reduced-cost courses and NFPA 1403-compliant live fire training.

Provide Funding for a Deputy Commissioner

Personal Services	200,000	200,000	-
Total - General Fund	200,000	200,000	-
Positions - General Fund	1	1	-

Background

Since the establishment of DESPP in 2011, the agency has been authorized to have two deputy commissioners. Section 63 of PA 26-28, the FY 27 Revised Budget, as amended by PA 26-76, authorizes a third deputy commissioner.

Governor

Provide funding of \$200,000 in FY 27 for a third deputy commissioner position.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Transfer Legislative Grants to a Separate Account

Other Expenses	(1,547,000)	(1,547,000)	-
Various Grants	1,547,000	1,547,000	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	-

Governor

Transfer funding of \$1,547,000 from the Other Expenses account to the Various Grants account in FY 27.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Maintain Legislative Grants

Various Grants	(9,400)	-	9,400
Total - General Fund	(9,400)	-	9,400

Governor

Reduce the Various Grants account by \$9,400 in FY 27 to reflect a reduction of 20% to legislative grants.

Legislative

Maintain funding for legislative grants.

Maintain Funding for Training Curriculum Staff

Personal Services	350,000	-	(350,000)
Law Enforcement Training Partnerships	(350,000)	-	350,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	-

Background

The FY 26 and FY 27 Budget created the Law Enforcement Training Partnerships account to fund the establishment of a social work and law enforcement project at Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU) and establish a police training center at Central Connecticut State University (CCSU). Included within this funding are three new Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POST-C) staff to develop a training curriculum for police officers' interactions with persons who have mental illness or mental or physical disabilities.

The Governor's Recommended Budget reallocates these POST-C training curriculum staff from the Law Enforcement Training Partnerships account to Personal Services.

Governor

Reallocate funding of \$350,000 in FY 27 from Law Enforcement Training Partnerships to Personal Services.

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Legislative FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Legislative

Maintain funding for training curriculum staff in the Law Enforcement Training Partnerships account.

Maintain Information Technology Functions in the Agency

Criminal Justice Information System	(195,293)	-	195,293
Total - General Fund	(195,293)	-	195,293
Positions - General Fund	(2)	-	2

Background

The Department of Administrative Services (DAS), including the Bureau of Information Technology Solutions (BITS) within DAS, provides information technology services for various state agencies.

The Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) operates under an administrative purposes only agreement with DESPP.

Governor

Transfer funding of \$195,293 and two positions from CJIS to DAS in FY 27.

Legislative

IT positions and funding are retained in CJIS.

Current Services**Provide Funding for State Police Equipment**

Other Expenses	9,864,301	9,864,301	-
Total - General Fund	9,864,301	9,864,301	-

Background

The Governor's Recommended Budget provides funding to support the annual costs of Connecticut State Police technology and equipment, including body-worn cameras, vehicle cameras, interview room cameras, next-generation tasers, a digital evidence management system, and various law enforcement software solutions.

Governor

Provide funding of \$9,864,301 in FY 27 for State Police equipment.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Fleet Lease Obligations

Fleet Purchase	535,267	535,267	-
Total - General Fund	535,267	535,267	-

Background

DESPP maintains a fleet of approximately 1,861 vehicles, of which 1,492 are used primarily by sworn law enforcement officers. Nearly 58% of sworn vehicles are more than five years old and 20% of sworn vehicles are both more than five years old and over 150,000 miles.

Governor

Provide funding of \$535,267 in FY 27 to cover the costs of new fleet leases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Connecticut State Firefighter's Association	130,000	130,000	-
Total - General Fund	130,000	130,000	-

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Background

The Connecticut State Firefighters Association (CSFA) manages firefighter death and disability payments for their members. The CSFA account provides funding, through DESPP, to the CSFA to support this program.

Governor

Provide funding of \$130,000 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Carryforward

Provide Funding for the Bridgeport Police Department Drone Program

Other Expenses	-	500,000	500,000
Total - Carryforward Funding	-	500,000	500,000

Background

The FY 26 and FY 27 Budget provided \$500,000 in FY 26 for the Bridgeport Police Department Drone Program.

Legislative

Carry forward funding of \$500,000 from FY 26 to FY 27 for the Bridgeport Police Department Drone Program.

Social Work and Law Enforcement Project and Police Training Center

Law Enforcement Training Partnerships	-	850,000	850,000
Total - Carryforward Funding	-	850,000	850,000

Background

The FY 26 and FY 27 Budget provided \$850,000 in FY 26 and \$2,050,000 in FY 27 for a social work and law enforcement project and police training center.

Legislative

Carry forward funding of \$850,000 from FY 26 to FY 27 for a social work and law enforcement project and police training center. The FY 27 funding from the FY 26 and FY 27 Budget additionally remains in place.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Legislative FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	233,189,635	233,189,635	-
Policy Revisions	(4,693)	1,941,112	1,945,805
Current Services	10,529,568	10,529,568	-
Total Recommended - GF	243,714,510	245,660,315	1,945,805
Original Appropriation - CRF	633,758	633,758	-
Total Recommended - CRF	633,758	633,758	-

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Legislative FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	1,466	1,466	-
Policy Revisions	(1)	1	2
Total Recommended - GF	1,465	1,467	2
Original Appropriation - CRF	2	2	-
Total Recommended - CRF	2	2	-

FY 27 Revisions to Legislatively Directed Funds

Grantee by Account	Purpose	FY 27 Original	FY 27 Revised	FY 27 Total
GENERAL FUND				
Various Grants				
Ball Pond Volunteer Fire Company	Roof and parking lot repairs	-	106,112	106,112
Baltic Fire Engine Company No. 1	Infrastructure/vehicles	-	100,000	100,000
Marlborough Volunteer Fire Company	Equipment and station repairs	-	30,000	30,000
Middletown	Fire training facility	-	100,000	100,000
Newington Police Department	Greater Hartford Regional Car Theft Task Force	-	100,000	100,000
Newington Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station #3 footprint expansion	-	25,000	25,000
Plainville	Purchase of a fire truck	-	800,000	800,000
CARRYFORWARD				
Other Expenses				
Bridgeport Police Department	Drone Program	-	500,000	500,000