

State of Alaska FY2008 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Special Projects Component Budget Summary

Component: Special Projects

Contribution to Department's Mission

Preserve public peace, protect life, property, and resources.

Core Services

This component consists of multiple, small programs, including:

- U.S. Forest Service contracts for enforcement within the Chugach and Tongass National Forests
- DEA Marijuana Eradication
- Narcotics Suppression (aka NARCO program - forfeitures)
- Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (LLEBG)
- Residential Substance Abuse Treatment
- Rural Alcohol Interdiction grant
- Alaska State DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Coordinator's Office grant
- Youth Community Policing grant
- RSAs from Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault – Interagency Receipts
- RSAs for Illegal Drug & Alcohol Enforcement positions - CIP Receipts
- RSAs for Driving Under the Influence enforcement teams in Palmer and Fairbanks
- Drug Enforcement Agency Task Force (DEA)
- Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF)
- Alaska Search and Rescue Training grant
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The Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) formula grant program provides federal funds to reduce the cycle of crime and the subsequent incarceration of offenders due to serious substance abuse problems.

The (MJE) Marijuana Eradication grant through the DEA defrays costs relating to the eradication and suppression of illicit marijuana and other controlled substances.

The U.S. Forest Service contract is a reimbursable services agreement to use the resources of the U.S. Forest Service and the Department of Public Safety for protection of persons and property within the state's federal forests. The contract provides funding for overtime spent patrolling and performing investigations on U.S. Forest Service lands.

The NARCO Suppression program provides sharing of federal forfeiture proceeds with participating agencies. The primary purpose of the department's forfeiture program is to deter crime by depriving criminals of the profits and proceeds of their illegal activities and to weaken criminal enterprises by removing the instruments of crime.

The Rural Alcohol Interdiction program focuses on keeping alcohol out of dry communities, educating the residents in community team policing, and then empowering the residents to assist by taking an active role in the betterment of their communities by keeping illegal alcohol out of their villages. This is a joint effort between the Departments of Public Safety and Law.

The Alaska State Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Coordinator's Office manages the training of law enforcement officers throughout Alaska to prepare these officers for D.A.R.E. duties within the state's schools.

The Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) program works in close partnership with state and local law enforcement agencies in the investigation and prosecution of major drug trafficking organizations.

The goal of the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) task force, which includes DEA and DPS, is to disrupt illicit drug traffic in the State of Alaska by immobilizing targeted violators and trafficking organizations, gathering and reporting intelligence data relating to trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs, and conducting undercover operations.

The goal of the Alaska Search and Rescue Training grant is to improve search and rescue operations in the state. The

grant funds the training and certification of regional volunteer search and rescue organizations in order to recruit, develop, and retain adequate resources to conduct search and rescue operations in conjunction with Department of Public Safety.

FY2008 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2008 Component Budget: \$5,583,000

Personnel:

Full time	20
Part time	0
Total	20

Key Component Challenges

The capabilities and efficiency of personnel within the criminal justice system in Alaska, both within the Department of Public Safety and within other agencies, need to be increased in order to obtain the best use of the available personnel.

Substance abuse remains one of the significant problems facing society, but resources are insufficient to provide effective treatment for offenders and prevent recidivism.

Reductions in federal funding jeopardize AST's ability to continue these special initiatives without replacement funding. The Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) program is no longer available to states.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2008

The Alaska State Troopers (AST) intend to implement a School Resource Officer program based out of Bethel during FY2008. AST applied for and received a federal grant for this project but has not yet been able to staff the position. A grant amendment will be requested to increase flexibility in this program and permit AST to staff the position with a less than full time effort.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2006

With funding provided by the federal government, the Alaska State Troopers accomplished the following in FY2006.

- Working with the U.S. Forest Service, the department provided enforcement and patrol services on federal lands.
- Through the Drug Enforcement Administration's Marijuana Eradication program, the department and local law enforcement agencies received reimbursement for a portion of the costs of destroying marijuana grows. Those costs included such things as officer overtime, officer travel, and evidence storage.
- The Narcotics Suppression (forfeitures) program provided the department and other law enforcement agencies with
- equipment for transportation, officer protection, communication, and surveillance.
- The Local Law Enforcement Block Grant program enabled the department to enhance basic law enforcement
- functions through supplementary officer training and by procuring additional equipment to include vehicles for transportation in rural Alaska, communications equipment, surveillance equipment, individual officer protection equipment, and weapons and ammunition.
- Through the Rural Alcohol Interdiction grant, the department assigned five full-time investigators to increase its efforts
- toward the interdiction and investigation of illegal alcohol shipments into local option communities.
- The Illegal Drug and Alcohol Enforcement positions greatly enhanced the readiness of the department's overall
- methamphetamine laboratory eradication efforts. In addition, the overtime funds in this grant allowed investigators to actively pursue leads related to drug and illegal alcohol activities, which has helped to increase investigative seizures.
- Statistics on the number of arrests made and amount of drugs and illegal alcohol seized are listed in the ABAD
- and Narcotics Task Force Component narrative reports.
- With the use of grant funds from the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), AST has provided domestic violence and sex crimes investigation training to troopers, municipal law enforcement officers, VPSOs and VPOs, as well as medical providers, victim advocates, and prosecutors. This training consisted of in-service training, academy level training, and advanced or specialized training. Examples of topics covered at advanced level training included

stalking, elder abuse, interviewing persons with disabilities, and Crawford issues (cases in which the victim fails to appear at trial). AST continues their commitment to bringing training and equipment to rural Alaska and municipal police departments. Examples of this include AST sponsored Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) training courses in Bethel, Fairbanks, and Seward. Municipal police departments received digital cameras for use in domestic violence and sex crime investigations. AST continued their on-going collaborative research project with the University of Alaska, Anchorage's Justice Center. This project, a trend analysis of all AST CY2003 and CY2004 sexual assault and sexual abuse of minor cases, has successfully moved to the second stage. Data entry on cases was completed and a data analysis will begin shortly. The Justice Center, with assistance from AST, applied for and was awarded a grant from the National Institute of Justice. This has allowed AST to extend the research project to include both domestic violence and stalking cases.

- Investigators within the Cold Case Investigation Unit presented two cases at trial in FY2006. One resulted in a conviction for the 1985 murder of an elderly woman in Soldotna. In addition, indictments and arrests were issued in two cases with the unit actively focusing on five additional cases with sixteen viable cases pending. The cold case investigator positions are funded by the Illegal Drug and Alcohol grant. One cold case investigator is stationed in Anchorage and two are located in Soldotna. Plans are underway to fill the fourth vacant position to be located in Anchorage.

- During the 2005-2006 school year, 56 D.A.R.E. officers from 16 police agencies taught D.A.R.E. curricula to approximately 4,800 students in 58 elementary, middle, and high schools throughout the state. During October 2005, a two-day in-service was held to provide ongoing training for D.A.R.E. officers. In February 2006, 17 new D.A.R.E. officers graduated from the two-week D.A.R.E. Officer Training. The D.A.R.E. program continues to grow, reaching 4 percent of Alaskan students and is in 30 percent of Alaska's school districts. There was a 30 percent increase in D.A.R.E. officers statewide, a 25 percent increase in D.A.R.E. police agencies, and a 22 percent increase in communities that have adopted the D.A.R.E. program.

- Funds from the Alaska Search and Rescue Training grant were used to provide nationally recognized training to over 400 volunteers from search and rescue teams from around the state, further advancing the skills and abilities of the state's volunteer search and rescue community. The Alaska Search and Rescue Association (ASARA) was resurrected with support from this grant and is responsible for the coordination and provision of training and for building cohesion among the different search and rescue teams within the state.

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)
 DUI Forfeiture Requirements (AS 28.35.036-. 037)
 DPS DNA collection and registration requirements (AS 44.41.035)
 Duty of Law Enforcement to Provide VCCB information (AS 18.67.175)
 Rights of Crime Victims to be notified orally and in writing by Law Enforcement (AS 12.61.010)
 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)
Training (13 AAC 85)
Training (AS 44.41.020(a))

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Special Projects Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	1,605.6	2,546.1	3,033.3
72000 Travel	232.6	309.4	309.4
73000 Services	1,443.8	1,565.3	1,380.3
74000 Commodities	228.0	324.3	324.3
75000 Capital Outlay	160.2	400.7	400.7
77000 Grants, Benefits	85.6	70.0	135.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	3,755.8	5,215.8	5,583.0
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	2,846.9	3,438.7	3,609.7
1004 General Fund Receipts	1.8	0.0	0.0
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	232.8	233.3	243.7
1061 Capital Improvement Project Receipts	674.3	1,543.8	1,729.6
Funding Totals	3,755.8	5,215.8	5,583.0

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	2,846.9	3,438.7	3,609.7
Interagency Receipts	51015	232.8	233.3	243.7
Capital Improvement Project Receipts	51200	674.3	1,543.8	1,729.6
Restricted Total		3,754.0	5,215.8	5,583.0
Total Estimated Revenues		3,754.0	5,215.8	5,583.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2007 Management Plan to FY2008 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2007 Management Plan	0.0	3,438.7	1,777.1	5,215.8
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-FY 08 Wage and Health Insurance Increases for Troopers and Airport Security	0.0	27.6	36.6	64.2
Proposed budget increases:				
-FY 08 Retirement Systems Rate Increases	0.0	143.4	159.6	303.0
FY2008 Governor	0.0	3,609.7	1,973.3	5,583.0

**Special Projects
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	<u>FY2007</u> <u>Management</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2008</u> <u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	20	20	Annual Salaries	1,590,523
Part-time	0	0	COLA	72,263
Nonpermanent	7	7	Premium Pay	230,539
			Annual Benefits	1,209,881
			Less 2.76% Vacancy Factor	(85,606)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	15,700
Totals	27	27	Total Personal Services	3,033,300

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Accounting Clerk II	1	0	0	0	1
Administrative Clerk II	2	0	0	1	3
Corporal PS	2	0	0	1	3
Prog Coordinator	1	0	0	0	1
Project Coord	1	0	0	0	1
Sergeant PS	0	1	0	1	2
State Trooper	4	3	0	9	16
Totals	11	4	0	12	27