

DIVISION OF PROBATION AND CORRECTIONAL ALTERNATIVES

MISSION

The Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives oversees county probation departments, provides them with training and technical assistance, and reimburses a portion of their expenses related to supervision and treatment of offenders. The agency also provides localities with grants to fund Alternatives to Incarceration programs that are designed to divert offenders from the State prison system with appropriate community-based sanctions.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

Headed by a State Director appointed by the Governor, the Division is located in Albany. The Division will operate in 2002-03 with a staff of 31.

FISCAL BACKGROUND AND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

In 2002-03, approximately \$2.3 million in State tax dollars will support the Division's State Operations budget. The Division's Aid to Localities program will distribute \$84.5 million in State support for probation services and alternatives to incarceration. Over the past two years, \$8 million in grants to community-based programs have been distributed through the Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. These programs assist families involved in the criminal justice system with training and employment programs needed to break the cycle of criminal activity and financial dependence on the public welfare system.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The recommended local assistance reflects the continuation of funds at the 2001-02 level. The recommendations continue support for many projects benefitting local probation departments, including:

- Regional Probation Officer training to promote consistency in local supervision. The agency plans to develop an online "virtual academy" for continuous training for new officers;
- Implementation of a standardized risk/needs assessment system is underway for adults in 14 county probation departments, with statewide implementation anticipated in the coming years. Similarly, 18 counties are currently using juvenile assessment tools which focus on the young offender's strengths as a means to identify the most appropriate and effective rehabilitative programming; and
- Probation record automation pilot projects, initiated in several local probation departments in collaboration with the Division of Criminal Justice Services, have strengthened management systems and expedited the collection of essential information on probation services.

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ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available 2001-02	Appropriations Recommended 2002-03	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2002-03
State Operations	2,759,400	2,340,000	(419,400)	0
Aid To Localities	84,466,100	84,467,000	900	17,458,000
Capital Projects	0	0	0	0
Total	<u>87,225,500</u>	<u>86,807,000</u>	<u>(418,500)</u>	<u>17,458,000</u>

ALL FUND TYPES PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Full-Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)

Program	2001-02 Estimated FTEs 03/31/02	2002-03 Estimated FTEs 03/31/03	FTE Change
Community Corrections			
General Fund	31	31	0
Total	<u>31</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>0</u>

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2001-02	Recommended 2002-03	Change
General Fund	2,399,400	2,340,000	(59,400)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	360,000	0	(360,000)
Total	<u>2,759,400</u>	<u>2,340,000</u>	<u>(419,400)</u>

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2001-02	Recommended 2002-03	Change
Community Corrections			
General Fund	2,399,400	2,340,000	(59,400)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	360,000	0	(360,000)
Total	<u>2,759,400</u>	<u>2,340,000</u>	<u>(419,400)</u>

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2002-03 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	1,865,000	(94,500)	1,865,000	(94,500)
Total	<u>1,865,000</u>	<u>(94,500)</u>	<u>1,865,000</u>	<u>(94,500)</u>

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STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2002-03 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	475,000	35,100	27,000	400
Total	475,000	35,100	27,000	400

Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	60,000	0	358,000	34,700
Total	60,000	0	358,000	34,700

Program	Equipment	
	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	30,000	0
Total	30,000	0

STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2002-03 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Maintenance Undistributed	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	0	(360,000)	0	(360,000)
Total	0	(360,000)	0	(360,000)

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2001-02	Recommended 2002-03	Change
General Fund	84,466,100	84,467,000	900
Total	84,466,100	84,467,000	900

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2001-02	Recommended 2002-03	Change
Community Corrections			
General Fund	84,466,100	84,467,000	900
Total	84,466,100	84,467,000	900