Corrections and Community Supervision, Department of

Mission

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) is responsible for providing services that incarcerated individuals need in safe and secure facilities, preparing incarcerated individuals for release, and ensuring they receive appropriate monitoring and support while under community supervision. The goal of the Department is to enhance public safety by ensuring the successful completion of an incarcerated individual's sentence to lower the risk of reoffending.

Organization and Staffing

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision operates 44 correctional facilities across the State. Each facility is managed by a Superintendent, who reports to the Commissioner. More than 70 percent of the Department's staff are security personnel with the remaining staff primarily dedicated to the delivery of incarcerated programs, health services, community supervision, and facility operations.

The Parole Board operates as an independent decision and rulemaking authority within DOCCS. The members of the Board are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. One member is designated by the Governor to serve as the Board's Chair. Board members review the cases of incarcerated individuals eligible for parole and determine if the incarcerated individual should be released to parole supervision.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2024 Executive Budget recommends All Funds appropriations of \$3.5 billion for the Department, an increase of \$8.26 million from FY 2023. This includes increases related to enhanced parole supervision and general salary increases, and are offset by \$54.6 million in retroactive general salary increases paid in FY 2023. The Executive Budget recommends a workforce of 26,493, an increase of 70 FTEs from FY 2023.

Program Highlights

Correctional Services

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision's (DOCCS) incarcerated individual population is currently 31,221, down from a high of over 72,000 in 1999. This decline can be largely attributed to the drop in the State's crime rate over the last decade, and the administrative COVID-19 response actions taken by DOCCS to release low level technical parole violators from DOCCS custody.

As soon as an incarcerated individual enters prison, an assessment is conducted to determine the need for rehabilitative programs. The Department offers a variety of programs designed to improve the prospects of an incarcerated individual's successful re-entry into the community. These include educational programming, with the minimum goal of assisting incarcerate individuals who do not have high school diplomas to receive New York State High School Equivalency Diplomas; apprenticeships; substance abuse treatment services; anger management therapy; and sex offender treatment programs.

Meeting the critical need of providing appropriate levels of medical services is important to the safety of the prison system and to the general public when an incarcerated individual is released. The Department acts quickly to diagnose and begin treatment, if necessary, when an incarcerated individual enters prison, and provides the greatest degree of services possible to seek a cure. The Department also offers mental health services at several facilities and operates state-of-the-art Residential Mental Health Units to treat incarcerated individuals with serious mental illness and disciplinary sanctions.

Community Supervision

The focus of the Community Supervision Program is to provide supportive services for the successful reentry of incarcerated individuals into the community and to supervise parolees released from prison. Immediately upon being released from prison, parolees are assigned to a Parole Officer. Parole Officers supervise parolees by monitoring behavior, reviewing employment, referring to appropriate treatment programs, evaluating treatment progress, and administering drug tests. In addition to closely monitoring offenders in the community, the Department helps parolees avoid reverting to a life of crime by contracting for various services to support their return to society, such as supportive housing and employment training.

Category	Available FY 2023	Appropriations Recommended FY 2024	Change From FY 2023	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2024
State Operations	3,014,482,163	3,020,601,000	6,118,837	223,293,000
Aid To Localities	37,013,000	37,013,000	0	98,140,000
Capital Projects	479,100,000	481,242,000	2,142,000	1,130,747,000
Total	3,530,595,163	3,538,856,000	8,260,837	1,452,180,000

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

Program	FY 2023 Estimated FTEs 03/31/23	FY 2024 Estimated FTEs 03/31/24	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	162	162	0
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	646	646	0
Enterprise Funds	7	7	0
Community Supervision			
General Fund	1,365	1,431	66
Correctional Industries	·		
Enterprise Funds	3	3	0
Internal Service Funds	280	280	0
Facilities Planning and Development			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	1,009	1,009	0
Health Services	·		
General Fund	1,509	1,509	0
Parole Board	·		
General Fund	80	80	0
Program Services	·		
General Fund	2,739	2,743	4
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	·	•	
General Fund	17,142	17,142	0
Support Services			
General Fund	1,477	1,477	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	4	4	0
Total	26,423	26,493	70

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Fund Type	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
Enterprise Funds	58,463,790	60,469,000	2,005,210
General Fund	2,805,560,422	2,807,310,000	1,749,578
Internal Service Funds	76,087,883	76,443,000	355,117
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	40,500,000	40,500,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	33,870,068	35,879,000	2,008,932
Total	3,014,482,163	3,020,601,000	6,118,837
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(54,565,163)		
Appropriated FY 2023	2,959,917,000		

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Program	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
Administration			
Enterprise Funds	2,721,790	2,727,000	5,210
General Fund	15,368,799	14,279,000	(1,089,799)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	40,500,000	40,500,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	26,100,000	26,100,000	0
Community Supervision			
General Fund	141,697,307	149,288,000	7,590,693
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,025,000	1,025,000	0
Correctional Industries			
Enterprise Funds	742,000	742,000	0
Internal Service Funds	76,087,883	76,443,000	355,117
Health Services			
General Fund	404,018,713	416,971,000	12,952,287
Parole Board		·	
General Fund	8,205,211	8,184,000	(21,211)
Program Services			
Enterprise Funds	55,000,000	57,000,000	2,000,000
General Fund	219,134,038	221,952,000	2,817,962
Special Revenue Funds - Other	3,000,000	5,000,000	2,000,000
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals		·	
General Fund	1,683,975,274	1,669,757,000	(14,218,274)
Support Services		·	
General Fund	333,161,080	326,879,000	(6,282,080)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	3,745,068	3,754,000	8,932
Total	3,014,482,163	3,020,601,000	6,118,837

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	Tot	tal	Personal Serv (Annual S	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	12,596,000	(1,089,799)	12,487,000	(1,091,799)
Community Supervision	121,678,000	5,940,693	113,476,000	5,499,693
Health Services	160,744,000	12,952,287	140,680,000	11,194,287
Parole Board	7,651,000	(21,211)	7,586,000	(23,211)
Program Services	192,499,000	617,962	186,412,000	566,962
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	1,649,881,000	(14,218,274)	1,388,626,000	(17,211,274)
Support Services	91,963,000	(6,282,080)	85,386,000	(6,359,080)
Total	2,237,012,000	(2,100,422)	1,934,653,000	(7,424,422)

	Temporary (Nonannua		Holiday/Ov	ertime Pay
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	0	0	109,000	2,000
Community Supervision	0	0	8,202,000	441,000
Health Services	8,109,000	711,000	11,955,000	1,047,000
Parole Board	0	0	65,000	2,000
Program Services	4,667,000	38,000	1,420,000	13,000
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	15,163,000	174,000	246,092,000	2,819,000
Support Services	0	0	6,577,000	77,000
Total	27,939,000	923,000	274,420,000	4,401,000

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES FY 2024 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

	To	tal	Supplies an	d Materials
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	1,683,000	0	338,000	0
Community Supervision	27,610,000	1,650,000	1,600,000	0
Health Services	256,227,000	0	118,724,000	0
Parole Board	533,000	0	43,000	0
Program Services	29,453,000	2,200,000	6,437,000	481,000
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	19,876,000	0	10,064,000	0
Support Services	234,916,000	0	170,443,000	0

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Total	570,298,000	3,850,000	307,649,000	481,000

	Tra	vel	Contractua	I Services
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	214,000	0	1,018,000	0
Community Supervision	2,258,000	0	21,497,000	0
Health Services	265,000	0	132,525,000	0
Parole Board	390,000	0	87,000	0
Program Services	385,000	29,000	21,846,000	1,631,000
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	2,358,000	0	5,325,000	0
Support Services	1,985,000	0	50,804,000	0
Total	7,855,000	29,000	233,102,000	1,631,000

	Equip	ment	General Sta	te Charges
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	113,000	0	0	0
Community Supervision	2,255,000	1,650,000	0	0
Health Services	4,713,000	0	0	0
Parole Board	3,000	0	10,000	0
Program Services	785,000	59,000	0	0
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	2,129,000	0	0	0
Support Services	11,590,000	0	94,000	0
Total	21,588,000	1,709,000	104,000	0

STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES FY 2024 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

	To	tal	Personal	Service
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	69,327,000	5,210	49,926,000	11,655
Community Supervision	1,025,000	0	0	0
Correctional Industries	77,185,000	355,117	27,111,000	739,929
Program Services	62,000,000	4,000,000	0	0
Support Services	3,754,000	8,932	238,000	13,603
Total	213,291,000	4,369,259	77,275,000	765,187

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	Nonpersonal Service		
Program	Amount	Change	
Administration	19,401,000	(6,445)	
Community Supervision	1,025,000	0	
Correctional Industries	50,074,000	(384,812)	
Program Services	62,000,000	4,000,000	
Support Services	3,516,000	(4,671)	
Total	136,016,000	3,604,072	

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

Fund Type	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
General Fund	28,013,000	28,013,000	0
Internal Service Funds	9,000,000	9,000,000	0
Total	37,013,000	37,013,000	0

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

Program	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change
Community Supervision			
General Fund	8,133,000	8,133,000	0
Internal Service Funds	9,000,000	9,000,000	0
Health Services			
General Fund	14,000,000	14,000,000	0
Program Services			
General Fund	680,000	680,000	0
Support Services			
General Fund	5,200,000	5,200,000	0
Total	37,013,000	37,013,000	0

CAPITAL PROJECTS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2023	Recommended FY 2024	Change	Reappropriations FY 2024
Facilities Maintenance and Operations				
Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement Fund	107,100,000	109,242,000	2,142,000	109,406,000
Maintenance and Improvement of Existing	ng Facilities			
Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement Fund	372,000,000	372,000,000	0	1,021,341,000

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Total 479,100,000 481,242,000 2,142,000 1,130,747,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 02/01/2023