District Attorney's Office

2021 Proposed Budget



<u>District Attorney Program Area and Services</u>

- The goal of the Westchester County District Attorney's Office is to provide fair, effective and expeditious investigation and prosecution of criminal offenses committed in Westchester County. In order to accomplish this goal, the office is organized as follows:
- Appeals and Special Litigation Division The Appeals and Special Litigation Division responds to legal challenges to criminal charges or convictions. This division is comprised of the Appeals, Motions, Special Litigation, and Training and Education Bureaus.
- Investigations Division-To proactively reduce crime, this division employs a wide variety of investigative tools including the latest technology, experienced investigative resources and a core group of experienced prosecutors.



Core Programs & Functions

- Local Criminal Courts and Grand Jury Division-This division is comprised of the Local Criminal Courts Bureau and the Grand Jury Bureau. The Local Criminal Courts Bureau includes eight branch offices. The Grand Jury Bureau oversees the presentation of a wide variety of cases to the Grand Jury for indictment.
- **Special Prosecutions Division** -This division investigates and prosecutes all cases of domestic violence, child abuse, human trafficking of children and elder abuse.
- **Superior Court Trial Division**-This division is responsible for obtaining fair, just and timely dispositions of felony indictments either by trial verdict or by a plea of guilty in the Superior Courts of Westchester County.



Core Programs & Functions

- **Criminal Investigators** The primary mission of the criminal investigators is to provide support to the prosecutors and our over 40 local police departments in the investigation and prosecution of crimes committed in Westchester County.
- Administration Division- This Unit facilitates financial reporting, budgeting and forecasting, payroll, personnel, purchasing and procurement, accounts payable, grant administration, information technology, contract administration, record center operations, training and travel requests, and victim witness assistance.



Budget Summary

ITEM	2020	2021
Operating Positions	238	237
Trust Positions	14	14
TOTAL POSITIONS	252	251
Personal Service	27,377,773	27,369,389
Equipment	129,483	115,849
Materials & Supplies	298,351	285,750
Contractual Expenses	2,708,497	2,688,668
Inter-Departmental Charges	1,152,179	1,120,306
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	31,666,283	31,579,962



Budget Summary

ITEM	2020	2021
Inter-Departmental Revenue		
Departmental Revenue		
State & Federal Aid	713,656	713,656
TOTAL REVENUE	713,656	713,656
DEPARTMENT TAX LEVY	30,952,627	30,866,306



New Initiatives & Highlights

- Advisory to Law Enforcement on COVID-19
- Implementing Rapid Response to COVID-19
- Implementing Criminal Justice Reform
- Law Enforcement & Criminal Defense Discovery Portals
- Combating Anti-Semitism & Hate in Westchester
- Domestic Violence High Risk Training Initiative & VICTR Task Force
- Development and Review of Suspicious Activity Report to identify related crime patterns
- Common Sense Gun Safety & the Red Flag Law

