

Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection DPS32000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 21	Actual FY 22	Appropriation FY 23	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
General Fund	1,585	1,577	1,557	1,561	1,561	1,461	1,461
Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Carry Forward Funding	-	-	1	-	-	-	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 21	Actual FY 22	Appropriation FY 23	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
Personal Services	157,431,406	164,203,388	166,354,402	180,895,636	185,562,165	179,988,878	184,655,407
Other Expenses	27,981,050	32,630,259	30,916,158	30,625,106	31,278,480	33,068,106	33,479,480
Other Current Expenses							
Stress Reduction	-	14,315	25,354	-	-	-	-
Fleet Purchase	5,379,259	5,778,225	6,619,452	6,833,975	7,736,272	6,833,975	7,736,272
Workers' Compensation Claims	3,167,509	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal Justice Information System	3,469,597	2,780,599	4,990,355	4,990,355	4,990,355	4,990,355	4,990,355
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
Fire Training School - Willimantic	150,076	150,076	150,076	150,076	150,076	242,176	242,176
Maintenance of County Base Fire Radio Network	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528	19,528
Maintenance of State-Wide Fire Radio Network	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997	12,997
Police Association of Connecticut	98,860	120,096	172,353	172,353	172,353	172,353	172,353
Connecticut State Firefighter's Association	94,045	169,502	176,625	176,625	176,625	176,625	176,625
Fire Training School - Torrington	81,367	81,367	81,367	81,367	81,367	172,267	172,267
Fire Training School - New Haven	48,364	48,364	48,364	48,364	48,364	108,364	108,364
Fire Training School - Derby	37,139	37,139	37,139	37,139	37,139	50,639	50,639
Fire Training School - Wolcott	100,162	100,162	100,162	100,162	100,162	171,162	171,162
Fire Training School - Fairfield	70,395	70,395	70,395	70,395	70,395	127,501	127,501
Fire Training School - Hartford	169,336	169,336	169,336	169,336	169,336	176,836	176,836
Fire Training School - Middletown	68,470	68,470	68,470	68,470	68,470	70,970	70,970
Fire Training School - Stamford	55,432	55,432	55,432	55,432	55,432	75,541	75,541
Grant Payments to Local Governments							
Volunteer Firefighter Training	-	67,860	70,000	70,000	70,000	140,000	140,000
Agency Total - General Fund	198,434,992	206,577,510	210,137,965	224,577,316	230,799,516	226,598,273	232,578,473
Agency Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund							
Personal Services	-	-	-	-	-	1,109,758	1,109,758
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	124,000	124,000
Agency Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	-	-	-	1,233,758	1,233,758
Total - Appropriated Funds	198,434,992	206,577,510	210,137,965	224,577,316	230,799,516	227,832,031	233,812,231
Additional Funds Available							
Carry Forward Funding	-	-	1,799,605	-	-	3,610,000	-
American Rescue Plan Act	-	-	13,603,800	5,443,000	-	5,479,000	-

Account	Actual FY 21	Actual FY 22	Appropriation FY 23	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
Agency Grand Total	198,434,992	206,577,510	225,541,370	230,020,316	230,799,516	236,921,031	233,812,231

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Policy Revisions

Continue Funding for Volunteer Fire Companies on Limited Highways

Other Expenses	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	-	-	1,500,000	1,500,000
Total - General Fund	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	-	-	1,500,000	1,500,000

Background

Section 75 of PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, requires the State Fire Administrator to reimburse volunteer fire companies for responding to calls on certain limited access highways.

Governor

Reduce funding by \$1.5 million in FY 24 and FY 25 to reflect elimination of funding for reimbursements to volunteer fire companies responding to calls on certain limited access highways.

Legislative

Continue funding at current level.

Provide Funding for Regulation, Prevention & Education of Adult Recreational Cannabis Use

Personal Services	1,109,758	1,109,758	-	-	(1,109,758)	(1,109,758)
Other Expenses	124,000	124,000	-	-	(124,000)	(124,000)
Total - General Fund	1,233,758	1,233,758	-	-	(1,233,758)	(1,233,758)
Positions - General Fund	2	2	-	-	(2)	(2)
Personal Services	-	-	1,109,758	1,109,758	1,109,758	1,109,758
Other Expenses	-	-	124,000	124,000	124,000	124,000
Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758
Positions - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	2	2	2	2

Background

PA 21-1 JSS, *An Act Concerning Responsible and Equitable Regulation of Adult-Use Cannabis*, legalized recreational cannabis use for adults 21 years of age or older. Recreational cannabis sales began in January 2023. The Governor's Recommended Budget moves all recreational cannabis expenditures from a non-appropriated, off-budget account to the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, and two newly-created, appropriated funds that are on-budget.

Fund	Agencies	FY 24 \$ (in millions)	FY 25 \$ (in millions)
General Fund	DCP, DESPP, DRS, DPH, OAG, AES, UConn, OWS	9.0	9.2
Social Equity and Innovation Fund	DECD	5.8	10.2
Prevention and Recovery Services Fund	DMHAS	2.4	3.4
Special Transportation Fund	DOT, DMV	1.1	1.1
TOTAL		18.3	23.8

*Totals are rounded to the nearest tenth of a million. The sum of the four funds for FY 25 is \$0.1 million less than the reflected total due to rounding.

Governor

Provide funding of \$1,233,758 and two positions in FY 24 and FY 25 for the regulation, prevention, and education of adult recreational cannabis.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$1.2 million in FY 24 and \$1.2 million in FY 25, and 2 positions, in the Cannabis Regulatory Fund (not the General Fund) for the regulation, prevention, and education of adult recreational cannabis.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Provide Funding for the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

Personal Services	-	-	203,000	203,000	203,000	203,000
Other Expenses	-	-	422,000	350,000	422,000	350,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	625,000	553,000	625,000	553,000
Positions - General Fund	-	-	2	2	2	2

Background

Sections 326 and 327 of PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 budget, establish an investigative unit within the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force to conduct sting operations relating to the online sexual abuse of minors, requiring the department to hire two fusion center analysts. Of the \$422,000 Other Expenses allocation in FY 24, \$72,000 is anticipated to cover equipment and training expenses of the new investigative unit.

The task force currently receives funding through federal grants averaging \$300,000 annually.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$625,000 and two positions in FY 24 and \$553,000 and two positions in FY 25 to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Provide Funding to Regional Fire Training Schools

Fire Training School - Willimantic	-	-	92,100	92,100	92,100	92,100
Fire Training School - Torrington	-	-	90,900	90,900	90,900	90,900
Fire Training School - New Haven	-	-	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
Fire Training School - Derby	-	-	13,500	13,500	13,500	13,500
Fire Training School - Wolcott	-	-	71,000	71,000	71,000	71,000
Fire Training School - Fairfield	-	-	57,106	57,106	57,106	57,106
Fire Training School - Hartford	-	-	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
Fire Training School - Middletown	-	-	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Fire Training School - Stamford	-	-	20,109	20,109	20,109	20,109
Total - General Fund	-	-	414,715	414,715	414,715	414,715

Legislative

Provide funding of \$414,715 in FY 24 and FY 25 to the Regional Fire Training Schools.

Provide Funding for the Crisis Program

Other Expenses	-	-	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000

Background

The Connecticut Alliance to Benefit Law Enforcement (CABLE) is the state's provider of Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training. CITs link police and community mental health partners to assist persons in behavioral crises in the community and to link them to services.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$400,000 in FY 24 and FY 25 to expand the Crisis Program to two additional State Police troops.

Provide Funding for the Police Officer Standards and Training Council

Personal Services	70,951	92,591	70,951	92,591	-	-
Other Expenses	-	200,000	-	200,000	-	-
Total - General Fund	70,951	292,591	70,951	292,591	-	-
Positions - General Fund	1	1	1	1	-	-

Background

The Governor's Recommended Budget provides funding to support a division director focused on certification and accreditation. Additionally, the Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) and the new training academy would require \$200,000 in FY 25 to maintain a new training management software program that will enable the tracking of basic training, certification, decertification, in-service training, and compliance.

Governor

Provide funding of \$70,951 and one position in FY 24 and \$292,591 and one position in FY 25 to support the POST's certification and accreditation functions.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funds for Data Scientist Position

Personal Services	102,012	102,012	102,012	102,012	-	-
Total - General Fund	102,012	102,012	102,012	102,012	-	-
Positions - General Fund	1	1	1	1	-	-

Background

The data scientist will provide real-time analysis of data collected across DESPP's six divisions to decision-makers and assist in enabling state, local, and national partnerships.

Governor

Provide \$102,012 and one position in FY 24 and FY 25 to support a data scientist position.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Increase Funding for Volunteer Firefighter Training

Volunteer Firefighter Training	-	-	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000

Background

Section 9 of JSS PA 21-2 (Budget Implementer) provided funding for distressed municipalities volunteer firefighter training.

Legislative

Increase funding by \$70,000 in FY 24 and FY 25 for Volunteer Firefighter Training account to include Firefighter II training.

Provide Funding for Burlington Volunteer Firefighters

Other Expenses	-	-	170,000	-	170,000	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	170,000	-	170,000	-

Legislative

Provide funding of \$170,000 in FY 24 for Burlington volunteer firefighters.

Provide Funding for Community Roundtables

Other Expenses	-	-	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000

Background

PA 23-146, *An Act Requiring Community Roundtables*, requires each municipal law enforcement unit to conduct quarterly meetings with stakeholders to work towards reducing gun violence and crime.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$75,000 in FY 24 and FY 25 for community roundtables.

Reduce Unfunded Positions

Personal Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total - General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Positions - General Fund	-	-	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)

Legislative

Reduce position count by 100 in FY 24 and FY 25 to adjust for unfunded positions.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Current Services

Provide Funding for Existing Wage Agreements

Personal Services	19,464,733	24,109,622	19,464,733	24,109,622	-	-
Stress Reduction	(25,354)	(25,354)	(25,354)	(25,354)	-	-
Total - General Fund	19,439,379	24,084,268	19,439,379	24,084,268	-	-

Background

The Governor's Recommended Budget provides net funding of \$237.2 million in FY 24 and \$394 million in FY 25, across six appropriated funds, to reflect current wage-related adjustments resulting from existing wage agreements. These wage-related adjustments are also reflective of the 2023 NP-1 Contract.

Governor

Provide funding of \$19,439,379 in FY 24 and \$24,084,268 in FY 25 to reflect this agency's increased wage costs.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Remove Funding for 27th Payroll

Personal Services	(6,206,220)	(6,206,220)	(6,206,220)	(6,206,220)	-	-
Total - General Fund	(6,206,220)	(6,206,220)	(6,206,220)	(6,206,220)	-	-

Background

The FY 23 Revised Budget included a total of \$128,456,014 for an extra 27th pay period for six appropriated funds. There are usually 26 pay periods in a fiscal year, but every 11 years there is an additional 27th pay period.

Governor

Remove funding of \$6,206,220 in both FY 24 and FY 25 to reflect 26 pay periods in each fiscal year.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for the State Forensic Science Laboratory

Other Expenses	669,901	920,948	669,901	920,948	-	-
Total - General Fund	669,901	920,948	669,901	920,948	-	-

Background

Equipment, software maintenance, and supplies are required to maintain lab accreditation. These requirements were previously supported by federal grant funds.

Governor

Provide funding of \$669,901 in FY 24 and \$920,948 in FY 25 for equipment, software, and supplies for the State Forensic Science Laboratory.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Fleet Purchase and Maintenance

Other Expenses	180,665	180,665	180,665	180,665	-	-
Fleet Purchase	214,523	1,116,820	214,523	1,116,820	-	-
Total - General Fund	395,188	1,297,485	395,188	1,297,485	-	-

Background

Fleet utilizes a five-year replacement interval for most patrol vehicles. The budget impact per vehicle is effectively the difference in cost between a new lease payment based on current market pricing and the lease payment from five years ago. The monthly lease rate from

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

FY 19 was \$588. The estimated monthly rate for a new patrol vehicle for FY 24 is \$879 to \$944. DESPP is expected to purchase about 170 vehicles per year over the biennium.

Costs of vehicle parts and repairs are anticipated to increase by 14% to 21% based on current market rates and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Governor

Provide funding of \$395,188 in FY 24 and \$1,297,485 in FY 25 to cover the costs of fleet purchase and maintenance.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funds for the Motorola Fixed Network Equipment Contract

Other Expenses	99,894	187,717	99,894	187,717	-	-
Total - General Fund	99,894	187,717	99,894	187,717	-	-

Background

The existing six-year contract with Motorola Solutions Inc. from January 2020 includes scheduled increases in maintenance and upgrade services.

Governor

Provide funding of \$99,894 in FY 24 and \$187,717 in FY 25 to cover the scheduled costs of existing Motorola fixed network equipment contract.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funds for Maintenance of the Computerized Criminal History Systems

Other Expenses	45,988	106,492	45,988	106,492	-	-
Total - General Fund	45,988	106,492	45,988	106,492	-	-

Background

The State Automated Biometric Identification System (SABIS) and Master Name Index/Computerized Criminal History System (MNI/CCH) will face scheduled increases of annual maintenance costs in FY 24 and FY 25.

Governor

Provide funding of \$45,988 in FY 24 and \$106,492 in FY 25 to support increased maintenance costs of SABIS and MNI/CCH.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funds for Acadis Learning Management System Annual Subscription

Other Expenses	62,500	62,500	62,500	62,500	-	-
Total - General Fund	62,500	62,500	62,500	62,500	-	-

Background

Acadis is an online learning management system. The Commission of Fire Prevention and Control will use the system to facilitate learning registration and training. Implementation and prior subscription costs were funded by the FEMA 2020 assistance to firefighter grant program.

Governor

Provide funding of \$62,500 in FY 24 and FY 25 to cover annual subscription costs for the Acadis Learning Management System.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funds for Replacement of Ballistic Helmets

Other Expenses	-	80,000	-	80,000	-	-
Total - General Fund	-	80,000	-	80,000	-	-

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Background

The ballistic helmets used by the Tactical Team (SWAT) of the Emergency Services Unit (a group of up to 40 personnel) have a lifespan of five years and were last replaced in FY 20.

Governor

Provide funding of \$80,000 in FY 25 for the replacement of ballistic helmets.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funds for Dive Instructor Training.

Other Expenses	26,000	-	26,000	-	-	-
Total - General Fund	26,000	-	26,000	-	-	-

Background

DESPP is regularly required to train new troopers to become certified divers. The Governor's Recommended Budget proposal would enable DESPP to conduct this training internally by allowing three senior divers to become certified dive instructors.

Governor

Provide funding of \$26,000 in FY 24 to facilitate dive instructor training.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Carryforward**Provide Funding for the Removal of PFAS**

Other Expenses	-	-	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	-
Total - Carry Forward Funding	-	-	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	-

Background

PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 budget bill (Section 41(b)) and HB 6942 (Sections 222,228, and 231) carryforward a total of \$339.6 million in unexpended balances from various FY 23 General Fund accounts for initiatives in FY 24 and FY 25.

Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) are a category of manufactured chemicals linked to cancer and other diseases and are commonly found in firefighting protective equipment and apparatus.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$3 million in FY 24 to establish a grant program to reimburse fire departments for the costs related to the removal of PFAS from fire apparatus.

Provide Funding to Study Issues Facing Fire Services in the State

Other Expenses	-	-	250,000	-	250,000	-
Total - Carry Forward Funding	-	-	250,000	-	250,000	-

Legislative

Provide funding of \$250,000 in FY 24 to study issues facing fire services in the state.

Provide Funding for the Law Enforcement Memorial Account

Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Account	-	-	200,000	-	200,000	-
Total - Carry Forward Funding	-	-	200,000	-	200,000	-

Background

Section 41(b) of PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 budget, establishes the Law Enforcement Memorial Account.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

HB 5363, *An Act Establishing an Account to Compensate Families of Law Enforcement Officers Killed in the Line of Duty*, which was not passed into law, describes the "law enforcement officer memorial account" as having the purpose of providing grants to the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$200,000 in FY 24 to establish the Law Enforcement Memorial Account.

Provide Funding to Develop Guidelines for Domestic Violence Protective Orders

Other Expenses	-	-	100,000	-	100,000	-
Total - Carry Forward Funding	-	-	100,000	-	100,000	-

Legislative

Provide funding of \$100,000 in FY 24 to the Police Officer Standards and Training Council to develop guidelines for domestic violence protective orders.

Provide Funding for a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Study

Other Expenses	-	-	60,000	-	60,000	-
Total - Carry Forward Funding	-	-	60,000	-	60,000	-

Legislative

Provide funding of \$60,000 in FY 24 for the purpose of providing a grant to the town of Simsbury for a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hazard mitigation study.

American Rescue Plan Act

Support Clean Slate Phase 2 Information Technology Needs

ARPA - CSFRF	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	-	-	-
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	-	-	-

Background

PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 budget, reallocates federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, resulting in the shifting of approximately \$608.2 million in funding from FY 22 and FY 23 to FY 24 and FY 25.

The Governor's Recommended Budget reallocates \$433.9 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding across 17 agencies for a variety of purposes in FY 24 and FY 25.

Governor

Provide funding of \$1.5 million in FY 24 to support Clean Slate Phase 2 implementation requirements and information technology needs.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Sensory Kit Pilot

ARPA - CSFRF	-	-	36,000	-	36,000	-
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	-	36,000	-	36,000	-

Background

Section 10 of PA 23-137, *An Act Concerning Resources and Support Services for Persons with an Intellectual or Developmental Disability*, requires the Department of Administrative Services to develop and procure sensory kits to be distributed by the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to emergency services personnel who interact with children and adults with autism spectrum disorder, cognitive impairments or nonverbal learning disorders.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$36,000 in FY 24 to develop, procure, and distribute sensory kits to emergency services personnel.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
FY 23 Appropriation - GF	210,137,965	210,137,965	210,137,965	210,137,965	-	-
Policy Revisions	(93,279)	128,361	1,927,678	1,907,318	2,020,957	1,778,957
Current Services	14,532,630	20,533,190	14,532,630	20,533,190	-	-
Total Recommended - GF	224,577,316	230,799,516	226,598,273	232,578,473	2,020,957	1,778,957
FY 23 Appropriation - CANF	-	-	-	-	-	-
Policy Revisions	-	-	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758
Total Recommended - CANF	-	-	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758	1,233,758

Positions	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
FY 23 Appropriation - GF	1,557	1,557	1,557	1,557	-	-
Policy Revisions	4	4	(96)	(96)	(100)	(100)
Total Recommended - GF	1,561	1,561	1,461	1,461	(100)	(100)
FY 23 Appropriation - CANF	-	-	-	-	-	-
Policy Revisions	-	-	2	2	2	2
Total Recommended - CANF	-	-	2	2	2	2