

Military Department MIL36000

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	42	42	41	41	41	41	41

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	2,967,134	3,044,522	2,975,143	3,368,243	3,413,875	3,368,243	3,413,875
Other Expenses	2,195,838	2,336,580	2,304,823	2,334,823	2,354,823	2,344,823	2,344,823
Other Current Expenses							
Honor Guards	423,200	473,450	549,000	561,600	561,600	561,600	561,600
Veteran's Service Bonuses	76,000	395,118	93,333	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Agency Total - General Fund	5,662,172	6,249,670	5,922,299	6,364,666	6,430,298	6,374,666	6,420,298

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

Policy Revisions

Provide Funding to Support Recruitment Efforts

Personal Services	129,600	129,600	129,600	129,600	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Total - General Fund	129,600	129,600	169,600	169,600	40,000	40,000

Background

To join the Connecticut National Guard (CTNG) potential recruits have to achieve the minimum required score on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test. Approximately thirty percent of applicants fail to attain the minimum score necessary to enlist.

The CTNG utilizes a modern Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) trailer to assist in both recruiting and education. The Recruiting and Retention Battalion of the CTNG lacks sufficient personnel to effectively utilize the trailer in the course of normal recruiting operations.

Governor

Provide funding of \$129,600 in FY 24 and FY 25 to pay state active-duty costs for members of the Connecticut State Guard to teach ASVAB score improvement courses and use the STEM educational trailer to conduct recruiting and educational events at state high schools.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$169,600 in FY 24 and FY 25 to pay state active-duty costs for ASVAB training of potential recruits, for STEM trailer recruitment events, and the Joint Enlistment Enhancement Program (JEEP) for National Guard members and Retirees supporting recruiting events.

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	378,000	423,632	378,000	423,632	-	-
Total - General Fund	378,000	423,632	378,000	423,632	-	-

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.

Governor

Provide funding of \$378,000 in FY 24 and \$423,632 in FY 25 to reflect this agency's increased wage costs.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Remove Funding for 27th Payroll

Personal Services	(114,500)	(114,500)	(114,500)	(114,500)	-	-
Total - General Fund	(114,500)	(114,500)	(114,500)	(114,500)	-	-

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 \$114,500 in both FY 24 and FY 25 to reflect 26 pay periods in each fiscal year.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Eliminate Funding for Inflation

Other Expenses	30,000	50,000	-	-	(30,000)	(50,000)
Total - General Fund	30,000	50,000	-	-	(30,000)	(50,000)

Background

Inflation is defined as a rise in the general price level (or average price level) of all goods and services. The general price level varies inversely with the purchasing power of a unit of money. Therefore, when prices increase, purchasing power declines.

Governor

Provide funding of \$30,000 in FY 24 and \$50,000 in FY 25 to account for inflationary increases.

Legislative

Remove funding for inflationary increases.

Adjust Funding for Military Funeral Honors Program

Honor Guards	12,600	12,600	12,600	12,600	-	-
Total - General Fund	12,600	12,600	12,600	12,600	-	-

Background

The Honor Guard account funds three member rifle squads for veteran funerals which is a supplemental benefit to the federally required presentation of the flag and playing of "taps."

Section 118 of Public Act 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, increases the per day compensation of honor guard members from \$50 to \$60.

Governor

Provide funding of \$12,600 in FY 24 and FY 25 to fully fund the anticipated costs of the honor guard members.

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

Legislative

Same as Governor

Increase Funding for Wartime Service Bonuses

Veteran's Service Bonuses	6,667	6,667	6,667	6,667	-	-
Total - General Fund	6,667	6,667	6,667	6,667	-	-

Background

The Veterans' Service Bonus program was established for National Guard members called to active service on or after September 11, 2001. The bonus is \$50 for each month of active service, up to a maximum of \$1,200 for combat service, or \$500 for non-combat service for each member who meets the eligibility qualifications.

Governor

Provide funding of \$6,667 in FY 24 and FY 25 for Veteran's Service Bonuses to reflect the number of National Guardsmen returning from duty.

Legislative

Same as Governor

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	5,922,299	5,922,299	5,922,299	5,922,299	-	-
Policy Revisions	129,600	129,600	169,600	169,600	40,000	40,000
Current Services	312,767	378,399	282,767	328,399	(30,000)	(50,000)
Total Recommended - GF	6,364,666	6,430,298	6,374,666	6,420,298	10,000	(10,000)