The Agency

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Agency Operations

The Lieutenant Governor was established as one of the five general offices subject to voter election under the Constitution of Rhode Island. The Office of Lieutenant Governor is an organization within the Executive Department. The Lieutenant Governor fulfills the executive responsibilities of the Governor upon his/her death, resignation, impeachment or inability to serve. The Lieutenant Governor appoints members of the general public to serve on committees and commissions established by the General Assembly. As well, the Lieutenant Governor chairs and serves on various commissions and advisory boards. The office initiates legislation and has assumed advocacy and leadership roles in such areas as emergency management, veterans affairs, education, economic development, the environment, long-term care, health care and elderly affairs. The office also serves as a liaison between citizens and state agencies.

Agency Objectives

To fulfill the constitutional and statutory functions of the law for the Office of Lieutenant Governor.

Statutory History

Article IX, Sections 1 and 9 through 11 of the Constitution of Rhode Island specify the Lieutenant Governor's elected power, duties in the case of death, resignation, impeachment of the Governor, responsibilities in the case of a vacancy of position, and compensation. Article IV, Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution of Rhode Island address the quadrennial election process by the voters of Rhode Island and the transition responsibility for the Lieutenant Governor.

The Budget

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Actual	FY 2010 Enacted	FY 2010 Revised	FY 2011 Recommended
Expenditures By Object					
Personnel	816,646	820,193	938,004	868,402	948,116
Operating Supplies and Expenses	32,752	29,219	34,133	28,962	24,464
Aid To Local Units Of Government	-	-	-	-	-
Assistance, Grants and Benefits	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal: Operating Expenditures	\$849,398	\$849,412	\$972,137	\$897,364	\$972,580
Capital Purchases and Equipment	1,014	3,573	1,125	1,125	2,500
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-
Operating Transfers	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$850,412	\$852,985	\$973,262	\$898,489	\$975,080
Expenditures By Fund					
General Revenue	850,412	852,985	973,262	898,489	975,080
Total Expenditures	\$850,412	\$852,985	\$973,262	\$898,489	\$975,080
FTE Authorization	9.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Agency Measures					
Minorities as a Percentage of the Workforce	30.0%	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%
Females as a Percentage of the Workforce	44.0%	38.0%	38.0%	38.0%	38.0%
Persons with Disabilities as a Percentage of					
the Workforce	-	-	-	-	-
Program Measures	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA