

# The Agency

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## Office of the Governor

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### Agency Operations

The Office of the Governor is established under the Rhode Island Constitution as one of the general offices and is subject to election by the voters of the State. The Office of the Governor is responsible for the enactment of reform and change in state government for the betterment of the citizens of the State of Rhode Island. In accomplishing this task, the Office of the Governor coordinates the services of a staff of professionals to include the Executive Counsel Office, Business Administrative Services, Policy Office, Legislative Affairs Office, Media Office, Constituent Affairs Office, and Municipal Affairs/Community Relations Office. The Governor initiated the Fiscal Fitness Program to review and evaluate the proficiency of all RI State agencies to result in a fiscally sound budget for the State of Rhode Island.

### Agency Objectives

To fulfill all responsibilities and duties in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

To monitor all federal legislation and the federal budget for impact upon Rhode Island and provide oversight on the expenditure of and reporting on American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds.

To process legislative and regulatory opportunities for the State of Rhode Island.

To obtain maximum federal funding for the State of Rhode Island.

To initiate reform and change in both government and the economy for the betterment of all Rhode Island Citizens.

### Statutory History

The Governor is the head of the Executive Branch of State government. Among the powers and duties of the Governor under the State Constitution are: faithfully executing the laws (Art IX, Section 2); commanding the state's military and naval forces (Article IX, Section 3); granting reprieves (Articles IX, Section 2); and pardons (Article IX, Section 13); convening special sessions of the general assembly (Article IX, Section 7); and; preparing and presenting to the general assembly an annual state budget (Article IX, Section 15). Each Administration creates its own Office of the Governor for the purpose of governing the State of Rhode Island. The administration of Governor Donald L. Carcieri began on January 7, 2003.

# The Budget

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|  | FY 2008<br>Actual  | FY 2009<br>Actual  | FY 2010<br>Enacted | FY 2010<br>Revised | FY 2011<br>Recommended |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Expenditures By Object</b>                              |                    |                    |                    |                    |                        |
| Personnel  | 4,652,359          | 4,816,565          | 5,157,934          | 5,237,884          | 5,692,827              |
| Operating Supplies and Expenses                            | 290,798            | 322,414            | 317,950            | 350,764            | 347,135                |
| Aid To Local Units Of Government                           | -                  | -                  | -                  | -                  | -                      |
| Assistance, Grants and Benefits                            | 5,121              | 22,000             | 250,000            | 250,000            | 250,000                |
| <b>Subtotal: Operating Expenditures</b>                    | <b>\$4,948,278</b> | <b>\$5,160,979</b> | <b>\$5,725,884</b> | <b>\$5,838,648</b> | <b>\$6,289,962</b>     |
| Capital Purchases and Equipment                            | 9,602              | 10,880             | 11,500             | 78,629             | 11,000                 |
| Debt Service   | -                  | -                  | -                  | -                  | -                      |
| Operating Transfers  | -                  | -                  | -                  | 70,578             | 70,578                 |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                                  | <b>\$4,957,880</b> | <b>\$5,171,859</b> | <b>\$5,737,384</b> | <b>\$5,987,855</b> | <b>\$6,371,540</b>     |
| <b>Expenditures By Funds</b>                               |                    |                    |                    |                    |                        |
| General Revenue  | 4,957,880          | 4,627,388          | 5,106,754          | 4,730,441          | 4,872,994              |
| Federal Funds  | -                  | 544,471            | 630,630            | -                  | -                      |
| Restricted Receipts  | -                  | -                  | -                  | 1,257,414          | 1,498,546              |
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| <b>FTE Authorization</b>                                   | <b>45.0</b>        | <b>39.0</b>        | <b>43.0</b>        | <b>46.0</b>        | <b>46.0</b>            |
| <b>Agency Measures</b>                                     |                    |                    |                    |                    |                        |
| Minorities as a Percentage of the Workforce                | 8.7%               | 8.7%               | 9.5%               | 9.5%               | 8.8%                   |
| Females as a Percentage of the Workforce                   | 54.3%              | 51.7%              | 57.1%              | 57.1%              | 53.3%                  |
| Persons with Disabilities as a Percentage of the Workforce | -                  | -                  | -                  | -                  | -                      |
| <b>Program Measures</b>                                    | NA                 | NA                 | NA                 | NA                 | NA                     |