VOLUME I: GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCIES

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Agency Summary

Office of Lieutenant Governor

Agency Mission

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

Agency Description

The Lieutenant Governor was established under the Constitution of Rhode Island as one of the five general offices subject to voter election. The Lieutenant Governor fulfills the executive responsibilities of the Governor upon his or her death, resignation, impeachment, or inability to serve. The Lieutenant Governor appoints members of the general public to serve on boards and commissions established by the General Assembly. Additionally, the Lieutenant Governor chairs and serves on various commissions and advisory boards. The Office of the Lieutenant Governor initiates legislation and has assumed advocacy and leadership roles in such areas as emergency management, veterans' affairs, education, economic development, affordable housing, environmental sustainability, long-term care, health care, and older adults. The Office also serves as a liaison between the public and state agencies.

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, or 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 Lieutenant Governor is statutorily appointed to chair the Long-Term Care Coordinating Council (R.I. General Laws § 23-17.3-2), the Emergency Management Advisory Committee (RIGL § 30-15-6), and the Small Business Advocacy Council (RIGL § 42-91-2).

Budget

Office of Lieutenant Governor

	2021 Actuals	2022 Actuals	2023 Enacted Budget	2023 Revised Budget	2024 Recommended
Expenditures by Program					
Lt. Governor's Office - General	1,003,177	1,073,989	1,353,568	1,366,773	1,411,331
Total Expenditures	1,003,177	1,073,989	1,353,568	1,366,773	1,411,331
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	864,279	958,330	1,153,520	1,153,626	1,193,041
Contract Professional Services	55,130	36,000	58,000	68,000	68,000
Operating Supplies and Expenses	83,768	78,583	141,298	144,397	149,540
Subtotal: Operating	1,003,177	1,072,914	1,352,818	1,366,023	1,410,581
Capital Purchases and Equipment	0	1,075	750	750	750
Subtotal: Other	0	1,075	750	750	750
Total Expenditures	1,003,177	1,073,989	1,353,568	1,366,773	1,411,331
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	1,002,553	1,073,989	1,353,568	1,366,773	1,411,331
Federal Funds	624	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	1,003,177	1,073,989	1,353,568	1,366,773	1,411,331
FTE Authorization	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0

Personnel Agency Summary

Office of Lieutenant Governor

	F	FY 2023		FY 2024	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost	
Unclassified	8.0	713,048	8.0	754,473	
Subtotal	8.0	713,048	8.0	754,473	
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages		77,384		49,830	
Turnover		(9,034)		(13,903)	
Total Salaries		781,398		790,400	
Benefits					
FICA		59,775		60,465	
Health Benefits		45,487		47,780	
Payroll Accrual		0		4,379	
Retiree Health		31,945		34,101	
Retirement		206,857		226,114	
Subtotal		344,064		372,839	
Total Salaries and Benefits	8.0	1,125,462	8.0	1,163,239	
Cost Per FTE Position		140,683		145,405	
Statewide Benefit Assessment		28,164		29,802	
Payroll Costs	8.0	1,153,626	8.0	1,193,041	
Purchased Services					
Legal Services		48,000		48,000	
Training and Educational Services		20,000		20,000	
Subtotal		68,000		68,000	
Total Personnel	8.0	1,221,626	8.0	1,261,041	
Distribution by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	8.0	1,221,626	8.0	1,261,041	
Total All Funds	8.0	1,221,626	8.0	1,261,041	

Personnel

Office of Lieutenant Governor

Lt. Governor's Office - General

		FY 2023		FY 2024	
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Unclassified					
CHIEF OF STAFF (LT GOV)	8443 A	1.0	129,377	1.0	138,310
DIR OF COMMUNICATIONS (LT GOV)	8431 A	1.0	87,651	1.0	89,842
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/SPEC PROJECTS (LT.GOV)	8428 A	1.0	73,097	1.0	78,528
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	0531 F	1.0	129,443	1.0	137,510
POLICY ANALYST/GRAPHICS (LT.GOV)	8424 A	1.0	60,201	1.0	63,766
POLICY ANALYST/SPEC PROJ (LT GOV)	8438 A	1.0	102,552	1.0	110,578
SPECIAL ASSISTANT (LT. GOV)	8423 A	1.0	58,007	1.0	61,402
SR. ADVISOR / DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND DIVERSITY	8425 A	1.0	72,720	1.0	74,537
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