

**VOLUME IV: PUBLIC SAFETY,
NATURAL RESOURCES, AND
TRANSPORTATION**

**OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY
GENERAL**

Agency Summary

Office of Attorney General

Agency Mission

To represent the State with regard to the investigation, prosecution, and trial of all felony matters, misdemeanor cases, and appellate matters within its jurisdiction. To provide public protection on behalf of the people of Rhode Island as citizens, consumers, and taxpayers. To provide criminal history information and descriptive data on demand to federal and local law enforcement agencies seven days a week, 24-hours a day.

Agency Description

The Attorney General is established under the Rhode Island Constitution as one of the five general officers subject to election by the voters. As the State's central legal agency, the Attorney General is responsible for the prosecution of all felony criminal cases, misdemeanor appeals, and misdemeanor cases brought by state law enforcement action in the various district courts. The Attorney General initiates legal action to protect the interests of the citizens of Rhode Island regarding compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the Access to Public Records Act, and protection of the public from deceptive business practices and anti-trust violations.

Additionally, the Attorney General provides legal advice to state officers and represents all agencies, departments, and commissions in litigation. The State Bureau of Criminal Identification, the central repository for all criminal records in the State, is operated and maintained by the Attorney General. The Office of Attorney General is divided into four programs: Criminal, Civil, Bureau of Criminal Identification, and General.

Statutory History

Article IV, Section 1 of the Rhode Island Constitution and R.I.G.L. 42-9 establish the Office of the Attorney General. R.I.G.L. 12-9 relates to extradition; R.I.G.L. 9-31 relates to governmental tort liability; R.I.G.L. 12-12 relates to indictments and information; R.I.G.L. 12-1 relates to criminal identification; and R.I.G.L. 11-57 relates to weapons.

Budget

Office of Attorney General

	2022 Actuals	2023 Actuals	2024 Enacted Budget	2024 Revised Budget	2025 Recommended
Expenditures by Program					
Criminal	21,466,291	22,182,407	25,237,630	26,036,975	25,879,441
Civil	6,642,029	6,691,620	9,729,424	9,542,490	9,622,059
Bureau of Criminal Identification	3,286,272	3,612,753	3,441,808	4,286,781	5,045,548
General	4,361,563	4,526,209	4,818,933	6,754,150	4,909,579
Total Expenditures	35,756,155	37,012,990	43,227,795	46,620,396	45,456,627
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	30,051,407	31,555,397	36,307,305	36,125,011	36,174,560
Contract Professional Services	2,190,009	1,614,562	2,368,208	3,187,850	3,902,628
Operating Supplies and Expenses	3,239,826	3,544,754	4,218,404	4,589,122	4,738,847
Assistance and Grants	0	200	0	0	0
Subtotal: Operating	35,481,243	36,714,913	42,893,917	43,901,983	44,816,035
Capital Purchases and Equipment	274,912	298,077	333,878	2,718,413	640,592
Subtotal: Other	274,912	298,077	333,878	2,718,413	640,592
Total Expenditures	35,756,155	37,012,990	43,227,795	46,620,396	45,456,627
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	30,772,379	32,228,827	34,862,891	35,381,472	35,103,418
Federal Funds	2,776,619	2,406,890	2,909,219	3,213,191	3,265,105
Restricted Receipts	2,206,820	2,332,042	5,305,685	5,985,733	6,938,104
Operating Transfers From Other Funds	336	45,231	150,000	2,040,000	150,000
Total Expenditures	35,756,155	37,012,990	43,227,795	46,620,396	45,456,627
FTE Authorization	247.1	249.1	264.1	264.1	264.1

Personnel Agency Summary

Office of Attorney General

	FY 2024		FY 2025	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified	264.1	22,981,071	264.1	23,212,668
Subtotal	264.1	22,981,071	264.1	23,212,668
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages		23,442		23,442
Turnover		(852,292)		(1,248,916)
Total Salaries		22,152,221		21,987,194
Benefits				
FICA		1,749,015		1,771,746
Health Benefits		3,282,213		3,619,900
Payroll Accrual		134,193		134,603
Retiree Health		1,038,738		914,576
Retirement		6,860,876		6,829,634
Subtotal		13,065,035		13,270,459
Total Salaries and Benefits	264.1	35,217,256	264.1	35,257,653
Cost Per FTE Position		133,348		133,501
Statewide Benefit Assessment		907,755		916,907
Payroll Costs	264.1	36,125,011	264.1	36,174,560
Purchased Services				
Buildings and Ground Maintenance		238,224		238,224
Clerical and Temporary Services		366,270		203,932
Design and Engineering Services		36,050		36,050
Information Technology		1,603,271		2,419,540
Legal Services		280,819		293,999
Management & Consultant Services		305,676		305,676
Medical Services		68,327		111,743
Other Contracts		250,491		253,810
Training and Educational Services		38,722		39,654
Subtotal		3,187,850		3,902,628
Total Personnel	264.1	39,312,861	264.1	40,077,188
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	246.1	32,487,055	246.1	32,386,558
Federal Funds	13.0	2,249,156	13.0	2,098,395
Restricted Receipts	5.0	4,576,650	5.0	5,592,235
Total All Funds	264.1	39,312,861	264.1	40,077,188

Program Summary

Office of Attorney General

Criminal

Mission

The Criminal Program's mission is to represent the State with regard to the investigation, prosecution, and trial of all felony matters, misdemeanor cases brought by state law enforcement, and appellate matters within its jurisdiction.

Description

The Criminal Program, with offices in Providence, Kent, Washington, and Newport counties, is responsible for the prosecution of felony cases and misdemeanor appeals from the district courts. The Narcotics and Organized Crime Prosecution Unit is composed of legal and support staff who prosecute all narcotics and organized crime cases. The Forfeiture Unit handles all asset forfeiture cases. The Information Charging Unit prepares information for all felony cases filed in Providence County, except for Grand Jury indictments. The Victim/Witness Unit administers a comprehensive assistance program for victims and state witnesses, which is mandated by the Victim's Bill of Rights.

The Diversion Unit provides alternatives to court prosecution for selected first-time, non-violent felony offenders. The Juvenile Unit is responsible for prosecuting all juveniles charged with felonies by local police and state agencies, and all adults charged with criminal child abuse. The Appellate Unit represents the State in all criminal appeals before the Rhode Island Supreme Court and post-conviction cases filed in federal court. The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit prosecutes fraud and abuse by providers of Medicaid services to Rhode Island and the Welfare Fraud Unit investigates and prosecutes all cases of welfare fraud.

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Budget

Office of Attorney General

Criminal

Expenditures by Sub Program	2022 Actuals	2023 Actuals	2024 Enacted Budget	2024 Revised Budget	2025 Recommended
Operations	21,466,291	22,182,407	25,237,630	26,036,975	25,879,441
Total Expenditures	21,466,291	22,182,407	25,237,630	26,036,975	25,879,441
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	18,386,965	19,356,198	21,623,522	21,795,875	21,658,554
Contract Professional Services	1,009,817	470,214	962,381	997,381	960,090
Operating Supplies and Expenses	1,805,934	2,135,714	2,484,791	2,749,371	2,775,711
Subtotal: Operating	21,202,716	21,962,125	25,070,694	25,542,627	25,394,355
Capital Purchases and Equipment	263,575	220,283	166,936	494,348	485,086
Subtotal: Other	263,575	220,283	166,936	494,348	485,086
Total Expenditures	21,466,291	22,182,407	25,237,630	26,036,975	25,879,441
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	18,586,292	19,734,204	21,038,345	21,531,195	21,173,986
Federal Funds	2,737,294	2,214,946	2,909,219	3,114,937	3,231,773
Restricted Receipts	142,704	233,257	1,290,066	1,390,843	1,473,682
Total Expenditures	21,466,291	22,182,407	25,237,630	26,036,975	25,879,441

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

Criminal

		FY 2024		FY 2025	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified					
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (AG)	8718 A	1.0	49,972	1.0	51,171
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (AG)	8724 A	2.0	156,634	2.0	156,634
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8739 A	1.0	122,585	1.0	122,585
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8740 A	1.0	150,696	1.0	150,696
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8741 A	1.0	133,919	1.0	133,919
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (A.G.)	8731 A	1.0	86,515	1.0	89,842
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (A.G.)	8742 A	1.0	146,571	1.0	146,571
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (A.G.)	8744 A	2.0	301,861	2.0	301,861
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8737 A	2.0	228,065	2.0	228,065
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8738 A	2.0	233,832	2.0	233,832
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8741 A	1.0	140,615	1.0	140,615
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8743 A	2.0	312,322	2.0	312,322
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8745 A	3.0	536,334	3.0	536,334
ASST ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8746 A	1.0	186,611	1.0	186,611
CASE INTAKE COORDINATOR	8718 A	1.0	50,772	1.0	52,020
CASE INTAKE COORDINATOR (AG)	8718 A	1.0	54,390	1.0	54,390
CASE INTAKE COORDINATOR (AG)	8719 A	2.0	115,110	2.0	115,110
CHIEF PARALEGAL (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8731 A	1.0	103,318	1.0	103,318
CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO ATTORNEY GENERAL	8718 A	1.0	54,390	1.0	54,390
FAMILY CRISIS AIDE	8718 A	1.0	53,789	1.0	54,390
INTAKE COORD/SUPERVISOR (AG)	8727 A	2.0	161,452	2.0	161,452
INTAKE UNIT LEGAL CLERK	8718 A	1.0	50,195	1.0	51,408
INTAKE UNIT LEGAL CLERK (AG)	8718 A	1.0	51,722	1.0	53,360
INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8726 A	2.0	142,286	2.0	147,758
INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8727 A	3.0	208,725	3.0	220,251
INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8731 A	1.0	89,842	1.0	89,842
LEAD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (AG)	8731 A	1.0	105,564	1.0	105,564
LEGAL ASSISTANT (AG)	8723 A	1.0	68,709	1.0	68,709
LEGAL CLERK	8719 A	1.6	79,973	1.6	83,984
LEGAL CLERK (A.G.)	8720 A	2.0	122,491	2.0	122,491
LEGAL CLERK (A.G.)	8721 A	2.0	127,491	2.0	127,491
LEGAL CLERK (A.G.)	8724 A	1.0	78,317	1.0	78,317
LEGAL CLERK (AG)	8718 A	1.0	49,637	1.0	50,888
LEGAL CLERK (AG)	8719 A	3.0	163,482	3.0	168,420
LEGAL CLERK (AG)	8720 A	2.0	119,574	2.0	119,574
LEGAL SECRETARY (A.G.)	8719 A	2.0	111,166	2.0	112,302

Personnel

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		FY 2024		FY 2025	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified					
LEGAL SECRETARY (A.G)	8723 A	1.0	68,709	1.0	68,709
NURSE INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8726 A	1.0	68,379	1.0	71,167
PARALEGAL (A.G.)	8719 A	1.0	51,340	1.0	52,633
PARALEGAL (A.G.)	8720 A	3.0	198,319	3.0	198,319
PARALEGAL (A.G.)	8727 A	1.0	84,570	1.0	84,570
PARALEGAL (AG)	8718 A	1.0	50,195	1.0	51,408
PARALEGAL (AG)	8719 A	2.0	104,486	2.0	107,209
PARALEGAL (AG)	8722 A	2.0	127,144	2.0	129,368
PARALEGAL (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8718 A	1.0	63,908	1.0	63,908
PARALEGAL (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8720 A	2.0	128,324	2.0	128,324
PARALEGAL (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8721 A	4.6	303,444	4.6	306,113
PARALEGAL CLERK	8718 A	1.0	50,284	1.0	51,503
PARALEGAL CLERK (AG)	8719 A	1.0	56,151	1.0	56,151
PARALEGAL CLERK (AG)	8720 A	5.0	307,685	5.0	307,685
PARALEGAL CLERK (AG)	8721 A	8.0	496,245	8.0	498,068
SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE	8720 A	2.0	110,673	2.0	112,173
SENIOR INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8729 A	1.0	83,126	1.0	83,126
SENIOR INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8730 A	1.0	86,372	1.0	86,372
SENIOR INVESTIGATOR (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8727 A	7.0	569,015	7.0	569,019
SENIOR LEGAL ASSISTANT	8725 A	1.0	70,988	1.0	70,988
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8729 A	8.0	622,855	8.0	651,031
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8730 A	4.0	340,998	4.0	345,488
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8731 A	6.0	520,314	6.0	532,886
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8732 A	7.0	653,240	7.0	653,240
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8733 A	2.0	193,558	2.0	193,558
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8734 A	5.0	501,910	5.0	501,910
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8735 A	1.0	103,967	1.0	103,967
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8736 A	2.0	215,086	2.0	215,086
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8737 A	1.0	116,814	1.0	116,814
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8738 A	1.0	116,916	1.0	116,916
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8739 A	1.0	140,973	1.0	140,973
SPECIAL PROSECUTOR INVESTIGATOR	8725 A	1.0	70,988	1.0	70,988
STAFF ATTORNEY I (AG)	8734 A	2.0	200,764	2.0	200,764
STAFF ATTORNEY I (ATTORNEY GEN)	8729 A	1.0	76,695	1.0	79,825
STAFF ATTORNEY III	8733 A	3.0	304,854	3.0	304,854
STAFF ATTORNEY III (AG)	8737 A	1.0	111,251	1.0	111,251
STAFF ATTORNEY III (AG)	8738 A	1.0	122,762	1.0	122,762

Personnel

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Criminal

	FY 2024		FY 2025	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified				
STAFF ATTORNEY III (AG)	8746 A	1.0	170,384	170,384
STAFF ATTORNEY IV (A.G.)	8736 A	2.0	211,103	215,086
STAFF ATTORNEY IV (AG)	8738 A	1.0	134,453	134,453
STAFF ATTORNEY IV (AG)	8739 A	1.0	122,585	122,585
STAFF ATTORNEY IV (AG)	8742 A	1.0	167,779	167,779
STAFF ATTORNEY V (AG)	8739 A	1.0	128,714	128,714
STAFF ATTORNEY V (AG)	8742 A	1.0	139,591	139,591
STAFF ATTORNEY V (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8741 A	1.0	150,834	150,834
VICTIM SERVICES ADVOCATE (A.G.)	8720 A	1.0	53,152	54,553
VICTIM SERVICES ADVOCATE (A.G.)	8721 A	2.0	132,044	132,044
Subtotal Unclassified		160.2	13,852,868	13,961,636
Subtotal		160.2	13,852,868	13,961,636
Turnover			(535,558)	(890,660)
Total Salaries			13,317,310	13,070,976
Benefits				
FICA			1,053,546	1,064,721
Health Benefits			2,035,679	2,233,006
Payroll Accrual			80,890	80,954
Retiree Health			626,149	550,085
Retirement			4,135,111	4,107,327
Subtotal			7,931,375	8,036,093
Total Salaries and Benefits		160.2	21,248,685	21,107,069
Cost Per FTE Position			132,638	131,754
Statewide Benefit Assessment			547,190	551,485
Payroll Costs		160.2	21,795,875	21,658,554
Purchased Services				
Buildings and Ground Maintenance			220,536	220,536
Clerical and Temporary Services			244,295	146,157
Design and Engineering Services			36,050	36,050
Information Technology			123,066	123,066
Legal Services			83,119	96,299
Medical Services			68,327	111,743
Other Contracts			186,799	190,118
Training and Educational Services			35,189	36,121
Subtotal			997,381	960,090

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

Criminal

	FY 2024		FY 2025	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Total Personnel	160.2	22,793,256	160.2	22,618,644
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	146.2	19,595,074	146.2	19,433,167
Federal Funds	13.0	2,150,912	13.0	2,065,063
Restricted Receipts	1.0	1,047,270	1.0	1,120,414
Total All Funds	160.2	22,793,256	160.2	22,618,644

Program Summary

Office of Attorney General

Civil

Mission

The Civil program provides cost effective legal representation to the State, its agencies, boards, and commissions. It also publically protects the people of Rhode Island as citizens, consumers and taxpayers.

Description

The Attorney General of Rhode Island is the State's Chief Legal Officer for both criminal and civil matters and is charged with conducting the State's legal affairs and representing the State in all legal proceedings. By law, the Attorney General represents the State, its agencies and employees in the Rhode Island Supreme Court and all lower state courts; institutes actions in state and federal courts whenever warranted; ensures that representation is provided to state officers, employees, and agencies in all courts; advises state officers and agencies on legal issues and gives written opinions on legal issues when requested by an appropriate governmental officer; and represents the interests of the people.

Statutory History

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Budget

Office of Attorney General

Civil

Expenditures by Sub Program	2022 Actuals	2023 Actuals	2024 Enacted Budget	2024 Revised Budget	2025 Recommended
Operations	6,642,029	6,691,620	9,729,424	9,542,490	9,622,059
Total Expenditures	6,642,029	6,691,620	9,729,424	9,542,490	9,622,059
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	5,698,921	6,075,912	8,344,504	7,982,022	8,126,491
Contract Professional Services	393,573	163,966	620,928	620,928	621,640
Operating Supplies and Expenses	546,990	459,015	753,653	822,294	871,175
Assistance and Grants	0	200	0	0	0
Subtotal: Operating	6,639,484	6,699,093	9,719,085	9,425,244	9,619,306
Capital Purchases and Equipment	2,545	(7,474)	10,339	117,246	2,753
Subtotal: Other	2,545	(7,474)	10,339	117,246	2,753
Total Expenditures	6,642,029	6,691,620	9,729,424	9,542,490	9,622,059
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	5,791,048	5,829,087	7,010,429	6,967,220	7,005,430
Restricted Receipts	850,981	862,533	2,718,995	2,575,270	2,616,629
Total Expenditures	6,642,029	6,691,620	9,729,424	9,542,490	9,622,059

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

Civil

		FY 2024		FY 2025	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified					
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8741 A	1.0	133,919	1.0	133,919
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8744 A	2.0	332,046	2.0	332,046
ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	8728 A	1.0	79,893	1.0	79,893
CHIEF OF CIVIL (AG)	8750 A	1.0	184,949	1.0	184,949
CLASSIFICATION CLERK	8715 A	1.0	45,834	1.0	46,792
CLASSIFICATION CLERK (AG)	8720 A	1.0	52,938	1.0	54,390
ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY UNIT CHIEF (A.G.)	8739 A	1.0	118,596	1.0	122,585
EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE	8722 A	1.0	63,014	1.0	63,014
LEGAL ASSISTANT (AG)	8715 A	1.0	46,011	1.0	46,952
LEGAL ASSISTANT (AG)	8717 A	1.0	48,854	1.0	49,943
LEGAL ASSISTANT (AG)	8719 A	1.0	51,807	1.0	53,098
LEGAL ASSISTANT (AG)	8722 A	2.0	126,028	2.0	126,028
LEGAL CLERK (ATTY GENERAL)	8717 A	2.0	101,610	2.0	104,487
LEGAL RESEARCH ASSISTANT (AG)	8727 A	1.0	76,447	1.0	76,882
LEGAL SECRETARY (A.G.)	8720 A	1.0	53,049	1.0	54,441
PARALEGAL (A.G.)	8719 A	1.0	54,071	1.0	56,151
PARALEGAL (AG)	8720 A	1.0	53,461	1.0	54,886
PARALEGAL (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8720 A	1.0	57,761	1.0	58,329
PARALEGAL (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8721 A	1.0	66,781	1.0	66,781
PARALEGAL CLERK (AG)	8720 A	1.0	53,152	1.0	54,553
SENIOR LEGAL ASSISTANT	8724 A	1.0	78,317	1.0	78,317
SPEC ASST ATTORNEY GENERAL	8744 A	1.0	150,930	1.0	150,930
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8729 A	4.0	306,519	4.0	319,507
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8730 A	1.0	78,987	1.0	81,980
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8731 A	12.0	1,036,149	12.0	1,071,938
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8732 A	5.0	445,052	5.0	461,857
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8733 A	2.0	186,553	2.0	190,461
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8734 A	1.0	100,382	1.0	100,382
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8736 A	1.0	107,543	1.0	107,543
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8737 A	2.0	228,065	2.0	228,065
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8741 A	1.0	133,919	1.0	133,919
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8744 A	1.0	150,930	1.0	150,930
STAFF ATTORNEY I (AG)	8730 A	1.0	81,124	1.0	85,156
STAFF ATTORNEY II (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8737 A	1.0	111,251	1.0	111,251
STAFF ATTORNEY IV (AG)	8736 A	1.0	107,543	1.0	107,543
Subtotal Unclassified		58.0	5,103,485	58.0	5,199,898
Subtotal		58.0	5,103,485	58.0	5,199,898

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

Civil

	FY 2024		FY 2025	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Turnover		(250,504)		(292,026)
Total Salaries		4,852,981		4,907,872
Benefits				
FICA		388,156		396,734
Health Benefits		758,657		855,239
Payroll Accrual		29,785		30,141
Retiree Health		230,675		204,876
Retirement		1,520,184		1,526,231
Subtotal		2,927,457		3,013,221
Total Salaries and Benefits	58.0	7,780,438	58.0	7,921,093
Cost Per FTE Position		134,145		136,571
Statewide Benefit Assessment		201,584		205,398
Payroll Costs	58.0	7,982,022	58.0	8,126,491
Purchased Services				
Clerical and Temporary Services		23,731		24,443
Information Technology		26,685		26,685
Legal Services		197,700		197,700
Management & Consultant Services		305,676		305,676
Other Contracts		63,603		63,603
Training and Educational Services		3,533		3,533
Subtotal		620,928		621,640
Total Personnel	58.0	8,602,950	58.0	8,748,131
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	54.0	6,526,596	54.0	6,545,605
Restricted Receipts	4.0	2,076,354	4.0	2,202,526
Total All Funds	58.0	8,602,950	58.0	8,748,131

Program Summary

Office of Attorney General

Bureau of Criminal Identification

Mission

The Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI) provides criminal history information and descriptive data to federal and local law enforcement agencies, 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

Description

The BCI is a repository and central clearinghouse for information on individuals who have been arrested or convicted of crimes in Rhode Island. This information includes criminal history records, fingerprints, and warrant information. The unit operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This unit also receives and processes requests for records from law enforcement agencies across the country. Additionally, BCI issues and maintains pistol permits, issues security guard licenses, and conducts background checks.

Statutory History

Section 12-1-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws establishes the Bureau of Criminal Identification within the Office of the Attorney General. The duties of this unit are further outlined in Sections 12-1-5 through 12-1-12.

Budget

Office of Attorney General

Bureau of Criminal Identification

Expenditures by Sub Program	2022 Actuals	2023 Actuals	2024 Enacted Budget	2024 Revised Budget	2025 Recommended
Operations	3,286,272	3,612,753	3,441,808	4,286,781	5,045,548
Total Expenditures	3,286,272	3,612,753	3,441,808	4,286,781	5,045,548
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	1,876,132	1,918,533	1,973,066	1,973,443	1,990,886
Contract Professional Services	769,918	955,332	766,836	1,551,478	2,302,835
Operating Supplies and Expenses	633,238	695,800	696,897	733,434	750,668
Subtotal: Operating	3,279,288	3,569,665	3,436,799	4,258,355	5,044,389
Capital Purchases and Equipment	6,983	43,088	5,009	28,426	1,159
Subtotal: Other	6,983	43,088	5,009	28,426	1,159
Total Expenditures	3,286,272	3,612,753	3,441,808	4,286,781	5,045,548
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	2,033,812	2,184,557	2,145,184	2,168,907	2,164,423
Federal Funds	39,325	191,945	0	98,254	33,332
Restricted Receipts	1,213,134	1,236,252	1,296,624	2,019,620	2,847,793
Total Expenditures	3,286,272	3,612,753	3,441,808	4,286,781	5,045,548

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

Bureau of Criminal Identification

	FY 2024		FY 2025		
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost	
Unclassified					
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (AG)	8727 A	1.0	76,882	1.0	76,882
BCI CLERK (A G)	8715 A	1.0	46,249	1.0	47,174
BCI CLERK (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8716 A	2.0	103,706	2.0	103,706
CHIEF BCI UNIT (ATTY GENERAL)	8741 A	1.0	133,919	1.0	133,919
CLASSIFICATION CLERK (AG)	8715 A	2.0	96,206	2.0	98,023
CLASSIFICATION CLERK (AG)	8720 A	1.0	53,668	1.0	55,111
DEPUTY CHIEF BCI (AG)	8735 A	1.0	103,967	1.0	103,967
FINGERPRINT EXPERT (A.G.)	8722 A	1.0	63,014	1.0	63,014
FINGERPRINT EXPERT (A.G.)	8728 A	1.0	79,893	1.0	79,893
INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8723 A	1.0	65,437	1.0	65,437
INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8725 A	1.0	70,497	1.0	70,988
INVESTIGATOR (AG)	8726 A	1.0	63,013	1.0	67,746
LEGAL ASSISTANT	8720 A	1.0	53,668	1.0	55,111
LEGAL ASSISTANT (AG)	8722 A	1.0	66,165	1.0	66,165
LEGAL CLERK (JUDICIAL)	8715 A	1.0	47,523	1.0	48,448
LEGAL SECRETARY (AG)	8715 A	1.0	49,590	1.0	49,590
SENIOR LEGAL ASSISTANT	8724 A	1.0	80,020	1.0	80,020
Subtotal Unclassified		19.0	1,253,417	19.0	1,265,194
Subtotal		19.0	1,253,417	19.0	1,265,194
Turnover			(19,296)		(19,296)
Total Salaries			1,234,121		1,245,898
Benefits					
FICA			95,885		96,785
Health Benefits			155,102		168,101
Payroll Accrual			7,322		7,340
Retiree Health			56,653		49,848
Retirement			374,848		372,937
Subtotal			689,810		695,011
Total Salaries and Benefits		19.0	1,923,931	19.0	1,940,909
Cost Per FTE Position			101,260		102,153
Statewide Benefit Assessment			49,512		49,977
Payroll Costs		19.0	1,973,443	19.0	1,990,886
Purchased Services					
Clerical and Temporary Services			98,244		33,332
Information Technology			1,453,234		2,269,503

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

Bureau of Criminal Identification

	FY 2024		FY 2025	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Purchased Services				
Subtotal		1,551,478		2,302,835
Total Personnel	19.0	3,524,921	19.0	4,293,721
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	19.0	1,973,651	19.0	1,991,094
Federal Funds	0.0	98,244	0.0	33,332
Restricted Receipts	0.0	1,453,026	0.0	2,269,295
Total All Funds	19.0	3,524,921	19.0	4,293,721

Program Summary

Office of Attorney General

General

Mission

The General program provides the infrastructure necessary for the efficient operation of the Office of the Attorney General.

Description

The General program provides administrative support to ensure that the department operates efficiently and consists of eight units. The Executive Unit consists of the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General, and support staff, and coordinates all parts of the department.

The Fiscal Unit is responsible for all of the department's financial operations, including the preparation of the budget, monitoring, and controlling expenditures, and processing all financial paperwork.

The Personnel Unit processes all paperwork regarding hiring, transfers, promotions, terminations, and monitors payroll records submitted to Accounts and Control. This unit ensures that all state and federal laws and regulations are upheld, including equal employment opportunities and affirmative action requirements.

The Operations Unit is responsible for purchasing, maintenance, and repair of the department's buildings and automobiles and monitoring the department's telephone and mail systems. The Management Information System Unit administers and operates the department's computer systems. The system consists of five central processing units and multiple application servers.

The Attorney General's computer system is linked to the court's computer system and the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. The Public Information Unit handles all communication with the media and supports the entire Office with preparation and dissemination of communications and materials for consumption by the general public.

The Policy and Legislation Unit is responsible for the development and advancement of the Office's legislative agenda, as well as fielding inquiries regarding other legislative proposals. The Policy unit also provides legal support to the Attorney General and criminal and civil divisions based on the needs and priorities of the Office and the Attorney General. The Community Engagement Unit coordinates the Attorney General's community outreach efforts.

Statutory History

Article IV, Section 1 of the Rhode Island Constitution and R.I.G.L. 42-9 establish the Office of the Attorney General.

Budget

Office of Attorney General

General

Expenditures by Sub Program	2022 Actuals	2023 Actuals	2024 Enacted Budget	2024 Revised Budget	2025 Recommended
Operations	4,361,563	4,526,209	4,818,933	6,754,150	4,909,579
Total Expenditures	4,361,563	4,526,209	4,818,933	6,754,150	4,909,579
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	4,089,389	4,204,755	4,366,213	4,373,671	4,398,629
Contract Professional Services	16,701	25,049	18,063	18,063	18,063
Operating Supplies and Expenses	253,664	254,226	283,063	284,023	341,293
Subtotal: Operating	4,359,754	4,484,030	4,667,339	4,675,757	4,757,985
Capital Purchases and Equipment	1,809	42,180	151,594	2,078,393	151,594
Subtotal: Other	1,809	42,180	151,594	2,078,393	151,594
Total Expenditures	4,361,563	4,526,209	4,818,933	6,754,150	4,909,579
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	4,361,227	4,480,978	4,668,933	4,714,150	4,759,579
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	336	45,231	150,000	2,040,000	150,000
Total Expenditures	4,361,563	4,526,209	4,818,933	6,754,150	4,909,579

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

General

		FY 2024		FY 2025	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified					
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	8747 A	1.0	167,941	1.0	167,941
ASSISTANT PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (A.G.)	8741 A	1.0	133,919	1.0	133,919
ATTORNEY GENERAL	0535 F	1.0	146,107	1.0	146,107
BUSINESS ANALYST (AG)	8741 A	1.0	133,919	1.0	133,919
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG)	8751 A	1.0	190,613	1.0	190,613
DEPUTY COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR (AG)	8729 A	1.0	83,126	1.0	83,126
DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION (AG)	8741 A	1.0	157,355	1.0	157,355
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE (AG)	8744 A	1.0	150,930	1.0	150,930
DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES (AG)	8729 A	1.0	83,126	1.0	83,126
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS (A.G.)	8734 A	1.0	91,688	1.0	95,166
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS (AG)	8740 A	1.0	147,490	1.0	147,490
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS	8740 A	1.0	134,665	1.0	134,665
EXECUTIVE ASST ADMINISTRATOR	8741 A	1.0	147,311	1.0	147,311
EXECUTIVE SCHEDULER (AG)	8719 A	1.0	52,082	1.0	53,415
FAMILY CRISIS AIDE (AG)	8715 A	1.0	49,590	1.0	49,590
FISCAL CLERK (A.G.)	8724 A	1.0	68,102	1.0	68,102
FISCAL MANAGEMENT SUPERVISOR	8729 A	1.0	87,282	1.0	87,282
FISCAL OFFICER (A.G.)	8728 A	1.0	79,893	1.0	79,893
FISCAL OFFICER (AG)	8734 A	1.0	110,420	1.0	110,420
OPERATIONS ASSISTANT (A G)	8716 A	1.0	51,216	1.0	51,216
OPERATIONS ASSISTANT (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8723 A	1.0	65,437	1.0	65,437
PARALEGAL CLERK (AG)	8726 A	1.0	73,879	1.0	73,879
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (AG)	8740 A	1.0	125,314	1.0	128,252
RECEPTIONIST (ATTORNEY GENERAL)	8714 A	1.0	48,292	1.0	48,292
SENIOR LEGAL ASSISTANT	8726 A	1.0	69,825	1.0	73,425
SYSTEMS ANALYST	8720 A	0.9	52,496	0.9	52,496
TECHNICAL SUPPORT ENGINEER (AG)	8726 A	1.0	69,283	1.0	72,573
Subtotal Unclassified		26.9	2,771,301	26.9	2,785,940
Subtotal		26.9	2,771,301	26.9	2,785,940
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages			23,442		23,442
Turnover			(46,934)		(46,934)
Total Salaries			2,747,809		2,762,448

Personnel

Office of Attorney General

General

	FY 2024		FY 2025	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Benefits				
FICA		211,428		213,506
Health Benefits		332,775		363,554
Payroll Accrual		16,196		16,168
Retiree Health		125,261		109,767
Retirement		830,733		823,139
Subtotal		1,516,393		1,526,134
Total Salaries and Benefits	26.9	4,264,202	26.9	4,288,582
Cost Per FTE Position		158,521		159,427
Statewide Benefit Assessment		109,469		110,047
Payroll Costs	26.9	4,373,671	26.9	4,398,629
Purchased Services				
Buildings and Ground Maintenance		17,688		17,688
Information Technology		286		286
Other Contracts		89		89
Subtotal		18,063		18,063
Total Personnel	26.9	4,391,734	26.9	4,416,692
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	26.9	4,391,734	26.9	4,416,692
Total All Funds	26.9	4,391,734	26.9	4,416,692