

**VOLUME I: GENERAL GOVERNMENT
AND QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCIES**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Agency Summary

Office of the Governor

Agency Mission

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Budget

Office of the Governor

	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
Expenditures by Program					
Central Management	7,468,837	7,532,310	8,471,265	8,973,819	9,334,918
Total Expenditures	7,468,837	7,532,310	8,471,265	8,973,819	9,334,918
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	6,921,165	6,870,837	7,819,375	8,209,066	8,571,283
Contract Professional Services	61,123	16,880	500	13,000	13,000
Operating Supplies and Expenses	476,658	627,747	484,290	596,879	595,761
Assistance and Grants	0	0	150,000	150,000	150,000
Subtotal: Operating	7,458,947	7,515,464	8,454,165	8,968,945	9,330,044
Capital Purchases and Equipment	9,891	16,846	17,100	4,874	4,874
Subtotal: Other	9,891	16,846	17,100	4,874	4,874
Total Expenditures	7,468,837	7,532,310	8,471,265	8,973,819	9,334,918
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	7,426,985	7,532,310	8,471,265	8,973,819	9,334,918
Federal Funds	41,852	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	7,468,837	7,532,310	8,471,265	8,973,819	9,334,918
FTE Authorization	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0

Personnel Agency Summary

Office of the Governor

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified	45.0	5,486,932	45.0	5,792,250
Subtotal	45.0	5,486,932	45.0	5,792,250
Turnover		(299,956)		(365,716)
Total Salaries		5,186,976		5,426,534
Benefits				
FICA		382,223		398,769
Health Benefits		637,589		678,232
Payroll Accrual		30,223		31,514
Retiree Health		201,014		173,597
Retirement		1,620,620		1,705,264
Subtotal		2,871,669		2,987,376
Total Salaries and Benefits	45.0	8,058,645	45.0	8,413,910
Cost Per FTE Position		179,081		186,976
Statewide Benefit Assessment		150,421		157,373
Payroll Costs	45.0	8,209,066	45.0	8,571,283
Purchased Services				
Information Technology		10,000		10,000
Other Contracts		3,000		3,000
Subtotal		13,000		13,000
Total Personnel	45.0	8,222,066	45.0	8,584,283
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	45.0	8,222,066	45.0	8,584,283
Total All Funds	45.0	8,222,066	45.0	8,584,283

Program Summary

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Central Management

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Expenditures by Sub Program	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Enacted Budget	2025 Revised Budget	2026 Recommended
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Personnel

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Central Management

		FY 2025		FY 2026	
		FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified					
ASSO DIR BOARDS & COMM (GO)	8336 A	1.0	109,805	1.0	118,373
ASSO DIR FOR INTERGOV AFF&OUTR	8343 A	1.0	141,485	1.0	153,219
CHIEF OF STAFF (GOV OFF)	8354 A	1.0	239,177	1.0	248,744
COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATE (G O)	0817 F	0.5	42,511	0.5	42,511
COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST (GOV OFF)	8334 A	1.0	94,667	1.0	102,137
COMMUNITY OUTREACH COORD (GO)	8327 A	1.0	79,145	1.0	82,311
CONSTITUENT SERVICES ASSOCIATE	0817 F	0.5	42,511	0.5	42,511
CONSTITUENT SERVICES ASSOCIATE	8318 A	2.0	107,999	2.0	115,388
CONSTITUENT SVS ASSO I (G O)	8318 A	1.0	50,723	1.0	54,095
CONSTITUENT SVS ASSO I (G O)	8321 A	1.0	61,407	1.0	64,996
DEP DIR OF COMMUNICATIONS (GOV)	8341 A	1.0	137,488	1.0	149,359
DEP DIR OF LEG & INTERGOV AFF	8341 A	1.0	137,859	1.0	143,373
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (GOVERNORS OFFICE)	8351 A	2.0	383,734	2.0	405,151
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE COUNSEL (GOVERNOR'S OFFICE)	8339 A	1.0	112,085	1.0	122,641
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE COUNSEL (GOVERNOR'S OFFICE)	8341 A	1.0	131,361	1.0	142,683
DIGI COMM DIR/POL ANALYST(GO)	8330 A	1.0	88,912	1.0	92,468
DIRECTOR OF APPOINTMENTS (GOV OFF)	8339 A	1.0	126,191	1.0	131,239
DIRECTOR OF CONSTITUENT SERVICES (GOV OFF)	8334 A	1.0	103,335	1.0	107,468
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE & INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS (GOV OFF)	8346 A	1.0	167,042	1.0	173,724
DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS (GOV OFFICE)	8335 A	1.0	102,946	1.0	111,303
DIRECTOR OF SCHEDULING (G O)	8334 A	2.0	206,670	2.0	214,936
DIR OF COMM AFF & OUTRCH (GO)	8343 A	1.0	141,485	1.0	153,219
DIR OF COMMUNICATIONS (GO)	8346 A	1.0	167,042	1.0	173,724
EXECUTIVE COUNSEL (GOVERNOR'S OFFICE)	8347 A	1.0	190,168	1.0	197,776
GOVERNOR	0527 F	1.0	163,295	1.0	163,295
MULTI-MEDIA SPECIALIST (GOV OFF)	8330 A	1.0	84,597	1.0	92,468
OFFICE MANAGER (GOVERNORS OFFICE)	8328 A	1.0	82,242	1.0	85,532
POLICY ADVISOR I (GOV OFF)	8325 A	1.0	69,026	1.0	75,416
POLICY ADVISOR II (GOV OFF)	8332 A	1.0	87,614	1.0	94,450
POLICY ADVISOR III (GOV'S OFFICE)	8333 A	1.0	97,494	1.0	103,611
POLICY DIRECTOR (GOVERNOR'S OFFICE)	8345 A	1.0	147,967	1.0	159,954
PRESS SECRETARY (GOV OFF)	8336 A	1.0	104,735	1.0	114,904
SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE GOVERNOR (GOV'S OFFICE)	8348 A	1.0	164,829	1.0	177,496
SENIOR DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (GOV'S OFFICE)	8352 A	1.0	209,624	1.0	218,009

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SMALL BUSINESS LIAISON (G.O.)	8342 A	1.0	143,696	1.0	149,443
SPEC ADMIN ASST TO GOVERNOR (GOV)	8329 A	1.0	85,571	1.0	88,994
SPEC ASST TO CHF OF STAFF (GO)	8329 A	2.0	171,142	2.0	177,988
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (GOV OFF)	8319 A	1.0	57,124	1.0	60,114
SR ADVISOR / SPECIAL COUNSEL (GOV OFFICE)	8351 A	1.0	196,220	1.0	204,069
SR ADVISOR TO THE GOVERNOR (GO)	8345 A	1.0	159,896	1.0	167,647
SR ADVISOR TO THE GOVERNOR (GOV OFF)	8352 A	1.0	196,486	1.0	211,900
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