

**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

	2024 Actuals	2025 Actuals	2026 Enacted Budget	2026 Revised Budget	2027 Recommended
Expenditures by Program					
Lt. Governor's Office - General	1,255,655	1,331,546	1,519,219	1,532,262	1,574,369
Total Expenditures	1,255,655	1,331,546	1,519,219	1,532,262	1,574,369
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	1,063,257	1,089,087	1,305,099	1,305,997	1,336,500
Contract Professional Services	52,000	48,000	48,000	48,000	48,000
Operating Supplies and Expenses	140,398	194,458	166,120	178,265	189,869
Subtotal: Operating	1,255,655	1,331,546	1,519,219	1,532,262	1,574,369
Total Expenditures	1,255,655	1,331,546	1,519,219	1,532,262	1,574,369
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	1,255,655	1,331,546	1,519,219	1,532,262	1,574,369
Total Expenditures	1,255,655	1,331,546	1,519,219	1,532,262	1,574,369
FTE Authorization	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0

Personnel Agency Summary

Office of Lieutenant Governor

	FY 2026		FY 2027	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Unclassified	8.0	800,806	8.0	848,458
Subtotal	8.0	800,806	8.0	848,458
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages		41,600		41,600
Turnover		(4,410)		(12,309)
Total Salaries		837,996		877,749
Benefits				
FICA		64,108		67,149
Health Benefits		96,145		81,336
Payroll Accrual		4,641		4,821
Retiree Health		25,883		25,753
Retirement		254,128		254,608
Subtotal		444,905		433,667
Total Salaries and Benefits	8.0	1,282,901	8.0	1,311,416
Cost Per FTE Position		160,363		163,927
Statewide Benefit Assessment		23,096		25,084
Payroll Costs	8.0	1,305,997	8.0	1,336,500
Purchased Services				
Legal Services		48,000		48,000
Subtotal		48,000		48,000
Total Personnel	8.0	1,353,997	8.0	1,384,500
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	8.0	1,353,997	8.0	1,384,500
Total All Funds	8.0	1,353,997	8.0	1,384,500

Personnel

Office of Lieutenant Governor

Lt. Governor's Office - General

	FY 2026		FY 2027		
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost	
Unclassified					
ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE (LT GOV)	8412 A	1.0	47,537	1.0	49,802
CHIEF OF STAFF (LT GOV)	8443 A	1.0	149,149	1.0	160,004
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	0531 F	1.0	137,510	1.0	137,510
POL ANALYST/SPEC PROJ (LT.GOV)	8439 A	1.0	122,002	1.0	132,034
POLICY & ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE (LT GOV)	8422 A	1.0	62,030	1.0	65,892
POLICY ANALYST/GRAPHICS (LT.GOV)	8433 A	1.0	97,996	1.0	105,274
SENIOR ADVISOR (LT. GOV)	8432 A	1.0	94,416	1.0	101,463
SENIOR POLICY ANALYST (LT.GOV)	8431 A	1.0	90,166	1.0	96,479
Subtotal Unclassified		8.0	800,806	8.0	848,458
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