

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FY 2025 Budget Request



Protecting Civil Rights

Component / Initiative	Positions	Agents/ Attorneys	\$000s
FEDERAL PROGRAMS			
Body Worn Cameras (BWC)			
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)	70	11	\$37,847
Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)	69	5	\$15,750
United States Marshals Service (USMS)	47	17	\$40,411
Subtotal, BWC	186	33	\$94,008
Civil Rights Division (CRT)			
Combatting Hate Crimes and Bias Incidents	16	10	\$2,568
Subtotal, CRT	16	10	\$2,568
Subtotal, Federal Programs	202	43	\$96,576
GRANTS			
Office of Justice Programs (OJP)			
Accelerating Justice System Reform	0	0	\$300,000
Collaborative Reform for Juvenile Justice Initiative	0	0	\$3,000
Deaths in Custody Reporting Act (DCRA) Implementation Assistance Program	0	0	\$5,000
Modernization of HIV-Related Criminal Statutes	0	0	\$10,000
Jabara-Heyr NO HATE Act	0	0	\$15,000
<i>Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Investigations and Prosecution Grants</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>Hate Crimes Training (Shepard-Byrd Hate Crimes Prevention Grants)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$25,000</i>
<i>Community Approaches to Advancing Justice</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>
<i>Part B Juvenile Justice Grants</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$75,000</i>
<i>Body Worn Camera Partnership Program</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$35,000</i>
<i>Justice Reinvestment Initiative</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$35,000</i>
<i>Second Chance Act</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$125,000</i>
Subtotal, OJP	0	0	\$641,000
Subtotal, Grants	0	0	\$641,000
Total Program Enhancements	202	43	\$737,576

* Programs that are italicized are base resources only. Base resources are not discussed in the narrative below.

The Justice Department was founded during Reconstruction to protect the civil rights promised by the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments. The Department of Justice continues to honor that history by committing to a whole-of-Department approach to protect civil rights and reduce barriers to equal justice. To protect marginalized communities, enforce civil rights laws, and ensure all Americans have equal access

to justice, the FY 2025 President's Budget includes **\$737.6 million** in funding and **202 positions (21 attorneys, 22 agents)** to preserve, protect, and defend civil rights. The request prioritizes to advance racial justice, promote equity for underserved communities, and enforce civil rights across the Nation. This funding will support police reform, provide for the prosecution of hate crimes across the Nation, and other important civil rights activities.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Body Worn Cameras (BWC): \$94.0 million

 186 positions (22 agents)

→ Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF): \$37.8 million

70 positions (11 agents)

→ Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA): \$15.8 million

69 positions (5 attorneys)

→ United States Marshals Service (USMS): \$40.4 million

47 positions (11 Deputy U.S. Marshals [DUSMs] and 6 attorneys).

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF): \$37.8 million and 70 positions (11 agents)

Funding and positions will enable the ATF to provide digital cloud storage of BWC video, under the requirements set forth in the June 7, 2021, Department policy. The ATF will continue developing the Digital Evidence Management (DEM) Branch responsible for managing the digital inventory, ensuring data integrity and security, and promulgating policy and best practices. The request funds the purchase of hardware and accessories for the ATF's Special Agents, agency-wide travel to the ATF National Academy training, and require a physical location for storing surplus hardware and accessories. Additionally, IT upgrades are necessary for the successful upload or download of data in each office, and integration of Taser data into the body worn camera cloud based digital storage. The request also supports the ATF's ability to provide a more transparent environment and support public trust by making body worn camera video available to the public, Special Agents, prosecutors, and court room personnel, once proper protections have been applied. **Current services are \$6.3 million and six positions (six agents).**

Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA): \$15.8 million and 69 positions (5 attorneys)

In support of DOJ's policy, the DEA requires additional resources to proceed with its phased plan of the nationwide implementation of BWCs. This enhancement will provide the DEA with new positions for BWC program management, contract support, video footage storage, and procurement of hardware, software, and other necessary BWC-related equipment. **Current services for this enhancement are \$22 million and 54 positions (10 agents, seven attorneys).**

United States Marshals Service (USMS): \$40.4 million and 47 positions (11 Deputy U.S. Marshals [DUSMs] and 6 attorneys).

This request supports the full implementation and staffing of the USMS BWC Program. As the primary Federal law enforcement agency tasked with identification, location, and apprehension of fugitives, the USMS demands the most comprehensive BWC program among all DOJ components. Funding will allow the USMS to cover all aspects of the program from implementation of its video management solution to sharing BWC recordings as digital data; delivery of a comprehensive end-to-end solution for accessing, managing, and reporting of video data in response to authorized requests; and including the execution of redaction, video management, and audit functions. This initiative will provide all deputized State and local Task Force Officers participating in USMS task forces with BWCs to support USMS enforcement missions. It will also require Deputy United States Marshals (DUSMs) to use BWCs while serving pre-planned arrest warrants, engaging in other arrest operations, or executing search and seizure warrants. **Current services are \$17.4 million and 16 positions (seven agents).**

Civil Rights Division (CRT): \$2.6 million

 **16 positions (10 attorneys)**

→ **Combatting Hate Crimes & Bias Incidents: \$2.6 million**

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Combatting Hate Crimes & Bias Incidents: \$2.6 million and 16 positions (10 attorneys).

The CRT is committed to combating hate crimes and incidents, which continue to pose challenges to civil rights enforcement across the Nation. The most recent FBI crime data indicates hate incidents are continuing to rise. Funding will allow the CRT to enhance its support for both civil and criminal enforcement activities that address hate crimes and incidents. This includes providing outreach and technical assistance tailored to hate-related issues and advancing efforts to lead a unified and focused strategic approach among Federal partners to combat hate nationwide. **Current services are \$12.8 million and 97 positions (61 attorneys).**

GRANTS

Office of Justice Programs (OJP): Total \$641.0 million (+\$323.0 million)

→ **Accelerating Justice System Reform (AJSR): Total \$300.0 million (+\$300.0 million)**

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This \$300.0 million mandatory-funded request supports the new Accelerating Justice System Reform program, part of the Administration's Safer America Plan, which is a comprehensive evidence-based proposal for reducing crime and saving lives. Over a ten-year period, the program will provide jurisdictions with \$15.0 billion to prevent violent crime, alleviate the burden on police by reducing their need to respond to non-violent incidents that may not require police intervention, and incentivize reforms in the criminal and juvenile justice system. These reforms enhance public safety while reducing counterproductive and unnecessary incarceration and disparities in the criminal and juvenile justice systems. **There are no current services for this initiative.**

→ Collaborative Reform for Juvenile Justice Initiative: Total \$3.0 million (+\$3.0 million).

→ Deaths in Custody Reporting Act (DCRA) Implementation Assistance Program: Total \$5.0 million (+\$5.0 million).

→ Modernization of HIV-related Criminal Statutes: Total \$10.0 million (+\$10.0 million).

→ Jabara-Heyr NO HATE Act: Total \$15.0 million (+\$5.0 million).

Collaborative Reform for Juvenile Justice Initiative: Total \$3.0 million (+\$3.0 million).

This new program will assist States and localities that are facing serious crises in their juvenile justice systems. It will ensure that resources are available and poised to respond quickly and appropriately to emerging crises as they are identified. This approach fully engages the jurisdiction in carrying out solutions and improving their system over the long term. *There are no current services for this initiative.*

Deaths in Custody Reporting Act (DCRA) Implementation Assistance Program: Total \$5.0 million (+\$5.0 million).

This new discretionary grant program will provide funding to State Administering Agencies (SAAs) to support staff and systems in the collection and reporting of DCRA data. In addition, the program will enable SAAs to offer subawards to local and state entities, helping them meet the requirements of the DCRA of 2013. This initiative will increase the completeness and accuracy of DCRA data reported by SAAs to the Bureau of Justice Assistance, and improve the Department's ability to generate effective and actionable recommendations to minimize deaths in custody. *There are no current services for this initiative.*

Modernization of HIV-related Criminal Statutes: Total \$10.0 million (+\$10.0 million).

This new program will provide financial support to State and local governments to educate justice and other allied professionals on the public health and public safety consequences of existing State HIV-related criminal statutes and implement steps to modernize these statutes to reflect current evidence and best practices. *There are no current services for this initiative.*

Jabara-Heyr NO HATE Act: Total \$15.0 million (+\$5.0 million).

The requested increase in funding will enable the OJP to scale up efforts to address several critical gaps in State, local, and tribal capacity to report and respond to hate crimes. Funding will support strategies to improve hate crime reporting and support States in creating or enhancing State-run hate crime reporting hotlines. *Current services are \$10.0 million.*