

Corrections and Community Supervision, Department of

Mission

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) is responsible for providing services that incarcerated individuals need in safe and secure facilities, preparing incarcerated individuals for release, and ensuring they receive appropriate monitoring and support while under community supervision. The goal of the Department is to enhance public safety by ensuring the successful completion of an incarcerated individual's sentence to lower the risk of reoffending.

Organization and Staffing

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision operates 44 correctional facilities across the State. Each facility is managed by a Superintendent, who reports to the Commissioner. More than 70 percent of the Department's staff are security personnel with the remaining staff primarily dedicated to the delivery of incarcerated programs, health services, community supervision, and facility operations.

The Parole Board operates as an independent decision and rulemaking authority within DOCCS. The members of the Board are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. One member is designated by the Governor to serve as the Board's Chair. Board members review the cases of incarcerated individuals eligible for parole and determine if the incarcerated individual should be released to parole supervision.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2025 Executive Budget recommends All Funds appropriations of \$3.589 billion for the Department, an increase of \$23.01 million from FY 2024. This includes increases related to general salary increases, enhanced parole supervision, and expansion of transitional housing opportunities. The Executive Budget will also expand college programs to all State correctional facilities and enhance existing educational programs.

The Executive Budget includes legislation to allow the State to act expeditiously to right-size and eliminate excess capacity by allowing for the closure of up to five correctional facilities with 90 days' notice. This legislation will allow for an increase in the operational efficiency of the correctional system.

The Executive Budget recommends a workforce of 25,064, a decrease of 1,429 FTEs from FY 2024.

Program Highlights

Correctional Services

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision's (DOCCS) incarcerated individual population is approximately 32,500, down from a high of over 72,000 in 1999. This decline can be largely attributed to the drop in the State's crime rate over the last decade, and the administrative COVID-19 response actions taken by DOCCS to release low level technical parole violators from DOCCS custody.

As soon as an incarcerated individual enters prison, an assessment is conducted to determine the need for rehabilitative programs. The Department offers a variety of programs designed to improve the prospects of an incarcerated individual's successful re-entry into the community. These include educational programming, with the minimum goal of assisting incarcerated individuals who do not have high school diplomas to receive New York State High School Equivalency Diplomas; apprenticeships; substance abuse treatment services; anger management therapy; and sex offender treatment programs.

Meeting the critical need of providing appropriate levels of medical services is important to the safety of the prison system and to the general public when an incarcerated individual is released. The Department acts quickly to diagnose and begin treatment, if necessary, when an incarcerated individual enters prison, and provides the greatest degree of services possible to seek a cure. The Department also offers mental health services at several facilities and operates state-of-the-art Residential Mental Health Units to treat incarcerated individuals with serious mental illness and disciplinary sanctions.

Community Supervision

The focus of the Community Supervision Program is to provide supportive services for the successful reentry of incarcerated individuals into the community and to supervise parolees released from prison. Immediately upon being released from prison, parolees are assigned to a Parole Officer. Parole Officers supervise parolees by monitoring behavior, reviewing employment, referring to appropriate treatment programs, evaluating treatment progress, and administering drug tests. In addition to closely monitoring offenders in the community, the Department helps parolees avoid reverting to a life of crime by contracting for various services to support their return to society, such as supportive housing and employment training.

**ALL FUNDS
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

<u>Category</u>	Available FY 2024	Appropriations Recommended FY 2025	Change From FY 2024	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2025
State Operations	3,048,571,671	2,987,502,000	(61,069,671)	231,558,000
Aid To Localities	37,013,000	39,013,000	2,000,000	124,391,000
Capital Projects	481,342,000	563,427,000	82,085,000	1,241,955,000
Total	3,566,926,671	3,589,942,000	23,015,329	1,597,904,000

**ALL FUND TYPES
PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM
FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS**

Program	FY 2024 Estimated FTEs 03/31/24	FY 2025 Estimated FTEs 03/31/25	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	162	162	0
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	646	646	0
Enterprise Funds	7	7	0
Community Supervision			
General Fund	1,431	1,431	0
Correctional Industries			
Enterprise Funds	3	3	0
Internal Service Funds	280	280	0
Facilities Planning and Development			
Capital Projects Funds - Other	1,009	1,009	0
Health Services			
General Fund	1,509	1,395	(114)
Parole Board			
General Fund	80	80	0
Program Services			
General Fund	2,743	2,614	(129)
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals			
General Fund	17,142	16,027	(1,115)
Support Services			
General Fund	1,477	1,406	(71)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	4	4	0
Total	26,493	25,064	(1,429)

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STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Enterprise Funds	60,469,000	60,469,000	0
General Fund	2,834,864,311	2,765,833,000	(69,031,311)
Internal Service Funds	76,805,254	76,821,000	15,746
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	40,554,106	40,500,000	(54,106)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	35,879,000	43,879,000	8,000,000
Total	3,048,571,671	2,987,502,000	(61,069,671)
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(27,970,671)		
Appropriated FY 2024	3,020,601,000		

STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Administration			
Enterprise Funds	2,727,000	2,727,000	0
General Fund	15,008,903	14,456,000	(552,903)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	40,554,106	40,500,000	(54,106)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	26,100,000	26,100,000	0
Community Supervision			
General Fund	154,111,092	153,997,000	(114,092)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,025,000	1,025,000	0
Correctional Industries			
Enterprise Funds	742,000	742,000	0
Internal Service Funds	76,805,254	76,821,000	15,746
Health Services			
General Fund	422,354,516	410,225,000	(12,129,516)
Parole Board			
General Fund	8,436,656	8,291,000	(145,656)
Program Services			
Enterprise Funds	57,000,000	57,000,000	0
General Fund	233,492,872	218,968,000	(14,524,872)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	5,000,000	5,000,000	0
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals			
General Fund	1,670,921,097	1,638,254,000	(32,667,097)
Support Services			
General Fund	330,539,175	321,642,000	(8,897,175)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	3,754,000	11,754,000	8,000,000
Total	3,048,571,671	2,987,502,000	(61,069,671)

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STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2025 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	12,773,000	(552,903)	12,662,000	(554,903)
Community Supervision	124,887,000	(1,614,092)	116,469,000	(1,830,092)
Health Services	157,566,000	(8,561,516)	137,898,000	(8,165,516)
Parole Board	7,758,000	(145,656)	7,690,000	(148,656)
Program Services	188,694,000	(15,337,618)	182,727,000	(15,217,618)
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	1,618,662,000	(32,383,097)	1,362,357,000	(27,433,097)
Support Services	90,145,000	(5,478,175)	83,697,000	(5,349,175)
Total	2,200,485,000	(64,073,057)	1,903,500,000	(58,699,057)

Program	Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)		Holiday/Overtime Pay	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	0	0	111,000	2,000
Community Supervision	0	0	8,418,000	216,000
Health Services	7,949,000	(160,000)	11,719,000	(236,000)
Parole Board	0	0	68,000	3,000
Program Services	4,575,000	(92,000)	1,392,000	(28,000)
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	14,877,000	(286,000)	241,428,000	(4,664,000)
Support Services	0	0	6,448,000	(129,000)
Total	27,401,000	(538,000)	269,584,000	(4,836,000)

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED
APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2025 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	1,683,000	0	338,000	0
Community Supervision	29,110,000	1,500,000	1,600,000	0
Health Services	252,659,000	(3,568,000)	116,997,000	(1,727,000)
Parole Board	533,000	0	43,000	0
Program Services	30,274,000	821,000	6,493,000	56,000
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	19,592,000	(284,000)	9,918,000	(146,000)
Support Services	231,497,000	(3,419,000)	167,961,000	(2,482,000)

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Total	565,348,000	(4,950,000)	303,350,000	(4,299,000)
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Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	214,000	0	1,018,000	0
Community Supervision	2,258,000	0	21,497,000	0
Health Services	261,000	(4,000)	130,757,000	(1,768,000)
Parole Board	390,000	0	87,000	0
Program Services	379,000	(6,000)	22,628,000	782,000
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	2,324,000	(34,000)	5,247,000	(78,000)
Support Services	1,956,000	(29,000)	50,065,000	(739,000)
Total	7,782,000	(73,000)	231,299,000	(1,803,000)

Program	Equipment		General State Charges	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	113,000	0	0	0
Community Supervision	3,755,000	1,500,000	0	0
Health Services	4,644,000	(69,000)	0	0
Parole Board	3,000	0	10,000	0
Program Services	774,000	(11,000)	0	0
Supervision of Incarcerated Individuals	2,103,000	(26,000)	0	0
Support Services	11,421,000	(169,000)	94,000	0
Total	22,813,000	1,225,000	104,000	0

**STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2025 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)**

Program	Total		Personal Service	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	69,327,000	(54,106)	49,926,000	(32,901)
Community Supervision	1,025,000	0	0	0
Correctional Industries	77,563,000	15,746	27,489,000	161,146
Program Services	62,000,000	0	0	0
Support Services	11,754,000	8,000,000	238,000	0
Total	221,669,000	7,961,640	77,653,000	128,245

Program	Nonpersonal Service	
	Amount	Change
Administration	19,401,000	(21,205)
Community Supervision	1,025,000	0
Correctional Industries	50,074,000	(145,400)
Program Services	62,000,000	0
Support Services	11,516,000	8,000,000
Total	144,016,000	7,833,395

**AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Fund Type	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
General Fund	28,013,000	30,013,000	2,000,000
Internal Service Funds	9,000,000	9,000,000	0
Total	37,013,000	39,013,000	2,000,000

**AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Community Supervision			
General Fund	8,133,000	10,133,000	2,000,000
Internal Service Funds	9,000,000	9,000,000	0
Health Services			
General Fund	14,000,000	14,000,000	0
Program Services			
General Fund	680,000	680,000	0
Support Services			
General Fund	5,200,000	5,200,000	0
Total	37,013,000	39,013,000	2,000,000

**CAPITAL PROJECTS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change	Reappropriations FY 2025
Facilities Maintenance and Operations				
Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement Fund	109,242,000	111,427,000	2,185,000	134,746,000
Maintenance and Improvement of Existing Facilities				
Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement Fund	372,100,000	452,000,000	79,900,000	1,107,209,000

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Total	481,342,000	563,427,000	82,085,000	1,241,955,000
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Note: Most recent estimates as of 01/16/2024