

## Prevention of Domestic Violence, Office for the

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### Mission

The Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV) works to improve the State's response to, and prevention of, domestic violence by providing support for local programs; offering policy advice and proposals at the state and local level; providing training and public education; and administering awareness activities.

### Organization and Staffing

OPDV, led by an Executive Director, has four bureaus, including: Bureau of Law and Public Safety; Bureau of Finance and Operations; Bureau of External Affairs and Bureau of Family and Victim Resources. The Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team includes 20 members representing primarily state and local public safety agencies. The OPDV Advisory Council has 27 members including representatives from 11 state agencies, the Governor's Office, the Legislature and local nonprofit providers.

### Budget Highlights

The FY 2021 Executive Budget recommends \$5.7 million for the Office and a workforce of 28 FTEs. In FY 2020, the function of the Office of Campus Safety and one FTE with associated funding was transferred to OPDV.

### Program Highlights

#### **Governor's Domestic Violence Task Force**

In the Spring of 2019, the Governor convened a Task Force comprised of leadership from several state and local agencies as well as community-based domestic violence service providers to reimagine the way in which New York State provides programming and funding for services to victims of domestic violence. The Task Force focused on several policy areas including service provision, funding, housing, reporting and data collection, and enhancing state and local provider relationships. Several recommendations were created by each subcommittee and these recommendations, which have a common goal of being survivor-centered and of creating less-lethal offenders, will fuel the work of the agency and its partners for years to come.

#### ***Office of Campus Safety***

The Office of Campus Safety (OCS) is responsible to work with the Department of Education to audit the compliance of New York's colleges and universities. Since its inception, OCS has monitored and assisted the State in the oversight of the schools' written rules and policies, as well as its collection of aggregate data from the colleges and universities, to ensure that the provision and posting of information and statistics regarding sexual assaults at colleges and universities complies with the law. In FY 2020, the function of OCS was transferred to OPDV to streamline the shared efforts and resources of both entities to combat sexual assault and to bolster the State's efforts to hold college campuses across the State accountable to survivors.

#### ***Risk Reduction Enhanced Response Pilot Programs***

The Risk Reduction Enhanced Response Pilot Program seeks to prevent intimate partner related homicides. The program utilizes a team approach that includes licensed domestic violence programs, district attorney's offices, local law enforcement agencies and probation. A validated risk assessment tool, selected by the team, is used to identify and respond to domestic violence cases that are at the highest risk of serious injury or death.

#### ***NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline***

The NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline provides trained counselors who respond to a variety of service needs including crisis intervention, supportive counseling, and information and referral services. Callers to the Hotline include victims of domestic and sexual violence, concerned others (e.g., family members, friends and co-workers), and professionals (e.g., professionals from human services, health care and criminal justice). In January 2019, the Hotline began taking calls from incarcerated individuals across the State who have been affected by sexual violence—the culmination of a partnership between OPDV, the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, the New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault and six local rape crisis programs serving as PREA Centers.

#### ***Fatality Review***

The Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team is in its sixth year and has conducted 23 reviews. These intensive reviews are used to identify patterns and warning signs as well as improving the response systems that interact with victims. The purpose of this work is not to point fingers or lay blame, but to make recommendations that may help prevent such tragedies in the future.

**ALL FUNDS  
APPROPRIATIONS  
(dollars)**

Category	Available FY 2020	Appropriations Recommended FY 2021	Change From FY 2020	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2021
State Operations	3,848,000	3,948,000	100,000	0
Aid To Localities	1,835,000	1,785,000	(50,000)	2,602,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,683,000</b>	<b>5,733,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>2,602,000</b>

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

Program	FY 2020 Estimated FTEs 03/31/20	FY 2021 Estimated FTEs 03/31/21	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	19	19	0
Internal Service Funds	9	9	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>

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

Fund Type	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change
General Fund	1,803,000	1,903,000	100,000
Internal Service Funds	904,000	904,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	1,100,000	1,100,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	41,000	41,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,848,000</b>	<b>3,948,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Health, Department of			
General Fund	(36,000)		
<b>Appropriated FY 2020</b>	<b>3,812,000</b>		

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

Program	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change
Administration			
General Fund	1,803,000	1,903,000	100,000
Internal Service Funds	904,000	904,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	1,100,000	1,100,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	41,000	41,000	0

<b>Total</b>	<b>3,848,000</b>	<b>3,948,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>
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**STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES  
FY 2021 RECOMMENDED  
(dollars)**

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	1,653,000	100,000	1,653,000	100,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,653,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>1,653,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>

**STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED  
APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES  
FY 2021 RECOMMENDED  
(dollars)**

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	250,000	0	64,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64,000</b>	<b>0</b>

Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	72,000	0	97,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>72,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>97,000</b>	<b>0</b>

Program	Equipment	
	Amount	Change
Administration	17,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,000</b>	<b>0</b>

**STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND  
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES  
FY 2021 RECOMMENDED  
(dollars)**

Program	Total		Personal Service	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	2,045,000	0	1,284,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,045,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,284,000</b>	<b>0</b>

Program	Nonpersonal Service	
	Amount	Change
Administration	761,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>761,000</b>	<b>0</b>

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

Fund Type	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change
General Fund	1,335,000	1,285,000	(50,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	500,000	500,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,835,000</b>	<b>1,785,000</b>	<b>(50,000)</b>

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

Program	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change
Administration			
General Fund	1,335,000	1,285,000	(50,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	500,000	500,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,835,000</b>	<b>1,785,000</b>	<b>(50,000)</b>

Note: Most recent estimates as of 01/29/2020