DIVISION OF PROBATION AND CORRECTIONAL ALTERNATIVES

MISSION

The Division of Pp bation and Correctional Alternatives oversees county probation departments, provides then with training and technical assistance, and reimburses a portion of their expenses. The agency also provides localities with grants to fund Alternatives to Incarceration programs that are designed to divert appropriate offenders from the State prison system with appropriate community based sanctions.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

Headed by a State Director appointed by the Governor, the Division is located in Albany. The budget recommendation consolidates units of the Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives and the Division of Parole that are charged with reviewing requests for interstate transfer of probationers and parolees. These units will be transferred to the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to address an expanding workload without increasing costs as well as to encourage uniformity in interstate transfer decisions for parolees and probationers. This initiative will transfer four positions to DCJS, leaving the Division with a workforce of 29 positions in 1999-2000.

FISCAL BACKGROUND AND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

In 1999-2000, approximately \$2.0 million in State tax dollars will support the Division's State Operations budget. The largest portion of the Division's Aid to Localities appropriation of approximately \$88.6 million is dedicated to assisting localities with their probation service costs, and includes a \$2.8 million increase in this categorical aid program. Funding for a number of alternatives to incarceration programs added by the Legislature is not recommended for 1999-2000, as this is inconsistent with the State's categorical aid to localities approach.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The 1999-2000 recommendations build on prior year initiatives designed to assist localities and administer funding to support programs which divert offenders from State prison. The following programs continue to create an effective network of supervision, sanctions and treatment options to ensure public safety:

- The Intensive Supervision Program funds local probation department costs associated with establishing specialized caseloads, timite to 21 felony offenders per probation officer;
- The Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program funds local probation department efforts to reduce the number of out-of-home youth placements, and for the last four years has provided treatment services to youth with substance abuse problems; and
- The Alternatives to Incarceration and Drug and Alcohol programs are used by local judges to supplement sentences of probation.

Funding is continued for the Jail Management Assistance Team, an initiative intended to assist localities with alternative approaches to ease jail overcrowding.

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ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS

Category	Available 1998-99	Appropriations Recommended 1999-00	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 1999-00
State Operations	\$2,025,700 91,647,370	\$1,952,300 88,586,400	-\$73,400 -3,060,970	\$33,432,750
Total	\$93,673,070	\$90,538,700	-\$3,134,370	\$33,432,750

ALL FUND TYPES LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

1999-00 Recommended Average Fill Level

Program	Available 1998-99	Personal Service (Regular)	Maintenance Undistributed	Total Recommended 1999-00	Change
Community Corrections General Fund	31	27		27	4
Subtotal, Direct Funded Programs	31	27		27	-4
Suballocations: Special Revenue Funds — Federal	2 33			$\frac{2}{29}$	-4

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS

Fund Type	Available 1998-99	Recommended 1999-00	Change
General Fund	\$2,025,700	\$1,952,300	-\$73,400
Total	\$2,025,700	\$1,952,300	-\$73,400

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

Program	Available 1998-99	Recommended 1999-00	Change
Community Corrections General Fund	\$2,025,700	\$1,952,300	-\$73,400
Total	\$2,025,700	\$1,952,300	-\$73,400

STATE OPERATIONS — GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 1999-00 RECOMMENDED

	Total Per	sonal Service	Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	\$1,510,100	-\$106,900	\$1,510,100	-\$106,900
Total	\$1,510,100	-\$106,900	\$1,510,100	-\$106,900

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STATE OPERATIONS — GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 1999-00 RECOMMENDED

		otal	Supplies and	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	\$442,200	+ \$33,500	\$16,000	-\$3,900
Total	\$442,200	+ \$33,500	\$16,000	-\$3,900
	Travel		Contractual Services	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Community Corrections	\$51,400	+ \$1,400	\$338,600	+ \$39,800
Total	\$51,400	+ \$1,400	\$338,600	+ \$39,800
	Equip	oment		
Program	Amount	Change		
Community Corrections	\$36,200	-\$3,800		
Total	\$36,200	-\$3,800		

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS

Fund Type	Available 1998-99	Recommended 1999-00	Change
General Fund	\$91,647,370	\$88,586,400	-\$3,060,970
Total	\$91,647,370	\$88,586,400	-\$3,060,970

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

Program	Available 1998-99	Recommended 1999-00	Change
Community Corrections General Fund	\$91,647,370	\$88,586,400	-\$3,060,970
Total	\$91,647,370	\$88,586,400	-\$3,060,970