

Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney

Commonwealth's Attorney

AGENCY DASHBOARD			
Key Data	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
1. County population	1,081,726	1,096,798	1,109,668
2. Caseload/Concealed Weapons Permits ¹	Circuit: 10,179	Circuit: 10,844	Circuit: 12,957
3. Caseload ¹	GDC: 272,744 JDR: 5,415	GDC: 268,496 JDR: 5,197	GDC: 266,883 JDR: 4,103
4. Out of State Travel	Actual: \$26,234	Actual: \$23,907	Actual: \$14,484
5. Attorney Training – Specialized Assignments	Total: 12,927	Total: 12,002	Total: 17,723

(1) It should be noted that caseload data is calendar year data.

Focus

The Commonwealth's Attorney is a constitutional officer of the Commonwealth of Virginia. As such, he is not an officer or employee of the County from which he was elected. In this jurisdiction, the Commonwealth's Attorney is elected by voters of Fairfax City and Fairfax County.

The Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney (OCA) is charged primarily with the prosecution of crime. This office prosecutes criminal and traffic matters in the Fairfax County General District Court, criminal and delinquency matters in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, and all felony cases in the Fairfax County Circuit Court. The office handles both the violation of County ordinances and the violation of state statutes.

The caseload of the office is substantial and is one of the highest per prosecutor in the Commonwealth. The OCA handles such offenses as murder, rape, robbery, burglary and illegal drug sales, from arrest to trial. It prosecutes a wide variety of misdemeanor and traffic cases, including more than 4,000 driving under-the-influence violations, thousands of assaults, and thousands of petty thefts.

State law specifically mandates certain duties for the Commonwealth's Attorney. He is charged with advising the Grand Jury relative to their duties, representing the Electoral Board in certain election matters, and advising any officers or employees of Fairfax City or Fairfax County on matters involving conflict of interest. On a daily basis, the OCA works with numerous law enforcement units (e.g., State Police, Fairfax County Police, Fairfax City Police, the Town of Herndon and Town of Vienna Police and game wardens) in the course of investigations and in response to questions concerning criminal law.



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Budget and Staff Resources

Category	FY 2012 Actual	FY 2013 Adopted	FY 2013 Revised	FY 2014 Advertised															
FUNDING																			
Expenditures:																			
Personnel Services	\$2,405,188	\$2,579,708	\$2,579,708	\$2,611,467															
Operating Expenses	142,776	87,684	87,684	87,684															
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	0															
Total Expenditures	\$2,547,964	\$2,667,392	\$2,667,392	\$2,699,151															
Income:																			
Commonwealth's Attorney Fees	\$36,681	\$19,229	\$28,986	\$28,986															
City of Fairfax Contract	40,477	50,964	56,232	56,232															
State Shared Retirement - Commonwealth's Atty	30,525	29,848	29,848	29,848															
State Shared Commonwealth's Atty Expenses	1,558,832	1,456,403	1,558,832	1,558,832															
State Reimbursement Commonwealth's Atty Witness	21,382	16,400	16,400	16,400															
Total Income	\$1,687,897	\$1,572,844	\$1,690,298	\$1,690,298															
NET COST TO THE COUNTY	\$860,067	\$1,094,548	\$977,094	\$1,008,853															
AUTHORIZED POSITIONS/FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)																			
Regular	36 / 36	36 / 36	36 / 36	36 / 36															
Exempt	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 1															
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TOTAL POSITIONS																			
37 Positions / 37.0 FTE			E Denotes Exempt Position																

FY 2014 Funding Adjustments

The following funding adjustments from the FY 2013 Adopted Budget Plan are necessary to support the FY 2014 program:

- ◆ **Employee Compensation** **\$31,759**
 An increase of \$31,759 in Personnel Services reflects the full year impact of the FY 2013 2.5 percent performance-based scale and salary increase, effective January 2013, for non-uniformed employees. It should be noted that no funding is included for additional employee compensation for this department in FY 2014.
- ◆ **Reductions** **\$0**
 It should be noted that no reductions to balance the FY 2014 budget are included in this agency based on the agency's need to support a large number of state mandated services and a lack of flexibility in Personnel and Operating funds.

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Changes to FY 2013 Adopted Budget Plan

The following funding adjustments reflect all approved changes in the FY 2013 Revised Budget Plan since passage of the FY 2013 Adopted Budget Plan. Included are all adjustments made as part of the FY 2012 Carryover Review, and all other approved changes through December 31, 2012:

- ◆ **Carryover Adjustments** **\$0**
There have been no adjustments to this agency since approval of the FY 2013 Adopted Budget Plan.

Key Performance Measures

No Performance Indicators are available for this agency.