



Baltimore City Sheriff's Office
FY2022 Budget Presentation to the
Baltimore City Council

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Our Mission:

In the spirit of service, and in keeping with our oath as law enforcement officers, **we will, without partiality or prejudice, treat people with fairness, equality, dignity and respect while remaining courteous at all times, consistent with maintaining the people's trust in a democratic society, all the while furthering the public safety mission of Baltimore City and the State of Maryland.**



Our Services:

Civil Enforcement Authority

- Enforcement of Civil Court Orders
- Service of Writs of Execution, Summonses, Subpoenas, and Writs of Possession
- Service of Rent Court Orders and Evictions
- Execution of Arrest Warrants
- Execution of Sheriff's Sales
- Collection of Fines and Court Costs

Protection of Baltimore City's Circuit Courts

- Baltimore City Juvenile Justice Center, Mitchell & Cummings Courthouses

Service of Arrest Warrants and Federal Taskforce Operations Targeting Violent Crime

- Major Federal & Local Felony Firearms Trafficking, Gang, and Drug Distribution Cases
- Working Directly with the ATF, the U.S. Marshals Service, and the DEA



Our Services:

- **Warrant Apprehension Task Force**
- **Domestic Violence Services**
- **Child Support Enforcement**
- **Prisoner Transportation Throughout the State of Maryland**
- **Communications, Dispatch and Warrant Control**
- **Other Associated Law Enforcement Responsibilities As Needed**
(e.g., COVID Activities in FY21)
- **Support for Neighborhoods & Community Needs**
 - Neighborhood Policing Support
 - Criminal Patrol and Crime Suppression Details
 - Large Public Event Deployments
 - Community Outreach Programs & Charitable and Community Event Deployments



Key Facts:

- Office Operates 24/7 & 365 Days.
- Continuous Presence at the Circuit Court Facility
- All Deputy Sheriffs and Court Security Officers hold a Maryland Police and Correctional Training and Standards Commission (MPCTSC) Certification as Police Officers.
- Deputy Sheriffs Complete a Certified Police Academy in Maryland and Yearly Annual Certification Training.

Fiscal Year	FTE	FY Budget
FY 2019	218	\$21,584,325
FY 2020	218	\$21,237,761
FY 2021	213	\$22,984,803
FY 2022	212	\$24,644,022

FY2021 COVID-19 Update:



Staffing:

Remained fully functional at all facilities including:

- Baltimore City Circuit Court House West
- Baltimore City Circuit Court House East
- Juvenile Justice Center
- Domestic Violence Section
- North Avenue Domestic Court
- District Court Sheriff Services Evictions
- Prisoner Transportation
- Warrant Section

Staffing was periodically reduced by approximately 30%. Staffing was constantly influx. We adjusted work hours and work schedules to minimize covid-19 exposures and maximize services.

FY2021 COVID-19 Update:



Service Management

During the court's closure to the public, we used staff in multiple deployments:

- At BPD's request, we assisted with the service of Interim Protective Orders
- Court Security at all Campuses Remained Fully Functional
- Emergency Evictions
- Prisoner Transports
- Service of Protective Orders
- Service of Peace Orders
- Service of Paternity & Child Support Matters
- Staffing at Covid-19 Sites in various locations around Baltimore City
- Initiated security deployments at various shopping centers in Baltimore

Currently, the Baltimore City Circuit Court is fully functional and open to the public

Key Facts:



Operating Budget Highlights

Fund Name	Fiscal 2020 Actual		Fiscal 2021 Budget		Fiscal 2022 Budget	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
General	20,094,361	218	21,594,823	213	21,744,022	212
Federal	0	0	1,100,000	0	1,100,000	0
State	0	0	50,000	0	50,000	0
Special	0	0	239,980	0	1,750,000	0
TOTAL	20,094,361	218	22,984,803	213	24,644,022	212

- The recommended budget maintains the current level of service.

FY2022 Fiscal Objectives:



Ongoing:

- Improve Fiscal Management Practices with BBMR's Support & Guidance
- Demonstrate the Range of Services Provided by the Office
- Improve Management and Financial Efficiencies

FY 2021:

- Improve Procurement Management Practices with COB's Support & Guidance
- Support the Circuit & District Courts as they Resume Full Public Service
- Plan for Full Implementation of recent updates to LEOBR and etc.
- Staffing
 - Collective Bargaining Negotiation(s)*
 - Reduce Attrition / Attract and Hire Law Enforcement Officers

FY2021 Revenue Estimate



CATEGORY		FY2019 Actual	FY2020 Actual	FY2021 Budget	FY2021 Projection	FY2021 Estimate
Fund Name		Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Fines and Forfeits	179 - Sheriff Revenue	\$481,143	\$108,244	\$200,000	\$100,000	\$200,000
Public Safety & Regulations	662 - Sheriff - District Court Service	\$5,244,775	\$3,635,642	\$5,400,000	\$600,000	\$3,800,000
Public Safety & Regulations	666 - Child Support Enforcement	\$706,952	\$96,992	\$345,000	\$0	\$345,000
Total		\$6,432,870	\$3,840,878	\$5,945,000	\$700,000	\$4,345,000

Courthouse Security

Priority Outcome: Building Public Safety

Service Number: 881

Fiscal 2022 Recommended Budget: \$4,100,564

Service Description

This service provides courthouse, courtroom and perimeter security for the City's two Circuit Court buildings and the Juvenile Justice Center. Court Security Officers screen all members of the public who enter the buildings for weapons and contraband; provide courtroom security; and protect judges, courthouse employees, witnesses, defendants and member of the public. Approximately 5,000 persons enter the courthouses daily.

Major Budget Items

- The recommended budget maintains the current level of service.
- The recommended budget includes promotional increases for a Chief of Court Security position, Deputy Sheriff Captain position, and Deputy Sheriff Supervisor position. The promotions were budget neutral because a vacant Court Security Officer position was abolished.
- During the Circuit Court's closure to the public, the service redeployed its Security Officers to COVID-19 testing sites throughout Baltimore City. The service also deployed officers to assisted with BPD's Interim Protective Orders. Since the Court reopened on April 26, 2021, the service resumed full functionality.

Deputy Sheriff Enforcement

Priority Outcome: Building Public Safety

Service Number: 882

Fiscal 2022 Recommended Budget: \$12,584,661

Service Description

This service is responsible for serving all orders originating from Circuit Court such as warrants, attachments, foreclosures, evictions, temporary protective orders, and levies. The division processes approximately 70,000 court orders annually, including an estimated 1,800 warrants per month. The division also houses and transports approximately 1,100 prisoners annually and collects fines and costs assessed by the Circuit Court.

Major Budget Items

- The recommended budget maintains the current level of service.
- The recommended budget supports increasing the Sheriff's Asset Forfeiture allocation to \$1.75 million due to recent federal investigations the service's taskforce units have been involved in. Under a Federal Taskforce Agreement, the Sheriff's Department will receive a percentage of proceeds seized as a result of those investigations. The spending of these funds is contingent upon receipt of asset forfeiture funds from pending cases. Asset forfeiture disbursements vary each year due to the uncertainty of investigations and litigation.

Service of Protective and Peace Orders

Priority Outcome: Building Public Safety

Service Number: 883

Fiscal 2022 Recommended Budget: \$2,312,054

Service Description

This service is responsible for serving peace and protective orders issued by the District and Circuit Courts. The Sheriff's Office took over the service of protective Orders from the Baltimore Police Department in Fiscal 2014. Examples of the peace and protective orders under the Sheriff's jurisdiction include Domestic Violence Protective Orders and general warrants, which often involves the seizure of firearms.

Major Budget Items

- The recommended budget maintains the current level of service.

District Court Sheriff Services

Priority Outcome: Building Public Safety

Service Number: 884

Fiscal 2022 Recommended Budget: \$2,777,035

Service Description

This service serves all rent processes issued from the Baltimore District Court, including the performance of evictions by court order. Deputies also serve and enforce District Court writs, summonses, attachments, and levies. This service serves approximately 145,000 summary ejectments and 64,000 eviction orders yearly.

Major Budget Items

- The recommended budget maintains the current level of service.
- During the District Court's closure to the public, the service continued with all required services while making staffing adjustments to minimize COVID-19 exposure. The District Court reopened on April 26, 2021.

Child Support Enforcement

Priority Outcome: Building Public Safety

Service Number: 889

Fiscal 2022 Recommended Budget: \$2,869,708

Service Description

This service serves child support process warrants in Baltimore City for the State's Child Support Enforcement Administration in the Department of Human Resources. In many instances child support is only collected after warrants have been issued or individuals are compelled to appear.

Major Budget Items

- The recommended budget maintains the current level of service.
- The recommended budget maintains the \$1.1 million for a federal Child Support Enforcement Grant which will reimburse the City for up to 60% of general fund expenses.



Thank You!

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