


2019 Budget Presentation District Attorney's Office

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October 16, 2018



**The mission of the Fourth
Judicial District Attorney's
Office is to administer justice,
advocate for victims and
partner with law enforcement
and the citizens of this
community in the deterrence
and prevention of crime.**

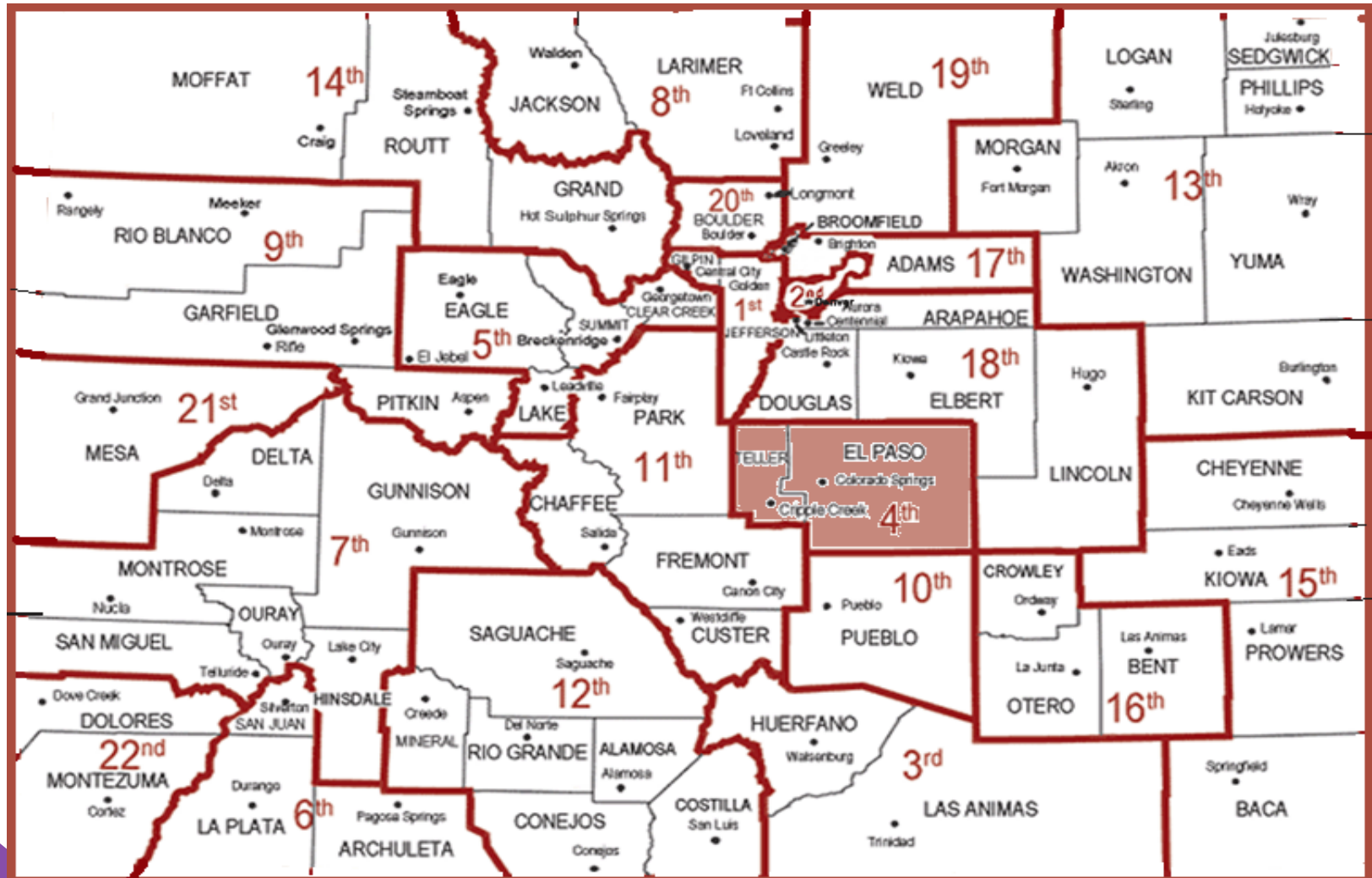


**The Office of the District
Attorney is mandated and
governed by the
Colorado Constitution and
CRS 20-1-101 to 20-1-308**



4th Judicial District Attorney's Office

22 DISTRICT ATTORNEY JURISDICTIONS



YOUR 4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

- **Covers El Paso and Teller Counties**
- **Receives reported crimes from 22 different law enforcement agencies**
- **81 Attorneys, 22 sworn Investigators and another 123 in Support Staff**



YOUR 4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

- **17 District Court Judges with Felony dockets**
- **11 County Court Judges with Misdemeanor dockets**
- **4 Juvenile District Court Divisions**
- **4 Specialty Courts – DUI Court, Domestic Violence Court, Veteran's Court, Recovery Court (includes Drug and Heals courts)**



PARTNER AGENCIES

- **Colorado Springs Police Department**
- **El Paso County Sheriff's Office**
- **Teller County Sheriff's Office**
- **Manitou Springs Police Department**
- **Colorado State Patrol**
 - **Fountain Police Department**
- **Woodland Park Police Department**
- **Green Mountain Falls Police Department**
- **Victor Police Department**
- **Cripple Creek Police Department**
- **Calhan Police Department**
- **Palmer Lake Marshal's Office**
- **Monument Police Department**
- **Colorado Bureau of Investigation**
- **Colorado Division of Wildlife**
- **Colorado Division of Gaming**
- **Colorado Attorney General's Office**
- **United States Attorney's Office**
- **Ft. Carson Judge Advocate General's Office**
- **United States Air Force Academy Judge Advocate General's Office**
- **Fire Departments within El Paso and Teller Counties**
- **Humane Society**
- **Agencies of the United States Government, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Internal Revenue Service, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Marshall, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.**

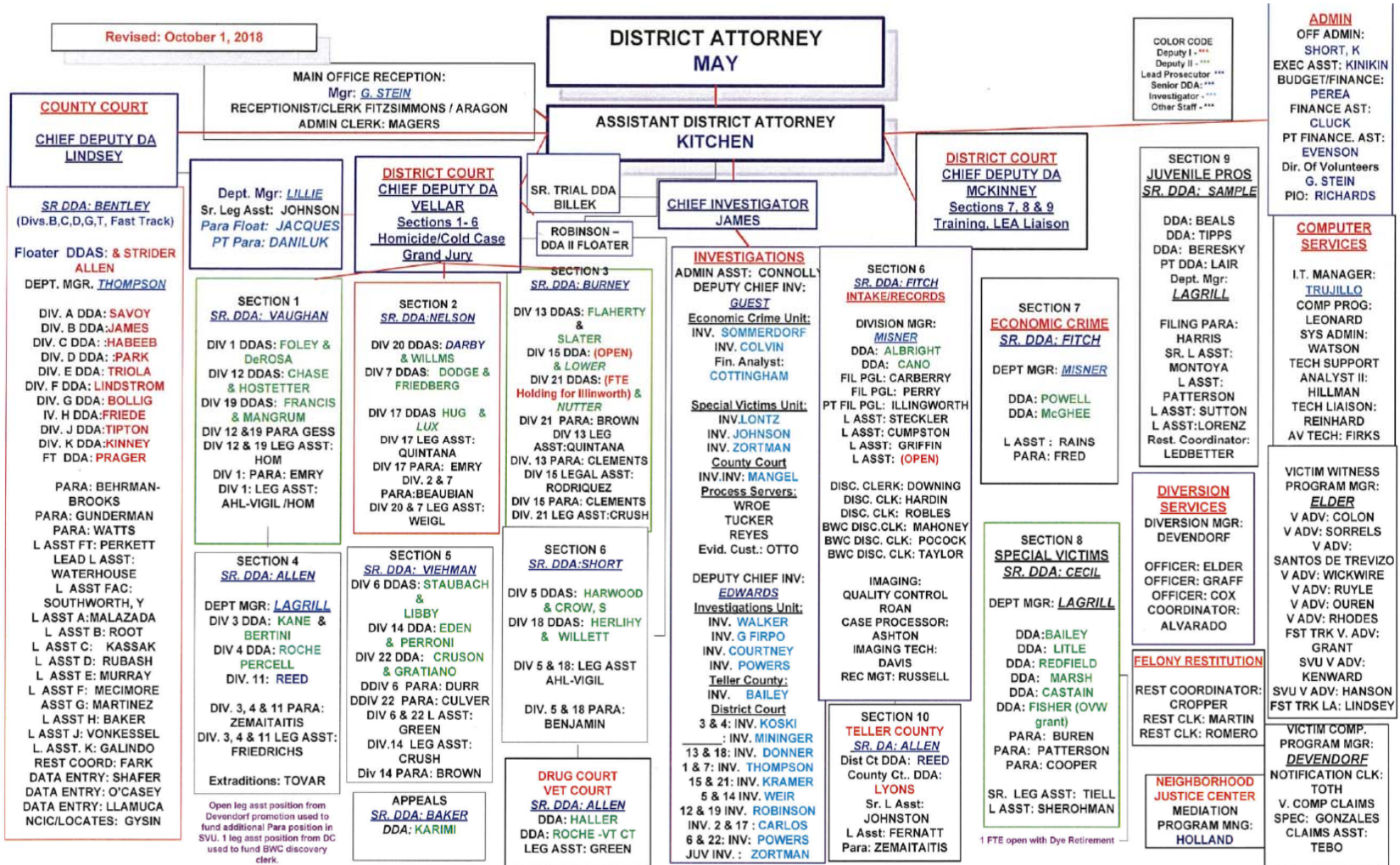


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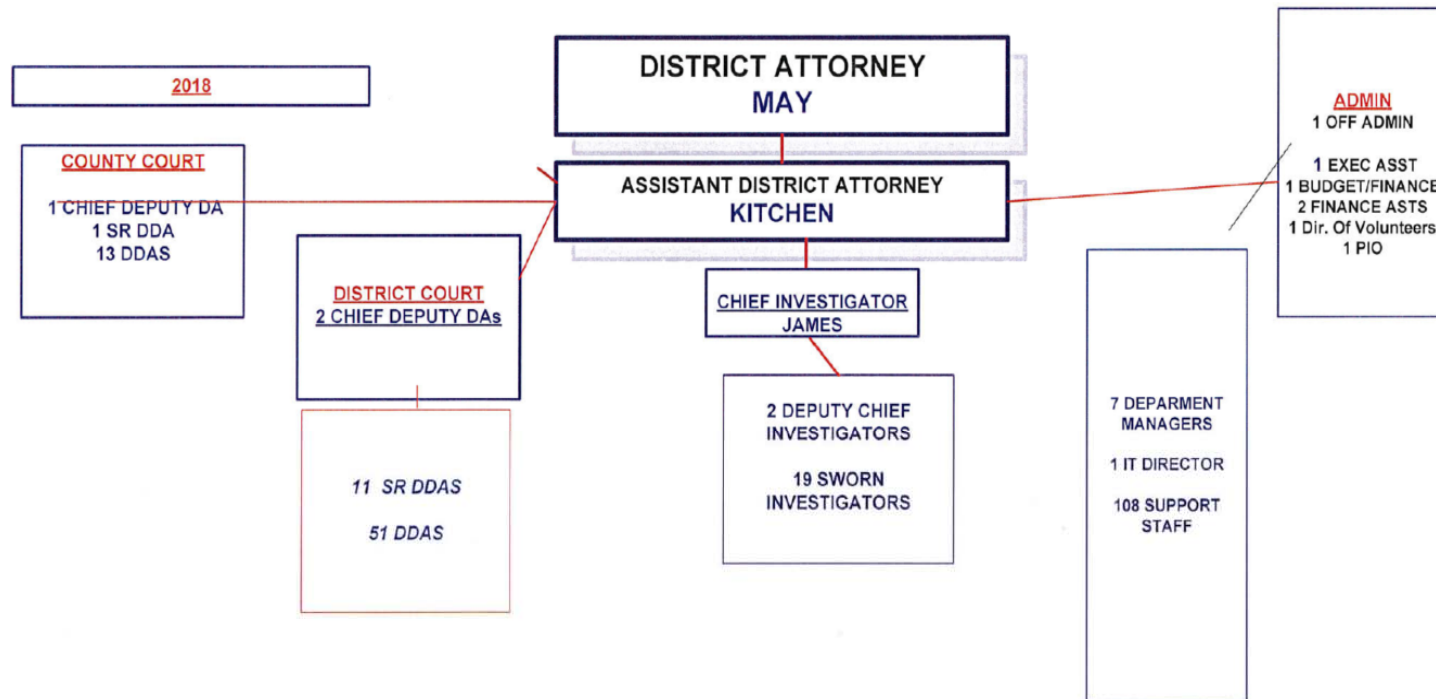
- **8 Specialty Divisions – SVU, Economic Crime, Felony Intake, Investigations, Victim Witness, Diversion services, Neighborhood Justice Center services, Veteran's Court**
- **Major Units:**
 - **District Court – Prosecutes Felony Cases**
 - **County Court – Prosecutes Misdemeanor Cases**
 - **Juvenile Division – Prosecutes Juvenile Criminal Cases**
 - **Discovery – fulfills discovery for 30,000 – 35,000 criminal cases each year**
- **Other Programs – Not One More, Human Trafficking, Prescription Drug, Stop Program**



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AWARDS

Donna Billek – CDAC Prosecutor of the Year 2018

Kim Kitchen – CDAC First Vice-President 2018

Diana Colon – CDAC Victim Advocate of the Year Award 2017

Victoria McCartney – DV Summit Porch Light Award Above & Beyond 2017

Jeff Lindsey – CDAC Trainer of the Year 2017

Robyn Shaw – Association of Fraud Examiners Distinguished Service Award 2016

Michelle Nelson – Cindy Nelson Administrator of the Year Award 2015

Margaret Vellar – EPC Bar Association Portia Award 2015

Debbie Pearson – CDAC Prosecutor of the Year

Sam Burney – Dept. of Human Services Prosecutor of the Year 2014

Shannon Gerhart – CDAC Prosecutor of the Year

Kelson Castain – 2013 Safe Passage Team Partner of the Year

Larry Martin – CDAC Sustained Performance 30+ Yrs of Service

Robyn Cafasso – CDAC Prosecutor of the Year

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Dan May – CDAC Past President

Ed Butler – CDAC Investigator of the Year

Joy Mitchell – EPC Bar Association Liberty Bell Award

Jeff Harwood – DEA Prosecutor of the Year

Gwen Stein – Kaleidoscope Award

Rafael Chanza & Patricia Kuhl – Team Volunteer Award

Marshall Tuttle – DOVIA Volunteer of the Year



MAJOR METRO COMPARISON 2017

Judicial District	Felony	Juv	Traffic	Misd.	Budget	Population	Total Staff
4 th - EL PASO	7,153	3,279	14,992	7,939	\$14,354,000	699,232	225
2 nd - DENVER	6,803	3,326	*	*	\$24,133,899	704,621	228
18 th - ARAPAHOE	4,980	3,381	18,878	6,815	\$21,556,000	978,351	209
17 th - ADAMS	4,670	1,889	13,326	5,499	\$18,404,000	503,167	174
1 st - JEFFERSON	4,384	2,100	12,683	6,224	\$22,438,000	574,613	179

* The majority of Denver traffic cases are prosecuted by City Attorneys in city court.
Includes traffic and misdemeanor cases.



2017 BUDGET COMPARISON

USING 10-COUNTY SURVEY

	ADAMS	ARAPAHOE	DOUGLAS	BOULDER	EL PASO	JEFFERSON	LARIMER	MESA	PUEBLO	WELD
DAO BUDGET	\$18,404,000	\$14,270,000	7,286,000	5,749,000	\$14,354,000	\$22,438,000	\$8,463,433	\$3,933,000	\$3,980,000	\$5,644,000
POPULATION	498,187	642,824	334,879	322,226	694,967	578,101	340,228	151,551	165,926	297,032
COST PER CITIZEN	\$36.94	\$22.19	\$21.75	\$17.84	\$20.65	\$38.81	\$24.87	\$25.95	\$23.98	\$19.00



2017 STATISTICS

- **32,239 cases were prosecuted by this Office**
- **Over 5 million dollars was collected in restitution for victims of crime**
- **Victim's Compensation awarded \$1,527,725 to victims of crime and their service providers**



2017 STATISTICS

- **In 2017, there were 35 homicides. In 2018 we have had 30 homicides to date.**
- **In 2017, we took 9 homicide cases to trial. In 2018, we have taken 12 homicide cases to trial to date.**
- **219 felony cases were tried in 2017. This is more than any other jurisdiction in the State and translates to over 625 days in trial. In 2018, we have tried 170 felony trials to date which translates to 626 days in trial.**



FELONY FILINGS INCREASE

- **Felony filings are up 44% over the past 5 years across the State of Colorado ***
- **Felony filings in El Paso County are up 48% over the past 5 years ***
- **Law Enforcement in El Paso County is increasing staff to deal with this increase across the state**
- **49% of all felony cases in El Paso County are under supervision**

*CDAC study done from 7/1/14-6/30/17



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CSPD has added 73 additional Police Officers in the last 5 years and the Mayor has committed to an additional 120 Police Officers by 2021. 60 of the 120 Police Officers will be hired in 2019.



2018 EPC - DAO BUDGET

PERSONNEL	\$14,338,095	95%
OPERATING	<u>\$ 717,047</u>	5%
TOTAL	\$15,055,142	



CRITICAL NEEDS 2019



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PERSONNEL CRITICAL NEED

July 1, 2019

- **Deputy District Attorney II – Juvenile Dept**
- **Investigator**
- **Sr. Paralegal**





Youth crime in El Paso County is down, but serious felonies are spiking

By: **Debbie Kelley** Mar 31, 2018

Juvenile crime has been steadily declining statewide and locally for years, but an increase in the severity of crimes being committed by teens in El Paso County has some wondering whether a disturbing trend is developing - or if it's just a one-time spike.

"We've seen a volume of youth come into our system like we've never seen before, and the nature of the charges are more significant," said Sarah Sherwin, 4th Judicial District coordinator for the Colorado Youth Detention Continuum, or CYDC.

Young criminals are facing such charges as murder, attempted murder, first-degree assault, aggravated robbery and other felonies, officials say

<https://gazette.com/crime/youth-crime-in-el-paso-county-is-down-but-serious/article>



JUVENILES GONE ROGUE

(THANK YOU COLORADO LEGISLATURE)

Juvenile Direct Files/Transfers are up an average 332% over the last 5 years and 121% over the last year.

- **2013 Direct Files/Transfers total: 5**
- **2014 Direct Files/Transfers total: 4**
- **2015 Direct Files/Transfers total: 1**
- **2016 Direct Files/Transfers total: 14**
- **2017 Direct Files/Transfers total: 31**

STATE JUDICIAL POTENTIAL 2 NEW COURT DIVISIONS

- **FIRST DIVISION IN 2019**
- **SECOND DIVISION IN 2020**



PERSONNEL

2 NEW COURT DIVISIONS

July 1, 2019

- **Deputy District Attorney II**
- **Deputy District Attorney II**
- **Investigator**

October 1, 2019

- **Paralegal**
- **Victim Advocate**



PERSONNEL

2 NEW COURT DIVISIONS

July 1, 2020

- Deputy District Attorney II *
- Deputy District Attorney II *
- Sr Deputy District Attorney
- Deputy DA II – Economic Crime
- Deputy DA II - SVU
- Legal Assistant

*NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE 2020 BUDGET



PERSONNEL FOR 2019 CRITICAL NEEDS

Critical Needs

July 1, 2019

• Deputy DA II - Juv Dept	\$55,599
• Investigator	\$45,197
• Sr Paralegal	<u>\$36,491</u>
Total	\$137,287



PERSONNEL FOR 2019 NEW COURT DIVISIONS

Potential New Court Divisions

July 1, 2019

- Deputy DA II \$55,599
- Deputy DA II \$55,599
- Investigator \$45,197

October 1, 2019

- Paralegal \$15,768
- Victim Advocate \$15,768

Total \$187,931



PERSONNEL FOR 2019 CRITICAL AND NEW COURT DIVISIONS

Critical Needs	\$137,287
New Court Divisions	<u>\$187,931</u>
Total	\$325,218



Questions?



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