



# 2020 Budget Presentation District Attorney's Office

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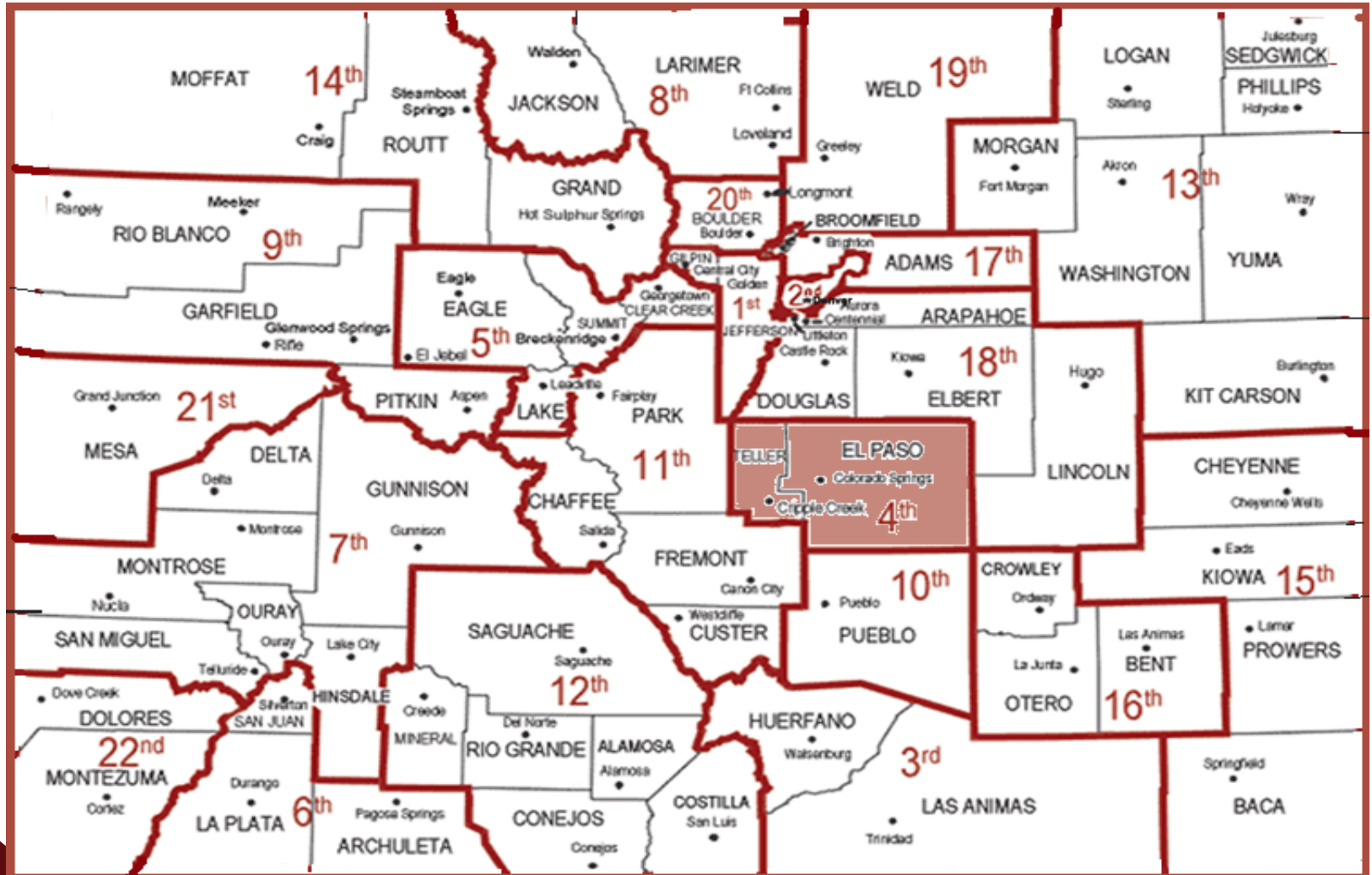
**The mission of the Fourth  
Judicial District Attorney's  
Office is to administer justice,  
advocate for victims and  
partner with law enforcement  
and the citizens of this  
community in the deterrence  
and prevention of crime.**



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



# 22 DISTRICT ATTORNEY JURISDICTIONS



# **YOUR 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

- **Covers El Paso and Teller Counties**
- **Receives reported crimes from 22 different law enforcement agencies**
- **84 Attorneys, 24 sworn Investigators and another 127 in Support Staff**



# **YOUR 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

- **19 (18 currently) 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.**



# **YOUR 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

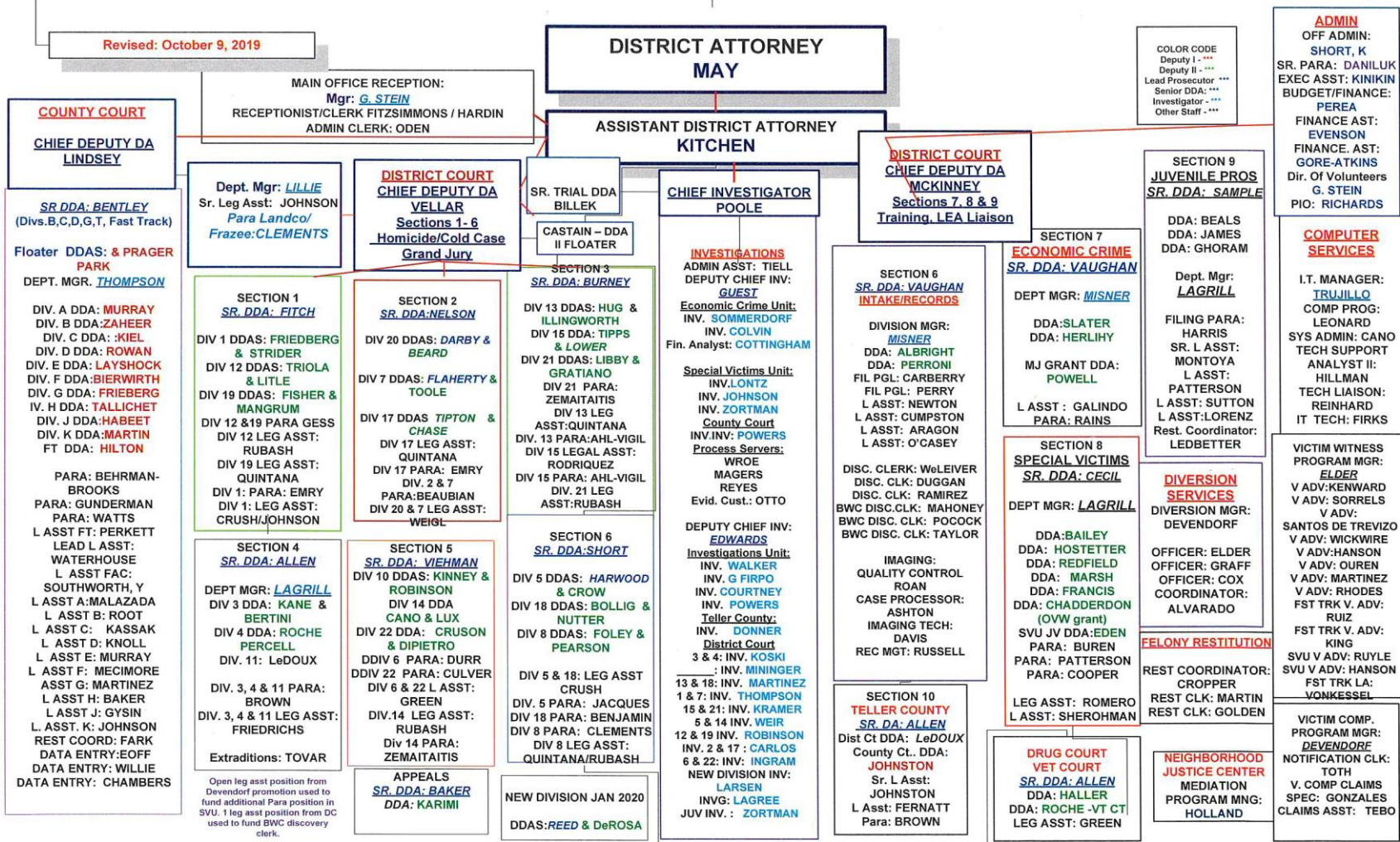
- **8 Specialty Divisions – SVU, Economic Crime, Felony Intake, Investigations, Victim Witness, Diversion services, Neighborhood Justice Center services, Veteran's Court**
- **Major Units:**
  - **District Court – Prosecutes Felony Cases**
  - **County Court – Prosecutes Misdemeanor Cases**
  - **Juvenile 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**





# YOUR 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Revised: October 9, 2019



# AWARDS

**Margaret Vellar – CDAC Prosecutor of the Year 2019**

**Donna Billek – CDAC Prosecutor of the Year 2018**

**Kim Kitchen – CDAC First Vice-President 2018 - 2020**

**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**

**Robyn Cafasso – EPC Bar Association Portia Award**

**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 2018

Judicial District	Felony	Juv	Traffic	Misd.	Budget	Population	Total Staff
4 <sup>th</sup> - EL PASO	7,281	3,214	14,849	8,019	\$15,146,969	710,602	225
2 <sup>nd</sup> - DENVER	6,736	2,869	*	*	\$26,950,781	716,492	248
18 <sup>th</sup> - ARAPAHOE DOUGLAS	5,096	3,503	18,003	7,345	\$21,961,000	996,606	234
17 <sup>th</sup> - ADAMS	5,242	1,889	13,239	5,369	\$18,404,000	520,398	186
1 <sup>st</sup> - JEFFERSON	4,777	2,091	12,451	6,456	\$22,995,275	580,233	178

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



# 2018 BUDGET COMPARISON

## USING 10-COUNTY SURVEY

	ADAMS	ARAPAHOE	DOUGLAS	BOULDER	EL PASO	JEFFERSON	LARIMER	MESA	PUEBLO	WELD
DAO BUDGET	\$18,404,000	\$14,499,000	7,462,000	6,070,000	15,146,969	\$22,995,276	\$9,086,000	\$3,536,000	\$3,891,000	\$6,338,000
POPULATION	520,398	656,210	340,396	329,211	710,602	580,233	351,126	153,188	165,109	315,282
COST PER CITIZEN	\$35.37	\$22.10	\$21.92	\$18.44	\$21.32	\$39.63	\$25.88	\$23.08	\$23.57	\$20.10



# 2018 STATISTICS

- **33,493 cases were prosecuted by this Office**
- **\$5,758,884 was collected in restitution for victims of crime**
- **Victim's Compensation awarded \$1,844,949 to victims of crime and their service providers**



# 2018 STATISTICS

- **In 2018, there were 51 homicides. In 2019 we have had 20 homicides to date.**
- **In 2018, we took 14 homicide cases to trial. In 2019, we have taken 8 homicide cases to trial to date.**
- **230 felony cases were tried in 2018. This is more than any other jurisdiction in the State and translates to over 780 days in trial. In 2019, we have tried 156 felony trials to date which translates to 460 days in trial.**



# FELONY FILINGS INCREASE

- **Felony filings in El Paso County are up 53% over the past 5 years**
- **Law Enforcement in El Paso County is increasing staff to deal with this increase across the state**





# OPINION

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THE GAZETTE'S VIEWPOINT

## City government should prioritize public safety

Local governments provide nothing more important than public safety.

People will not invest lavishly in homes, businesses and schools without a reasonable expectation of security for their lives and properties. For a community to succeed, its residents must sleep at night without excessive fear of crime or disaster.

So it is good news to see Mayor John Suthers propose to the Colorado Springs City Council a 2020 budget that emphasizes hiring and raises for the city's police and fire personnel, who risk their lives to ensure everyone else can lead their lives in relative safety.

As a twice-successful candidate for mayor, Suthers has consistently pledged to make public safety a top priority. To date, he has kept that promise.

His \$331.1 million general fund budget proposal allocates \$9.65 million to increase wages for firefighters, cops and civilian employees. An additional \$4.4 million would fund the hiring of 20 police officers and eight firefighters.

Suthers promised he would add at least 120 sworn law enforcement officers and 32 firefighters before completing his second and final term in office in 2022. With this budget, he will be well on the way by the end of 2020 with 93 new officers and 24 firefighters. The budget also contains \$1 million for a new Fire Department ladder truck.

With these additions to personnel, we respectfully suggest the police and fire departments try to avoid overtime spending. At least partly because of inadequate staffing, due in part to the community's rapid growth, the Fire Department in September had to make budgetary sacrifices to cover a nearly \$1 million budget shortfall for 2019. That shifting reduced what the department can spend on paramedic training and forced several key administrative personnel to work on fire crews.

As reported by Gazette reporter Conrad Swanson, other key elements of the budget proposal include:

- An increase of \$1.45 million for parks watering and an additional \$400,000 for park maintenance and recreational and cultural services,
- \$1.3 million for the city's information technology infrastructure, applications and cybersecurity improvements,
- \$550,000 for fleet replacement,
- \$500,000 for shelter bed operations for homeless people,
- and \$300,000 for Mountain Metro Transit.

Colorado Springs should never have a bloated city government that tries to be all things to everyone. It should always have a city government that provides top-of-the-line public safety, reasonable public transit, and a safety net for the homeless that emphasizes recovery from the addictions, medical and mental conditions so often associated with poverty.

Under the leadership of Suthers and the council, Colorado Springs has a stable government people can trust. That is one reason our community has attracted enviable investments in housing developments, roads, stormwater infrastructure, tourist attractions, cultural and sporting amenities, and an assortment of businesses.

Checks and balances, among the city's legislative and executive branches, are part of what keep our community stable. That is why the mayor's budget proposal, like all others, will go to the council for tweaks, approval or rejection. Council members will scrutinize the numbers and rule as they see fit, hopefully with nothing other than the community's best interests in mind.

On the surface, this budget proposal looks like more good news. Hopefully, the council agrees or has great ideas to make a good proposal better.

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# 2019 EPC - DAO BUDGET

<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$15,470,050</b>	<b>96%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>	<b><u>\$ 717,047</u></b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,187,097</b>	



# CRITICAL NEEDS 2020



4th Judicial District Attorney's Office

# **STATE JUDICIAL POTENTIAL 2 NEW COURT DIVISIONS**

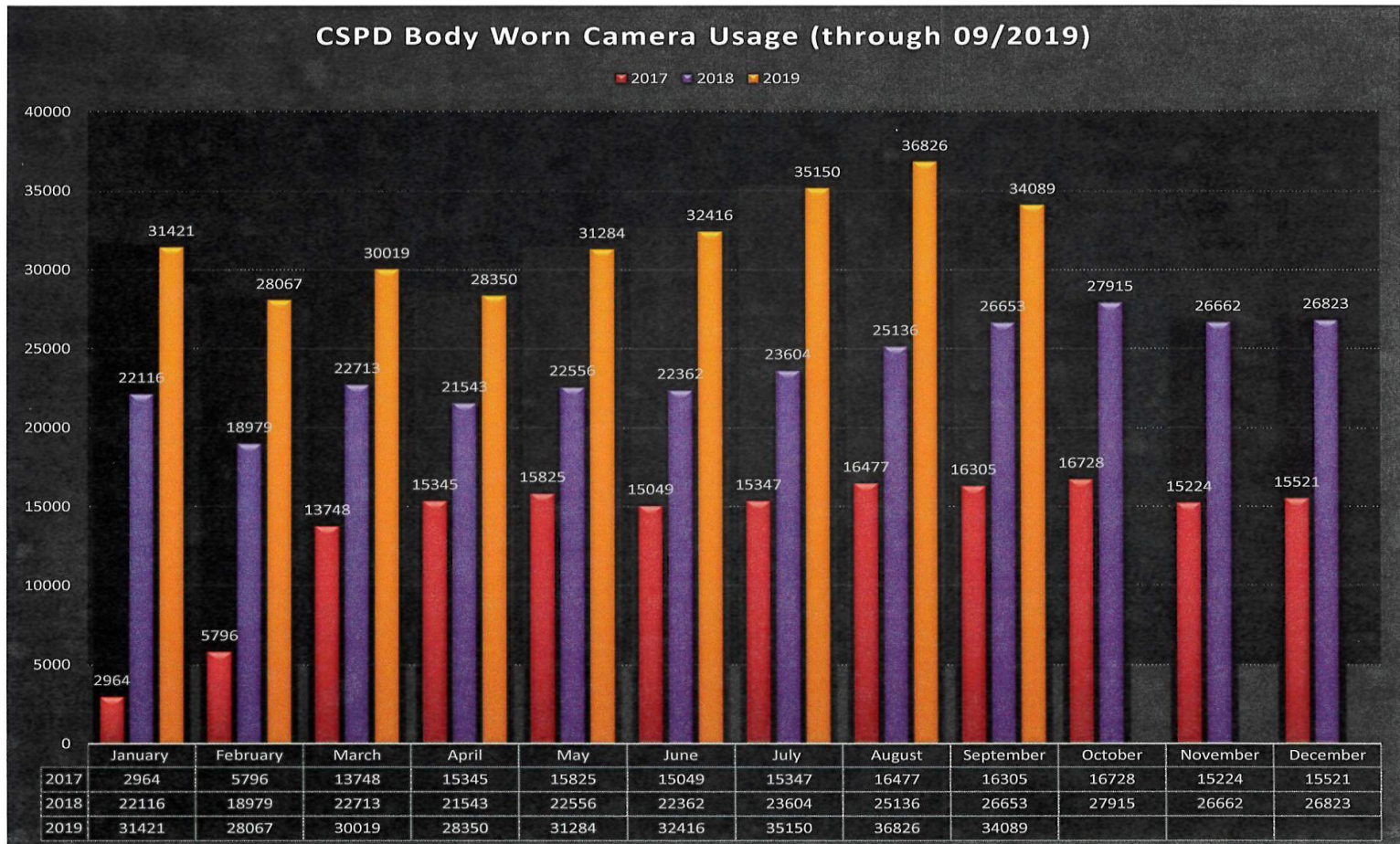
- **FIRST DIVISION IN 2019**
- **SECOND DIVISION IN 2020**



# CRITICAL NEEDS

Position	Salary and Benefits
Deputy District Attorney II	\$64,448
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Investigator	\$47,861
Paralegal	\$58,169
Victim Advocate	\$58,732
Deputy District Attorney Juvenile	\$55,599
Sr Paralegal	\$36,490
Investigator	\$45,197
Deputy District Attorney II	\$117,997
Deputy District Attorney II	\$117,997
Legal Assistant	\$69,113
Sr Deputy District Attorney	\$141,292
Deputy District Attorney SVU	\$117,997
Deputy District Attorney Economic Crime	\$117,997
Administrative Assistant - Investigations	\$60,933
Body Worn Camera Clerk	\$53,900
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Redesign Public Trustee Space	\$576,211
Total Funds Needed	\$1,858,282
Proposed Funding	-\$700,000
Under Funded By	<b>\$1,158,282</b>

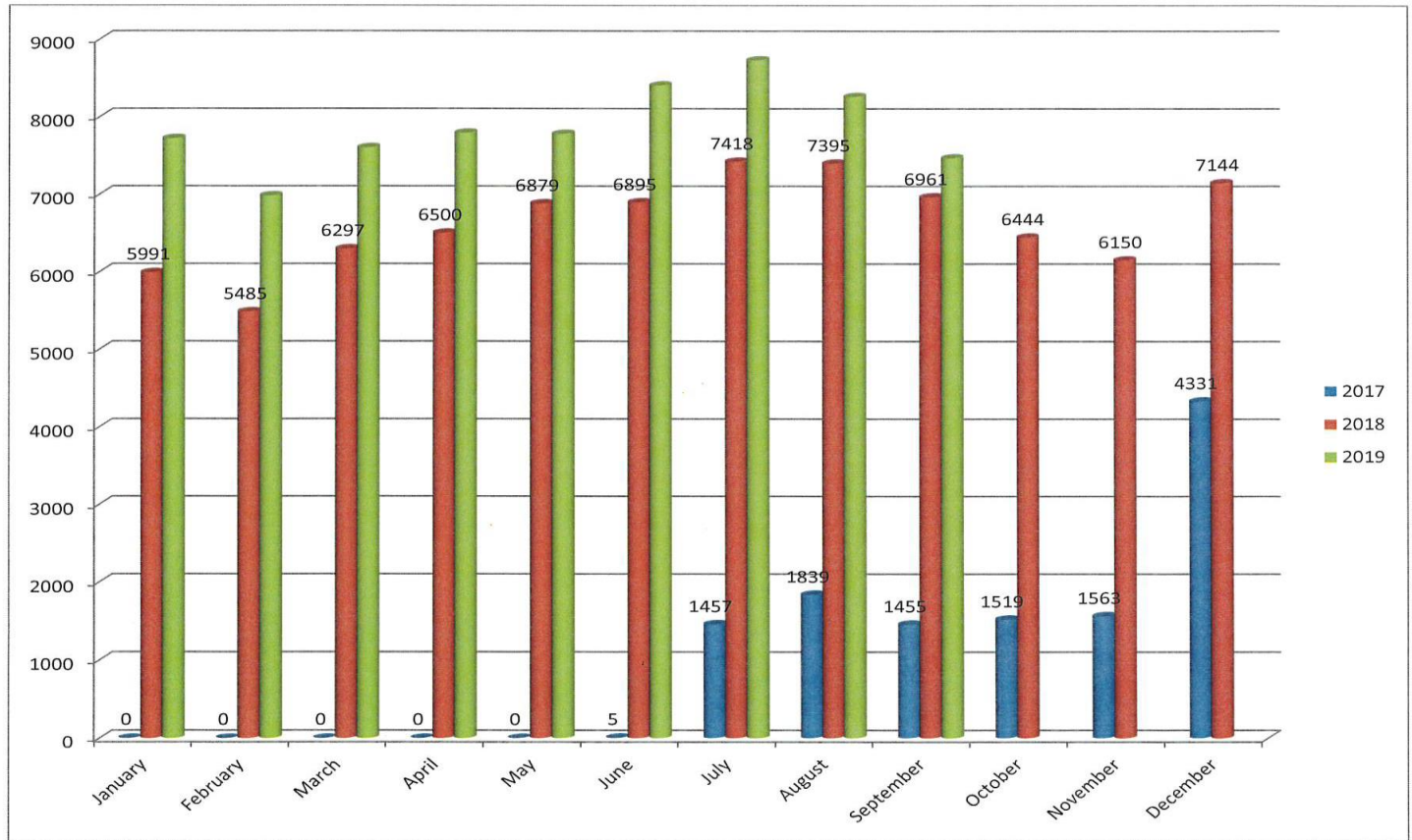
# Body Worn Camera Increase CSPD



# Body Worn Camera Increase EPSO

EPSO BODY WORN CAMERA

10/15/2019



# **CURRENT CRITICAL PERSONNEL NEEDS**

<b>Administrative Assistant - Investigations</b>	<b>\$38,700</b>
<b>Body Worn Camera Clerk</b>	<b>\$32,680</b>
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<b>Total Salary</b>	<b>\$104,060</b>
<b>Benefits for Above Positions</b>	<b><u>\$64,673</u></b>
<b>Total Salary and Benefits</b>	<b><u>\$168,733</u></b>

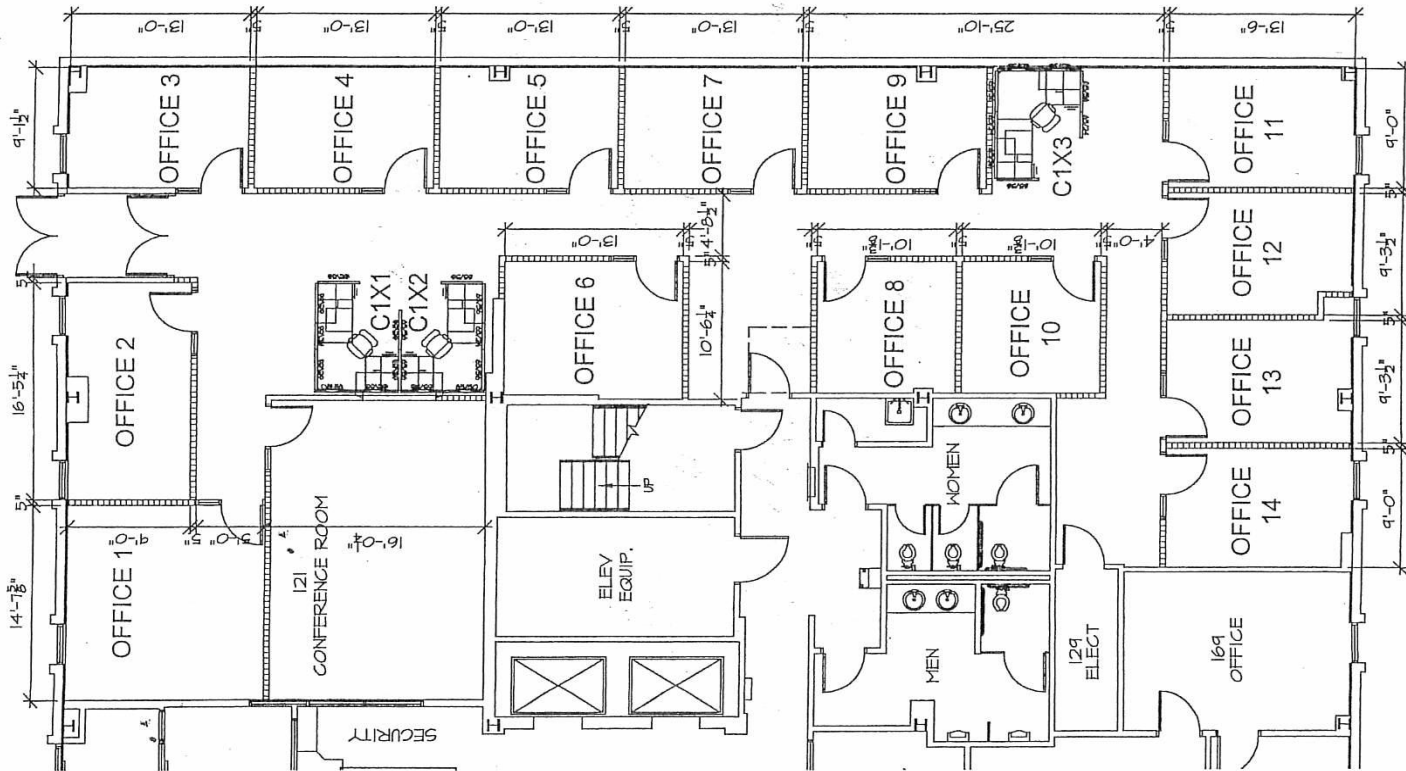


## CURRENT CRITICAL NEED

**Redesign of Public Trustee space to include 9 Attorney offices and office space for Paralegals, Victim Advocates and Legal Assistant support staff.**





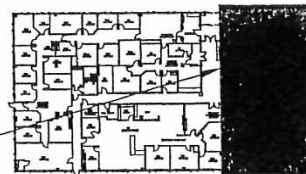


DA SUITE 120 REMODEL OPTION B  
 1ST FL PRO 105 E. VERMIJO



1/8" = 1'-0"

AREA OF WORK



CPB DA Suite 120 Remodel Option B  
105 E. Vermijo

5/29/19

	Description	Estimated Costs
1	Design Fees 12% of Construction Costs	\$50,450.40
2	Plan Check Fee	\$5,400.00
3	Office Area Construction Cost (\$130/SF x 3,234 SF)	\$420,420.00
6	HVAC Controls	\$5,000.00
8	Signs	\$1,200.00
9	I.T. Cabling & Equipment (\$12/SF)	\$38,808.00
10	Key Cores and Pinning (\$150 x 17 Doors)	\$2,550.00
11		Subtotal
12	10% Contingency	\$52,382.84
13		Grand Total

# Questions?

4th Judicial District Attorney's Office

