



Budget Change Request

Change request information

Title PAO Ongoing Salary and Benefit Savings
Number B-09-15 Department 09 - Prosecuting
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Change Type Policy Change

Board outcome *(to be entered by budget after Board action)*

Board Decision

Board Changes

Funds affected

Fund 0010 - General Fund
General Fund Affected? No More Than One Fund Affected? No

Policy request priority and connection to the strategic plan

Priority # 0 Strategic Plan Responsive Law,

Does this request include federal, state, or private grants?

Grant Funded? None
Grantor and timeframe None

Does this request affect current positions or propose new positions?

HR Payroll e-mailed? No Position Impact Other
Current position numbers affected New positions

What do you need and why? Include any unexpected and external requirements.

Statement of Need

The PAO needs Deputy Prosecuting Attorney positions to be increased to keep up with the high demands of a growing caseload. There are an increased number of homicides and other violent crimes that take an extensive amount of time to review and process and take to trial. The current number of Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys cannot continue to process the increased workload without getting some relief. Over the last two years, the PAO has received multiple resignations due the increased workload and insufficient compensation for the prosecution of cases in the Criminal Division. Without adding deputies and compensating the deputies sufficiently for the expertise, the PAO will be insufficiently staffed and community safety will be impacted.

How will this change the performance of your office or department?

Statement of Need

Caseloads will be processed in a timely manner and the community will be safer.

Expenditure, FTE and revenue assumptions plus current budget level

Assumptions

Based upon initial calculations, the PAO will be saving the county over \$500,000 due to hiring staff with less experience than those who left the PAO. The PAO respectfully requests that this significant change in personnel costs from the 22-23 budget compared to 24-25 be considered as their general fund reduction proposal.

Current Budget Level

Requested general fund amounts:
Crim Chief DPA: \$210,269

What happens if this isn't funded? Are there other options?

Impacts and Alternatives

How does this request affect other offices and departments?

Impact to Other Departments

Which Other Departments are Affected?

Operating Transfer Needed? No

Operating Transfer Coding and Amount

Personnel Information

FTE	Number	Name	Start Date	End Date
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Operating Revenue Line Items

Org Code	Object Code	Object Description	Project Code	2024	2025
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Capital Revenue Line Items

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Operating Expenditure Line Items

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