

Oregon's District Attorneys

2025-27 Budget Presentation

February 18, 2025

Mission of the Oregon District Attorney

Uphold	Enforce	Preserve	Protect	Pursue
Uphold the U.S. and Oregon Constitutions;	Enforce the laws of the State of Oregon;	Preserve the safety of the public;	Protect the rights of crime victims;	Pursue justice for all with skill, honor and integrity.

Constitutional Authority

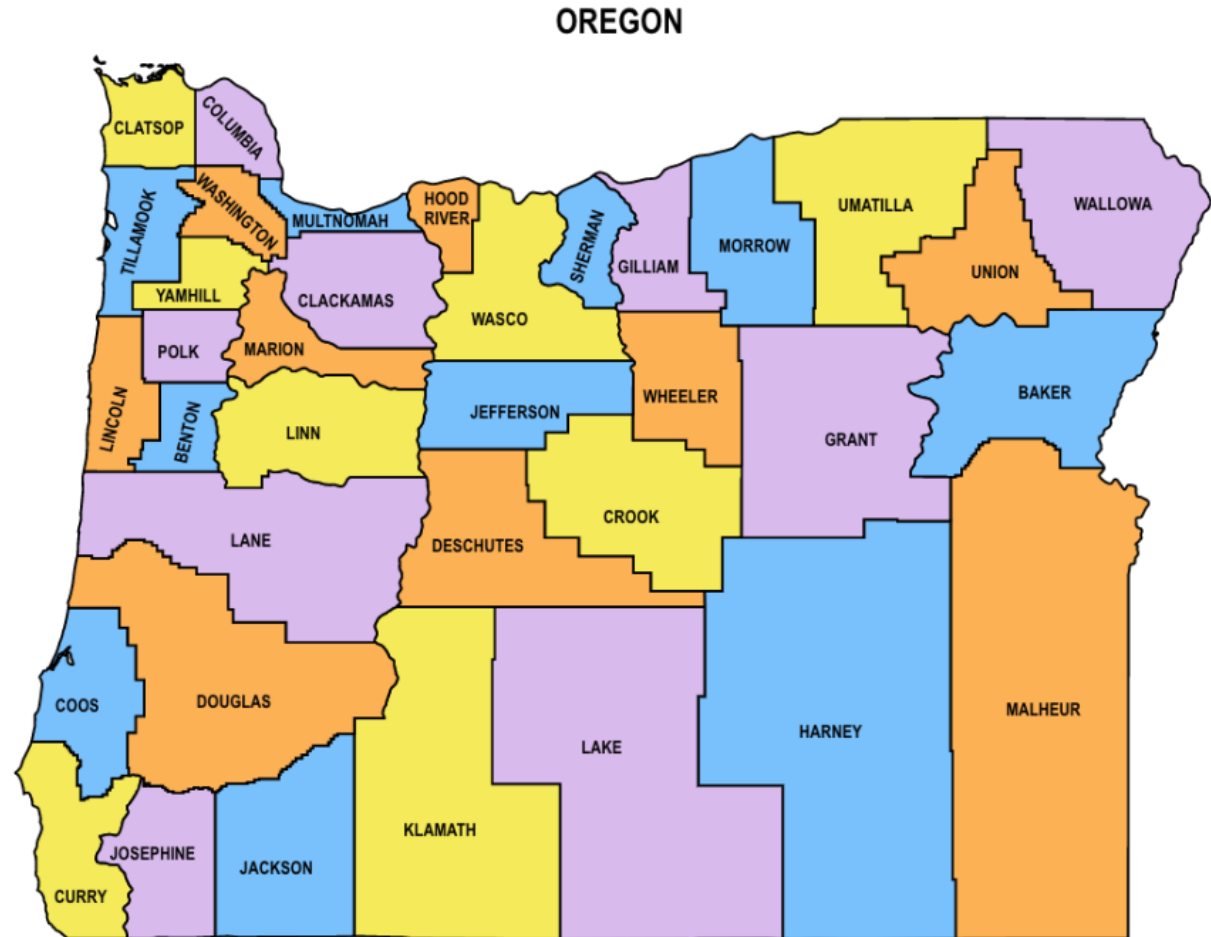
Article VII, Section 17:

“There shall be elected by districts...a sufficient number of prosecuting attorneys, who shall be the law officers of the State, and of the counties within their respective districts, and shall perform such duties pertaining to the administration of Law, and general police as the Legislative Assembly may direct.”



District Attorneys Overview

- District Attorneys are independently elected officials in each of Oregon's 36 Counties.
- Collectively the DAs deputize over 430 attorneys (Deputy DAs) to carry out their mandates. Those Deputy DAs are county employees and funded by county budgets.
- Traditional state agency functions, such as budget preparation and fiscal impact statements, falls to the Oregon District Attorneys Association (ODAA), a non-profit association comprised of the 36 elected DAs and the Attorney General.



District Attorneys and the Oregon Department of Justice

- District Attorneys (DAs) receive some support from the Oregon Department of Justice (DOJ). Specifically, DOJ provides payroll and budget services and support for training and conference planning.
- DOJ also supports DAs through their Criminal Justice Division, Appellate Division, Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division.
- Elected DAs, like all State Office holders, are represented in civil actions by the DOJ Trial Division.

DA Traditional Duties

Prosecution of all felonies which includes everything from aggravated murder to car theft.

Prosecution of misdemeanors in collaboration with Municipal courts (e.g. offenses such as violating a stalking order, domestic violence and sex crimes fall to the DAs).

Juvenile Delinquency. DAs work in partnership with county Juvenile departments in providing accountability and reformation opportunities to juveniles.

Crime Victim Assistance:

- Victim advocates provide direct services to crime victims;
- Safety planning;
- Restitution and crime victims' compensation claims;
- Assistance with obtaining restraining and protective orders; and
- Connecting crime victims with other community support programs and services.
- All services provided without use of State funds

DAs Duties Extend Beyond Criminal Justice

Public records appeals.

Deputy Medical Examiner programs.

Civil commitment hearings.

Child Support

- DAs work in partnership with DOJ Division of Child Support and the Child Support Liaison to collect child support.
- 17 of 36 DAs Offices provide child support services.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN

DA Salaries	\$11,250,384
Payroll Expenses (benefits, PERS, taxes)	\$ 5,303,393
<u>Allocated costs</u>	<u>\$ 3,042,811</u>
Total Budget	\$19,596,588

DA Salary

ORS 8.852

The district attorneys of the various counties shall be paid monthly salaries as adopted in the salary plan provided for in ORS 240.240(2), to include salary adjustments awarded management service employees.

DA Salary

<u>County Size</u>	<u>DA Salary</u>
Over 100,000	\$175,296
Under 100,000	\$148,932

A 10% reduction equates to \$1,959,659.

- This represents approximately 31 working days of DA salary and benefits.
- No other options for reduction.

Key Performance Measures (KPM)

There are significant barriers to collecting more sophisticated or complex KPMs.

- District Attorneys is a state agency with no staff, resources or budget for data collection or analysis.
- The trade association for the District Attorneys, ODAA, has one full time contract Executive Director responding to these requests.

ODAA has four KPMs (same three as last biennium plus implicit bias training).

Key Performance Measures (KPM)

1) Child Support Collections (amount collected vs owed)

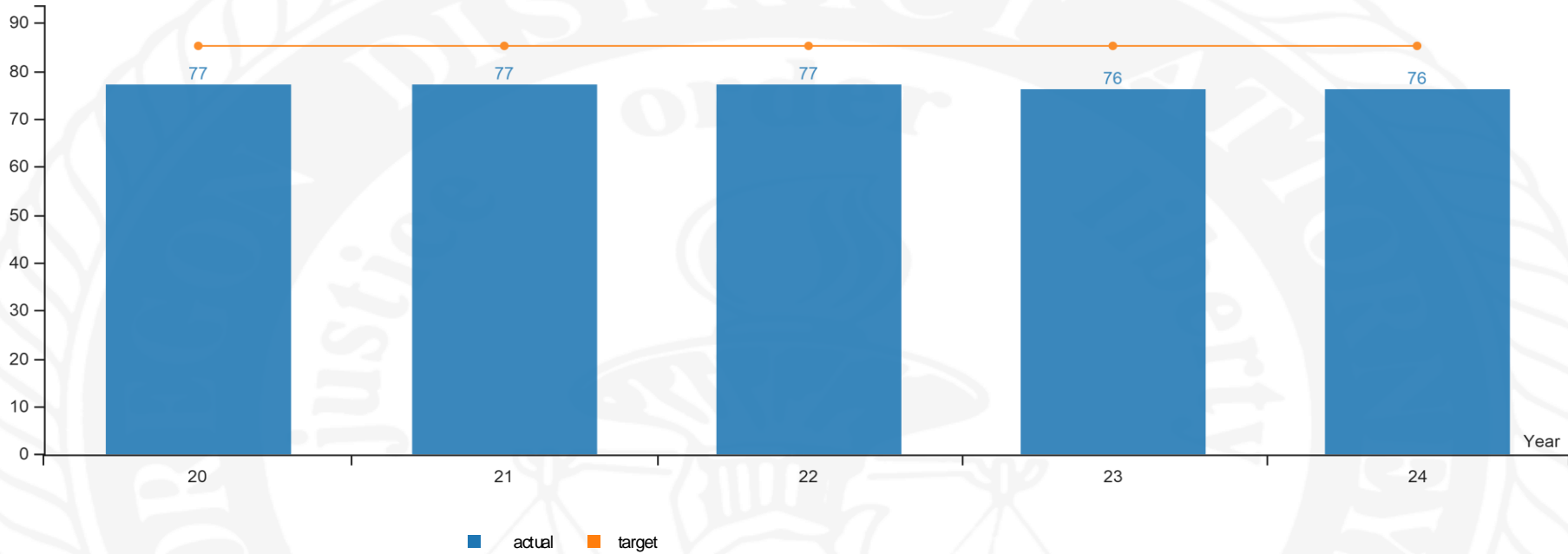
2) Services to Victims (% of adult cases with "prompt notice")

3) Early & Special Resolution Programs (% of offices with SRP)

4) Implicit Bias Training (% of DAs receiving training)

KPM #1	Child Support Collections - Percentage of current child support collected relative to total child support owed.
	Data Collection Period: Oct 01 - Sep 30

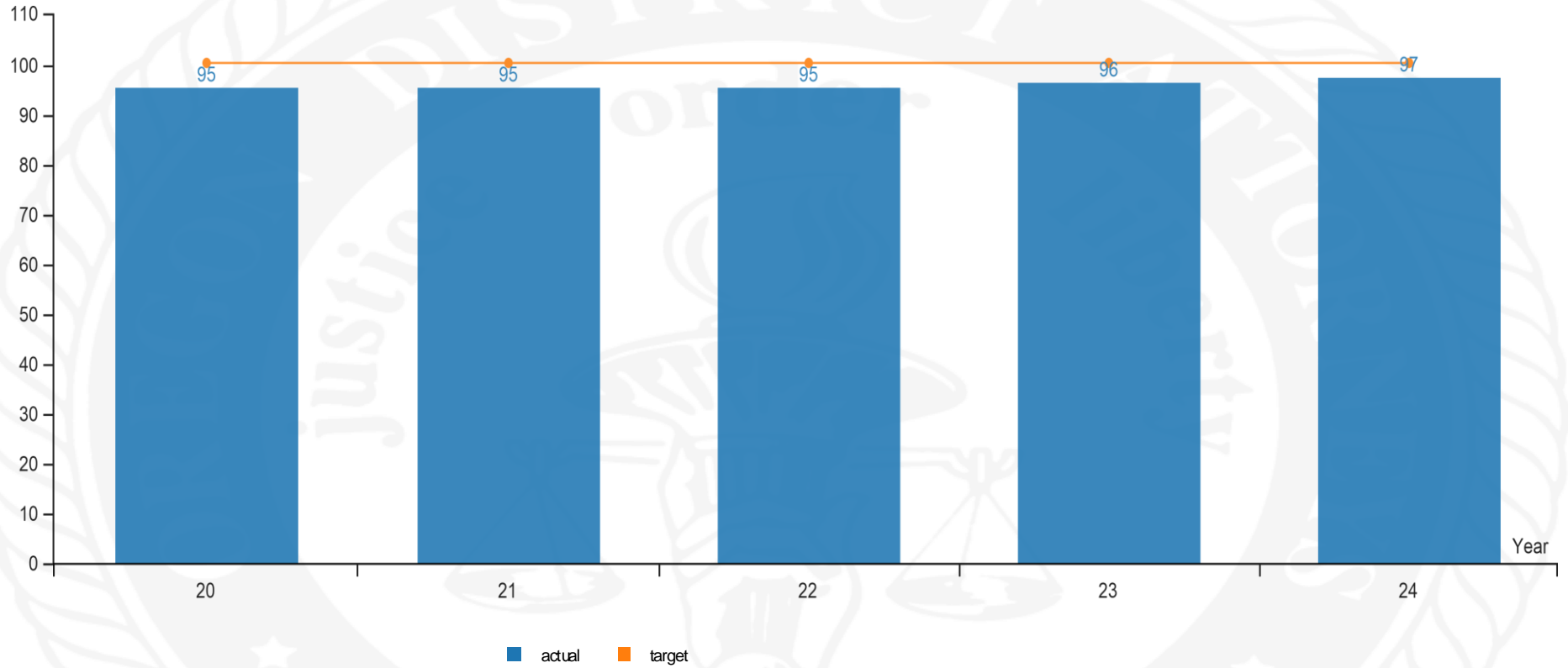
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Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Percentage of current child support collected relative to total child support owed					
Actual	77%	77%	77%	76%	76%
Target	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%

KPM #2	Services to Victims - Percentage of adult criminal cases where the named victim(s) are provided "prompt notice" of their rights as crime victims.
	Data Collection Period: Jul 01 - Jun 30

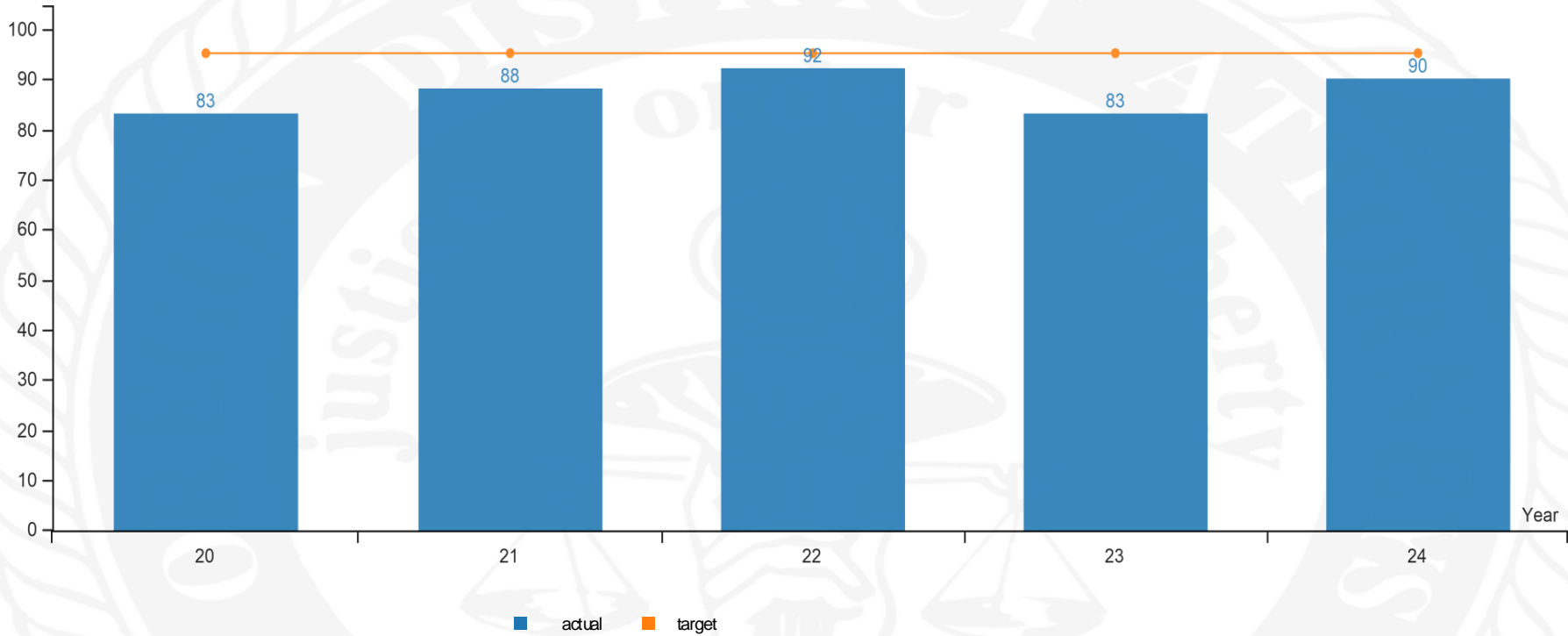
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Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
% of cases where victim was provided notice of victims' rights w/in 5 business days of defendant's arraignment					
Actual	95%	95%	95%	96%	97%
Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

KPM #3	Early and Special Resolution Programs - Percentage of District Attorney offices resolving cases through early and special resolution, number of cases resolved.
	Data Collection Period: Jul 01 - Jun 30

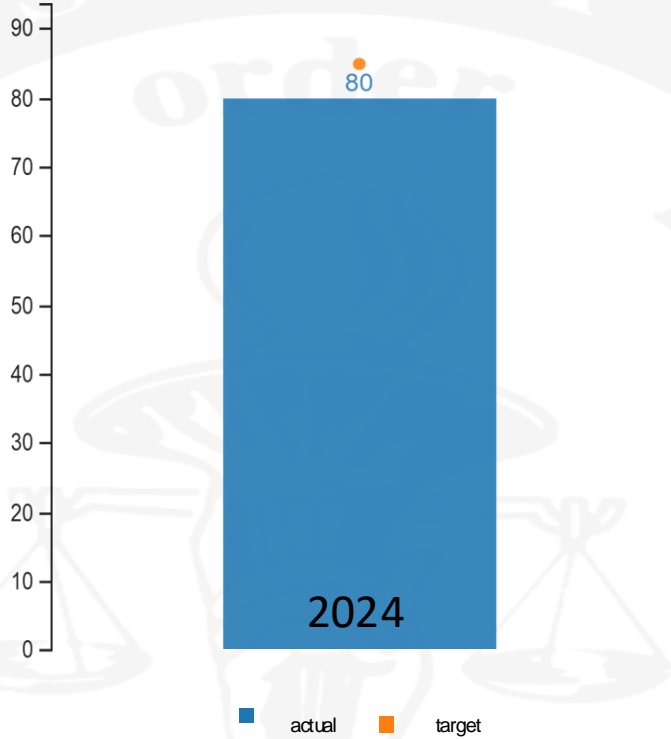
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Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Percentage of District Attorney Offices resolving cases through early resolution and specialty courts					
Actual	83%	88%	92%	83%	90%
Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%

KPM #4	Implicit Bias Training - Percentage of district attorneys receiving implicit bias training each biennium.
	Data Collection Period: Jan 01 - Jan 01

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Report Year	2024
Actual	80%
Target	85%

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Thank you for your time.

Questions?

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