2025 Joint Committee on Ways & Means

Public Safety Subcommittee Presentation- Phase 1

April 14, 2025



Oregon Department of Justice ATTORNEY GENERAL DAN RAYFIELD

Department of Justice: Overview

Mission & Values

To serve state government and to support safe and healthy communities throughout Oregon by providing essential justice services.

We are dedicated to:

- Providing ethical, independent and high-quality legal services to state government;
- Safeguarding consumers from fraud and unfair business practices;
- Fighting crime and helping crime victims;
- Advocating for vulnerable children;
- Supporting families through the collection of child support;
- Enforcing environmental protections;
- Defending the civil rights of all Oregonians; and
- Pursuing justice and upholding the rule of law.



Department of Justice

Vision and Priorities







WORKING FAMILIES, CONSUMERS, AND SENIORS

PUBLIC SAFETY

STRENGTHENING AGENCY FOUNDATION

Organizational Chart





Department of Justice

DOJ Employees and Locations



1,530 Total DOJ Employees



Department of Justice

2025-27 AG Request Budget DOJ Expenditures by Division - \$969M





2025-27 AG Request Budget Full-Time Equivalent Employees



2025-27 AG Request Budget DOJ Revenue by Division (in millions) - \$981.5

General Funds, \$194.60 Federal Funds: Crime Victims, 19.53% Medicaid Fraud, Criminal Other Funds Transfer In - Intrafund Justice, \$57.05, 5.73% Debt Svc Ltd, \$7.38, 0.74% Other Funds: GF Obligation Bonds, \$26.20, 2.63% Other Funds: Child Support. Federal Funds: Child \$26.11, 2.62% Support, \$155.76, 15.63% Other Funds Miscellaneous. \$1.46,0.15% Other Funds Transfer from DOR -CVSSD CFA, \$26.77, 2.69% Other Funds Transfer from State Agencies: Civil Enforcement, Criminal Justice, CVSSD, \$4.73, 0.47% Other Funds Transfers Out: CVSSD, Civil, (\$7.41), -0.74% Other Funds Transfers Other Funds: Legal Billings In/Out: CJ, CVSSD, \$1.55, to Client Agencies, \$468.26, 0.16% 47.00% Other Funds: Charities & Gaming, Consumer 58% Other Funds Protection, Crime Victims, \$19.04, 1.91% General Fund 20% Federal Funds 22% **Department of Justice**

Attorney General Request (AGR) Billing Rates

Hourly Billing Rates	21-23	23-25	25-27 AGR	
Asst. Attorney General	\$242	\$275	\$347-\$358	
Investigator	\$134	\$144	\$170-\$174	
Paralegal	\$110	\$121	\$142-\$149	
Law Clerk	\$60	\$65	\$75-\$81	
Clerical	\$52	\$56	\$65-\$67	

Rates are intended to cover all legal divisions' projected expenses and leave a sufficient ending balance for working capital.



Attorney General Billing Rates



Office of the Attorney General Dan Rayfield, Attorney General



Department of Justice: Office of the Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General





Department of Justice: Office of the Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General

Oversees Operations of the Department of Justice

- Establishes the State's Legal Policy
- Coordinates legislative and policy initiatives
- Manages communications and media relations
- Engages with state, federal, local and national leaders and partners



Department of Justice: Office of the Attorney General

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Criminal Justice Division

April 14, 2025



Oregon Department of Justice ATTORNEY GENERAL DAN RAYFIELD

Mission Statement

The mission of the Criminal Justice Division is to promote, preserve, and enhance the safety and livability of Oregon by providing statewide investigative, prosecutorial, analytical, and other law enforcement service programs.



Organizational Chart





Program Summary

- Prosecute criminal cases at request of district attorney or governor
- Conduct criminal investigations
- Assist and advise the district attorneys
- Promote information sharing and cooperation among law enforcement agencies
- Investigate and prosecute criminal violations of the election laws



District Attorney Assistance Program

Investigative and Trial Services

- Major felonies
- Financial crimes
- Use of force cases
- Resource prosecutors and investigators
- Gubernatorial appointment

Around the clock legal advice

• The uniform application of state law and criminal procedure aids in ensuring the integrity of convictions and in protecting the rights of defendants.

Training

- 191 trainings conducted (July 1, 2023- February 28, 2025)
- Week-long training for new or incoming prosecutors (56 years)
- Advanced training for seasoned prosecutors (56 years)



District Attorney Assistance Program Resource Prosecutors and Investigators

Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII)

Resource Prosecutors

Domestic Violence

Resource Prosecutor

Bias Crimes

Resource Prosecutor and Investigator

Elder Abuse

Resource Prosecutor and Special Agents

Environmental and Cultural Resource Crimes

Resource Prosecutors, Paralegal, Investigator

Wildlife/Anti-Poaching

Resource Prosecutor

Animal Abuse

Resource Prosecutor



District Attorney Assistance Program

Case Advice and Assistance





District Attorney Assistance Program Investigation/Prosecution Cases





Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)

- Nationwide law enforcement network engaged in investigating the online sexual exploitation of children.
- The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) sends each task force reports of online exploitation in their jurisdiction. The reports are known as "cybertips."
- In 2024, Oregon ICAC received 10,372 cybertips.





Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Cybertip Investigations

Review Tip/Images

• Wilson Warrants

Preservation Letters

Service Provider Subpoenas

Referral to Local Agency

Agency Assist

- Search Warrants
- Forensic Investigation





Organized Crime Section

- Investigate long-term, complex cases involving multiple counties
 - Racketeering
 - Complex financial/investment schemes
 - Advanced electronic surveillance techniques
 - Organized Retail Crime
- Investigate allegations of public corruption and malfeasance
- Election Law Crimes
- OSP Forfeiture Counsel



Organized Crime Section Organized Retail Crime Unit

Legislatively Created in 2023

- Special Agents (2)
- Criminal Analyst (1)

Requests for Assistance

• 71 Requests/13 Counties

Investigations

- 21 Cases Supported
- 70 Arrests
- \$640,000 Recovered Property

Outreach

• 30 Trainings and Presentations





Analytical and Criminal Investigative Services Section (ACISS)

Watch Center

- Investigation-related inquiries
- Deconfliction of law enforcement operations

Analytical Support

- Investigation and prosecution support
- Strategic analysis

Fusion Center

- Criminal and terrorism-related information sharing among local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies
- Critical Infrastructure
 - Risk and vulnerability assessments and threat assessments
- Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)



Keep Our Communities Safe

POP – Criminal Justice Division Regional Solution to combat human, labor and drug trafficking

Create statewide regional support teams to work in partnership with local law enforcement, helping leverage resources to investigate, prosecute and prevent organized crime from impacting Oregonians

Regional Teams consist of:

Criminal Investigators (4)

Research Analyst (1)

Attorney (1)

*Total positions –26 (includes regional teams and centralized support positions)

\$6,048,868 GF





Public Safety Workforce Pipeline

POP – Develop the Criminal Justice Workforce

- Attorney In Charge (1 position)
- Law Clerk (12 positions)

Create a pipeline to address workforce shortages in the criminal justice system by providing training, mentorship and hands on experience with DOJ attorneys and in local District Attorney (DA) offices, which will assist law students in being immediately ready to work in a DA Office or public defense



Criminal Justice Workload Resources

POP # 271 – Criminal Justice Workload Resources

- Legal Practice Attorney Manager 3 (1 position)
- Legal Secretary (1 position)
- Paralegal (1 position)
- Criminal Investigator (1 position) Reclass from Investigator 3

Address staffing parity by providing dedicated leadership to the division's 22 Assistant Attorney's General to help problem solve, provide guidance, and manage performance. Align staff investigators with division duties and responsibilities. Provide support for divisional legal staffing growth and public records requests.



Criminal Justice Workload Resources

POP # 278 – Ongoing Grants (UASI/SHSG & TSRP)

- Senior Assistant Attorney General (1 position)
- Operations and Policy Analyst 3 (1 position)
- Research Analyst 3 (2 positions)

Provide resources to achieve the goals outlined in grant programs facilitated through the Criminal Justice division to address the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), and the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TRSP) and DUII Training programs servicing the state.



10% Budget Reductions

Criminal Justice Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	(\$1,941,086)	(\$368,146)	(\$75,737)	(\$5,254,943)	(9.00)	(7.36)
5%	(\$1,941,225)	(\$377,889)	(\$75,920)	(\$5,254,943)	(8.00)	(6.75)



Civil Enforcement Division



Department of Justice

Civil Enforcement Division



Consumer Protection



Department of Justice: Civil Enforcement Division

Public Facing Programs



Consumer Hotline

10,000+ Calls Per Year 300+ Emails Per Week

Purpose: to provide information and resources

Mediation of Consumer Complaints

9,000+ Per Year

Purpose: help consumers obtain refunds and other relief; provide DOJ with information about the marketplace

Education and Outreach



Department of Justice: Civil Enforcement Division

Top Consumer Complaints: 2024

- 1. Telecommunications (1229)
- 2. Fraudulent Entity/Imposter scams (1135)
- 3. Auto Sales and Repair (1050)
- 4. Financial Credit and Lending (741)
- 5. Health/Medical (569)
- 6. Travel Services (525)
- 7. Grocery Food and Beverage (290)
- 8. Real Estate (274)
- 9. Construction Contractors (219)
- 10. Manufacturing (211)



Department of Justice: Civil Enforcement Division
Enforcement

Small team

•7 attorneys and legal support staff

Self-funded

Strategic Enforcement

• Investigate and prosecute violations of the Unlawful Trade Practices Act

 Focus on emerging issues, widespread pattern of serious violations and high impact

Challenging Cases

- Complex factual and legal issues
- Document intensive, require outside experts
- Investigation to settlement can take 3+ years
- Understaffing causes delays, limits number of cases



Department of Justice: Civil Enforcement Division

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Camping World Settlement (December 2024)

Investigation into deceptive advertising and sales practices

> \$3.5 million to the Department of Justice, including \$3 million that will be returned to consumers

Protections for future consumers





Antitrust, False Claims, & Privacy



Antitrust, False Claims, & Privacy

Antitrust

- Oregon Antitrust Law
- Anticompetitive Behavior
- Price Fixing
- Bid Rigging
- Monopolies

(Kroger)

False Claims

- Oregon False Claims Act
- Overbilling
- False Reports
- Obtaining a benefit through false information

Privacy

- Oregon Consumer Privacy Act
- Misuse of personal information
- Data security
- Consumer privacy rights





Case Recoveries

Case Recovery and Direct Litigation Expense Comparison





Civil Enforcement – Policy Packages

POP # 221 – Antitrust Litigation Resources

• Antitrust: Senior Assistant Attorney General (2 – positions)

To ensure sufficient staffing to meet increasingly complex and growing workloads around Antitrust Litigation.



Return on Previous Investment: Oregon Consumer Privacy Act (Senate Bill 619)



CONSUMER RESEARCH

COMPLAINT PORTAL

CONSUMER AND BUSINESS OUTREACH / EDUCATION

oregonprivacy@doj.oregon.gov



Top Consumer Privacy Complaints: By Business Type (July 1, 2024 - Jan. 1, 2025)



Number of Complaints



Medicaid Fraud Control Unit



Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Federally- Mandated Program	 • 19 FTE • Investigate and prosecute Medicaid provider fraud
Enforcement	 Most of the unit's enforcement actions are criminal, but some are civil Primarily appear in state court, but sometimes have federal cases New team that specializes in abuse, neglect and financial exploitation of Medicaid recipients
Training	 Training to state and county social service workers, public service organizations, and the legal community Leader in the National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units
Funding	 Unit is funded 75% from federal funds and 25% from program recoveries



Medicaid Fraud Control Unit: Statewide Impact

14 counties served in the last biennium.

29 counties served in the last 10 years.





Need for Additional MFCU Staff

Comparison of Staff to Referrals





700

Civil Enforcement – Policy Packages

POP – Medicaid Fraud Resources

- Senior Assistant Attorney General (1 position)
- Assistant Attorney General (1 position)
- Research Analyst 4 (1 position)
- Investigator 3 (1 position)
- Governmental Auditor 3 (1 position)
- Investigations Supervisor 2 (1 position)
- Legal Secretary (1 position)

These 7 positions will ensure the complex needs of the growing caseload are met. Funding for these positions will be covered 25% by the revenue brought into the Medicaid Fraud Unit from funds the state recovers. The remaining 75% of these positions will be covered by a Federal Grant.



Civil Recovery



Civil Recovery

- Cost Recovery Litigation
- Bankruptcy and Collections
- Real Property Disputes
- Probate
- General Advice and Litigation

Recovery

- Injunctions
- Funded by billing various client agencies

 Litigation to establish, modify and enforce child support orders

- Advice to the Child Support Program
- Training to DCS staff and the legal community
- Funded by billing the Child Support Program

Master Settlement
 Agreement enforcement

- Cigarette manufacturer payment obligations
- Cigarette brand directory
- Interagency partnerships
- Funded by a portion of the tobacco Master Settlement Agreement payment

Tobacco



Department of Justice: Civil Enforcement Division

Child

Support

Civil Recovery

REPRESENTATION OF THE DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT

- Establish, modify and ensure compliance with child support orders; establish paternity/ parentage; pursue contempt actions when the paying parent does not pay support
- Training and education:
 - Child Support Bench Book
 - Training to DCS staff, private attorneys, DDAs and OJD





RECOVERIES

- Payments to Oregon families increases after contempt actions are filed
- Holistic, problem-solving approach emphasis on consistent payments and employment
- Flexibility in responding to changing conditions, including pandemic and wildfires



Civil Recovery - Tobacco

Tobacco MSA Income



Income Per Biennium



Case Recoveries

Case Recovery and Direct Litigation Expense Comparison





Civil Recovery: Wildfire Investigations and Cost Recovery



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Civil Enforcement – Policy Packages

POP # 221 – Wildfire Litigation Resources

• Wildfire: Senior Assistant Attorney General (2 – positions)

To ensure sufficient staffing to meet increasingly complex and growing workloads around Wildfire Litigation.



Charitable Activities Section



Charitable Activities

Protecting Charities and Charitable Activities

Registration/Regulation

Education

Enforcement

Regulate Charitable Gaming

Public Outreach and Education

Section staff process 3,000 to 4,000 contacts per month to and from charitable organizations and the public.

Educates state and local agencies that make grants about red flags and nonprofit legal requirements.

Hosts frequent webinars and conferences concerning compliance requirements for: Nonprofit organizations; Members of the Oregon State Bar; and Accounting firms





10% Budget Reductions

Civil Enforcement Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	\$O	(\$4,167,222)	\$O	(\$4,167,222)	(7.00)	(9.10)
5%	\$O	(\$4,014,297)	\$O	(\$4,014,297)	(7.00)	(7.10)



General Counsel Division







General Counsel - Mission:

Provides the day-to-day legal services to clients to help them effectively and lawfully advance the state's missions.



Our Services

Provide day-to-day legal advice

Represent agencies in contested case hearings

Draft and review contracts, including legal sufficiency review

Provide legal trainings, tools and legal resources







Our Work

Reducing risk in Contracting/Grants

- Development and ongoing updates of contract templates
- Analyzing shifting requirements around federal funding
- Advising on legal options to pursue equity goals
- Advising on ways to enhance accountability through terms and administration

Improving state processes by training agencies about key laws

Supporting Oregonians by:

- Reviewing critical transactions (e.g. mental and other health services, affordable homes)
- Providing legal advice to volunteer boards and commissions



Our Work, cont.

Advising agencies in implementing workplace policies

Developed playbook for agencies responding to unauthorized data disclosure

Supporting safe and healthy communities by defending state agency regulatory orders

Supporting implementation of public records/meetings and administrative laws through manuals

Guiding agencies in implementing Oregon's Sanctuary laws

Assisting Oregon's natural resources agencies to protect and restore clean air, water and ecosystems and promote sustainable use of natural resources



What Our Clients are Saying

"Thanks for always being such great partners, especially on the difficult cases."

"This [work] would not be possible without *** the partnership we have with our incredible AAGs at DOJ."

"I want to [convey] appreciation for the many ways in which you and your teams continue showing up in a posture of partnership and getting things done."

"You have been a game changer in stewarding a new pathway for what's possible when DOJ and *** functions as a team towards shared goals. You make me hopeful for our future together."



10% Budget Reductions

General Counsel Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	\$O	(\$5,087,999)	\$O	(\$5,087,999)	(16.00)	(15.71)
5%	\$O	(\$5,104,117)	\$O	(\$5,104,117)	(15.00)	(14.00)



Department of Justice: General Council

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Department of Justice

Crime Victim and Survivor Services



Department of Justice



CVSSD - Mission

The Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division (CVSSD) connects many different programs with a single goal:

To serve victims and survivors effectively and compassionately.



Department of Justice: Crime Victim & Survivor Services
Mission and Overview



We:

Provide direct advocacy to survivors of hate crimes, bias incidents, and those targeted in violation of Oregon's sanctuary laws

Fund statewide survivor services

Help victims cover crime-related expenses

Through our advisory committees and partnerships, help shape best practices statewide bringing a diverse collection of voices to the issues of victims and survivors



Introductions: Our Statewide Efforts

Leading statewide efforts to coordinate responses to:

Bias incidents and hate crimes

Human trafficking

Victim rights enforcement

Oregon's Sanctuary Promise





Direct Services for Victims





Introductions: Our Sections

Grants Management Section	Civil Rights Unit	Victim Response Section	Compensation Section
14 State and Federal Grant Programs	Bias Response Hotline Sanctuary Promise	Human Trafficking Response and Intervention Program	Crime Victims' Compensation Program
	Program	Victims' Rights	Revenue
		Appellate Advocacy	Address Confidentiality
Depar	tment of Justice : Crime Vi	Domestic Violence Resource Prosecutor ctim & Survivor Services	Program Hope Card Program

Compensation Section: Crime Victims' Compensation Program

Financial compensation to victims of violent crime:

- Medical and counseling services
- Loss of Earnings and Loss of Support
- Funeral costs
- Transportation and rehabilitation
- Child Abuse Medical Assessments
- Sexual Assault exams



Biennium	FTE	Average # Claims Received Monthly	Average # of Payments Processed Monthly	Amount Paid
2011 - 2013	12.50	472	629	\$8,044,636
2013 - 2015	12.50	437	521	\$6,186,503
2015 - 2017	14.00	452	365	\$4,969,585
2017 - 2019	14.00	481	473	\$6,216,737
2019-2021	14.00	427	471	\$5,735,371
2021 - 2023	14.00	402	479	\$8,333,189
2023 – January 2025	14.00	388	443	\$3,928,480



Civil Rights Unit: Bias Response Hotline

Critical support to victims of hate and bias:

- Safety planning
- Information on rights and options
- Referrals to next step legal options
- Connection to culturally-specific community partners
- Emergency financial (EMF) assistance for safety

2024 Data:

- 3,428 calls/reports
 - 579 bias crimes
 - 1,947 bias incidents
- 3,706 victims served
- \$55,032.16 spent in EMF funds assisting 71 victims/families



Civil Rights Unit: Sanctuary Promise Program

Critical support to victims:

- Safety planning
- Information on rights and options
- Referrals to next step legal options
- Connection to culturally-specific community partners
- Emergency financial (EMF) assistance for safety
- Connection to ODOJ investigations

Data for 2024:

- 30 calls/reports
- 5 new investigations opened
 - 3 law enforcement agencies alleged to be in violation
 - 2 public bodies alleged to be in violation



Victim Response Section: Statewide Victim Support Programs

Victims' Rights Program

Appellate Advocacy Program

Domestic Violence Resource Prosecutor

Trafficking Response and Intervention Program (T.R.I.P.)



Grant Management Section: Ongoing State Grants

District Attorney Victim Assistance Programs 39 Grants: \$5.77 million

Oregon Domestic and Sexual Violence Services (GF) 56 grants: \$10.6 million

Discretionary State Grant(s) Sexual Assault Task Force (SATF: \$500,000) Child Abuse Multi-Disciplinary Intervention Programs
 36 Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) Grants: \$12.47 million
 6 Regional Children's Advocacy Center (RCAC) Grants: \$1.44 million

Trauma Informed Response Training Grants: Available to law enforcement agencies/government entities: \$600,000/biennium



Ongoing Federal Grants

Victims of Crime Act Grants (VOCA) 197 grants, \$56.67 million awarded Violence Against Women Act Grants (VAWA) 40 grants, **\$5.21 million** awarded

Children's Justice Act Grant (CJA) 1 grant, **\$ 400,000** Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) 6 grants, **\$1.71 million** awarded

John R. Justice \$67,014



Backfill request: 18.5 Million VOCA Federal Fund Reductions

190 grants to 144 programs, including:

- Domestic Violence Programs
- Sexual Assault Programs
- Tribal Nations Victim Assistance Programs
- Children's Advocacy Centers
- Culturally-Specific/Culturally Responsive Programs
- System-based Victim Assistance Programs
- Legal Services
- Human Trafficking Programs
- Campus Sexual Assault Programs
- General Victim Assistance Programs
- Appellate Advocacy Program



One-Time General Fund Grants

Community Violence Intervention grant

Children's Advocacy Center Funds

Survivor Housing Funds

DV/SA Community-based non-profit funds



Community Violence Intervention Grant

Funds violence reduction, intervention, and prevention initiatives in all seven regions of the state.

2022: HB 5202 included **\$15 million funding** awarded to **64 community-based organizations** across the state as **one-time grants.**



Renew Community Violence Intervention Grant - POP 331

2023: \$10 million in state funding awarded to 30 organizations across the state. Focused on programs for individuals who are at **significant risk** of being affected by gun violence.

Group Violence Intervention/Focused Deterrence

Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Programs

Reentry services

Restorative justice training and programs

Street Outreach and Violence Interruption Programs



Crime Victim Survivors and Services Program Support

POP # 331 – Community Violence Prevention Grant

- Administrative Specialist 2 (1 position)
- Program Analyst 3 (2 positions)

\$9 million for sub-grant funding

Established in 2022, the Community Violence Prevention program established three general fund positions to build the foundations for the program. The program was awarded ARPA funding to continue position funding and award sub-grants to community programs throughout the state.



POP 327: Converting One-Time Grants to CSL Budget

HB 4140 2024 Legislative Session

DV/SA Community-based non-profit grants, **\$10 million**

Children's Advocacy Center grants, **\$6 million**

Survivor Housing funds, **\$6 million**



Crime Victim and Survivor Services Program Support

POP # 327 – Continued Program Funding HB4140

- Oregon Domestic & Sexual Violence Services Fund (ODSVS) \$10 million
- Survivor Housing Fund (SHF) \$6 million
- Children's Advocacy Center Fund (CACF) \$6 million

Pursuant to HB4140-2024 Section 1, the Department of Justice shall include in its agency request budget discrete amounts necessary to fund the currently authorized programs of the Oregon Domestic Violence & Sexual Violence Services Fund, the Survivor Housing Fund, and Children Advocacy Centers.



POP 334: CVSSD Staffing Resources

Program Analyst 3 (3 – positions)

Program Analyst 2 (2 – positions)

Business Operations Manager 2 (1 – position) Reclass fund source to Other Funds

Provide continued funding support and position authority for the Human Trafficking Response Intervention program, grant management, and Children's Advocacy Center grant administration.



Crime Victim Survivors and Services Program Support

POP # 334 – CVSSD Staffing Resources

- Program Analyst 3 (3 positions)
- Program Analyst 2 (2 positions)
- Business Operations Manager 2 (1 position) Reclass fund source to Other Funds

Provide continued funding support and position authority for the Human Trafficking Intervention program, Bias Hotline Support Advocate, and Children's Advocacy Center grant administration.



10% Budget Reductions

Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	(\$1,328,286)	(\$1,537,605)	(\$2,389,052)	(\$5,254,943)	(7.00)	(5.75)
5%	(\$1,328,286)	(\$1,537,605)	(\$2,389,052)	(\$5,254,943)	(1.00)	(1.00)



Appellate Division



Appellate - Mission

Represent the State's interests in appellate courts:

- Oregon Court of Appeals
- Oregon Supreme Court
- Federal Courts of Appeals
- U.S. Supreme Court

Decisions from these courts set statewide precedent



Program Summary Write briefs and argue cases in:

Oregon Court of Appeals

State is a party in every criminal and post-conviction case and most civil cases

Oregon Supreme Court

State is a party in most cases

Federal Appellate Courts

Prepare ballot titles for legislative referrals and initiatives



Appellate Division





Types of Cases

Defense of criminal convictions	 Direct appeals, post-conviction appeals, and federal habeas corpus appeals
Civil	 Tax, contracts, torts, civil commitment, juvenile dependency, challenges to statutes
Administrative	 Professional and other licenses, regulatory decisions that impose fines or other penalties, benefits decisions, rule challenges

We are the respondent in almost all of these cases: The other side has appealed and we must respond



Appellate caseload over time

Appellate matters opened, by year





10% Budget Reductions

Appellate Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	\$O	(\$1,783,537)	\$O	(\$1,783,537)	(8.00)	(5.16)
5%	\$O	(\$3,517,896)	\$O	(\$3,517,896)	(1.00)	(3.65)



Department of Justice: Appellate

Defense of Criminal Convictions



Defense of Criminal Convictions -Mission

- Defend convictions and sentences that the state's prosecutors properly obtained
 - Work to secure just outcomes when challenges have merit



Program Summary

Funds DOJ's legal work on appeals and collateral challenges to criminal convictions

Budget is shared between the Appellate and Trial Divisions.

23-25 LAB is \$41 million

About 150,000 hours of work at \$275/hour

This is a mandated caseload.



Overview of the Process





Mandated caseload

We have little control over the volume or complexity of the work

- The vast majority of proceedings are brought by the person convicted of a crime.
- The courts rely on us to present the state's legal arguments.
- If we do not respond, or do not respond adequately, courts may overturn valid convictions and sentences.
- Appellate decisions may set statewide precedent for cases going forward.



10% Budget Reductions

Defense of Criminal Convictions

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	(\$2,535,243)	\$O	\$O	(\$2,535,243)	0.00	0.00
5%	(\$5,070,485)	\$O	\$O	(\$5,070,485)	0.00	0.00



Trial Division



Department of Justice: Trial Division

Trial Division Program Summary

The Trial Division defends the State when it is sued for money damages or when someone asks a court to order the State to take an action or refrain from action.



Department of Justice: Trial Division




Trial Division Work

Civil Litigation

- Employment
- Civil Rights
- Highway Projects
- Defense of Administrative Orders
- Torts: Personal Injury, Property Damage, Malicious Prosecution, Abuse

Corrections Litigation

- State Habeas Corpus
- Civil Rights



Trial Division Work (Continued)

Special Litigation

Environmental

Elections

- Constitutional Challenges
- Disputes over Agency Policy

Criminal and Collateral Remedies

- Post-Conviction Relief
- Federal Habeas Corpus
- Psychiatric Security Review Board

Increasing Workload Caseload Entirely Dependent Upon Others

Rise in cases from court backlog from the pandemic. Changes in law and practice in state habeas cases. Significant growth in litigation arising out of Department of Corrections medical care. Competing demands for an increasingly limited supply of water resources.

An increase in road projects from ODOT. Changes in the law governing postconviction litigation. An increase in challenges to agency orders under the Oregon Administrative Procedures Act.



The State Must Appear to Avoid Default

If the State does not appear in the case, or fails to respond to a motion, a judgment can be entered in favor of the opposing party.



Workload: Civil Litigation

After reaching a pandemic peak in 2021, case numbers began to drop incrementally, only to rise again in 2024, exceeding the 2021 highwater mark.

Annual Pending Cases for Civil Litigation





Workload: Special Litigation

Special Litigation also saw its case numbers peak in 2021 and begin to level off in 2022, only to significantly rise in 2023 and 2024.





Workload: Criminal & Collateral Remedies

Significant increases from nonunanimous jury verdict filings. Case numbers remain elevated above recent historic averages.

Annual Pending Cases for Criminal & Collateral Remedies





Previous Legislative Investment

The Trial Division received two additional lawyer positions this past biennium to increase the Division's ability to handle more in-house litigation.

Those lawyers billed 4,374.40 hours at DOJ's rate of \$275 since they were hired.

An average hourly rate from outside counsel has generally been \$300 - \$800.

By keeping the case work within DOJ, those two attorneys provided an estimated savings of \$546,800 for the clients.

In addition, adding these lawyers to multiple case teams allowed DOJ to handle additional cases that would have gone to outside counsel.



Create Sufficient In-House Litigation Staffing: Policy Option Package 410

Due to increasing case filings, and the complexity of those matters, 74 cases were handled by Special Assistant Attorneys General (SAAG) in 2024.

Over \$12 million was paid to SAAGs in 2024.

If we had sufficient staff to keep this work in-house, clients in 2024 would have seen a savings of over \$3.7 million.





In-House Litigation Staffing

POP # 410 - 33 Positions

Special Litigation Unit:

- 2 AAG positions (1.76 FTE)
- Supported by 1 Paralegal and 1 Legal Secretary (1.76 FTE)

New Corrections Unit:

- 1 Attorney in Charge (.88 FTE)
- 6 AAG positions (5.28 FTE)
- Supported by 3 Paralegals and 3 Legal Secretaries (5.28 FTE)

Civil Litigation Section:

- 7 AAG positions (6.16 FTE)
- Supported by 3 Paralegals and 3 Legal Secretaries (5.28 FTE)
- 1 new Attorney in Charge (0.88 FTE)

Administration:

• 2 Support Staff Supervisor Positions (1.76 FTE)



10% Budget Reductions

Trial Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	\$O	(\$3,401,709)	\$O	(\$3,401,709)	(12.00)	(12.00)
5%	\$O	(\$3,401,709)	\$O	(\$3,401,709)	(10.00)	(10.00)



Department of Justice: Trial

Division of Child Support



What we're about:

Supporting parents

to

support children







Oregon's Federal Title IV-D Program

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DOJ Division of Child Support





Who we serve

Oregon's program provides services for all families:

- Who are currently or were formerly receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Medicaid
- Who have never received public assistance and enroll directly in child support services
- In rare circumstances when a child is in the care and custody of the state through the Child Welfare system

There is no "means test" for services



Who we serve



Total Caseload: 127,459 (FFY 24) includes 124,705 children

Current Assistance: 16,750 Former Assistance: 72,516 Never Assistance: 38,183



What we do









Find parents and assets

Establish paternity/parentage

Establish child and medical support orders

Ensure compliance with orders



Collect payments

Modify and adjust child support orders



Manage accounting and recordkeeping

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Receive and distribute collections



The Life of a Case



Compliance & Collection

Some of the proverbial "tools in the toolbox"

- Income withholding
- Unemployment and workers compensation withholding
- Interception of federal disbursements, state/federal tax refunds, lottery winnings
- Compliance agreements
- Bank data matches and garnishments
- Liens on property and money awards
- Employer health insurance or cash medical
- License restriction (occupational, recreational, driver, etc.)
- Federally mandated passport restriction









Public programs in Oregon with the most child participants:

- 1. Public Schools
- 2. Oregon Health Plan
- 3. SNAP (food stamps)
- 4. Oregon Child Support Program

127,459 Child support cases

125,337 Children 21 & younger

124,705 Children 18 & younger of children 18 & younger **298.8** million annual collections **1.2** million processed daily 72% collected through income with holding 94% goes to families

reimbursed public assistance

*Nationally, only 3% reimburses public assistance, 97% goes to families

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Leveraged funds help Oregonians

Investing state funds in the Oregon Child Support Program yields a high return on investment.

- Every **\$1 of state general funds** spent on child support is matched by **\$2 of federal funds**
- In FFY 2024, the Oregon Child Support Program collected \$323 million, including \$279 million for families:
 - reducing the need for public assistance
 - helping lift families out of poverty
 - avoiding additional costs for taxpayers
- In FFY 2024, the Oregon Child Support Program collected **\$24.7 million for non–IV-D cases,** other states, Tribes, and other countries
- In FFY 2022, the Oregon Child Support Program recouped **\$19.3 million for state agencies**



An evolution over 50 years

"It's not your mother's child support program"

Modernizing the program

- Strong move away from cost recovery
- No longer "debt collection agency"
- Family-focused service delivery
- Expansion of services medical support, employment & training
- Proactive review and modification for changing family circumstances
- Realistic orders based on "ability to pay" guidelines calculator
- Use of data analytics to evaluate equity and procedural justice within the child support program



Modernizing the system side – Origin

Federally required, federally certified, federally funded (66%) system for case management, accounting and distribution, document generation

Origin System Project – investment in the federal child support system

- Multi-biennial major IT modernization project \$140 million (66% federal, 24% state) on budget, on time
- Move from CSEAS, the COBOL-based mainframe system with "green screens" hybrid transfer from CA, MI, NJ
- Federally certified in record time in Dec 2019 just in time for the pandemic

Origin Framework Refactoring Project – closing 2025

- Follow-up to Origin modernization project
- Fix for outdated framework from CA

Origin – Keeping it current

- Addressing "technical debt" and law/policy changes
- Leveraging new technologies
- Security and cloud-hosting







Modernizing the human side

Investing in what people do best for people

FTE has decreased

- 594 in 2007
- 538 in 2024

Scope and complexity has increased

- Greater cross-program focus in social services
- Expansion of Title IV-D into employment and training, parenting time
- Increased specialization in subject areas, business processes, service delivery
- Expanded child support tracks in both administrative and judicial systems
- In-depth training in complex federal and state laws and systems
- Inclusion of lived experience perspective



Modernizing the human side cont.

Investing in what people do best for people

Meeting parents where they are

- Expanded community outreach
- Office "walk-ins" up higher than pre-pandemic levels
- Connecting electronically online accounts, texting, virtual meetings, booking for online and in-person appointments
- More cross-service needs (e.g., domestic violence, housing, incarceration, treatment)
- Family-centered and trauma-informed service delivery

Access to justice

- Improving processes and forms for self-represented parents
- Video instructions and explainers for parents
- Coordinating with OJD on development of child support courts, referees



Policy Option Packages

Package 481 – Family-First Child Support Services Needs

	<u>AG Request Budget</u>		
Option 1 – Critical	\$1,570,440	GF	
Establish 16 positions; Reclass 15 positions (554 total)	\$3,048,501	FF	
Option 2 – Priority	\$2,224,829	GF	
Establish 24 positions; Reclass 15 positions (562 total)	\$4,318,785	FF	
Option 3 – Optimal	\$4,166,765	GF	
Establish 47 positions; Reclass 15 positions (585 total)	\$8,088,427	FF	



Policy Option Packages

Origin Support POPs

AG Request Budget

Package 482 – Option 1	Origin O&M and Gap Analysis	\$2,358,014	GF
	(Maintain contracted staff augmentation)	\$4,577,320	FF
Package 482 – Option 2	Origin O&M and Gap Analysis	\$2,187,935	GF
(Recommended)	(Phase-out contracted staff augmentation)	\$4,247,169	FF
Package 483	Origin Software Licensing	\$337,086	GF
		\$654,344	FF
Package 484	Origin Framework Refactoring	\$451,407	GF
		\$876,261	FF



Policy Option Packages

Miscellaneous	<u>AG Request Budget</u>		
Package	Funding for ODAA Child Support	\$97,923	GF
	Liaison	\$190,085	FF
Package 100	Intra-Agency Charges Realignment	\$174,850 \$339,415	GF FF
Package 103	DOJ Information Technology	\$181,472	GF
	Operational Costs	\$352,129	FF



10% Budget Reductions

Division of Child Support

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	(\$2,852,098)	(\$1,312,083)	(\$7,703,500)	(\$11,867,681)	50.00	(49.75)
5%	(\$2,852,098)	(\$1,312,083)	(\$7,703,500)	(\$11,867,681)	48.00	(47.82)



2025 Joint Committee on Ways & Means **Public Safety Subcommittee Presentation – Phase 1**

April 16, 2025



Department of Justice

Child Advocacy and Protection Division



Department of Justice: Child Advocacy and Protection

Child Advocacy and Protection - Mission:

To provide quality and timely legal advice and effective court representation to ODHS Child Welfare to protect children from abuse and neglect, and to support families, allowing children to grow up in safe and stable environments.



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Child Advocacy and Protection





Daily Division Legal Work





Juvenile Dependency & Termination of Parental Rights

Complex Legal Issues

Legal issues impact the on-going juvenile case, such as the Oregon Indian Child Welfare Act, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status, or removal and placement of a refugee child.

Ongoing Representation

Cases can last from several days to many years, requiring AAGs to remain knowledgeable about the facts and legal issues involved and to ensure ODHS meets their on-going legal obligations.

Abuse Reports

ODHS investigates and assesses whether child abuse occurred and whether the family could benefit from social services with the goal of keeping the child safe in home.

Legal Advice

AAGs provide legal advice to assist Child Welfare caseworkers regarding potential removal of children at risk of abuse, considering the need to balance child safety and the trauma of removal

Legal Representation

AAGs appear in every juvenile court proceeding to ensure there is a safe and appropriate long-term permanency plan for the child, such as reunification, guardianship, or legally freeing the child for adoption.



Court Hearings and Trials

AAGs prepare for and appear alongside ODHS caseworkers at a significant number of court hearings statewide, including complex multi-day trials. Preparation can include:

- Witness and exhibit preparation
- Subpoenas
- Proper legal service
- Filing pleadings
- Drafting judgments
- Settlement discussions
- Reviewing voluminous discovery





Administrative Law and Legal Advice

Legislation

Support and advise ODHS Child Welfare leadership regarding the interpretation and implementation of new or existing state and federal legislation. Review and advise on Oregon Administrative Rules, and agency procedure.

Training & Licensing

Advise and represent the ODHS Office of Training, Investigations and Safety regarding child caring agency abuse reports and licensing cases.

Administrative Law

Support and represent ODHS Child Welfare in certification of resource (foster) and adoptive homes, and specific licensing cases.

Specialized Units

Provide on-going and emergency advice to specialized ODHS Child Welfare units such as Child Safety, Independent Adoptions, Child Fatality and Prevention, and the Oregon Child Abuse Hotline. Advise on statutory Child Welfare Advisory Committee.



Juvenile Dependency Caseloads and Attorney FTE



CAPD Office	Number of Dependency Cases *		
Portland	1233		
Pendleton	404		
Salem	690		
Bend	265		
Eugene	792		
Medford	558		
Statewide Total	3,942		
Attorney FTE	76		

* As of March 1, 2025, case numbers fluctuate daily.



Pre-Removal Emergency Legal Advice

CAPD AAGs provide emergency legal advice consultations to Child Welfare caseworkers in every county to determine whether ODHS has legal sufficiency to remove a child at risk of abuse and to prevent the unnecessary trauma of removal.





Value of 2023 Legislative Investment





Legal Advice Unit

In 2024, CAPD's Legal Advice Unit received over 175 requests for legal advice from ODHS Child Welfare, resulting in over 4,100 hours of legal work for the team.

Provided guidance to ODHS on a variety of subject matters





Regional Assist Assistant Attorneys General

Four Regional Assist AAGs have provided advice and court/caseload coverage in 17 counties

- Ensures continuity of legal representation, avoiding any delay in dependency cases statewide
- Supports employee leave, retention, and improves morale





NEW

Improved/Sustainable Manager to Employee Ratios





10% Budget Reductions

Child Advocacy and Protection Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	\$O	(\$4,786,928)	\$O	(\$4,786,928)	(17.00)	(16.85)
5%	\$O	(\$4,791,277)	\$O	(\$4,791,277)	(12.00)	(13.30)



Administrative Services Division



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Organizational Chart



DOJ Employees and Locations

19 DOJ Offices

10 DCS Offices

6 Legal Offices

3 Shared DCS & Legal Offices

1,530 Total DOJ Employees



Administrative Services - Mission

We advance DOJ's success by providing expert financial management, innovative IT solutions, safe and healthy workplaces, responsible asset and procurement management, and by attracting and nurturing top talent.



Administrative Services Strategic Plan

5-Year Plan:

- Improve service delivery
- Establish transparent performance metrics
- Create a person-centered culture of service
- Develop training for ASD processes



Administrative Services Division





Financial Services

Budgetary Planning and Execution

Accounting

Invoice Processing

Client Trust Management

Grant Payments

Challenges

Chief Financial Officer Vacancy





Human Resources

Recruitment and Retention

Onboarding

Administering Benefits

Managing Employee Relations

Payroll

Challenges

Significant Understaffing





Human Resources — Staffing

GROWTH OF DOJ EMPLOYEES OVER THE LAST 4 BIENNIA





Human Resources — Workload



Human Resources — Staffing Ratio

Agency	HR to 100 FTE Ratio
Department of Consumer and Business Services	1.7
Youth Authority	2.3
Education	1.95
Justice	1.0

Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM) ideal ratio is 1.7 per 100



Administrative Support Resources

POP # 154 – Administrative Support Resources

- Business Operations Administrator 3 (1 position)
- Human Resources 1 HRA3, 1 HRA2, 2 HRA 1 (1.5 positions), and Payroll Analyst (4.5 positions)
- Administrative Section DEI Manager 1 (1 position)
- Administrative Section 1 Project Manager 3, 1 IS 7, and 1 OPA 3 (3 positions)

To ensure sufficient staffing to meet increasingly complex and growing workloads in the areas of medical leaves, labor relations and management consultation, payroll processing, employee onboarding, diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging, and agencywide project management.



Internal Audit – Onboarding and Orientation

Expand Allocated Resources

Update Documentation

Implement

Standardized Processes

Uniform Procedures

Use of Best Practices



Administrative Support Resources

POP – Training

- Operations & Policy Analyst 3 (1 position)
- Learning & Development Specialist 1 (1 position)
- Sr. Assistant Attorney General (1 position)
- Paralegal (1 position)

These positions will allow the agency to stand up a section dedicated to the onboarding, training, and development needs of the agency. There are no agency resources dedicated to onboarding or succession planning, leaving significant gaps in our workforce development and succession planning efforts.



Operations and Procurement





Space Consolidation – 550 Building



Square Footage Reduction



Trial

23%

Information Services





Administrative Support Resources

POP # 103 – DOJ Information Technology and Security

- Cisco hardware, software, and security licensing
- Security Services
- Cloud Migration Pilot Assessment and Migration
 - Phase 1 Assessment & Planning
 - Phase 2 Pilot Migration
- Workstation Replacement Costs Increase

Ongoing operations and maintenance costs for hardware, software, and security licensing, servers, network equipment, and monitoring and a current service level increase for inflationary costs for workstation lifecycle replacement.



Legal Tools Program

The Legal Tools Program is a technology project aimed at replacing the systems that are at the core of **what we do at DOJ**.

Case Management (Matter Management) Where we store case-related information

Timekeeping (Carpe Diem)

How we keep track of time attorneys spend on cases Billing (Elite)

How we bill clients for our legal services Document Management (Alfresco)

Where we store caserelated documents



Current State - Billing

Every billing process includes multiple manual steps, most of which could be automated with a modern case management system with integrated billing.



Legal Tools Program Resources

POP # 151 – Legal Tools Program

Continuation of Existing Limited Duration Positions:

- Information Systems Specialist 8 (2 positions)
- Information Systems Specialist 7 (3 positions)
- Information Systems Specialist 5 (1 position)
- Operations & Policy Analyst 3 (2 positions)
- Project Manager 2 (1 position)
- Operations & Policy Analyst 2 (2 positions)

Limited Duration Positions to Permanent Positions:

- Information Systems Specialists 7 (2 positions)
- Operations & Policy Analyst 3 (1 position)
- IT Project & Portfolio Manager 2 (1 position)
- IT Customer Engagement & Support Manager (1 position)
- Public Affairs Specialist 2 (1 position)
- Learning & Development Specialist 2 (1 position)
- Operations & Policy Analyst 2 (1 position)

Provides for funding the continuation of the Legal Tools Program a modernization initiative focused on delivering legal technology tools the DOJ as legacy tools no longer meet business needs.



10% Budget Reductions

Administrative Services Division

Reduction %	General Fund	Other Fund	Federal Fund	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
5%	(\$46,655)	(\$3,001,155)	\$O	(\$3,047,810)	(7.00)	(7.00)
5%	(\$93,310)	(\$6,002,311)	\$O	(\$6,095,621)	(8.00)	(7.25)



Approved Key Performance Measures through FY 2024



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Approved Key Performance Measures through FY 2024

KPM #	Approved Key Performance Measures (KPMs)
1	Percentage of legal cases in which the state's position is upheld or partially upheld -
2	Percentage of appropriate litigation resolved through settlement -
3	Percentage of Defense of Criminal Convictions (DCC) cases briefed within 182 days
4	Amount of monies recovered for the state (excluding punitive damage recoveries) divided by the cost of recovery -
5	Percent of delinquent annual filers notified within 160 days of late filing -
6	Number of permanency hearings in which the state agency's (DHS) position is upheld or partially upheld
7	Average working days from receipt of contracting document to first substantive response to agency
8	Customer Service - Percent of customers rating their satisfaction with the agency's customer service as "good" or "excellent" on overall, timeliness, accuracy, helpfulness, expertise, availability of information
9	Percentage of legal billings receivables collected within 30 days -
10	Percentage of criminal cases that are charged by DOJ Criminal Justice Division that are favorably resolved
11	Percentage of child support cases with support orders during the federal fiscal year
12	Percentage of dollars collected for current support in the child support cases -
13	Percentage of eligible child support cases paying toward arrears -
14	Percentage of crime victims' compensation orders issued within 90 days of claim receipt -





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Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Percentage of legal cases in which the state's posi	tion is upheld or partially u	pheld			
Actual	92%	94%	92%	80%	90%
Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%

How Are We Doing

This is a composite average of four reporting divisions: Appellate, Civil Enforcement, General Counsel, and Trial.

Appellate: 88%

Civil Enforcement: 97%

General Counsel: 90%

Trial: 92%

Factors Affecting Results

Note: The Appellate Division was taken out of this KPM for a period of time and then put back in. Therefore, recent performance data (2019-2022) is higher due to the exclusion of Appellate Division data.

The courts determine whether the position of the state is upheld on appeal. Appeals typically involve issues that, at least arguably, are not controlled by precedent and could be decided either way. In addition, the state's position on appeal is typically and largely influenced by the position the state took at trial or the ruling of the trial court.



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How Are We Doing

The percentage of cases resolved through settlement fell short of the DOJ's target goal of 45%.

DOJ cannot control the willingness of the other party to reach a reasonable settlement. In cases for which the state will likely prevail, it may not be in the best interests of the state to agree to pay out a settlement.

The percentage reported is a composite of three reporting divisions: Civil Enforcement, General Counsel, and Trial.

Factors Affecting Results

The state's ability to settle cases is dependent on three factors:

1) the willingness of the other party to settle;

2) the willingness of the other party to accept a reasonable settlement and not be unreasonable;

3) whether the proposed settlement is in the best interest of the State of Oregon. The State of Oregon should not necessarily settle a case if it is a virtual certainty that the state will prevail in the case.





How Are We Doing

While performance fell short of DOJ's target, performance remained steady compared to last year and represents a significant improvement from Covid impacted years of 2020 to 2022. This reflects the progress we have made in addressing our backlog. The Court of Appeals has continued to be generous in granting extensions of time for briefs, both to us and to the defense bar, but the increase in percentage of our briefs filed within 182 days reflects that we needed fewer extensions than during the pandemic.

Factors Affecting Results

The primary factor affecting the speed with which we brief DCC appeals is our overall caseload and the extent to which we have other cases that need to be prioritized. The extent to which the court will or will not allow extensions of time also affects how we prioritize individual cases relative to our work as a whole. Other factors are beyond our control and affect our ability to brief a case more quickly such as awaiting a supplemental brief by the opposing party.





Amount of monies recovered for the state (excluding	ng punitive damage recove	ries) divided by the cost of	recovery		
Actual	\$19.00	\$8.75	\$67.00	\$11.00	\$44.00
Target	\$25.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$25.00

How Are We Doing

Target exceeded.

Factors Affecting Results

Large settlements can affect our performance by dramatically increasing the recovery to cost ratio. The timing of recoveries has significant impact to DOJ's yearly performance to target. Cases that yield significant recoveries may take years to litigate with periods of costs with no recovery.

In 2024, DOJ represented the Department of Administrative Services in a case resulting in a \$35 million recovery.

Recoveries of this magnitude are uncommon and unlikely to occur on a yearly basis.





How Are We Doing

2,843 of the total 2,837 delinquent annual filers were notified within 160 days of late filing meeting the performance target.

Factors Affecting Results





Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
Number of permanency hearings in which the state agency's (DHS) position is upheld or partially upheld.							
Actual		97%	99%	99%	100%		
Target		85%	85%	85%	100%		

How Are We Doing

Achieved target. Total percentage of permanency hearings in juvenile dependency cases where the state agency's position was upheld or partially upheld improved from 2023 report.

Factors Affecting Results

CAPD was granted additional attorney, management, and support positions over the last two legislative sessions which has resulted in adequate time to prepare for and present the case at permanency hearings.

Management has provided consistent and supportive trainings to attorneys and staff regarding statutory obligations and changes in case law relating to presenting evidence to support the state agency's burden in permanency hearings.





Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
AVERAGE WORKING DAYS FROM RECEIPT OF CONTRACTING DOCUMENT TO 1ST SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE							
Actual	6.32	4.53	6.58	6.40	5.75		
Target	5	5	5	5	5		

How Are We Doing

Continued improvement recently year over year. Within .75 days of target.

Factors Affecting Results

Adjustments to staffing and work allocation to better regulate capacity and leverage expertise. Early engagement with clients to better understand needs and priorities. A renewed focus on timely record keeping entries accurately captures turnaround time.



 KPM #8
 Customer Service - Percent of customers rating their satisfaction with the agency's customer service as "good" or "excellent" on overall, timeliness, accuracy, helpfulness, expertise, availability of information

 Data Collection Period: Jul 01 - Jun 30



Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
Availability of Information							
Actual	95%	98%	96%	98%	97%		
Target	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%		
Accuracy							
Actual	96%	99%	98%	96%	100%		
Target	99%	99%	99%	99%	98%		
Overall							
Actual	93%	98%	98%	96%	97%		
Target	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%		
Helpfulness							
Actual	95%	98%	98%	98%	98%		
Target	99%	99%	99%	99%	98%		
Expertise							
Actual	98%	98%	99%	91%	98%		
Target	99%	99%	99%	99%	98%		
Timeliness							
Actual	95%	92%	90%	81%	89%		
Target	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%		





How Are We Doing

The results for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, were below the target level, but represent an improvement compared to fiscal year 2023.

Factors Affecting Results

Some agencies are heavy consumers of DOJ's legal services. Agencies occasionally have questions about their invoices, take time in circulating their invoices for the appropriate approvals, or even delay payment due to employee absence or vacancies. If even one of those agencies fails to timely pay a DOJ invoice, DOJ's performance on this KPM can slip below the target mark. During the FY23 timeframe, there were several key positions that process the Legal Invoices that turned over in agencies that are large users of services. The training period for the new personnel continued through FY24.

Reduced turnover in positions has had a marketable impact on percent to target compared to FY23.

The reporting cycle is the Oregon fiscal year. All attorneys and other legal services personnel routinely enter data into the automated system on billable hours worked. All billing and receivable processing is done centrally through DOJ's Administrative Services Division. Policies are in place to ensure accuracy and appropriateness of billings resulting from the time capture system for legal services personnel.



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Civil Compromise 1



Percentage of child support cases with support or	ders during the federal fisc	al year.			
Actual	86%	91%	91%	89%	87%
Target	90%	90%	90%	90%	95%

How Are We Doing

For the federal fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, the Oregon Child Support Program's performance on this measure is 87%. This is a small decrease over the previous year.

Factors Affecting Results

ODHS is no longer able to send to DOJ-DCS non-custodial parent information in their data file. This leads to more duplicate cases and in turn artificially inflates the total number of cases. Because the duplicate cases do not have orders on them, it negatively impacts this measure, by requiring additional work from DCS to determine who the unknown parent is. This delays the process in establishing child support orders, negatively impacting the number of case orders processed within the time period.

Note: The measure is necessary for federal reporting requirements and must be reported based on the federal fiscal year.





Percentage of dollars collected for current support in the child support cases							
Actual	61%	65%	66%	63%	64%		
Target	65%	65%	65%	65%	70%		

How Are We Doing

For the federal fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, the Oregon Child Support Program's performance is 64%. This is a slight increase from the prior year.

Factors Affecting Results

During "the Covid years" (especially 2020-2021), more people qualified for and received unemployment. This led to child support programs regularly collecting from some individuals who had previously not been paying consistently, raising the current collection rate during that period. The collection percentage has stabilized over the last couple of years between 63% and 64%. This amount remains higher than pre-Covid numbers and reflects more appropriately sized child support orders and continuing engagement with participants.

Note: The measure is necessary for federal reporting requirements and must be reported based on the federal fiscal year.



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		2020	2021	LULL	2020	2024
Percentage of eligible child support cases paying toward arrears						
	Actual	62%	71%	71%	63%	61%
	Target	65%	65%	65%	65%	75%

How Are We Doing

For the federal fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, the Oregon Child Support Program's performance is 61%. This is a small decrease from the prior year.

Factors Affecting Results

This measure overcorrected downward after reaching a high during the Covid years. The number of cases with arrears owed continues to decrease each year, so the decline in performance can be attributed to fewer cases with arrears due as well as fewer cases receiving payments on arrears.







Report Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
PERCENTAGE OF VICTIMS' COMPENSATION ORDERS ISSUED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF CLAIM RECEIPT					
Actual	82%	93%	87%	87%	99%
Target	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%

How Are We Doing

Achieved target.

Factors Affecting Results

Following a complete restructuring in September 2022, the Crime Victim Compensation program has been able to address the increased number of applications being received and exceed the program's order issuance target.



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