

Strategic Goal III: Ensure the Fair and Efficient Administration of Justice

SUPPORTING ESSENTIAL FEDERAL DETENTION AND INCARCERATION PROGRAMS + \$67.1 million in Enhancements

Overview

As a result of successful law enforcement policies targeting terrorism, violent crime, drug and other major crimes, the number of criminal suspects appearing in federal court continues to grow, as does the number of individuals ordered detained and ultimately incarcerated. The FY 2009 President's Budget request provides significant resources needed to increase capacity for the detention and incarceration of those accused or convicted of violent crimes. The FY 2009 request provides additional resources for the Bureau of Prisons and Office of the Detention Trustee to manage this growth, including funds for additional contract inmate beds. The FY 2009 President's Budget requests \$67.1 million in enhancements in these areas, as summarized below. More detailed information is available in the President's Budget and agency budget submissions.

Enhancements

Bureau of Prisons (BOP)

The FY 2009 request addresses BOP's responsibility to protect society by confining offenders in the controlled environments of prisons and community-based facilities that are safe, humane, cost-efficient, and appropriately secure, and that provide work and other self-improvement opportunities to assist offenders in becoming law-abiding citizens. During FY 2007, the Nation's federal prison population rose by approximately 4 percent to 200,020 inmates and BOP anticipates the total inmate population in FY 2009 will be 213,220.

- **Contract Confinement: \$50 million and 16 positions** to add prisoner space (4,000 beds) in contract facilities to house low and minimum security inmates for six months in FY 2009. Using contract inmate beds for the confinement of low security inmates provides a flexible approach to manage this population. Over 16 percent of the BOP inmate population is currently housed outside of BOP facilities in contract confinement.
- **Institution Population Adjustment: \$17.1 million** for costs of the increasing inmate population above the number of new contract inmate beds. The BOP projects that it will have to accommodate 7,000 additional inmates during FY 2008, and 6,200 additional inmates in FY 2009. Resources will enable the BOP to meet the marginal

costs of providing security, food, medical care, clothing, utilities, unit management, education, records and maintenance associated with the population increase.

Detention Trustee

• **Detention Population Increases: \$37.6 million** to support the anticipated increases in the number of U.S. Marshals (USMS) detainees housed along the Southwest Border in non-federal facilities, including medical service and prisoner transportation costs. The program increase will support detention housing for an additional 7,000 immigration offenders apprehended by the Department of Homeland Security and processed by the U.S. Marshals Service.

New Investment Summary

Item	Dollars in Millions	
Expand Contract Confinement (4,000 beds for ¹ / ₂ year)	\$	50.0
Population Adjustment		17.1
Detention Population Increases		[37.6]
GRAND TOTAL	\$	67.1

Note: Bracketed resources are included as primary resources on the separate fact sheet for Strategic Goal II: Prevent Crime, Enforce Federal Laws, and Represent the Rights and Interests of the American People, Fighting Criminal Activity on the U.S. Southwest Border.