



Civil Rights Division (CRT)

FY 2013 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2012 Enacted:	\$144.5 million (715 positions; 384 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$2.4 million
Program Changes:	+\$6.4 million
FY 2013 Budget Request:	\$153.3 million (779 positions; 418 attorneys)
Change From FY 2012 Enacted:	+\$8.8 million (+6.1%) (+64 positions; +34 attorneys)

Mission:

CRT has three significant goals: (1) to fulfill the promise of federal laws entitling all persons to basic civil rights protections as they engage in everyday conduct through the United States; (2) to deter illegal conduct through the successful judicial enforcement of these federal laws; and (3) to promote voluntary compliance and civil rights protection through a variety of educational, technical assistance, and outreach programs.

Organization:

The Civil Rights Division is headed by an Assistant Attorney General (AAG), who is appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. The AAG is assisted by five Deputy Assistant Attorneys General. The Division establishes policy and provides executive direction and control over the enforcement actions and the administrative management activities. All CRT employees are stationed in Washington, DC, but travel to other parts of the country for litigation activities and outreach events.

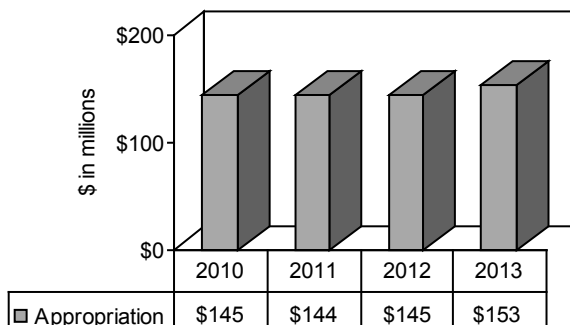
Resources:

The FY 2013 budget request for CRT totals \$153.3 million, which is a 6.1% increase over the FY 2012 Enacted.

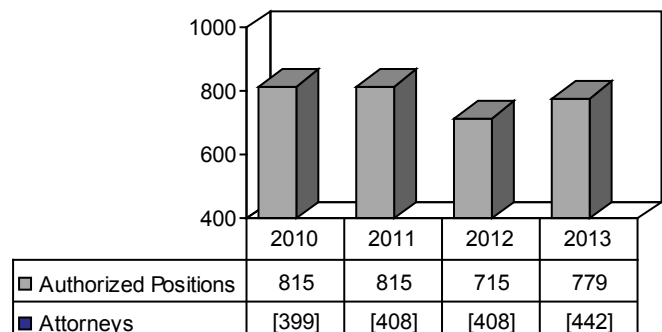
Personnel:

The CRT's direct authorized positions for FY 2013 total 779 positions. CRT's FY 2013 request includes an increase of 64 positions over the FY 2012 Enacted of 715 direct authorized positions.

Funding (FY 2010 - 2013)



Personnel (FY 2010 - 2013)



* Includes Reimbursable Attorneys.

FY 2013 Strategy:

In FY 2013, CRT will continue to vigorously enforce civil rights laws in a wide variety of settings. Some areas in which the Division will focus its enforcement efforts are: combating human trafficking to enhance its comprehensive approach against involuntary servitude; hate crimes are aggressively investigated and prosecuted to address the increased requirements of the Matthew Shepard Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act; Civil Rights for Institutionalized Persons Act (CRIPA) to ensure the tens of thousands of institutionalized persons who were living in dire and often life-threatening conditions now receive adequate care and services; housing and lending discrimination so that all Americans have an opportunity to enjoy home ownership; expanding efforts to guarantee citizens' voting rights by addressing voting rights violations; and increasing efforts to eradicate employment discrimination, specifically in pattern or practice discrimination cases.

State and local jurisdictions seeking administrative preclearance in voting changes will increase as a result of the 2010 Census redistricting. The Voting Section is devoting a very substantial level of resources to prepare for and review the large number of administrative submissions of redistricting plans and related changes under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act after the release of the 2010 Census data in 2011. CRT continues its enforcement efforts in preclearance litigation, its enforcement of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, its enforcement of the Help America Vote Act, and continues its nationwide election monitoring program.

CRT will continue its innovative and multi-faceted approach toward achieving compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Disabilities Rights Section will ensure new facilities are constructed in compliance with ADA Standards for Accessible Design; continue its successful Project Civic Access initiative in bringing entire cities, counties and towns in compliance with ADA; and adopt and publish revised Title II and Title III regulations.

The Administration and the Department of Justice remain committed to investigating and prosecuting financial fraud that harms the American people and the financial markets. In order to strengthen our efforts at combating this fraud, we propose a new financial and mortgage fraud enforcement initiative, which is intended to compliment ongoing efforts to root out various forms of fraud, including Healthcare Fraud, that are supported by existing direct resources and reimbursable funding.

The additional resources will build upon the successes of the Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force that, since its inception in FY 2010, has facilitated increased investigations and prosecutions of financial fraud relating to the financial crisis and economic recovery efforts; enhanced coordination and cooperation among federal, state and local authorities responsible for investigating and prosecuting financial fraud; conducted outreach to the public, victims, financial institutions, nonprofit organizations, state and local governments and agencies, and other interested partners to enhance detection and prevention of financial fraud schemes.

FY 2013 Program Changes:

Civil Rights Enforcement: \$5.1 million and 50 positions (25 attorneys)

The Department is requesting additional resources of 50 positions (25 attorneys) and \$5.1 million to strengthen civil rights enforcement efforts that the Attorney General has identified as part of his Vulnerable People Priority Goal and for programs that have eroded over the past few years. The substantial restoration and reinvigoration progress achieved through the enactment of CRT's FY 2010 program increases has been reversed because full funding of these program areas was not provided. Absent this request, there will be only one new CRT position in the last three years. While the requested increase would impact all programmatic areas, it would allow CRT to increase its efforts against civil rights violations associated with human trafficking, hate crimes, police misconduct, voting rights enforcement, and its enforcement of CRIPA. In addition, CRT is protecting our service member's rights in securing civil protections in areas such as housing and credit, employment and voting rights. These are areas that the Attorney General has determined warrant specific attention and has identified as part of his Vulnerable People Priority Goal. FY 2013 current services for this initiative are 714 positions (383 attorneys) and \$147.0 million.

Financial and Mortgage Fraud: \$1.5 million and 15 positions (10 attorneys)

CRT will expand civil enforcement efforts, including investigations of predatory lending; pricing discrimination matters involving allegations of potentially fraudulent behavior; and redlining discrimination involving allegations that reputable lenders failed to provide loan opportunities on an equal basis in majority-minority neighborhoods leaving those markets open to fraudulent or predatory lenders. FY 2013 current services for this initiative are 12 positions (9 attorneys) and \$1.4 million.

Program Offset - IT Savings: -\$181,000 and 0 positions

This offset represents savings that will be generated through greater inter-component collaboration in IT contracting. Funds will be redirected to support the Department's Cyber-security and IT transformation efforts as well as other high priority requests.

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Civil Rights Division		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
2011 Enacted	815	817	144,495
2012 Enacted	715	717	144,500
2013 Request	779	749	153,341
Change 2013 from 2012 Enacted	64	32	8,841
Technical Adjustments	0	0	0
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	0
Adjustments to Base			
Increases:			
ATB Transfers	-1	-1	-71
Pay & Benefits	0	0	1,337
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	1,184
Subtotal Increases:	-1	-1	2,450
Decreases:	0	0	0
Total Adjustments to Base	-1	-1	2,450
Total Adjustments to Base and Technical Adjustments	-1	-1	2,450
2013 Current Services	714	716	146,950
Program Changes			
Increases:			
Civil Rights Enforcement	50	25	5,072
Financial and Mortgage Fraud	15	8	1,500
Subtotal, Program Increase	65	33	6,572
Decreases:			
Program Offset - IT Savings	0	0	-181
Subtotal, Program Decrease	0	0	-181
Total Program Changes	65	33	6,391
2013 Request	779	749	153,341
Change 2013 from 2012 Enacted	64	32	8,841

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Comparison by activity and program	2012 Enacted			2013 Current Services		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Civil Rights Enforcements	715	717	144,500	714	716	146,950
Total	715	717	144,500	714	716	146,950
Reimbursable FTE	0	29	0	0	29	0
Grand Total	715	746	144,500	714	745	146,950

Comparison by activity and program	2013 Total Program Changes			2013 Request		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Civil Rights Enforcements	65	33	6,391	779	749	153,341
Total	65	33	6,391	779	749	153,341
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	29	0
Grand Total	65	33	6,391	779	778	153,341