



U.S. Parole Commission (USPC)

FY 2027 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2026 Enacted:	\$13.0 million (48 positions; 7 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	-\$136,000
Program Changes:	\$0
FY 2027 Budget Request:	\$12.9 million (46 positions; 7 attorneys)
Change From FY 2026 Enacted:	-\$136,000 (-1.0%) (-2 positions)

Mission:

The mission of the U.S. Parole Commission (USPC) is to promote public safety and strive for justice and fairness in the exercise of its authority to release, revoke, and supervise offenders under its jurisdiction. The USPC has jurisdiction over Federal offenders who committed offenses before November 1, 1987; all District of Columbia offenders; Transfer Treaty cases (United States citizens convicted in foreign countries, who have elected to serve their sentence in this country); and State probationers and parolees in the Federal Witness Protection Program (WPP). The USPC renders decisions on National Appeals Board cases and decides action on supervision, parole, or return to custody cases under its jurisdiction.

Resources:

The FY 2027 budget request for USPC totals \$12.9 million, which is a 1.0 percent decrease from the FY 2026 Enacted. Unless reauthorized, USPC authority will sunset on January 30, 2031.

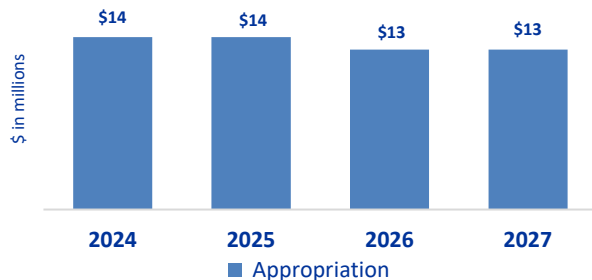
Organization:

The USPC is managed by the USPC Chairman who, along with four other commissioners, is appointed by the President with the advice of the Senate. All USPC offices and staff are in the District of Columbia. The staff carries out the USPC's operations and support functions.

Personnel:

The USPC's direct authorized positions for FY 2027 total 46 positions, a decrease of -2 positions, from FY 2026 Enacted.

Funding (FY 2024 - 2027)



Personnel (FY 2024 - 2027)



FY 2027 Strategy:

The FY 2027 strategy maintains the USPC's focus on returning low-risk non-violent offenders to parole or supervised release while continuing to incarcerate those deemed to be high risk to reoffend. The USPC will issue warrants for those who willfully violate the conditions of their release and for those with the most egregious behavior (typically tied to violence, child abuse, sex offenses, etc.). This approach keeps communities safe while returning low-risk offenders back to the community in a timely and cost-efficient manner. In addition, the USPC has maximized its efforts to identify those under its jurisdiction who are in the country illegally. Those individuals are targeted and released only to immigration authorities to expedite their deportation from the United States.

For FY 2024¹, the USPC estimates the total prisoner and parolee population, Federal and DC, including DC supervised releases, to be approximately 4,224, a decrease of 182 from the previous year. The DC population under the USPC's jurisdiction is estimated to be 4,037 and includes 630 DC parolees and 3,407 supervised releases. The remaining 187 individuals consist of Federal offenders (including Federal prisoners, parolees, and transfer treaty) and State probationers and parolees in the Federal Witness Protection Program. These numbers are estimated based on the data provided by the various agencies responsible for securing and supervising the offenders.

The USPC has developed programs to promote public safety, reduce violent crime, and reduce unnecessary incarceration costs by lowering recidivism to reduce prison overcrowding. The agency is prioritizing violent crime reduction by considering violent offenders a top priority for expeditious apprehension of offenders. The USPC accomplishes this by issuing warrants and sharing information with other law enforcement partners.

To further reentry efforts, the USPC develops and implements programs to provide another avenue of correction for low-risk, non-violent offenders who commit administrative violations. For high-risk offenders who have violated the conditions of release, the USPC conducts revocation hearings for Federal old law, DC old law, DC new law and State probationers and parolees transferred under the WPP.

FY 2027 Program Changes: No program changes are requested.

¹ FY 2025 jurisdiction data is provided by Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, Court services and Offender Supervision (CSOSA), Bureau of Prisons (BOP) was unavailable at the time of this budget summary.

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	U.S. Parole Commission		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
2026 Enacted	48	36	13,000
2027 Request	46	34	12,864
Change 2027 from 2026 Enacted			-136
Technical Adjustments			
Position / FTE Adjustment	-2	-2	-200
Total Technical Adjustments	-2	-2	-200
Base Adjustments			
Pay & Benefits	0	0	36
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	19
Other Adjustments			
Security Investigations	0	0	9
Total Base Adjustments	-2	-2	-136
2027 Current Services	46	34	12,864
Program Changes			
Increases:			
Subtotal, Program Increases	0	0	0
Decreases:			
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0
Total Program Changes	0	0	0
2027 Request	46	34	12,864

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Comparison by activity and program	2026 Enacted			2027 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
United States Parole Commission	48	36	13,000	46	34	12,864
Total	48	36	13,000	46	34	12,864

Comparison by activity and program	2027 Total Program Changes			2027 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
United States Parole Commission	0	0	0	46	34	12,864
Total	0	0	0	46	34	12,864