



U.S. Attorneys (USA)

FY 2019 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2018 Continuing Resolution:	\$2,021.2 million (10,771 positions; 5,558 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$79.3 million
Program Changes:	+\$4.7 million
FY 2019 Budget Request:	\$2,105.2 million (11,089 positions; 5,818 attorneys)
Change From FY 2018 Continuing Resolution:	+\$84.0 million (+4.2%) (+318 positions; +260 attorneys)

Mission:

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the U.S. Attorneys serve as the Nation's principal litigators. Their offices bring criminal prosecutions, pursue civil penalties, defend federal programs, and guard the financial interests of the United States in court. They also provide advice and counsel to the Attorney General and senior policy leadership through the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and its various subcommittees. The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys (EOUSA) provides the United States Attorneys' offices (USAOs) with general executive assistance and direction, policy development, administrative management direction and oversight, operational support, training, and coordination with other components of the Department and other federal agencies.

Resources:

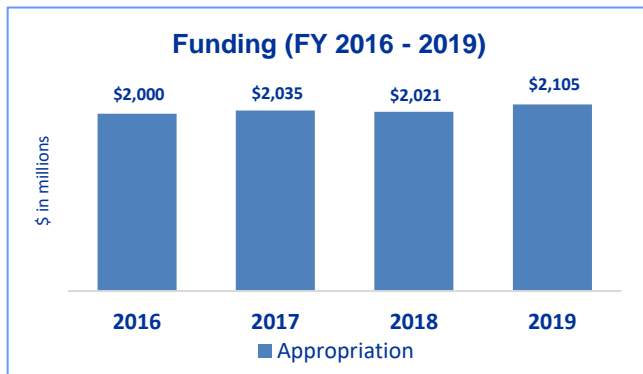
The FY 2019 budget request for USA totals \$2,105 million, which is a 4.2% increase over the FY 2018 Continuing Resolution.

Organization:

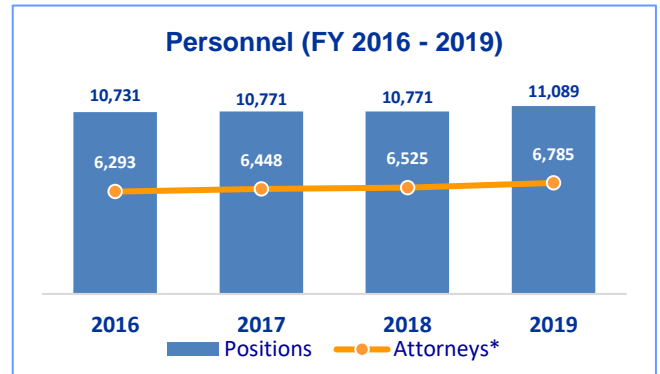
There are 93 U.S. Attorneys located throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. U.S. Attorneys are appointed by, and serve at the discretion of, the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. One U.S. Attorney is assigned to each of the judicial districts, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, where a single U.S. Attorney serves both districts. Each U.S. Attorney is the chief federal law enforcement officer of the U.S. within his or her particular jurisdiction. EOUSA was created on April 6, 1953, by Attorney General Order 8-53, to provide for close liaison between the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, and the 93 U.S. Attorneys.

Personnel:

USA's direct positions for FY 2019 total 11,089 positions. USA's FY 2019 request includes an increase of 318 positions over the FY 2018 Continuing Resolution of 10,771 direct positions.



* FY 2018 annualized CR



* Includes reimbursable attorneys.

FY 2019 Strategy:

In FY 2019, USAs will promote the safety of the American people by prosecuting a diverse workload of federal criminal cases and will initiate and defend civil actions to assert and protect the interests of the United States.

The expansive criminal and civil workload includes cases involving international and domestic terrorism; illegal immigration; southwest border enforcement; violent crime; firearms; gang prosecutions; transnational organized crime; Indian Country prosecutions; cybercrime prosecutions; drug enforcement; human trafficking; and complex and multi-jurisdictional white collar crimes – including health care fraud, identity theft, public corruption, corporate fraud, and investment fraud. The USAs will also continue to collect both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2017, USAs collected a total of \$21.3 billion in criminal and civil debt.

Federal prosecution of crimes committed on our nation's northern and southwestern borders is a critical part of our national security. Border-related cases span a wide range of priorities, including felony and misdemeanor immigration cases, human trafficking, alien smuggling, firearms and ammunition trafficking, document fraud, drug offenses, and significant threats from designated criminal and terrorist organizations. In combating these challenges, USAs' efforts will focus aggressively on illegal immigration and violent crime.

For many years, the USAs have made criminal immigration prosecutions the largest category of criminal cases handled in their offices, and they will continue with those efforts. At the same time, the USAs are defending an increasing number of civil actions brought by immigration detainees who either are in deportation proceedings or are subject to final orders of deportation. Petitions for constitutionally-required bond hearings brought by criminal aliens, challenges to denial of parole by arriving aliens, and expedited removal proceedings with respect to arriving aliens, present a growing challenge in the border states and at other locations with major cities and ports of entry. Defending these civil actions is critical to national security.

Violent crime will remain a high priority for the U.S. Attorneys. USAs continue to address the illegal use of firearms and other acts of violence in our communities. Drug prosecutions will continue to be a priority, with a particular emphasis on the operations of large drug organizations. USAs will leverage a multi-agency focus on reducing violent and gun-related crime in particularly hard-hit urban areas by using innovative means to locate individuals, organizations and gangs within specific high crime jurisdictions. Through partnerships of federal, state and local law enforcement, USA will utilize the tools and resources available to develop and implement strategies for eradicating violent crime wherever it may occur.

Computer hacking, data thefts and cyberattacks can compromise national security and have the potential of crippling our nation's infrastructure. In FY 2019, USA will continue to prioritize cybercrime prosecutions, protecting Americans from similar threats in the future.

Additionally, USAs will continue to support Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) by taking a comprehensive, strategic approach to public safety by deterring and punishing gun and gang-related crime, thereby reducing violent crime in America. USAs will continue to sustain vital partnerships with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement and prosecutors, and work jointly to identify and develop a coordinated plan of

attack facing each district, and effectively use all available resources, including existing task forces and initiatives. USAs will continue to dedicate a PSN coordinator in each district.

FY 2019 Program Changes:

USA's FY 2019 budget proposal provides for current services, which includes the FY 2018 President's Budget request of \$26 million for additional Assistant United States Attorneys (AUSAs) to address violent crime and illegal immigration.

Paralegal Support: \$4.7 million and 75 positions

Funding will provide for 75 paralegal support positions to assist with increasingly complex cases prosecuted by the USAOs. These positions will also support, as required, the additional 300 AUSAs requested in FY 2018. Paralegals support the AUSAs as they prepare their document-intensive cases to carry out the Administration's priorities and other mission critical needs. Paralegals are an integral part of the litigation process, and are assigned to particular sections to perform a wide variety of tasks, such as assisting with busy criminal and civil caseloads, a variety of technical eDiscovery needs, and relieving AUSAs of their responsibilities associated with trial preparation. Current Services for this initiative are 979 positions and \$96 million.

FY 2019 Restructuring Initiatives:

Administrative Savings/HQ: -\$20 million and -17 positions

The Department of Justice proposes to reduce its headquarters positions for the United States Attorneys to refocus positions toward field operations.

U.S. Attorneys
(Dollars in Thousands)

	U.S. Attorneys		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
2017 Appropriation	10,771	9,729	2,035,000
2018 Continuing Resolution	10,771	10,026	2,021,180
2019 Request	11,089	10,337	2,105,182
Change 2019 from 2018 Continuing Resolution	318	311	84,002
Technical Adjustments			
CR Base Adjustment	260	118	36,072
Total Technical Adjustments	260	118	36,072
Base Adjustments			
Pay & Benefits	0	172	56,159
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	6,862
Other Adjustments including Administrative Savings	-17	-17	-19,759
Total Base Adjustments	-17	155	43,262
2019 Current Services	11,014	10,299	2,100,514
Program Changes			
Increases:			
Paralegal Support	75	38	4,668
Subtotal, Program Increases	75	38	4,668
Decreases:			
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0
Total Program Changes	75	38	4,668
2019 Request	11,089	10,337	2,105,182

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Comparison by activity and program	2018 Continuing Resolution			2019 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	8,216	7,633	1,500,524	8,444	7,891	1,559,803
Civil Litigation	2,502	2,340	494,583	2,518	2,356	513,029
Legal Education	53	53	26,073	52	52	27,682
Total	10,771	10,026	2,021,180	11,014	10,299	2,100,514
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,778	0	0	1,778	0
Grand Total	10,771	11,804	2,021,180	11,014	12,077	2,100,514

Comparison by activity and program	2019 Total Program Changes			2019 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	53	27	3,299	8,497	7,918	1,563,102
Civil Litigation	22	11	1,369	2,540	2,367	514,398
Legal Education	0	0	0	52	52	27,682
Total	75	38	4,668	11,089	10,337	2,105,182
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,768	0
Grand Total	75	38	4,668	11,089	12,105	2,105,182