



## U.S. Parole Commission (USPC)

### FY 2020 Budget Request At A Glance

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| FY 2019 Continuing Resolution:             | \$13.3 million (56 positions; 7 attorneys) |
| Current Services Adjustments:              | +\$0                                       |
| Program Changes:                           | +\$0                                       |
| FY 2020 Budget Request:                    | \$13.3 million (56 positions; 7 attorneys) |
| Change From FY 2019 Continuing Resolution: | +\$0                                       |

### Mission:

The mission of the 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. USPC has jurisdiction over federal offenders who committed offenses before November 1, 1987; all District of Columbia offenders; Uniform Code of Military Justice offenders who are in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons; 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. USPC renders decisions on National Appeals Board cases and decides action on supervision, parole, or return to custody cases under its jurisdiction. Unless reauthorized, USPC authorities will sunset on November 1, 2020.

### Resources:

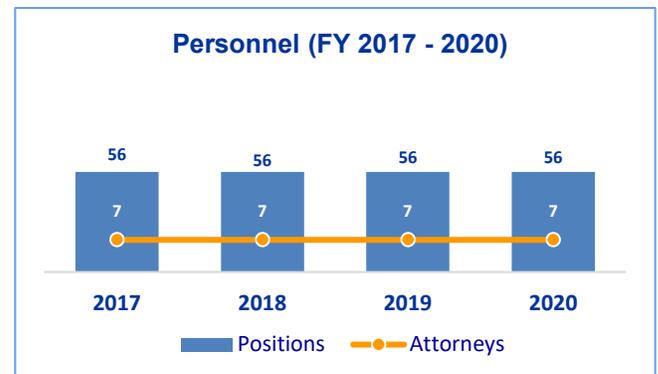
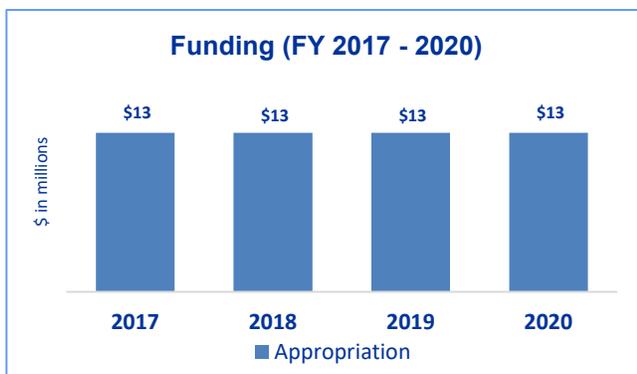
The FY 2020 budget request for USPC totals \$13.3 million, which is the same as the FY 2019 Continuing Resolution.

### Organization:

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

### Personnel:

The USPC's direct positions for FY 2020 total 56 positions and are the same as FY 2019 Continuing Resolution.



\* FY 2019 Annualized CR.

**FY 2020 Strategy:**

The USPC's FY 2020 strategy maintains its on returning low-risk, non-violent offenders to parole or supervised release rather than prison when possible. However, USPC will continue to issue warrants for those that willfully violate the conditions of their release and for those with the most egregious behavior (typically 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.

According to the USPC, the total prisoner and parolee population (including federal, D.C., and D.C. supervised releases), is 10,766 as of September 30, 2018. The D.C. population under the USPC's jurisdiction was 9,317, including 2,595 prisoners, and 6,722 parolees and supervised releases. The remaining 1,449 individuals consist of federal offenders (including federal prisoners, parolees, transfer treaty, and military justice offenders) and state probationers and parolees in the Federal Witness Protection Program.

Reducing recidivism remains a major challenge facing the Parole Commission. USPC continues to collaborate with criminal justice partners to determine other diversions and sanctions that to assist the offender population under its jurisdiction before imposing revocation actions that include a term of incarceration. In order to maintain public safety, it is necessary to create programming to reduce violent crime, increase access to care for people with mental health conditions, and establish evidence-based programs designed to address the needs of all persons impacted by crime. There continues to be greater emphasis across the criminal justice continuum on addressing the need for expansion of mental health services for people in the criminal justice system. Meeting the increasing demand for mental health resources in post-conviction matters poses a challenge for USPC. The agency will be required to depend upon community-based partners to identify how taking into account co-occurring disorders such as substance dependence, mental health conditions, the lack of treatment while incarcerated, and criminogenic risk factors impact involvement in the criminal justice system.

The Parole Commission will apply a holistic approach in examining these specialized cases before making a final decision, as the release authority. The agency will define a scope of reference or baseline framework, specialized skills, program design and implementation, that accounts for treatment over incarceration while considering the impact on public safety.

**FY 2020 Program Changes:**

The budget proposal includes funds for current services for USPC. No program changes are requested.

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(Dollars in Thousands)

|  | U.S. Parole Commission |           |                 |
|--|------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
|  | Pos                    | FTE       | Amount          |
| <b>2018 Appropriation</b>                          | <b>56</b>              | <b>56</b> | <b>\$13,308</b> |
| <b>2019 Continuing Resolution</b>                  | <b>56</b>              | <b>56</b> | <b>13,308</b>   |
| <b>2020 Request</b>                                | <b>56</b>              | <b>56</b> | <b>13,308</b>   |
| <b>Change 2020 from 2019 Continuing Resolution</b> | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>  | <b>\$0</b>      |
| <b>Technical Adjustments</b>                       |                        |           |                 |
| <b>Total Technical Adjustments</b>                 | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>  | <b>\$0</b>      |
| <b>Base Adjustments</b>                            |                        |           |                 |
| Pay & Benefits                                     | 0                      | 0         | 64              |
| Domestic Rent & Facilities                         | 0                      | 0         | 95              |
| Other Adjustments                                  | 0                      | 0         | -159            |
| <b>Total Base Adjustments</b>                      | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>  | <b>\$0</b>      |
| <b>2020 Current Services</b>                       | <b>56</b>              | <b>56</b> | <b>\$13,308</b> |
| <b>Program Changes</b>                             |                        |           |                 |
| <b>Increases:</b>                                  |                        |           |                 |
| <b>Subtotal, Program Increases</b>                 | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>  | <b>\$0</b>      |
| <b>Decreases:</b>                                  |                        |           |                 |
| <b>Subtotal, Program Decreases</b>                 | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>  | <b>\$0</b>      |
| <b>Total Program Changes</b>                       | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>  | <b>\$0</b>      |
| <b>2020 Request</b>                                | <b>56</b>              | <b>56</b> | <b>\$13,308</b> |

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| Comparison by activity and program | 2019 Continuing Resolution |     |          | 2020 Current Services |     |          |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|----------|-----------------------|-----|----------|
|                                    | Pos.                       | FTE | Amount   | Pos.                  | FTE | Amount   |
| United States Parole Commission    | 56                         | 56  | \$13,308 | 56                    | 56  | \$13,308 |
| <b>Total</b>                       | 56                         | 56  | \$13,308 | 56                    | 56  | \$13,308 |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                 | 56                         | 56  | \$13,308 | 56                    | 56  | \$13,308 |

| Comparison by activity and program | 2020 Total Program Changes |     |        | 2020 Request |     |          |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------------|-----|----------|
|                                    | Pos.                       | FTE | Amount | Pos.         | FTE | Amount   |
| United States Parole Commission    | 0                          | 0   | \$0    | 56           | 56  | \$13,308 |
| <b>Total</b>                       | 0                          | 0   | \$0    | 56           | 56  | \$13,308 |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                 | 0                          | 0   | \$0    | 56           | 56  | \$13,308 |