



U.S. Department of Justice FY 2012 Budget Request

MAINTAIN PRISONS & DETENTION

+ \$461.4 million in Program Increases

FY 2012 Overview

With increasingly effective enforcement of federal law and administration of justice comes a greater need for prison and detention capacity. The Department has always prioritized maintaining secure, controlled detention facilities, and providing the necessary resources to accommodate a growing inmate population. The FY 2012 Budget request maintains this commitment, providing \$224.0 million in prison and detention adjustments to maintain current services and \$461.4 million for program increases to ensure offenders are confined in secure facilities and to improve inmate reentry and recidivism rates.

The FY 2012 Budget requests a total of \$8.4 billion for prisons and detention, a 10.0 percent increase over FY 2011 Continuing Resolution level. Of this amount, \$6.8 billion is requested for the Bureau of Prisons (BOP), including a 10.5 percent increase (+\$638.0 million) for the Salaries and Expenses account and a total of \$99.4 million for the Buildings and Facilities account, which is the current services level in FY 2012. Also, \$1.6 billion is requested for the Office of the Federal Detention Trustee (OFDT), which is a 10.9 percent increase over FY 2011 Continuing Resolution level. The request is an increase of \$156.6 million to maintain detention operations.

The current services adjustments are requested to fully activate two prisons that received partial activation funding in FY 2010. This funding will add 2,560 prison beds to the Federal Prison System, alleviating overcrowding and related security issues. A \$21.2 million adjustment is requested to make permanent contract bed funding contained in the FY 2010 Southwest Border Emergency Supplemental, and \$158.8 million is requested for the marginal increases for inmate care/programs and contract bed cost adjustments.

Program increases, totaling \$461.4 million, are essential for ensuring the secure detention of a growing inmate population. Increases for BOP include \$140.4 million to begin activation of three prisons including a secure female FCI Aliceville, AL (1,792 beds), which will reduce crowding levels at secure female facilities from over 50 percent to 13 percent; FCI Berlin, NH (1,280 beds) for which the Department anticipates construction completion in FY 2011; and ADX USP Thomson, IL (up to 1,600 high security cells) for which funding to acquire and renovate the facility is still pending in the FY 2011 request. The request also includes, \$109.8 million to increase staffing levels; \$22.2 million for Second Chance Act initiatives to enhance inmate reentry, specifically vocational training, education and drug treatment programs; and \$32.4 million to support increases associated with projected inmate growth in BOP facilities. To give inmates incentive for good behavior and reduce the likelihood of recidivism, the Administration will transmit legislative proposals to amend the statutes governing federal inmate

good conduct time credit for a potential savings of up to \$41.0 million in FY 2012. Further, \$156.6 million in program increases is requested for federal detention to offset increases in the average daily detainee population and inflationary increases for detention related costs such as transportation and medical care.

Program Increases

Bureau of Prisons (BOP)

BOP ensures that sentenced criminals are removed from society and housed in prisons and community-based facilities that are safe, humane, cost-efficient, and appropriately secure. A sufficient number of appropriately trained and equipped staff is one of the primary means of accomplishing this task.

- **Capacity Expansion & New Prison Activations: \$140.4 million and 1,652 positions** (823 correctional officers) Provides resources to begin activating FCI Aliceville, AL (1,792 beds), a secure female facility. FCI Aliceville, AL is projected to reduce crowding in secure female institutions from 53 percent to 15 percent by the end of FY 2013. The FY 2012 Budget also requests funds to begin activation of FCI Berlin, NH (1,280 beds), for which the Department anticipates construction completion in FY 2011. The budget also requests funds to activate ADX USP Thomson, IL (up to 1,600 high security cells), for which funding to acquire and renovate the facility is pending in the FY 2011 request. There are no current services for this initiative.
- **Increase Staffing Levels: \$109.8 million** To fill 1,200 vacant correctional worker positions to safely manage the growing inmate population at BOP institutions. The request supports correctional worker staffing at 92 percent of FY 2012 authorized baseline level. FY 2012 current services for this initiative are \$2.7 billion.
- **Reentry Programs: \$22.2 million and 125 positions** To support Second Chance Act initiatives in accordance with recommendations from the Attorney General's Sentencing and Corrections Working group, specifically to expand residential drug treatment and occupational training programs. FY 2012 current services for BOP reentry related programs are \$593.7 million.
- **Prison Operations and Inmate Care: \$32.4 million** To support increases associated with projected inmate population growth in BOP facilities. 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 population increases.

Office of Federal Detention Trustee (OFDT)

OFDT is responsible for providing secure detention space to individuals who have been arrested and await final disposition of their cases.

- **Detainee Housing, Medical and Transportation: \$156.6 million** To ensure that OFDT is able to pay for the housing, medical, and transportation costs for its detainee population. The requested funding will support an average projected daily detainee population of nearly 62,100. As OFDT must provide housing and other services to all detainees charged with a federal crime, resources are necessary to pay for the projected increase in the detainee population. FY 2012 current services for this initiative are \$1.4 billion.

FY 2012 Program Increases Summary
(Amount in \$000s)

Component/Initiative	Positions	Corrections Officers	Amount
Bureau of Prisons	1,777	823	\$304,800
Capacity Expansion & New Prison Activations	1,652	823	140,428
Increase Staffing Levels	[1,200]	0	109,758
Reentry Programs	125	0	22,248
Prison Operations and Inmate Care	0	0	32,366
Office of the Federal Detention Trustee	0	0	\$156,584
Detainee Housing, Medical, and Transportation	0	0	156,584
Grand Total, Program Increases	1,777	823	\$461,384