

# Vermont's Criminal Justice System – Unfunded Needs – 2-2022

## State Attorneys / Sheriffs / SIU –

1. Court reopening project – FY24 & FY25 – No additional funds needed for FY24 & FY25
2. Recalculation of payroll costs due to new contract – TBD

## Defender Generals Office –

1. Court reopening project – FY24 & FY25 (Funded for FY22 & FY23)  
\$1,925,100 million (2 yrs.) – At least FY24 – otherwise start to unwind
2. Additional cost of Rutland office space need - \$24,000
3. Reclassification of ODG Unit positions
  - 4 Case Aide PG 17 to PG 19 - \$14,211
  - 4 Administrative Secretary to PG 19 Legal Assistant - \$15,834
  - 8 PG 20 Investigators to PG 25 - \$64,412Total Reclassification costs \$94,457
4. In-Person Training - \$30,000
5. In and Out-of-State Travel - \$25,770
6. Additional Case Management Maintenance & Support (above current appropriation) \$133,000
7. Current Public Defense Contract Obligations - \$309,668
8. Remaining Assigned Counsel Current Contract Obligations - \$64,187 (after additional \$300,000 funding)
9. Increase ACC contract 3% for FY2023 - \$132,965
10. Reduce vacancy savings to more attainable level - \$181,758

**TOTAL (2-10) - \$995,805**

## General Fund Budget Neutral:

Family Support Project (funding for last 4 years was included in DCF appropriation) - \$150,000

## Judiciary –

1. \$500,000 Reinstatement of base GF budget
2. \$300,000 Decrease in Tech Fund
3. \$120,000 Language Access Program Improvements
4. \$1,475,000 Increase to Sheriff and Private Security Rates (unfunded - \$725,000)
5. \$350,000 Anticipated Title IV-D Reduction

**TOTAL (1-5) - \$1,995,000**

6. \$4,594,125\* Continuation of Judicial Pandemic Recovery Plan  
\*One-Time Funding for FY24 and FY25

## Center for Crime Victim Services – (Vermont Network)

1. Support of the Victim Assistance Advocate Program through the State's Attorney's and Sheriffs - \$2,365,846
2. Sub-grants to significant populations and special projects that have been supported by federal VOCA funds - \$549,049
3. DV/SV grants to Vermont Network programs - \$308,036
4. Bridge funding to support the Vermont Network Legal Services from July-September 2022 - \$48,000

**TOTAL - \$3,270,931**

## Court Diversion / Pre-Trial Services –

1. Special Fund shortfall - \$67,000
2. Add 2% to Governor's recommended 3% increase providing programs with a 5% COLA - \$53,400
3. Coaching and social work /clinical supervision for Court Diversion and Pretrial Services staff - \$175,000
4. Client assistance fund - \$25,000

**TOTAL - \$320,400**

**Department of Corrections – (Community Justice Centers) –**

1. Heat Mapping - \$1,000,000 (projection)
2. Community Justice Centers - \$1,000,000
3. Community High School – \$3,600,789 – Governors Recommend, Education Fund – probably General Fund

**TOTAL - \$5,600,789**

**OTHER**

1. Justice Reinvestment II – TBD - \$770,000 – funding exists
2. Body Cameras – Policy Developed – RFP for cameras in process – DOC has \$1,000,000 to purchase cameras which could include storage etc.,
3. Correctional Industries – FY22 BAA (Senate put it back in - \$1,877,092)

**State Police –**

1. No unfunded needs identified

**Vermont Criminal Justice Council –**

1. TBD

**OTHER**

1. H.546 – Racial Disparity Statistics Division – Office of Racial Equity
2. H.96 - Truth and Reconciliation Commission
3. JFO – Criminal Justice Revenue Report
4. H.703 – An act relating to promoting workforce development. Justice involved individuals “component”