

Legislative Review of Westchester County 2009 Proposed Operating Budget Department Budget Worksheet

County Department:	<u>District Attorney</u>	Date of Presentation:	<u>11/18/08</u>
Commissioner Name:	<u>Janet DiFiore</u>	Commissioner Phone:	<u>914-995-4200</u>
Committee with Oversight Responsibility for Dept:	<u>Public Safety & Security</u>	Committee Chair:	<u>Vito Pinto</u>
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Budget: Proposed 2009:	<u>\$25,928,801</u>	Approved 2008:	<u>\$25,626,243</u>	%Increase/Decrease: <u>+1.7%</u>			
Staffing: # employees 2008:	<u>205</u>	Proposed staffing 2009:	<u>206</u>	% +/- Staffing: <u>+5%</u>			
Sources of Funding: County:	<u>\$25,823,244</u>	State:	<u>\$55,577</u>	Federal:	<u>\$0</u>	Grants:	<u>\$7,088,035</u>
Mandated portion of department budget:	\$ <u> </u>	% of total dept budget:	<u> </u>	% of county budget:	<u> </u>		

2008 DEPT. HIGHLIGHTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Did committee invite commissioner in this past year to discuss specific areas of concern? Describe.

Report on 2008: Highlight of dept's accomplishments *(Usually in executive summary of dept budget)*

Conviction rate of over 97%, Westchester Intelligence Center successful, allows all crime data to be shared for 1st time; leading to more intelligent policing. Center has piloted new data collection protocols with NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services. All major Police Departments participate in center. IMPACT program entering it's 5th year. IMPACT's goal is to reduce violent crime success of program has lead to its expansion to Mt. Vernon, New Ro, Greenburgh, White Plains and WC Public Safety Dept. IMPACT initiatives resulted in 40 narcotic arrests, 11 gang arrests in Yonkers, 5 arrests in Mt. Vernon and 6 arrests in White Plains.

2009 Operating Budget

Impact of State budget cuts on dept: \$

Specific cutbacks to accommodate reduced spending? Program areas most affected:

Forgoing salary increases for legal & executive staff, no immediately filling vacant lines, decreases requests in Overtime, equipment, Ed. & training and Travel expenses.

What's expected public impact of proposed cuts? [EXAMPLES: Public won't notice? Closing sites in these locations? Less funding for specific programs. Consolidating program areas to economize.]

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QUOTES/COMMENTS

Quote from Oversight Committee Chair

“The Westchester Intelligence Center, opened May 21, 2008, has proven to be a great initiative.” “So many crimes cross local boundaries. The Intelligence Center is a central clearinghouse of law enforcement intelligence that supports the criminal investigative efforts of all of the county’s 43 local police departments.”

Quote from Budget & Appropriations Chair

“The District Attorney must be commended for her well-managed budget which this past year actually contributed a little more than a million dollars to county coffers.” “In addition, by aggressively seeking state and federal grant revenues, the District Attorney has reduced the department’s share of the tax levy by more than \$7 million.”

Other Comment(s)/Quotes, Facts