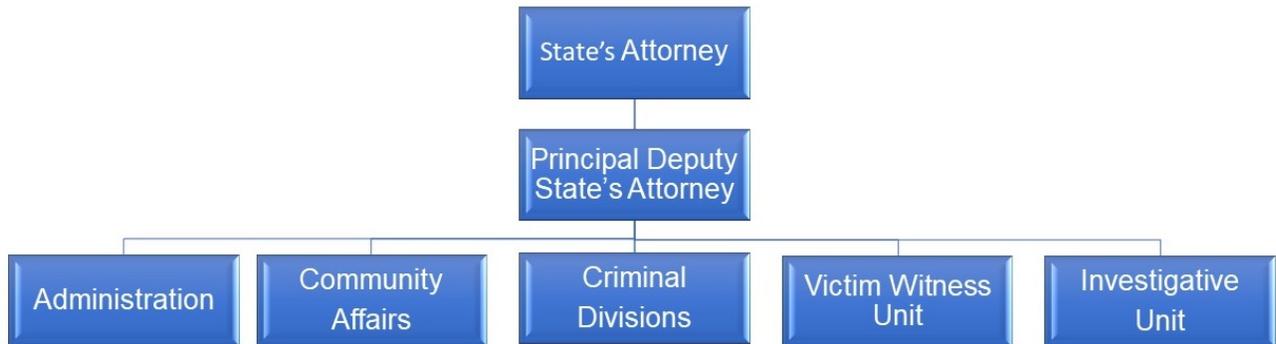


# Office of the State's Attorney



## MISSION AND SERVICES

The Office of the State’s Attorney (SAO) strives to secure justice for all residents through firm, fair and consistent prosecutions with the highest level of experience, integrity, and professionalism. The Office will be responsive to the very diverse community of Prince George’s County, treating every person with dignity and respect.

### CORE SERVICES

- Serve and protect the residents of Prince George’s County by prosecuting violent offenders; reducing gun violence; holding those who harm residents and businesses fully accountable; strengthening community safety; and ensuring meaningful consequences for those who cause harm
- Modernize the administration of justice by expanding the use of digital discovery platforms, enhancing evidence review systems, and integrating innovative technology into our operations
- Building public trust by openly sharing prosecution data, communicating outcomes, and ensuring residents have a clear understanding of how justice is administered. Through transparency and accountability initiatives, we reinforce confidence in a fair, effective, and community-centered justice system
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- Ensure that the Victim-Witness Coordinator Unit delivers exceptional support, advocacy, protection, and clear communication to victims and witnesses throughout the prosecutorial process
- Seek sentences that hold violent offenders fully accountable while recognizing the importance of fair and effective justice
- Support diversion, treatment, and rehabilitation to reduce recidivism and address underlying causes of criminal behavior, thus, ensuring accountability is paired with opportunities for positive change
- Prioritize educating and engaging residents on the role of the State’s Attorney’s Office, the responsibilities of justice agencies, and the criminal laws affecting residents and businesses

**FY 2026 KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Identified public safety priorities using community input, strengthened data tracking and reporting mechanisms, and improved internal operations through comprehensive evaluation and targeted process enhancements.
- Launched the Reengage, Intervention, Support, and Empowerment (RISE) Truancy Initiative through \$900,000 in funding —a community-based program aimed at reducing truancy and preventing juvenile delinquency. Through partnerships with the Family Justice Academy, Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, and Prince George's County Public Schools, the program provided youth services, increased parental engagement, and offered holistic family-centered supports.
- Established a conviction integrity referral program for pro se factual innocence claims to qualified innocence project clinics for independent screening and investigation ensuring individuals asserting actual innocence received expert review while allowing prosecutors, paralegals, and victim/witness coordinators to focus on active caseloads and public safety priorities.
- Enhanced public trust and data transparency by launching the agency's first-ever Crime Data Dashboard, which provided residents with user-friendly access to prosecution trends and outcomes.
- Engaged directly with residents, businesses, and community stakeholders by participating in more than 200 community meetings (between July 2025 – April 2026) which ensured community concerns, feedback, and priorities were reflected in the agency's public safety strategies and operational decision-making.

**STRATEGIC FOCUS AND INITIATIVES IN FY 2027**

The office's top priorities in FY 2027 are:

- Continue to aggressively prosecute violent offenders to ensure meaningful consequences and strengthen community safety.
- Commit to swift and effective prosecutions of illegal firearm possession and use, including seeking enhanced penalties for repeat offenders where legally appropriate.
- Increase community education on illegal gun possession.
- Expand early intervention efforts for truancy and minor offenses and ensure swift, developmentally appropriate responses to youth violence especially through the Reengage, Intervention, Support, and Empowerment (RISE) truancy initiative and additional partnerships in order to redirect youth toward productive, positive futures.
- Strengthen collaboration with law enforcement and the business community to prosecute individuals targeting commercial establishments and to support safer commercial corridors that promote investment and job creation.
- Increase prosecutions for business-related crimes.
- Continue to educate the public on emerging scams, collaborate with financial institutions and senior-serving organizations, and pursue strong penalties for offenders. Protecting residents' financial security remains central to the Office's mission.
- Enabled accountability, data transparency, and public access to information by enhancing data tracking systems, expand access to prosecution data, and continue hosting public safety town halls, community forums, and legal education workshops.

## FY 2027 BUDGET SUMMARY

The FY 2027 proposed budget for the Office of the State’s Attorney is \$34,039,400, an increase of \$3,002,300 or 9.9% over the FY 2026 approved budget.

### Expenditures by Fund Type

Fund Types	FY 2025 Actual		FY 2026 Budget		FY 2026 Estimate		FY 2027 Proposed	
	Amount	% Total						
General Fund	\$27,457,500	93.5%	\$28,304,500	91.5%	\$27,609,300	90.9%	\$30,561,000	89.9%
Grant Funds	1,913,522	6.5%	2,645,100	8.5%	2,767,400	9.1%	3,441,300	10.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,371,022</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$30,949,600</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$30,376,700</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$34,002,300</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### GENERAL FUND

The FY 2027 proposed General Fund budget for the Office of the State’s Attorney is \$30,561,000, an increase of \$2,256,500 or 8.0% over the FY 2026 approved budget.

### Reconciliation from Prior Year

	Expenditures
<b>FY 2026 Approved Budget</b>	<b>\$28,304,500</b>
<b>Increase Cost: Compensation - Mandated Salary Requirements</b>	\$2,101,300
<b>Increase Cost: Operating</b> — Increase in contracts, general office supplies, office equipment, vehicle lease, training and interpreter fees to align with projected costs	288,800
<b>Increase Cost: Operating - Technology Cost Allocation</b> — Increase in OIT charges based on anticipated countywide costs for technology	76,200
<b>Decrease Costs: Operating</b> — Decrease in telephone charges based on transferring services to Microsoft Teams	(41,000)
<b>Decrease Cost: Fringe Benefits</b> — Decrease in the fringe benefit rate from 35.7% to 31.3% to align with compensation adjustments and projected costs	(168,800)
<b>FY 2027 Proposed Budget</b>	<b>\$30,561,000</b>

### GRANT FUNDS

The FY 2027 proposed grant budget for the Office of the State’s Attorney is \$3,441,300 an increase of \$796,200 or 30.1% over the FY 2026 approved budget. Major sources of funds in the FY 2027 budget include:

- Prince George’s Strategic Investigation and Charging Unit
- Youth Justice Truancy Grant

### Reconciliation from Prior Year

	Expenditures
<b>FY 2026 Approved Budget</b>	<b>\$2,645,100</b>
<b>Maintain: Existing Program/Service</b> — Youth Justice Truancy Grant	\$963,000
<b>Enhance: Existing Program/Service</b> — Victims Of Crime Act (VOCA)	129,300
<b>Enhance: Existing Program/Service</b> — Prince George's Strategic Investigation and Charging Unit (PGSI)	83,500

**Reconciliation from Prior Year** *(continued)*

	<b>Expenditures</b>
<b>Enhance: Existing Program/Service</b> — Stop the Violence Against Women (VAWA)	100
<b>Reduce: Existing Program/Service</b> — Gun Violence Reduction Initiative (GVRG)	(3,200)
<b>Remove: Prior Year Appropriation</b> — Office of Problem Solving Court	(30,000)
<b>Reduce: Existing Program/Service</b> — Vehicle Theft Prevention Program (VTPC)	(96,500)
<b>Remove: Prior Year Appropriation</b> — Gun Violence Reduction Initiative II (GVRG)	(100,000)
<b>Remove: Prior Year Appropriation</b> — Saturday Justice Academy	(150,000)
<b>FY 2027 Proposed Budget</b>	<b>\$3,441,300</b>

### STAFF AND BUDGET RESOURCES

Authorized Positions	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Proposed	Change FY26-FY27
<b>General Fund</b>				
Full Time - Civilian	194	194	194	0
Full Time - Sworn	0	0	0	0
Subtotal - FT	194	194	194	0
Part Time	5	5	5	0
Limited Term	0	0	0	0
<b>Grant Program Funds</b>				
Full Time - Civilian	0	0	0	0
Full Time - Sworn	0	0	0	0
Subtotal - FT	0	0	0	0
Part Time	0	0	0	0
Limited Term	32	28	30	2
<b>TOTAL</b>				
Full Time - Civilian	194	194	194	0
Full Time - Sworn	0	0	0	0
Subtotal - FT	194	194	194	0
Part Time	5	5	5	0
Limited Term	27	28	30	2

Positions By Classification	FY 2027		
	Full Time	Part Time	Limited Term
Administrative Aide	28	0	0
Administrative Assistant	5	0	0
Administrative Specialist	2	0	1
Assistant State's Attorney	96	0	3
Audio Visual Specialist	1	0	0
Budget Management Analyst	2	0	0
Budget Assistant	0	1	0
Community Developer	15	0	15
Community Development Aide	0	1	2
Deputy State's Attorney	2	0	0
Executive Administrative Aide	1	0	0
General Clerk	2	1	0
Human Resources Analyst	1	0	0
Information Technology Project Coordinator	2	0	0
Investigator	11	0	2
Law Clerk	0	0	1
Legal Assistant	21	2	5
Paralegal	3	0	0
Research Analyst	0	0	1
Principal Deputy State's Attorney	1	0	0
State's Attorney	1	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	194	5	30

**Expenditures by Category - General Fund**

Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2026 Estimate	FY 2027 Proposed	Change FY26-FY27	
					Amount (\$)	Percent (%)
Compensation	\$18,641,147	\$18,791,300	\$18,794,700	\$20,892,600	\$2,101,300	11.2%
Fringe Benefits	5,825,261	6,708,500	5,883,000	6,539,700	(168,800)	-2.5%
Operating	2,991,092	2,962,800	3,089,700	3,286,800	324,000	10.9%
Capital Outlay	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>SubTotal</b>	<b>\$27,457,500</b>	<b>\$28,462,600</b>	<b>\$27,767,400</b>	<b>\$30,719,100</b>	<b>\$2,256,500</b>	<b>7.9%</b>
Recoveries	—	(158,100)	(158,100)	(158,100)	—	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$27,457,500</b>	<b>\$28,304,500</b>	<b>\$27,609,300</b>	<b>\$30,561,000</b>	<b>\$2,256,500</b>	<b>8.0%</b>

In FY 2027, compensation expenditures increase 11.2% over the FY 2026 budget due the annualization of FY 2026 and planned FY 2027 salary adjustments. Compensation costs include funding for 194 full time and five part time positions. Fringe benefit expenditures decrease -2.5% under the FY 2026 budget to align with projected costs.

Operating expenditures increase 10.9% over the FY 2026 budget due to countywide technology costs, contractual obligations, and various projected operating expenses.

Recoveries from the Drug Enforcement and Education Special Revenue Fund remain unchanged.

## GRANT FUNDS SUMMARY

### Expenditures by Category - Grant Funds

Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2026 Estimate	FY 2027 Proposed	Change FY26-FY27	
					Amount (\$)	Percent (%)
Compensation	\$1,087,637	\$1,933,300	\$1,787,300	\$2,040,500	\$107,200	5.5%
Fringe Benefits	136,164	222,500	206,060	247,900	25,400	11.4%
Operating	689,721	543,900	770,900	1,190,000	646,100	118.8%
Capital Outlay	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>SubTotal</b>	<b>\$1,913,522</b>	<b>\$2,699,700</b>	<b>\$2,764,260</b>	<b>\$3,478,400</b>	<b>\$778,700</b>	<b>28.8%</b>
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,913,522</b>	<b>\$2,699,700</b>	<b>\$2,764,260</b>	<b>\$3,478,400</b>	<b>\$778,700</b>	<b>28.8%</b>

The FY 2027 proposed grant budget is \$3,478,400, an increase of \$778,700 or 28.8% over the FY 2026 approved budget. Primary source of funding is from Prince George's Strategic Investigation and Charging Unit and Youth Justice Truancy Grant.

### Staff Summary by Division - Grant Funds

Staff Summary by Division & Grant Program	FY 2026			FY 2027		
	FT	PT	LTGF	FT	PT	LTGF
<b>SAO Prosecution</b>						
Gun Violence Reduction Grant	—	—	1	—	—	1
Gun Violence Reduction Grant II	—	—	1	—	—	—
Office of Problem Solving Courts	—	—	1	—	—	—
Prince George's Strategic Investigation and Charging Unit	—	—	14	—	—	15
Special United States Attorney	—	—	1	—	—	3
Stop the Violence Against Women	—	—	2	—	—	2
Vehicle Theft Prevention Program	—	—	2	—	—	1
Victims Of Crime Act (VOCA)	—	—	6	—	—	5
Youth Justice Truancy Grant	—	—	—	—	—	3
<b>Total SAO Prosecution</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>30</b>

In FY 2027, funding is provided for 30 limited term grant funded (LTGF) positions, a increase of two over the FY 2026 approved budget.

## Grant Funds by Division

Grant Name	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2026 Estimate	FY 2027 Proposed	Change FY26-FY27	
					Amount (\$)	Percent (%)
<b>SAO Prosecution</b>						
Gun Violence Reduction Grant (GVRG) - Paralegal Support	\$29,413	\$64,600	\$64,600	\$61,400	\$(3,200)	-5.0%
Gun Violence Reduction Grant (GVRG II)	18,212	100,000	—	—	(100,000)	-100.0%
Justice Dialogue Enhancement	100,000	—	—	—	—	
Office of Problem Solving Courts (OPSC)	—	30,000	—	—	(30,000)	-100.0%
Prince George's Strategic Investigation and Charging Unit (PGSI)	679,918	1,145,600	1,145,600	1,145,600	—	0.0%
Prosecuting Cold Case DNA	46,846	—	—	—	—	
Saturday Family Justice Academy	20,110	150,000	—	—	(150,000)	-100.0%
Special United State's Attorney (SAUSA)	114,320	208,400	208,400	291,900	83,500	40.1%
Stop the Violence Against Women (VAWA)	12,103	111,300	111,300	111,400	100	0.1%
Vehicle Theft Prevention Program (VTPC)	57,278	164,500	68,000	68,000	(96,500)	-58.7%
Victims Of Crime Act (VOCA)	435,322	670,700	206,500	800,000	129,300	19.3%
Youth Justice Truancy Grant	—	—	963,000	963,000	963,000	
COPS Technology	400,000	—	—	—	—	
<b>Total SAO Prosecution</b>	<b>\$1,913,522</b>	<b>\$2,645,100</b>	<b>\$2,767,400</b>	<b>\$3,441,300</b>	<b>\$796,200</b>	<b>30.1%</b>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,913,522</b>	<b>\$2,645,100</b>	<b>\$2,767,400</b>	<b>\$3,441,300</b>	<b>\$796,200</b>	<b>30.1%</b>
Total Transfer from General Fund - (County Contribution/Cash Match)		54,600	54,600	37,100	(17,500)	-32.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,913,522</b>	<b>\$2,699,700</b>	<b>\$2,822,000</b>	<b>\$3,478,400</b>	<b>\$778,700</b>	<b>28.8%</b>

## Grant Descriptions

### **PARALEGAL SUPPORT – GUN VIOLENCE REDUCTION INITIATIVE -- \$61,400**

The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy provides funding to support the agency's effort to reduce gun violence in the County by funding one part time Legal Assistant position. The position assists the Guns and Drugs Unit with diversion screening and program eligibility for first-time gun offenders charged with wear, carry, and transport charges.

### **PRINCE GEORGE'S STRATEGIC INVESTIGATION AND CHARGING UNIT (PGSI) -- \$1,145,600**

The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy provides funding for the existing Strategic Investigation Unit which aims to prosecute and imprison violent, repeat, and chronic offenders.

### **SPECIAL ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (SAUSA) -- \$291,900**

The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy provides funding in support of the investigation and prosecution of violent crime in Prince George's County through an assistant state's attorney cross-designated as an Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney's Office (USAO). This position will work to address violent repeat offenders and criminal organizations involved in illegal drugs and firearms trafficking.

### **STOP THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (VAWA) -- \$111,400**

The Department of Justice provides funding to support the prosecution of cases resulting from domestic violence and sexual assault. Funding supports two

limited term grant funded positions: (1) District Court Assistant State's Attorney and (1) Part-Time Victim Witness Advocate.

### **VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM (VTPC) -- \$68,000**

The Maryland Department of State Police Vehicle Theft Prevention Council provides support to the agency's effort to focus on auto theft cases from the initial apprehension of suspects by police, through pre-trial preparation, victim contact, and screening cases for the Circuit Court, to trial, and sentencing. Funding supports two limited term grant funded positions: (1) Assistant State's Attorney and (1) Legal Assistant.

### **VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) -- \$800,000**

The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy provides funding to assist in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to aid domestic violence victims in Prince George's County. The program focuses on providing Supportive Assistance and Financial Empowerment (SAFE) solutions to battered individuals and victims of crime. Victims are linked with advocates/coordinators that advise them of their rights and provide supportive assistance throughout the legal process.

### **YOUTH JUSTICE TRUANCY GRANT-- \$963,000**

The Department of Justice provides funding to support a multifaceted effort to confront chronic absenteeism. Through this grant, the State's Attorney advances a coordinated support model that includes early identification of at-risk students, comprehensive intake assessments, and tailored service plans.

