

State Attorney

The State Attorney represents the State of Florida in the Circuit and County courts and is responsible for conducting criminal prosecutions of all persons charged with violating state, county, and/or local laws and ordinances. The State Attorney reviews charges and complaints to determine whether they warrant prosecution and trial. In addition to court duties, the State Attorney provides legal advice in criminal matters to all law enforcement agencies and works with these agencies to provide in-service training. The County portion of the budget funds the State Attorney's technology requirements, as required by Article V of the State Constitution.

Budget Summary

	FY18 Actual	FY19 Actual	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Request	Budget to Budget Change	Budget to Budget % Change
Operating Expenses	\$ 137,840	\$ 252,915	\$ 310,696	\$ 252,540	\$ 167,722	\$ 182,990	\$ (69,550)	-27.5%
Capital Outlay	\$ 15,046	\$ 13,063	\$ -	\$ 34,480	\$ 119,230	\$ 56,200	\$ 21,720	63.0%
Total	\$ 152,886	\$ 265,979	\$ 310,696	\$ 287,020	\$ 286,952	\$ 239,190	\$ (47,830)	-16.7%

	FY18 Actual	FY19 Actual	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Request
Document Recording Fee	\$ 136,448	\$ 205,212	\$ 278,068	\$ 195,230	\$ 291,260	\$ 203,670
General Fund Support	\$ 16,438	\$ 60,767	\$ 32,628	\$ 91,790	\$ -	\$ 35,520
Total Technology Budget	\$ 152,886	\$ 265,979	\$ 310,696	\$ 287,020	\$ 291,260	\$ 239,190
Docu. Recording Fee %	89.2%	77.2%	89.5%	68.0%	100.0%	85.1%
GF Support %	10.8%	22.8%	10.5%	32.0%	0.0%	14.9%

The County's portion of the State Attorney's budget is used to maintain and replace various technology according to planned replacement schedule. A portion of General Fund support is derived from the Document Recording Fee, which is applied to Article V court technology expenses, with the remaining amount funded with general revenue in the General Fund.

- Total FY22 Request decreases by \$47,830 (16.7%) to \$239,190.
 - **Operating** expenses decrease \$69,550 (27.5%).
 - Includes cell phones, service contracts, and printers.
 - Reduction is due to computer replacements moving to **Capital Outlay**.
 - **Capital Outlay** increases by \$21,720 (63.0%).
 - Includes laptops, hard drive, and scanners.
- The percentage of General Fund Support decreases from 32.0% in FY21 to 14.9% in FY22 based on projected increase in Document Recording Fee revenue.
- The State Attorney does not receive a budget **Target**.

- The **State Attorney** and **Public Defender** have both submitted information requesting funding for a new case management system. Public Defender is requesting \$65,000 in FY22 for yearly maintenance fee and license, while the State Attorney is requesting \$308,260 in FY22 for initial set-up and installation, and \$152,410 starting in FY23 for yearly maintenance fee and license.
 - If approved, this funding would be added to the BTS budget as part of their Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) budget. When fully implemented, the County will receive an offset from the current expenditures for Attorney Manager.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Decision Package
- Attachment 2 – Organizational Chart