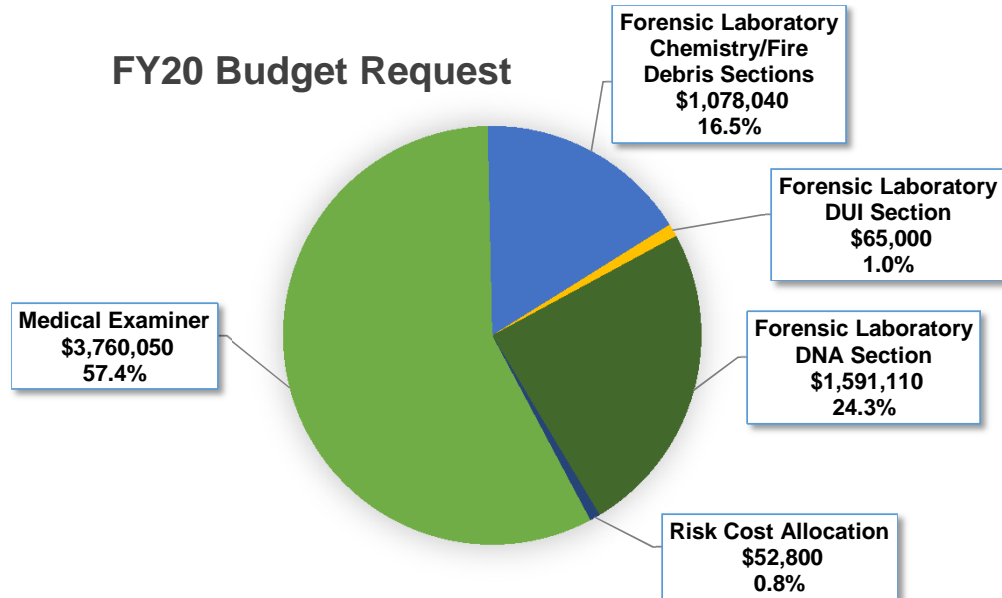


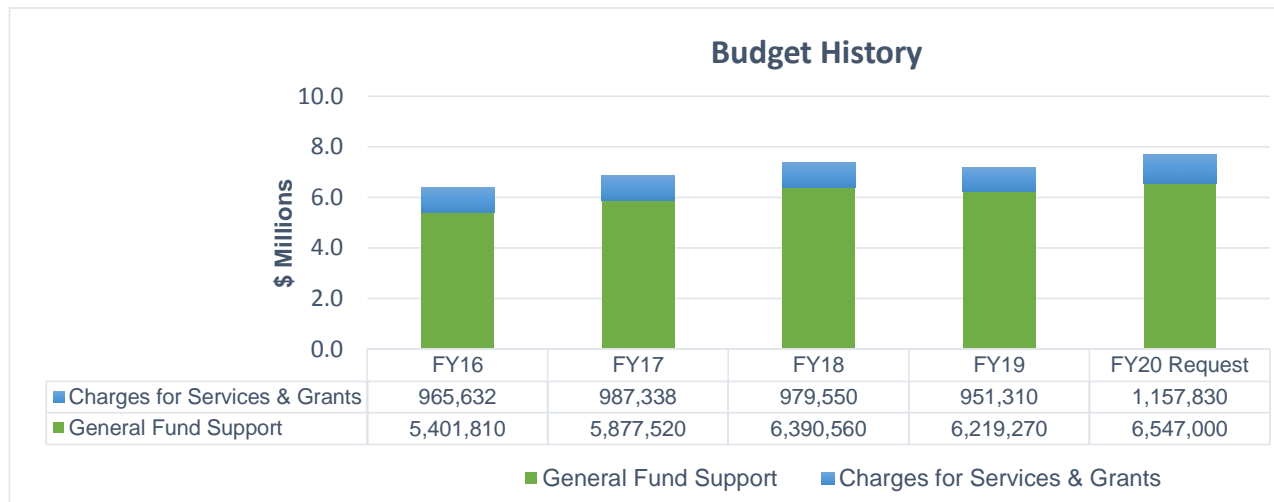
MEDICAL EXAMINER District Six

Pasco & Pinellas Counties

FY20 Budget Request



Budget History



The Medical Examiner Budget is supported by multiple funding sources, including charges for services to Pasco County and grants. The portion of the total FY20 Budget Request (\$6,547,000) related to General Fund support reflects an increase of \$327,730 (5.3%) compared to the FY19 Adopted Budget (\$6,219,270). This increase is driven by anticipated inflation within the budget target. The FY20 Budget Request is \$40,000 over the FY20 Target. This amount reflects the costs associated with necessary software upgrades for essential Forensic Laboratory Instruments.

MEDICAL EXAMINER

The Medical Examiner (ME) safeguards the rights of each citizen who dies in Pinellas County by determining the cause and manner of death according to the responsibilities and obligations in Chapter 406, Florida Statutes. The Medical Examiner Department provides both forensic medicine service (investigation of sudden, unexpected or suspicious death) and forensic laboratory service (chemical and drug analyses) to Pinellas County on a contractual basis.

Program Descriptions		FY20	
		Budget Request	FTEs
MEDICAL EXAMINER	Medical Examiner determines the cause and manner of death according to the responsibilities and obligations in F.S. 406.	3,760,050	28.5
Forensic Laboratory Chemistry/Fire Debris Sections Pursuant to F.S. 943	Forensic Laboratory determines chemical composition of items submitted by law enforcement agencies. (a)	1,078,040	31.0
Forensic Laboratory DUI Section Pursuant to F.S. 943	Forensic Laboratory determines the concentration of alcohol and controlled substances in DUI cases submitted by law enforcement and overlaps with Medical Examiner toxicology.	65,000	
Forensic Laboratory DNA Section Pursuant to F.S. 943	Forensic Laboratory determines the DNA profile of samples submitted by law enforcement agencies.	1,591,110	2.0
FY20 Risk Allocation	Cost allocation charges associated with the Risk Financing Fund that accounts for the costs of liability and workers' compensation self-insured claims, as well as property and other insurance premiums for the County.	52,800	
TOTAL		6,547,000	61.5

(a) Forensic Laboratory is composed of 31.0 FTE under the ME and 2 County FTE for CODIS ("Combined DNA Index System" - term used to describe the FBI's program of support for criminal justice DNA databases as well as the software used to run these databases.)

FY20 Decision Package Requests		FY20	
		Budget Request	FTEs
JusticeTrax - Phase II	A Request for funding to support the replacement of the current Medical Examiner database. The initial cost for the request is \$331,000 with a recurring cost of \$12,630. The current system has been in use since early 2003 and is no longer able to be supported by OTI or BTS.	331,000	-

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