



New Mexico
Department
of Justice



Budget Request

Fiscal Year 2027

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We need your support to continue to fight for New Mexico.

Through the power of the Attorney General, the NMDOJ is the only governmental entity with the authority to protect federal funds for New Mexico in court.

This year, we have:

- Protected **\$12 billion** in federal funding for New Mexico.
- Stopped a freeze of education funds, defended Medicaid and SNAP, and safeguarded disaster relief programs.
- Prevented devastating cuts to programs families rely on every day.

What's At Stake: Fighting to Protect Billions for New Mexico (1)

Other Federal Funding, Estimated (Medicaid, SNAP, Disaster Recovery)	\$8,896,965,416
Public Education Department	\$1,879,210,362
Office of Broadband Access & Expansion	\$809,106,100
Department of Workforce Solutions	\$269,438,851
Early Childhood Education and Care Department	\$147,154,200
Aging and Long-Term Services Department	\$51,125,071
Total	\$12,053,000,000

(1) State of New York v. Trump, No. 1:25-cv-00039 (D.R.I. Feb. 7, 2025), ECF No. 68, Exs. 86–91. The “Other Federal Funding” protected monetary amount is an estimate of what funding was protected to reach the known “Total” of protected funds.

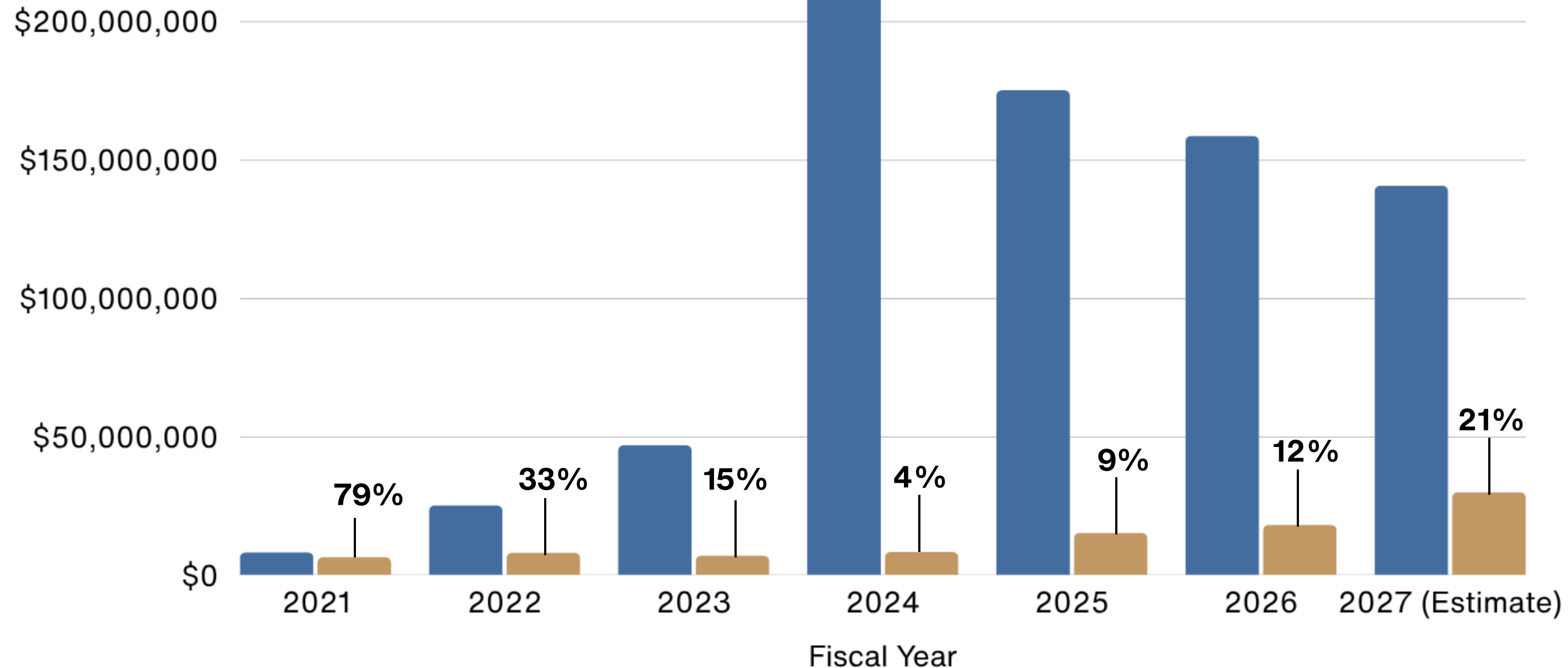


Sustainably scaling up legal defense for New Mexico

FY 2027

NMDOJ's CSF Balance, Revenue, & Budget Allocation

● CSF Balance ● CSF Budget Allocation (with % CSF Balance)

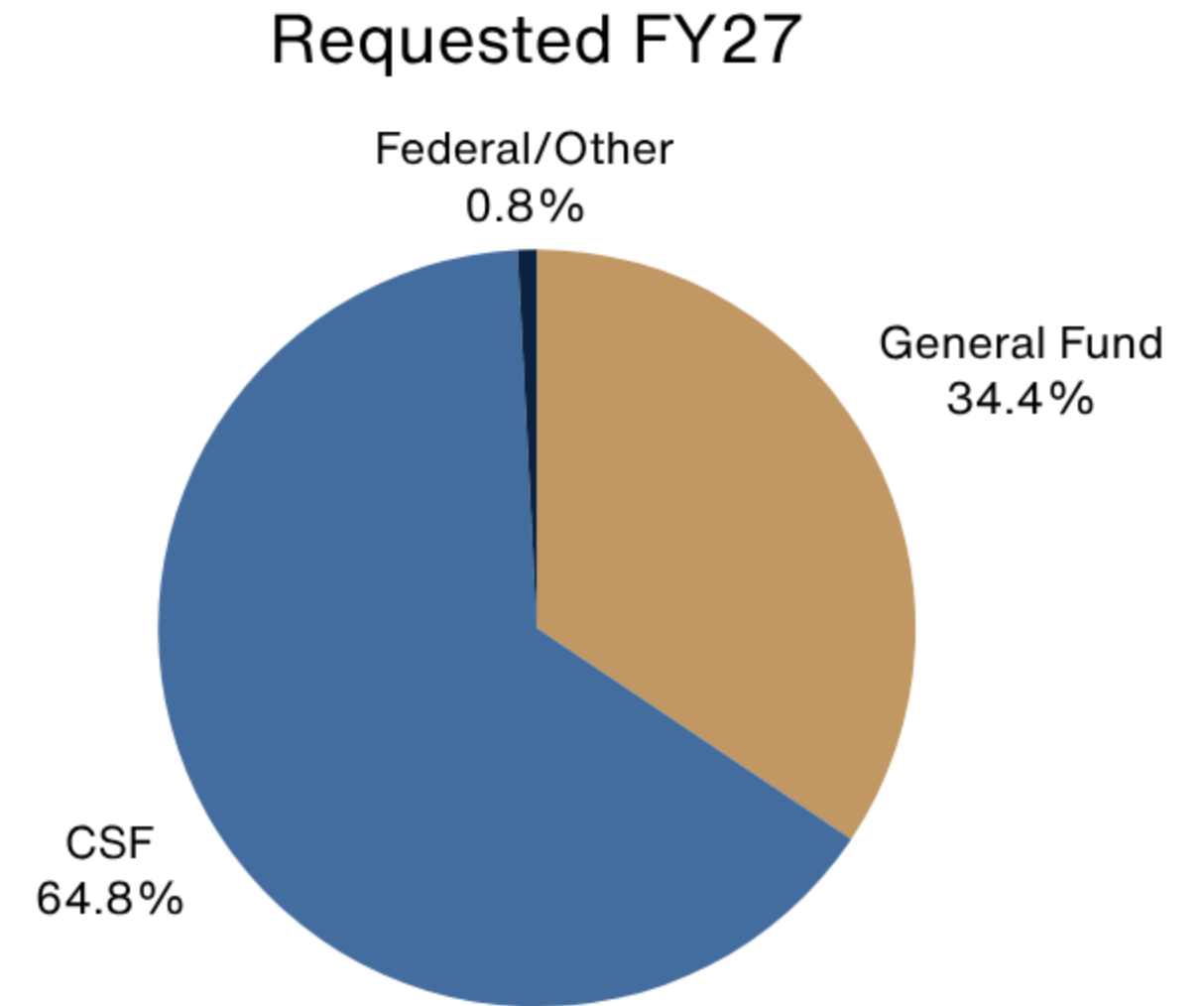
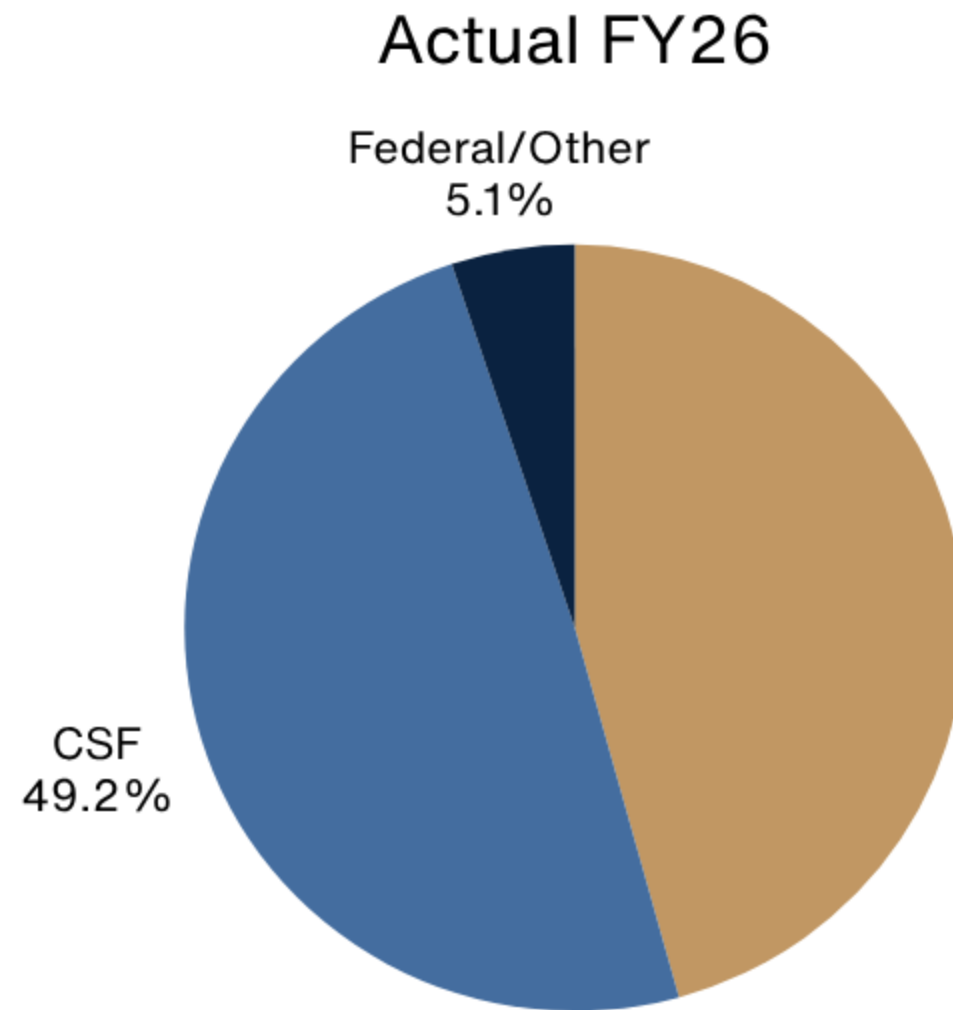


- **Amid threats of federal budget cuts, states are proactively investing in their attorneys general.** CA, IL, and MA have all increased funding to strengthen their legal defenses.
- **Our legal expertise has driven a 950% increase in the CSF balance—generating hundreds of millions in revenue and legal protections for New Mexicans.**

Our ask: Up to 21% of the total Consumer Settlement Fund

NMDOJ Budget Composition

- **We are requesting authority to access up to 21% of the CSF balance**, drawn entirely from money we have won for New Mexicans. Our current access stands at 12% of the CSF balance.
- With increased CSF access, we can better shield New Mexico from federal rollbacks
- This mechanism also safeguards the General Fund by reducing pressure on its resources and by strengthening our protection of federal funding streams.



- This funding will empower us to pursue litigation that protects constituents while replenishing the CSF in a self-sufficient model.
- Approving this request is a strategic investment: **for every additional \$1 invested in us, New Mexico stands to safeguard \$1000 in federal funds.**