



New Mexico Department of Public Safety FY 2027 Request Budget

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PROTECTION

To Protect human life and property through the detection and prevention of criminal activity and enforcement of state laws.

To Provide vital leadership, scientific, training, technical and operational support to the criminal justice community and public.

OUR VISION

COMMITMENT

We are committed to providing the highest quality of public safety services for the State of New Mexico

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Mission Statement



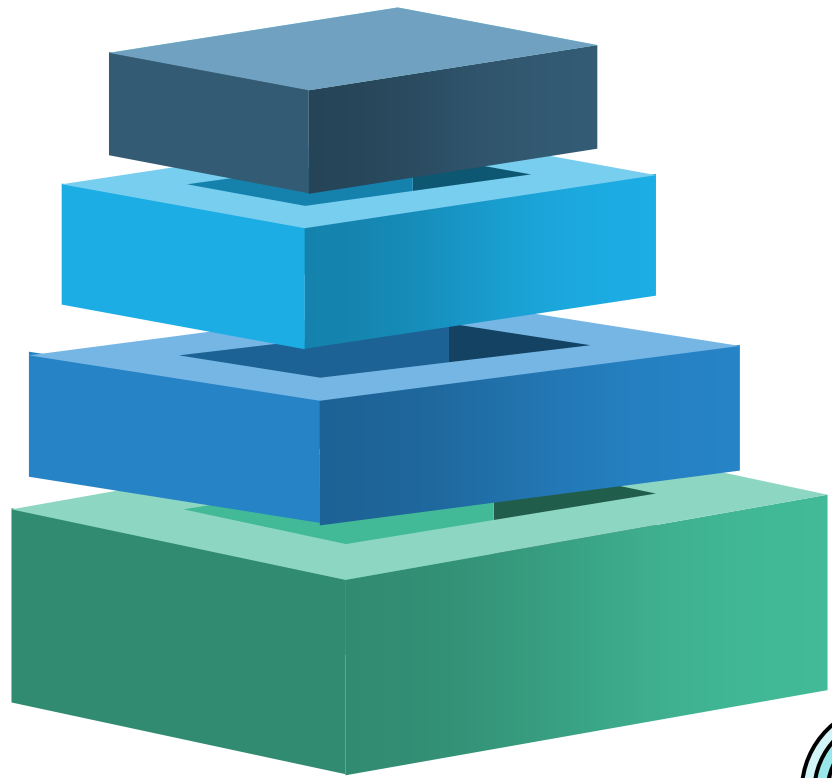
OUR MISSION

OUR GUIDING VALUES

SERVICE

Respect,
Excellence,
Service,
Pride, Ethics,
Courtesy and
Teamwork

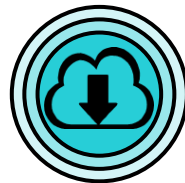
Investing in Public Safety: FY 2027 Legislative Budget Priorities



Improving Community Engagement in Public Safety

Redesign DPS website and launch statewide digital outreach campaigns to improve transparency and emergency communication including missing person alerts across the state.

Statewide Data & Intelligence Integration



Expand data sharing across 47 law enforcement agencies to enhance crime prevention and interagency coordination.

Accelerating Emergency Response and Officer Safety



Build a modern and safe vehicle track for NM Law Enforcement Academy and acquire a new NMSP patrol helicopter.

Breaking Down the Real Costs of Fleet and Maintenance:



Average Cost Per Vehicle

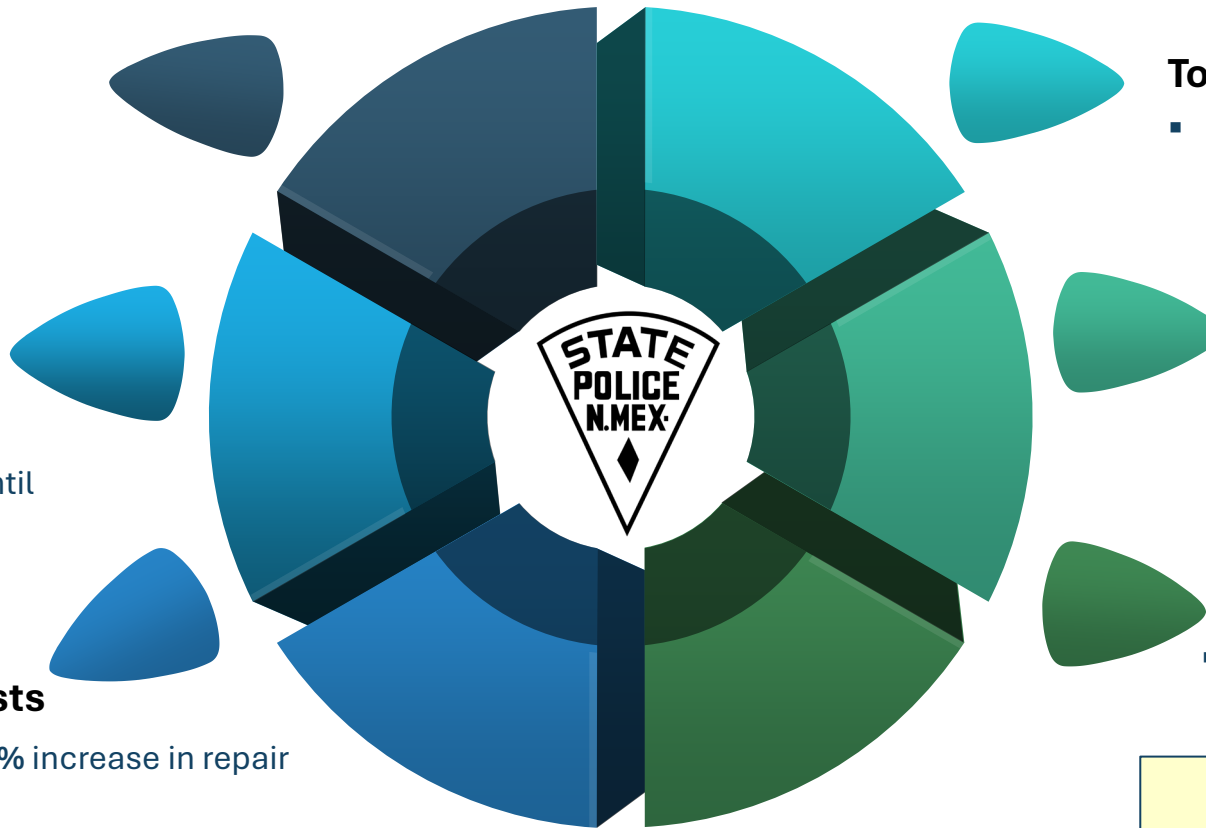
- Average **\$90K** per vehicle includes upfitting costs.
- Specialty vehicles cost as much as **\$125K**.

Required Annual Fleet Purchases

- **10%-15%** of fleet must be replaced annually to recycle vehicles according to standards.
- Vehicle should be replaced at **100K** miles according to safety standards.
- NMSP vehicles are not getting replaced until **160K** miles due to lack of funding.

Vehicle Repair & Maintenance Costs

- Vehicles beyond 5-7 years have a **30%-50%** increase in repair costs compared to newer models.
- Annual routine maintenance costs average **\$3K** per vehicle; oil changes, tire rotations and service.



Total Annual Acquisition Cost

- Approximately **\$14** million – for 150 vehicles.

Total Annual Maintenance Cost

- Approximately **\$3** million – for entire fleet of 1,229 vehicles.

Projected Maintenance Cost Over 5 Years

- Between **\$15** million & **\$17** million.



FY27 Request:

- **\$6** Million in Special Appropriation

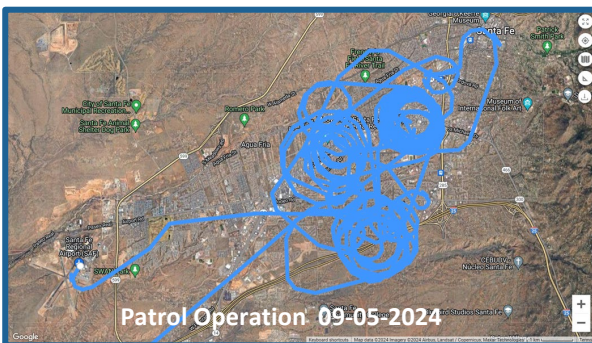
New Mexico State Police Helicopter (ABLE 7)

FY 2022-25 Total

- 40 Search and Rescue
- 199 Calls for Service
- 937.6 Flight Hours

4-Year Average

- 10.0 Search and Rescue
- 49.8 Calls for Service
- 234.4 Flight Hours



Strategy

- The current helicopter is configured primarily for rescue and recovery missions.
- Growing mission demands patrol, reconnaissance, and surveillance cannot be met with a single aircraft.
- Using the rescue-configured helicopter for non-SAR missions is costly and increases wear, leading to higher maintenance needs and more downtime.
- A 5–7 year replacement plan is recommended due to heavy mission use, statewide coverage needs, challenging terrain, and high-altitude operations.

FY 2026 Funding Received:

- **\$10** million to purchase and equip a helicopter for NMSP.
- Purchasing patrol operations helicopter for **\$8.5** million.
- Air support for traffic stops, suspect/vehicle monitoring, safe pursuit tracking, scene containment and perimeter support.
- **\$1.5** million balance will be applied to replacement of current helicopter below.

FY 2027 Funding Requested:

- **\$10.5** million request to replace current helicopter.
- Current cost is **\$17.0** million for helicopter and equipment.
- Current trade-in is **\$3.5** million.
- Depreciation due to current airtime increase flight hours which continues to reduce the final trade-in amount.
- Projecting **\$1.5** shortfall due to tariffs for materials, labor, compliance, auxiliary imports, and new trade-in estimate.

Helicopter Comparison by State:

IN-STATE COMPARISON

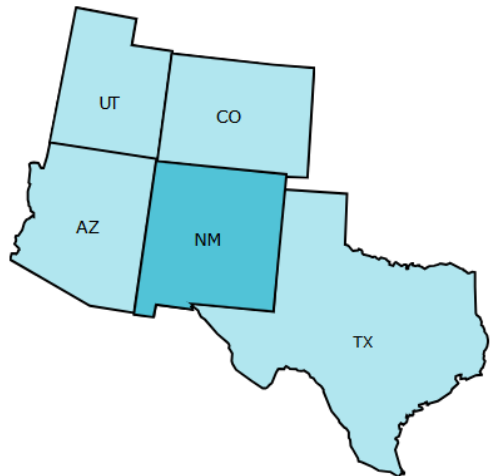
Agency	Area Sq Mi	Population	Helicopter(s)	Fixed Wing	Total
New Mexico State Police	121,590	2,114,371	1	-	1
Albuquerque PD	187	557,198	2	-	2
Bernalillo County SO - ex ABQ	980	114,549	2	-	2

Pilots	Tactical Flight Ofcs	Paramedics	Mechanics	Total FTE's
4	6	-	2	12
3	5	-	2	10
3	-	-	2	5

SURROUNDING STATE COMPARISON

Agency	Area Sq Mi	Size Rank	Population	Helicopter(s)	Fixed Wing	Total
Texas DPS	268,597	2nd	30,503,301	15	9	24
New Mexico State Police	121,590	5th	2,114,371	1	-	1
Arizona DPS	113,990	6th	7,691,740	5	4	9
Colorado State Patrol	104,094	8th	6,013,650	-	5	5
Utah Highway Patrol	84,897	13th	3,440,000	3	-	3

Pilots	Tactical Flight Ofcs	Paramedics	Mechanics	Total FTE's
50	25	-	-	75
4	6	-	2	12
26		19	5	50
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6	6	-	-	12



Geography Drives Demand:

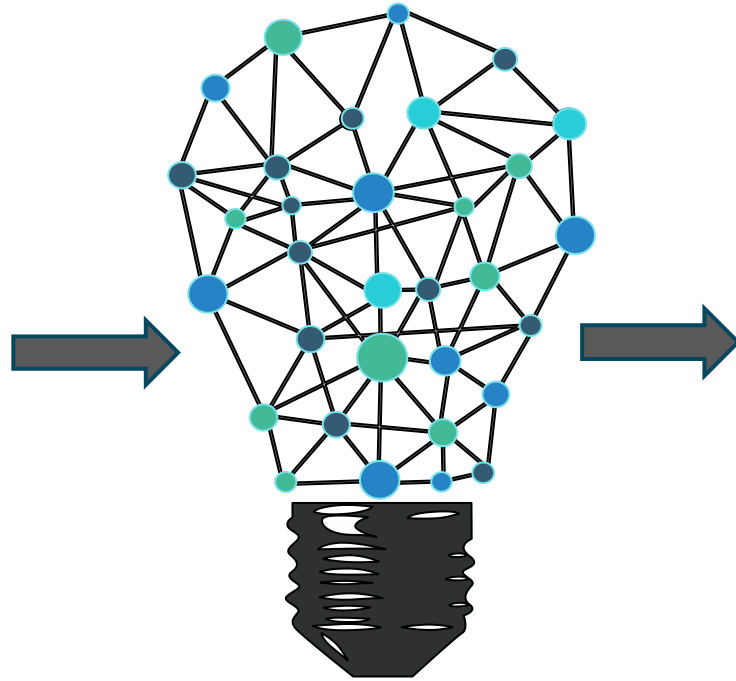
- **Mountainous states (NM, CO, UT, AZ)** → High-altitude aircraft critical for search and rescue, traffic enforcement and tactical operations are more expensive than low-altitude counterparts because they require stronger engines, specialized rotor systems, and lighter-weight designs to perform safely in thinner air. Altitude drives cost.
- **Large state (TX)** → Aircraft essential for border security, long-distance patrols and enforcement, and population transport.

Intelligence Led Policing:

*A Critical Evolution in how Law Enforcement Approaches
Crime Prevention and Public Safety*

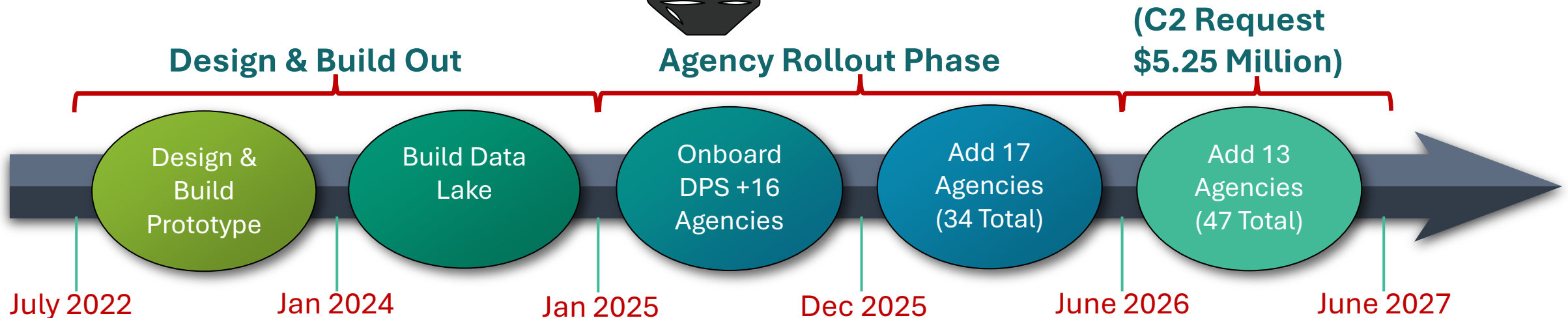
Statewide Data Compilation:

- Citations & Arrests
- Traffic & Crashes
- Dispatch Calls
- Contacts with Individuals
- Case Files
- Court Dispositions
- Case Video



Statewide Law Enforcement Goals:

- Multi-Agency Data Integration
- Targeted Enforcement
- Collaboration
- Predictive Analysis
- Strategic Decision Making
- Crime Analytics & Dashboards



FY27 DPS: Law Enforcement Program (P504) – Base Increase Requests

<i>Request</i>	<i>Base Increase Request</i>	<i>Justification</i>
ILP Technical Support NMSP	\$1,970,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intelligence-Led Policing (ILP) Program: Recurring funding is needed beginning in FY2027 to sustain statewide intelligence and data-sharing operations, including ongoing maintenance and licensing for Peregrine and AWS platforms. This ensures the continued functionality of a \$9.5M statewide investment supporting over 40 law enforcement agencies, preserving critical analytical capabilities and preventing loss of advanced crime intelligence infrastructure across New Mexico.
REQUEST TOTAL	\$11,421,300	Request includes \$9,451,300 in rate and premium increases. \$4,376,000 for FY2027 increases in GSD risk insurance premiums and DoIT service rates, and \$5,075,300 for increased health insurance premiums.

FY27 DPS: Law Enforcement Program (P504) – Special Appropriation Requests

<i>Request</i>	<i>Special Appropriation Request</i>	<i>Justification</i>
NMSP Fleet NMSP	\$6,000,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This funding will replace high-mileage units, expand camera systems, and ensure safe, reliable, and efficient fleet operations while supporting the transition to zero-emission vehicles.
REQUEST TOTAL	\$6,000,000	

FY27 DPS: Law Enforcement Program (P504)

	FY 2024 Actuals	FY 2025 Actuals	FY 2026 OpBud	FY 2027 Request	\$ Difference FY26 to 27	% Difference FY26 to 27
General Fund	135,411.0	152,694.8	163,848.0	175,269.3	11,421.3	7%
Other Transfers	4,419.2	4,597.8	6,046.0	10,046.0	4,000.0	66%
Federal Revenue	9,169.6	11,298.5	14,122.7	14,122.7	0.0	0%
Other Revenue	2,198.7	2,017.9	2,437.0	2,437.0	0.0	0%
Fund Balance	414.6	2,660.6	1,520.2	1,934.6	414.4	27%
GRAND TOTAL	151,613.1	173,269.6	187,973.9	203,809.6	15,835.7	8%
200 - PS&EB	122,868.9	136,193.9	142,904.6	156,149.4	13,244.8	9%
300 - Contracts	344.5	1,643.8	2,120.5	2,120.5	0.0	0%
400 - Other	28,399.7	35,431.9	42,948.8	45,539.7	2,590.9	6%
500 - OF Uses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0%
GRAND TOTAL	151,613.1	173,269.6	187,973.9	203,809.6	15,835.7	8%
Permanent	959.00	959.00	964.00	964.00		
Term	58.00	54.00	46.00	46.00		
Temporary	55.25	55.25	55.25	55.25		
Total FTE	1,072.25	1,068.25	1,065.25	1,065.25		

FY27 DPS: Statewide Law Enforcement Support Program (P786) – Base Increase Requests

<i>Request</i>	<i>Base Increase Request</i>	<i>Justification</i>
Ongoing Maintenance & Support of Software & Hardware (C2 Projects) IT Division	\$530,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recurring FY27 funding is needed to maintain and replace critical IT systems used by DPS and NMSP officers statewide, ensuring reliable communication, reporting, and situational awareness; without it, outdated technology will compromise emergency response, officer safety, and public protection across New Mexico.
REQUEST TOTAL	\$1,959,400	Request includes \$1,429,400 in rate and premium increases. \$929,200 for FY2027 increases in GSD risk insurance premiums and DoIT service rates, and \$500,200 for increased health insurance premiums.

FY27 DPS: Statewide Law Enforcement Support Program (P786)

	FY 2024 Actuals	FY 2025 Actuals	FY 2026 OpBud	FY 2027 Request	\$ Difference FY26 to 27	% Difference FY26 to 27
General Fund	20,027.9	23,813.2	28,370.4	30,329.8	1,959.4	7%
Other Transfers	653.9	1,065.9	1,038.1	1,038.1	0.0	0%
Federal Revenue	1,621.0	816.4	1,080.9	1,131.9	51.0	5%
Other Revenue	4,806.8	5,670.8	6,287.0	6,287.0	0.0	0%
Fund Balance	0.0	53.9	260.0	260.0	0.0	0%
GRAND TOTAL	27,109.6	31,420.2	37,036.4	39,046.8	2,010.4	5%
200 - PS&EB	16,439.2	20,867.3	25,380.2	26,370.1	989.9	4%
300 - Contracts	1,438.8	1,509.2	2,155.8	2,429.3	273.5	13%
400 - Other	9,231.6	9,043.7	9,500.4	10,247.4	747.0	8%
500 - OF Uses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0%
GRAND TOTAL	27,109.6	31,420.2	37,036.4	39,046.8	2,010.4	5%
Permanent	161.00	175.00	179.00	179.00		
Term	51.00	50.00	45.00	45.00		
Temporary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Total FTE	212.00	225.00	224.00	224.00		

FY27 DPS: Program Support (P503) – Base Increase

<i>Request</i>	<i>Base Increase Request</i>	<i>Justification</i>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional base request
REQUEST TOTAL	\$408,600	Request includes \$408,600 in rate and premium increases. \$194,300 for FY2027 increases in GSD risk insurance premiums and \$214,300 for increased health insurance premiums.

FY27 DPS: Program Support (P503) – Special Appropriation Requests

<i>Request</i>	<i>Special Appropriation Request</i>	<i>Justification</i>
DPS Website Program Support	\$1,100,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For website development and advertisement services to strengthen public communications, enhance transparency, and improve outreach. This investment will provide modernized digital platforms, targeted marketing, and effective communication tools to increase public awareness of safety initiatives, emergency alerts, and community resources.
DPS Honor Guard Program Support	\$500,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The \$500,000 appropriation for the Honor Guard will be used to cover the costs of uniforms, ceremonial gear, and equipment maintenance, as well as transportation needs. A portion of the funds will also support specialized training programs, including professional development and travel expenses for training events.
REQUEST TOTAL	\$1,600,000	

FY27 DPS: Program Support (P503)

	FY 2024 Actuals	FY 2025 Actuals	FY 2026 OpBud	FY 2027 Request	\$ Difference FY26 to 27	% Difference FY26 to 27
General Fund	5,498.5	6,704.5	7,721.4	8,130.0	408.6	5%
Other Transfers	0.0	10.1	212.9	212.9	0.0	0%
Federal Revenue	2,014.9	1,716.2	3,939.9	4,219.7	279.8	7%
Other Revenue	1,311.6	2,013.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0%
Fund Balance	0.0	0.0	2,615.6	3,985.1	1,369.5	52%
GRAND TOTAL	8,825.0	10,443.9	14,489.8	16,547.7	2,057.9	14%
200 - PS&EB	4,928.4	6,123.8	7,686.2	8,077.6	391.4	5%
300 - Contracts	318.1	318.5	358.0	275.2	-82.8	-23%
400 - Other	3,578.5	4,001.6	6,445.6	8,194.9	1,749.3	27%
500 - OF Uses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0%
GRAND TOTAL	8,825.0	10,443.9	14,489.8	16,547.7	2,057.9	14%
Permanent	50.00	54.00	69.00	69.00		
Term	8.00	9.00	8.00	8.00		
Temporary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Total FTE	58.00	63.00	77.00	77.00		

FY27 DPS Budget Request: Agency Rollup

	FY 2024 Actuals	FY 2025 Actuals	FY 2026 OpBud	FY 2027 Request	\$ Difference FY26 to 27	% Difference FY26 to 27
General Fund	160,937.4	183,212.5	199,939.8	213,729.1	13,789.3	7%
Other Transfers	5,073.1	5,673.8	7,297.0	11,297.0	4,000.0	55%
Federal Revenue	12,805.5	13,831.1	19,143.5	19,474.3	330.8	2%
Other Revenue	8,317.1	9,701.8	8,724.0	8,724.0	0.0	0%
Fund Balance	414.6	2,714.5	4,395.8	6,179.7	1,783.9	41%
GRAND TOTAL	187,547.7	215,133.7	239,500.1	259,404.1	19,904.0	8%
200 - PS&EB	144,236.5	163,185.0	175,971.0	190,597.1	14,626.1	8%
300 - Contracts	2,101.4	3,471.5	4,634.3	4,825.0	190.7	4%
400 - Other	41,209.8	48,477.2	58,894.8	63,982.0	5,087.2	9%
500 - OF Uses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0%
GRAND TOTAL	187,547.7	215,133.7	239,500.1	259,404.1	19,904.0	8%
Permanent	1,170.00	1,188.00	1,212.00	1,212.00		
Term	117.00	113.00	99.00	99.00		
Temporary	55.25	55.25	55.25	55.25		
Total FTE	1,342.25	1,356.25	1,366.25	1,366.25		

Section 5

Special Appropriation Request Recap

1

Website & Digital Modernization -- \$1.1 Million

- Launch new website and outreach platform.
- Expand digital campaigns statewide for safety and awareness.
- Increase transparency and public engagement.

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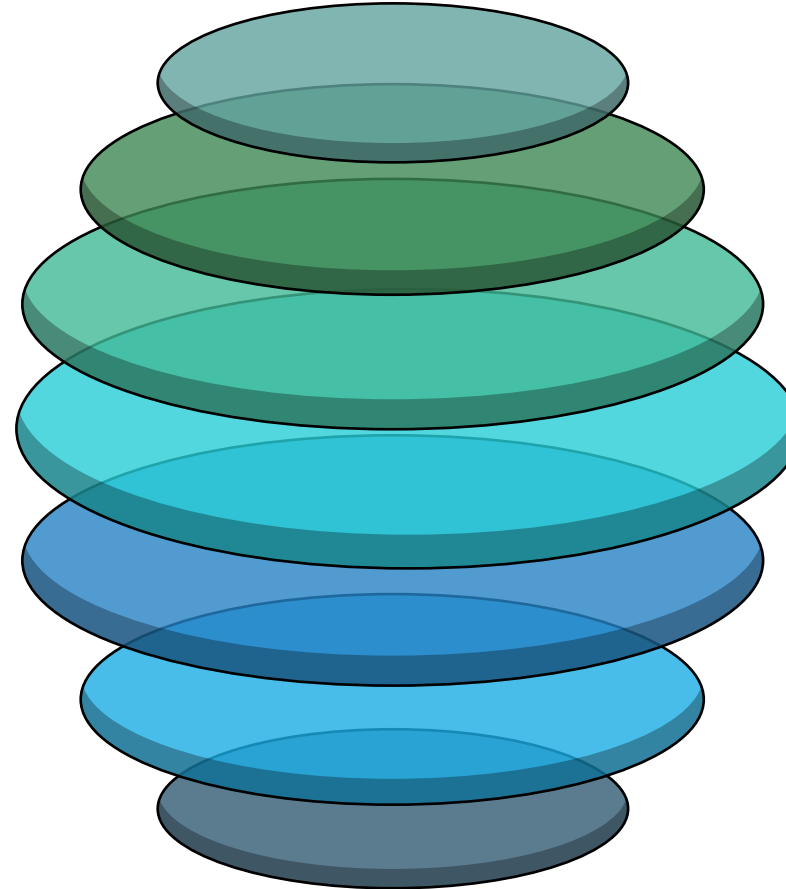
Fleet Replacement & Upfit -- \$6.0 Million

- Replace Crime Scene Team vehicle
- Purchase a 2nd crime scene mapping system
- New system to pull vehicle data recorder info

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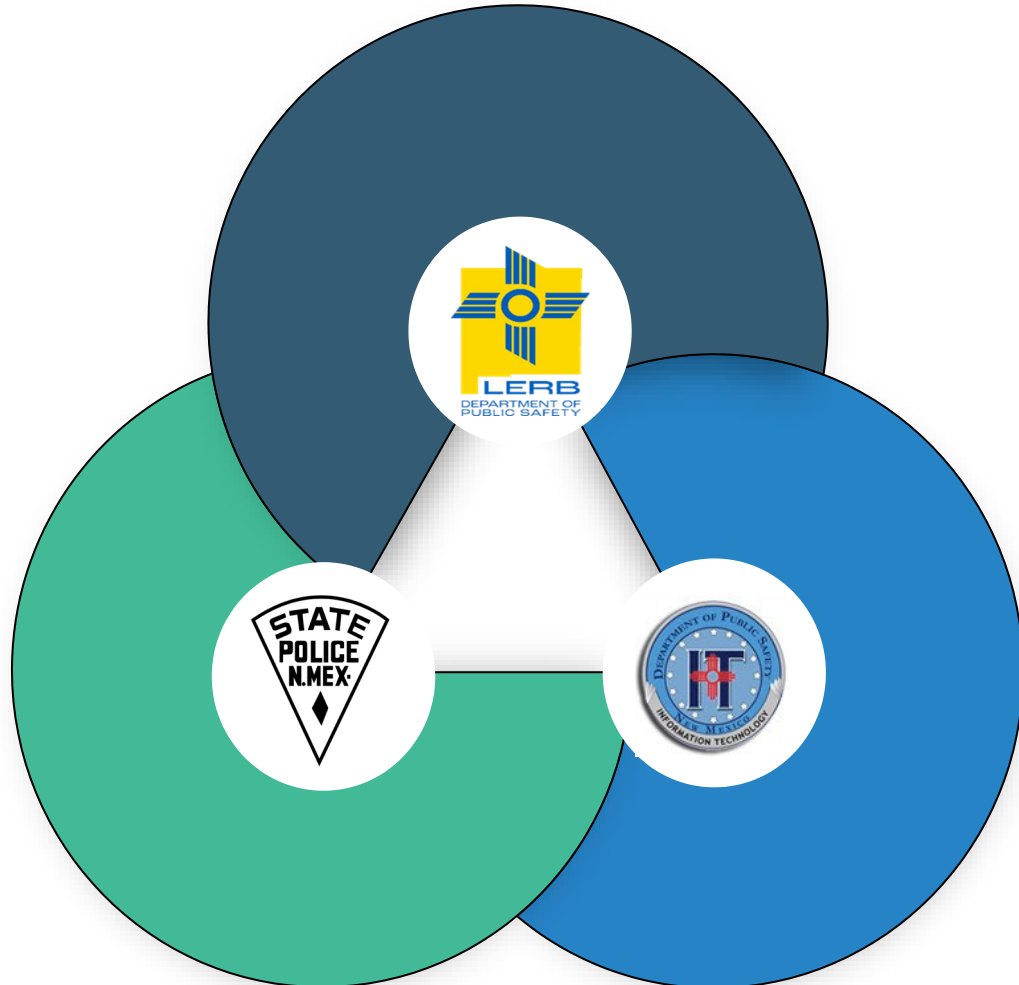
Honor Guard -- \$500.0 Thousand

- Funds support uniforms and ceremonial gear
- Covers equipment upkeep and transportation needs
- Backs specialized training and travel expenses



Section 7

Information Technology C-2 Requests



#1

Intelligence-Led Policing (ILP) System Completion -- \$5.25M

- ▲ Expand ILP data integration statewide across 47 agencies.
- ▲ Connect over 120 systems through cloud analytics.
- ▲ Enable real-time intelligence sharing and resource allocation.
- ▲ Strengthen predictive policing and officer safety initiatives.
- ▲ The ILP system transforms statewide policing into a connected, data-informed network that enhances responsiveness, transparency, and operational efficiency.

#2

Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) -- \$4.93M

- ▲ Establish statewide virtual RTCC using existing facilities.
- ▲ Integrate cameras, ALPRs, drones, and dispatch systems.
- ▲ Provide real-time situational awareness and coordination.
- ▲ Enhance response speed, safety, and public transparency.
- ▲ The RTCC initiative builds a statewide, cloud-based hub for real-time law enforcement coordination — enabling faster decisions, safer responses, and stronger community confidence.

Capital Outlay Investments in Public Safety

#1 SP ABQ Metro Project -- \$80 Million

#2 DPS Headquarters Renovation -- \$6 Million

#3 DPS Vehicle Training Track -- \$9 Million

#4 NM State Police Aircrafts-- \$10.5 Million

#5 Sub-District 6 New Facility-- \$2.5 Million



Capital Outlay Investments in Public Safety

#1 Albuquerque Metro Facility -- \$80 Million

- ❑ Centralizes District 5 bureaus to improve operations.
- ❑ Captures significant annual and future lease savings.
- ❑ Modern facility supports recruitment and efficiency.

#2 Headquarters Renovation -- \$6 Million

- ❑ Renovates 10,000 sq ft former forensic space.
- ❑ Supports agency growth and improves employee wellbeing.
- ❑ Upgrades infrastructure for operational savings.

#3 Vehicle Training Track -- \$9 Million

- ❑ Provides turnkey replacement for aging track.
- ❑ Placement minimizes noise and safety concerns.
- ❑ Complements new reality-based training facility.

#4 State Police Aircraft H125 -- \$10.5 Million

- ❑ NM operates with only one state police helicopter.
- ❑ Additional aircraft closes major mission capability gaps.
- ❑ Cost rises annually without timely acquisition.

#5 Sub-District 6 New Facility -- \$2.5 Million

- ❑ Supplements existing appropriation for development.
- ❑ Current facility fails long-term operational needs.
- ❑ Standardized design improves efficiency and recruitment.





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