

Criminal Justice Commission

	2013-15 Actual	2015-17 Legislatively Approved*	2017-19 Current Service Level	2017-19 Governor's Budget
General Fund	23,421,910	55,132,449	57,382,338	45,089,117
Other Funds	862,857	864,042	512,529	1,012,274
Federal Funds	7,606,902	6,937,627	7,173,704	10,168,330
Total Funds	\$31,891,669	\$62,934,118	\$65,068,571	\$56,269,721
Positions	9	11	11	11
FTE	8.38	11.00	11.00	11.00

* Includes Emergency Board and administrative actions through December 2016.

Program Description

The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission is a nine-member body created by the 1995 Legislature to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of state and local criminal justice systems by serving as a centralized and impartial forum for statewide public safety policy development, planning and agency coordination. In 2009, the CJC became the State Administering Agency (SAA) for Oregon's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants. In 2013, the CJC became the administrator of Oregon's Justice Reinvestment Grant program. The agency is also responsible for administering sentencing guidelines, analyzing crime and sentencing data, estimating the impact of legislation and initiatives on the criminal justice system, administering the state's drug court grant program and staffing the Asset Forfeiture Oversight Committee.

CSL Summary and Issues

Current Service Level for this agency is a 4.1% General Fund increase, and 3.4% Total Funds increase. There are no CSL issues.

Policy Issues

The CJC has requested five policy option packages, four for housekeeping issues and one to increase the funding available for Justice Reinvestment Initiative grants by \$12.7 million, to a total of \$52.7M for 2017-19. The agency has estimated avoided prison costs resulting from the implementation of HB 3194 at \$186 million in the 2017-19 biennium but that figure includes construction costs for a new institution in Junction City which is not currently in the ten-year forecast window. The CJC requested 2017-19 budget assumes a figure that contains only the Department's averted prison operating costs. The Governor's budget includes \$31.9 for Justice Reinvestment grants.

Other Significant Issues and Current Discussions

Justice Reinvestment Initiative funding and program performance likely will be a significant issue for this agency for the 2017-19 budget. There were no Emergency Board actions, audit findings, or budget notes applicable to the 2015-17 budget.