



## DEPARTMENT *of* JUSTICE

The President is delivering on his promise to stop the migrant crime epidemic, demolish the foreign drug cartels, crush gang violence, lock up violent offenders, and end the weaponization of Government against the American people. The President remains steadfast in these priorities and will continue to fight for Americans and their safety. The Department of Justice (DOJ) is a key driver in delivering the President's mandate to deliver law and order.

The President's Budget reflects his continued commitment in delivering these tough on crime policies by providing a historic \$40.8 billion in discretionary budget authority for DOJ in 2027, a \$4.7 billion or 13-percent increase over the 2026 enacted level, targeting investments in law enforcement to maximize the Department's capacity to bring violent criminals to justice. The President's investment builds on \$11.8 billion provided in the Working Families Tax Cut Act (WFTCA) to send a clear message of supporting law enforcement and ensuring they have the tools, technology, and resources necessary to keep themselves and Americans safe.

### **THE PRESIDENT'S 2027 BUDGET:**

#### ***Investments***

- **Enforces Immigration Laws (+\$99 million).** The Trump Administration is committed to strengthening the Nation's security through robust enforcement of U.S. immigration laws. Due to increased enforcement, the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) received more than 450,000 new cases last year, bringing the pending caseload to over 3.8 million cases. To support this adjudicative need, the Budget provides a total of \$899 million for EOIR, which includes funding to support the immigration judge corps and expand courtroom space to conduct deportation hearings. The Budget also provides \$63 million in increased spending to the Civil Division to defend the Nation's immigration laws and critical Federal programs from legal challenges advanced by radical left interest groups.
- **Combats Violent Crime in the Nation's Cities (+\$3 billion).** The President has deployed the full strength of the Department to fight violent crime, targeting the most dangerous cities with dynamic and unprecedented enforcement efforts. These efforts have seen incredible success, and the Budget builds on this model. Operation Make D.C. Safe and Beautiful has made over 10,200 arrests, seized over 1,050 firearms, and rescued 19 missing children. The Memphis Safe Task Force has made 7,400 arrests, seized more than 1,200 illegal guns, and rescued over 150 missing children. Compared to last year, the Nation's Capital has experienced a 57-percent reduction in homicides, a 49-percent reduction in violent crime, a

62-percent reduction in robberies, and a 36-percent reduction in car thefts. To further this mission, the Budget provides a total of \$22.2 billion to expand the Department's capacity to surge law enforcement resources to target high crime areas in the United States, enforce the Administration's immigration policies, and make America safe. The Budget also provides \$100 million for a new Model Cities Initiative grant program to facilitate unified strategic approaches between Federal, State, local, and tribal leaders to reduce violence and enhance the capacity of law enforcement agencies.

- **Fights the Violent Drug Cartels Trafficking Deadly Fentanyl into America's Communities (+\$362 million).** The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is working effectively to bring to justice cartel leaders from the Sinaloa Cartel, MS-13, Tren de Aragua, Los Zetas, and the Jalisco New Generation Cartel that have pushed millions of deadly fentanyl doses on American citizens. Since the President took office, the DEA has conducted over 21,000 arrests of drug traffickers and seized nearly 10,000 pounds of fentanyl powder, 47 million fentanyl pills, and 567,668 pounds of cocaine. The Budget supercharges these successes by providing resources to hire over 300 additional DEA agents to be equipped with advanced drug trafficking network intelligence systems to strike the heart of these vicious cartels.
- **Combats Fraud Nationwide (+\$30 million).** The Budget advances the President's commitment to combating the rampant and pervasive problem of fraud in the United States by providing \$30 million to support the newly established National Fraud Division. American taxpayers, small business, and private citizens are robbed of millions of dollars each year as the result of complex fraud schemes. These resources would equip the Department to investigate and prosecute fraudsters and provide much needed relief to those harmed by their schemes.
- **Protects the Constitutional Rights of American Citizens (+\$8 million).** The Budget affirms the President's commitment to definitively protect the Second Amendment and other constitutional rights of citizens. This includes investing \$1.4 million for a new office within the Civil Rights Division solely dedicated to protecting Second Amendment rights from unlawful infringement on the right to bear arms and pursuing cases to definitively enshrine those rights in perpetuity, and \$1.3 million to expand efforts to eliminate discriminatory Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs in public institutions. The Budget also allocates \$4.8 million for the Office of the Pardon Attorney's Firearm Rights Restoration Initiative, which provides a pathway for law-abiding citizens to regain their Second Amendment rights after fulfilling their obligations to the justice system. The Budget continues to support the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) efforts to reverse regulations imposed by prior administrations that have effectively criminalized law-abiding gun ownership. The previous administration used the ATF to attack gun-owning Americans and undermine the Second Amendment by: requiring near-universal background checks; subjecting otherwise lawful gun owners to up to 10 years in prison for failing to register pistol braces that make it possible for disabled veterans to use firearms; the imposition of excessive restrictions on homemade firearms; and the revocation of Federal Firearms Licenses. The Budget re-prioritizes resources toward illegal firearms traffickers fueling violent crime, such as MS-13 gang members.
- **Secures America's Prisons and Restores Alcatraz (+\$1.7 billion).** For years, the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) has housed violent criminals in crumbling detention facilities. Building on a \$5 billion investment secured in the President's WFTC, the Budget further invests in BOP to ensure competitive pay, safe working conditions, and an end to longstanding correctional officer shortages. Within this level, the Budget also affirms the President's commitment to rebuild Alcatraz as a state-of-the-art secure prison facility, providing \$152 million to cover the first year of project costs.
- **Focuses the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on the Most Critical Public Safety and National Security Threats (+\$1.9 billion).** The Budget provides \$12.5 billion to fund FBI salaries and expenses. The Administration remains committed to dismantling the web of weaponization spun by the Biden Administration. Under this Administration, homicides are down 27 percent and violent crime is down 20 percent nationwide. Since Inauguration Day, the FBI increased violent crime arrests by 100 percent

compared to the prior year. As of January 20, 2026, the FBI conducted more than 67,000 arrests, a 197-percent increase from the year prior. The FBI also disrupted 1,800 gangs and criminal enterprises, a 210-percent increase from the year prior. The FBI has arrested 1,700 child predators and more than 300 human traffickers across the Nation. In collaboration with Homeland Security Task Forces with other Federal, State, and local law enforcement partners, FBI also works to crush violent crime, capture illegal aliens, and hunt down transnational criminals. To build on this success, the Budget funds key violent crime and counterterrorism investments to support Unmanned Aerial Systems operations and management within the FBI and training of State and local enforcement so all Americans can feel safe from dangerous drone attacks and operators. In addition, the Budget provides funding to keep U.S. citizens safe during large-scale events such as the 2028 Olympics.

### ***Program Cuts and Eliminations***

- **Reduce Duplicative and Unnecessary State and Local Grant Programs (–\$1.7 billion).** The Budget continues efforts to eliminate nearly 30 DOJ grant programs that are duplicative, not aligned with the President’s priorities, fail to reduce violent crime, or are weaponized against the American people. This includes programs that manipulate the legal system on ideological grounds, such as Community-based Approaches to Advancing Justice. Further, the Budget keeps shut the spigot that awarded taxpayer-backed grants to radical organizations like the National Center for Restorative Justice, which encourages no cash bail and other extreme proposals that put American communities in harm’s way. In addition, the Budget continues to realign Violence Against Women Act funding with its original core mission to combat violence against women and directly serve victims—eliminating extraneous programs that divert resources from these core functions. For example, grant funding from the Office on Violence Against Women had been offered for biological men. Program eliminations include grants that provided:
  - \$6 million to an organization that focuses on “equity and liberation resources for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, and White Allies”;
  - \$2 million to a Puerto Rican nonprofit that focuses on addressing “structural racism and toxic masculinities”;
  - \$1.5 million to the radical Vera Institute for Justice; and
  - \$1 million to the National Opinion Research Center to “investigate the social ecological context of anti-LGBTQ+ hate crime reporting.”
- **Eliminates Woke Programs and Offices (–\$20 million).** The Budget maintains the elimination of the Community Relations Service (CRS) and Office of Access to Justice (ATJ)—each is a woke enterprises that fails to serve the core function of the Department to fight crime and protect American communities. CRS was an agency of about 60 people assigned with “preventing and resolving racial and ethnic tensions, incidents, and civil disorders, and in restoring racial stability and harmony.” ATJ is tasked with executing “access to justice policy initiatives.” In practice, this meant helping non-governmental organizations and their lawyers to interfere with Government processes and prevent justice from being delivered effectively. For instance:
  - CRS has a long track record of supporting fringe leftist organizations such as Black Lives Matter and legitimizing riotous behavior that puts America’s police in the crosshairs; and
  - ATJ has supported or amplified initiatives that encourage judges and prosecutors to reduce fines and fees for criminal wrongdoers, promote diversion over incarceration and let criminals roam free, and reconsider cash bail, all areas that are squarely legislative or judicial questions, not DOJ operational mandates. By way of internal working groups, ATJ staff have pushed DOJ components to adopt “equity-based” frameworks that constrain prosecutorial discretion without statutory basis. 🦋

