

Greenbook

LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget

Department of Public Safety

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Quick look...

- Funding for the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) total \$1.08 billion in FY 2026 and \$1.10 billion in FY 2027, representing an FY 2026-FY 2027 biennial total of \$2.18 billion.
- The Department's principal source of revenue consists of taxes, fees, and fines related to vehicle registration, driver's licenses, and moving violations. Around 8% of the budget is supported by the GRF.
- The budget increases several Bureau of Motor Vehicles-related fees.

Fund Group	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
General Revenue (GRF)	\$88,007,577	\$106,372,399	\$82,033,983	\$91,819,862
Highway Safety (HSF)	\$566,747,174	\$598,977,324	\$647,222,651	\$664,511,301
Dedicated Purpose (DPF)	\$134,317,985	\$101,542,536	\$36,316,000	\$26,713,000
Fiduciary (FID)	\$2,632,609	\$3,638,732	\$3,500,000	\$3,600,000
Holding Account (HLD)	\$1,542,654	\$1,330,950	\$1,691,000	\$1,691,000
Federal (FED)	\$230,477,549	\$200,594,099	\$310,120,000	\$310,627,000
Total	\$1,023,725,549	\$1,012,456,042	\$1,080,883,634	\$1,098,962,163
% change	--	-1.1%	6.8%	1.7%
GRF % change	--	20.9%	-22.9%	11.9%

Overview

Agency overview

The Ohio Department of Public Safety's (ODPS) duties and responsibilities generally involve criminal and traffic law enforcement, driver licensing, motor vehicle registration and titling, disaster response and recovery, and traffic safety and education program administration.

The Department's eight program areas can broadly be described as follows:

- **Ohio State Highway Patrol.** Enforces traffic laws and commercial motor safety regulations, offers statewide emergency response services, investigates criminal activities on state-owned property, provides security for the Governor and visiting dignitaries, and coordinates the enforcement of Ohio's liquor, tobacco sale, food stamp, and gambling rules;
- **Emergency Management Agency.** Coordinates statewide preparation for, response to, and recovery from emergencies and disasters;

- **Bureau of Motor Vehicles.** Oversees the titling and registration of motor vehicles and the licensing of drivers, as well as motorcycle training;
- **Criminal Justice Services.** Administers state and federal financial assistance intended to improve state and local criminal justice systems, facilitates criminal justice-related initiatives, and provides criminal justice-related research;
- **Emergency Medical Services.** Certifies, trains, and monitors continuing education requirements for emergency medical technicians (EMTs), firefighters, and fire and emergency services instructors;
- **Homeland Security.** Coordinates all homeland security activities of state agencies, as well as local entities and oversees the licensing and regulation of private investigators and security guards;
- **Law Enforcement Initiatives.** Encompasses various law enforcement initiatives, including Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, the Ohio School Safety Center (OSSC), the Ohio Investigative Unit (OIU), the Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO), and the Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center (ONIC); and
- **Administration.** Supports the Department's administrative expenses, including information technology, human resources, legal services, fiscal services, director's office staff, and any other central services personnel.

Summary of appropriations

As seen in the “**Quick look**” section, the budget appropriates a total of nearly \$1.1 billion in both FY 2026 and FY 2027. Traditionally, the Ohio State Highway Patrol and the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) account for approximately 80% of the Department's full-time equivalent (FTE) staff. As of July 28, 2025, ODPS supported 3,624 filled full-time permanent staff positions. Of the staff assigned to the Patrol, approximately 1,400 are uniformed personnel ranking from Trooper to Colonel.

Budget highlights

The budget includes a number of permanent and temporary law provisions. A few of the provisions with more notable fiscal effects are described below. For a description of each of the Department's permanent and temporary law provisions and related fiscal effects, please see the Department of Public Safety's section of the comparison document for H.B. 96 of the 136th General Assembly.

BMV fee increases

Motor vehicle registration and renewal fees

The budget increases the annual motor vehicle registration and renewal fees by \$5, beginning January 1, 2026, as follows:

- From \$11 to \$16 for noncommercial motor vehicles; and
- From \$30 to \$35 for nonapportioned commercial motor vehicles.

In CY 2024, there were a total of 13,032,933 noncommercial and nonapportioned commercial motor vehicles registered in Ohio. Assuming the number of noncommercial and nonapportioned commercial vehicles stays relatively stable over time, the \$5 fee increase could generate up to \$65.2 million ($13,032,933 \times \5) or more annually.

Under continuing law, the additional registration and renewal fee would be credited to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0), which is statutorily required to be used to administer and enforce motor vehicle and traffic laws. The budget requires all revenue generated from the \$5 increase be used exclusively for the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Deputy registrar/BMV service fee

The budget increases from \$5 to \$8 the service fee charged by the BMV and deputy registrars and requires the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to modify the prorated multi-year registration service fee to account for the increase. The budget allocates the increased portion of the service fee that is retained by the Registrar to be used exclusively for the State Highway Patrol.

The deputy registrar/BMV service fee increase may result in a potential revenue gain of up to \$46.8 million or more annually (based on 15,609,416 transactions posted by deputy registrars in CY 2024) to be retained by deputy registrars or, if the transaction is made online or otherwise performed by the BMV, credited to the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) to be used for the State Highway Patrol.

Certificate of title fee

The budget increases the general certificate of title fee that is required for most motor vehicles, all-purpose vehicles, and off-highway motorcycles by \$3 effective January 1, 2026, and allocates the increase to the Security, Investigations, and Policing Fund (Fund 8400), to be used for the Patrol's security operations related to protecting specified officials and state property. The budget also expands the jurisdiction of the Patrol to arrest any person who threatens the security of another person or state property, concurrent with the arresting authority of the local law enforcement, when the Patrol is providing security for the Governor, other specified officials, Capital Square, the Vern Riffe Center, the James A. Rhodes State Office Tower, and other state property.

In CY 2024, there were a total of 5,511,293 certificates of title issued. Assuming the number of certificates of title issued stays relatively stable over time, the \$5 fee increase could generate up to \$16.5 million ($5,511,293 \times \3) or more in additional revenue annually for Fund 8400.

Optional certificate of title fee

The bill also allows a board of county commissioners to adopt a resolution authorizing an optional \$5 certificate of title fee increase (in addition to the certificate of title fee increase described above) and allocates that increase to the clerk of a court of common pleas who processes the certificate of title, when a board of county commissioners adopts the authorizing resolution.

Vetoed provisions

The Governor vetoed a provision that makes certain personnel rendering intrastate mutual assistance or aid outside their respective political subdivisions employees of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for purposes of the Workers' Compensation Law. The provision was likely to impact a small number of individuals and was therefore expected to have a minimal fiscal effect in the context of the Department's overall budget.¹

¹ For more information on this provision, please see DPSCD70 in the [Comparison Document – Vetoed Items \(PDF\)](#) available under “Budget Central” on the LSC website at lsc.ohio.gov.

Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 budget

Introduction

This section provides an analysis of the appropriated funding for each appropriation line item (ALI) included in the Ohio Department of Public Safety's (ODPS) budget. For organizational purposes, these line items are grouped into eight major categories based on their funding purposes. The analysis for a line item with a lower category or subcategory designation will appear before that for a line item with a higher category or subcategory designation. That is, the analysis for a line item with a category designation of C1:8 will appear before the analysis for a line item with a category designation of C2:1 and the analysis for a line item with a category designation of C1:3 will appear before the analysis for a line item with a category designation of C1:8.

To aid the reader in locating each line item in the analysis, the following table shows the category in which each line item has been placed, listing the line items in order within their respective fund groups and funds.

In the analysis, each line item's expenditures for FY 2025 and appropriations for FY 2026 and FY 2027 are listed in a table. Following the table, a narrative describes how the line item is funded and its purpose(s).

The narrative is divided into eight categories: (1) Ohio State Highway Patrol, (2) Emergency Management, (3) Bureau of Motor Vehicles, (4) Criminal Justice Services, (5) Emergency Medical Services, (6) Homeland Security, (7) Law Enforcement Initiatives, and (8) Administration.

Categorization of Public Safety's ALIs for Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 Budget				
Fund	ALI	ALI Name		Category
General Revenue Fund				
GRF	761403	Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement	7:1	Law Enforcement Initiatives
GRF	761411	Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center	7:2	Law Enforcement Initiatives
GRF	763403	EMA Operating	2:1	Emergency Management
GRF	763513	Security Grants	2:2	Emergency Management
GRF	765401	Emergency Medical Services Operating	5:1	Emergency Medical Services
GRF	767420	Investigative Unit Operating	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
GRF	768425	Justice Program Services	4:1	Criminal Justice Services
GRF	768435	Community Police Relations	4:2	Criminal Justice Services
GRF	769406	Homeland Security – Operating	6:1	Homeland Security
GRF	769407	Driver Safety	7:4	Law Enforcement Initiatives
GRF	769412	Ohio School Safety Center	7:5	Law Enforcement Initiatives
Highway Safety Fund Group				
5TM0	762321	Operating Expense – BMV	3:1	Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Categorization of Public Safety's ALIs for Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 Budget

Fund	ALI	ALI Name		Category
5TM0	762637	Local Immobilization Reimbursement	3:2	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
5TM0	764321	Operating Expense – Highway Patrol	1:1	Ohio State Highway Patrol
5TM0	764605	Motor Carrier Enforcement Expenses	1:2	Ohio State Highway Patrol
5TM0	769636	Administrative Expenses – Highway Purposes	8:1	Administration
8370	764602	Turnpike Policing	1:3	Ohio State Highway Patrol
83C0	764630	Contraband, Forfeiture, and Other	1:4	Ohio State Highway Patrol
83F0	764657	Law Enforcement Automated Data System	1:5	Ohio State Highway Patrol
83G0	764633	OMVI Enforcement/Education	1:6	Ohio State Highway Patrol
83M0	765640	EMS Grants	5:2	Emergency Medical Services
8400	764607	State Fair Security	1:7	Ohio State Highway Patrol
8400	764617	Security and Investigations	1:7	Ohio State Highway Patrol
8400	764626	State Fairgrounds Police Force	1:7	Ohio State Highway Patrol
8460	761625	Motorcycle Safety Education	7:4	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
8490	762627	Automated Title Processing Board	3:3	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
8490	762630	Electronic Liens and Titles	3:3	Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4P60	768601	Justice Program Services	4:1	Criminal Justice Services
4V30	763662	EMA Service and Reimbursements	2:3	Emergency Management
5330	763601	State Disaster Relief	2:4	Emergency Management
5390	762614	Motor Vehicle Dealers Board	3:4	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
5AZ1	761680	eWarrant Local Integration	7:6	Law Enforcement Initiatives
5B90	766632	Private Investigator and Security Guard Provider	6:2	Homeland Security
5BC1	769638	Ohio School Safety and Security Center Training Fees	7:5	Law Enforcement Initiatives
5BK0	768687	Criminal Justice Services – Operating	4:1	Criminal Justice Services
5BK0	768689	Family Violence Shelter Programs	4:3	Criminal Justice Services
5ET0	768625	Drug Law Enforcement	4:4	Criminal Justice Services
5FF0	762621	Indigent Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring	7:4	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
5LM0	768698	Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Support	4:5	Criminal Justice Services
5ML0	769635	Infrastructure Protection	6:3	Homeland Security
5RH0	767697	OIU Special Projects	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
5TZ0	761682	Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement	7:1	Law Enforcement Initiatives
5TZ0	761683	Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center	7:2	Law Enforcement Initiatives
5Y10	764695	State Highway Patrol Continuing Professional Training	1:8	Ohio State Highway Patrol

Categorization of Public Safety's ALIs for Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 Budget				
Fund	ALI	ALI Name		Category
5Y10	767696	Ohio Investigative Unit Continuing Professional Education	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
6220	767615	Investigative, Contraband, and Forfeiture	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
6570	763652	Utility Radiological Safety	2:5	Emergency Management
6810	763653	SARA Title III HAZMAT Planning	2:6	Emergency Management
Fiduciary Fund Group				
5J90	761678	Federal Salvage/GSA	7:7	Law Enforcement Initiatives
5V10	762682	License Plate Contributions	3:5	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Holding Account Fund Group				
R024	762619	Unidentified Motor Vehicle Receipts	3:6	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
R052	762623	Security Deposits	3:6	Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Federal Fund Group				
3370	763515	COVID Relief – Federal	2:7	Emergency Management
3370	763609	Federal Disaster Relief	2:4	Emergency Management
3FP0	767620	Ohio Investigative Unit Justice Contraband	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
3GL0	768619	Justice Assistance Grants	4:6	Criminal Justice Services
3GR0	764693	Highway Patrol Justice Contraband	1:9	Ohio State Highway Patrol
3GS0	764694	Highway Patrol Treasury Contraband	1:9	Ohio State Highway Patrol
3GT0	767691	Investigative Unit Federal Equity Share	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
3GU0	761610	Information and Education Grant	7:4	Law Enforcement Initiatives
3GU0	764608	Fatality Analysis Report System Grant	1:10	Ohio State Highway Patrol
3GU0	764610	Highway Safety Programs Grant	1:11	Ohio State Highway Patrol
3GU0	764659	Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program Grant	1:2	Ohio State Highway Patrol
3GU0	769610	Investigations Grants – Food Stamps, Liquor and Tobacco Laws	7:3	Law Enforcement Initiatives
3GU0	769631	Homeland Security Disaster Grants	6:4	Homeland Security
3GV0	761612	Traffic Safety Action Plan Grant	7:4	Law Enforcement Initiatives
3L50	768604	Justice Program	4:6	Criminal Justice Services

Category 1: Ohio State Highway Patrol

The line items in this category are used by the Ohio State Highway Patrol to support its highway and nonhighway enforcement programs.

C1:1: Operating Expense – Highway Patrol (ALI 764321)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 5TM0 ALI 764321, Operating Expense – Highway Patrol	\$377,412,927	\$404,019,560	\$416,140,146
% change	--	7.0%	3.0%

This line item is used to pay the Patrol's operating expenses, primarily personal services. Funding for this line item is appropriated from the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0), which consists of various taxes, fees, and fines related to the registration and operation of vehicles on public highways.

C1:2: Motor Carrier Enforcement and Safety Assistance Program (ALIs 764605 and 764659)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 5TM0 ALI 764605, Motor Carrier Enforcement Expenses	\$584,095	\$709,000	\$730,000
% change	--	21.4%	3.0%
FED Fund 3GU0 ALI 764659, Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program Grant	\$8,725,392	\$11,242,000	\$11,582,000
% change	--	28.8%	3.0%

These two line items, described in more detail below, support enforcement of state and federal laws pertaining to the safe operation of commercial motor vehicles under the federal Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP). MCSAP, a major grant program of the U.S. Department of Transportation for which the Public Utilities Commission has been designated the lead agency in Ohio, is intended to enable recipients to carry out activities and projects that improve commercial motor vehicle safety and compliance with commercial motor vehicle regulations. These funds may be used for projects that are national in scope, increase public awareness and education, demonstrate new technologies, and reduce the number and rate of commercial motor vehicle accidents.

Motor Carrier Enforcement Expenses (ALI 764605)

This line item provides the state's required 5% match for the Patrol's operating expenses under MCSAP and is primarily used for personal services. Funding supporting this line item is appropriated from Fund 5TM0, which consists of various taxes, fees, and fines related to the registration and operation of vehicles on public highways.

Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program Grant (ALI 764659)

This line item contains the federal grant money appropriated for the Patrol's operating expenses under MCSAP, primarily personal services.

C1:3: Turnpike Policing (ALI 764602)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 8370 ALI 764602, Turnpike Policing	\$13,350,011	\$13,652,000	\$14,117,000
% change	--	2.3%	3.4%

This line item is supported by contract payments made by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission to reimburse the Patrol for costs incurred in policing the Ohio Turnpike, including: (1) the salaries of employees of the Patrol assigned to policing the Turnpike, (2) the current costs of funding retirement pensions for the employees of the Patrol and of providing workers' compensation for them, (3) the cost of training Patrol troopers and radio operators assigned to Turnpike projects, and (4) the cost of equipment and supplies used by the Patrol in such policing, to the extent that they are not directly furnished by the Commission.

C1:4: Contraband, Forfeiture, and Other (ALI 764630)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 83C0 ALI 764630, Contraband, Forfeiture, and Other	\$730,492	\$500,000	\$500,000
% change	--	-31.6%	0.0%

This line item consists of money received by the Patrol from the disposal of contraband, proceeds of crimes, and instrumentalities forfeited pursuant to the state's criminal and civil forfeiture laws. The Patrol is permitted to utilize the money for law enforcement purposes that are determined to be appropriate, such as canine maintenance costs, fees related to forfeitures, training, community programs, and costs associated with enforcement programs.

C1:5: Law Enforcement Automated Data System (ALI 764657)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 83F0 ALI 764657, Law Enforcement Automated Data System	\$5,819,387	\$6,216,213	\$6,380,428
% change	--	6.8%	2.6%

This line item is used to pay for the operation and maintenance of the Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS), a computer communications network allowing local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies to access information on vehicle registration, titling, licensing, outstanding warrants, stolen vehicles, wanted and missing persons, individual criminal histories, emergency data, and stolen firearms. It draws its appropriation from the Law Enforcement Automated Data System Fund (Fund 83F0), which primarily consists of monthly user fees collected from criminal justice agencies in Ohio.

C1:6: OMVI Enforcement/Education (ALI 764633)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 83G0 ALI 764633, OMVI Enforcement/Education	\$540,789	\$156,727	\$157,703
% change	--	-71.0%	0.6%

This line item is used to pay personal services costs related to the Patrol's enforcement of the state's laws against operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs and conduct related educational programs. Money for this purpose is appropriated from the OMVI Fines Fund (Fund 83G0), which consists of a designated portion of fines for the offense of driving under the influence of alcohol or other drugs collected from offenders arrested by the Patrol.

C1:7: Security, Investigations, and Policing (ALIs 764607, 764617, and 764626)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 8400 ALI 764607, State Fair Security	\$1,901,286	\$1,788,386	\$1,842,038
% change	--	-5.9%	3.0%
HSF Fund 8400 ALI 764617, Security and Investigations	\$11,606,594	\$14,376,926	\$14,808,233
% change	--	23.9%	3.0%
HSF Fund 8400 ALI 764626, State Fairgrounds Police Force	\$1,024,831	\$1,031,556	\$1,062,502
% change	--	0.7%	3.0%

These three line items are supported by money appropriated from the Security, Investigations, and Policing Fund (Fund 8400), which largely consists of 45% of fines, forfeited bonds, and forfeited bail collected from persons apprehended or arrested by the Patrol. Beginning January 1, 2026, the budget increases the certificate of title fee required for most motor vehicles, all-purpose vehicles, and off-highway motorcycles by \$3, from \$15 to \$18, and allocates the increase to Fund 8400, specifically for the Patrol's security operations related to protecting specified officials and state property.

State Fair Security (ALI 764607)

This line item is used to pay the operating expenses incurred by the Patrol in performing its duties at the Ohio State Fair, including traffic control and security.

Security and Investigations (ALI 764617)

This line item is used to pay for the Patrol's off-highway activities, including: (1) security for the Governor, other officials and dignitaries, Capitol Square, and other state property, (2) assisting law enforcement agencies across the state in responding to large and small-scale demonstration events, and (3) major criminal investigations and other off-highway investigations that involve state property interests.

State Fairgrounds Police Force (ALI 764626)

This line item supports traffic control and security for the Ohio Expositions Commission complex on a full-time, year-round basis.

C1:8: State Highway Patrol Continuing Professional Training (ALI 764695)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5Y10 ALI 764695, State Highway Patrol Continuing Professional Training	\$291,300	\$148,000	\$148,000
% change	--	-49.2%	0.0%

This line item receives reimbursement money from the Attorney General for the costs of certain continuing professional training programs that are successfully completed by the Patrol's troopers and supports the Patrol's mandatory continuing professional training.

C1:9: Highway Patrol Justice Contraband (ALIs 764693 and 764694)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3GR0 ALI 764693, Highway Patrol Justice Contraband	\$184,966	\$227,000	\$227,000
% change	--	22.7%	0.0%
FED Fund 3GS0 ALI 764694, Highway Patrol Treasury Contraband	\$90,257	\$80,000	\$80,000
% change	--	-11.4%	0.0%

These line items are used for law enforcement purposes that are consistent with guidelines under the Federal Equitable Sharing Program. Examples include canine maintenance costs, criminal interdiction training and equipment, and crime laboratory equipment. The amount of money available to be appropriated for these purposes varies considerably from year to year and depends upon the number of cases, the amounts seized, and the portion of the total seizure belonging to the Patrol.

Highway Patrol Justice Contraband (ALI 764693)

Money for this purpose is appropriated from the Highway Patrol Justice Contraband Fund (Fund 3GR0), which consists of proceeds that the Patrol receives from directly participating in a U.S. Department of Justice investigation or prosecution which results in a federal forfeiture. Department of Justice investigative agencies include the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; the Drug Enforcement Administration; and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Highway Patrol Treasury Contraband (ALI 764694)

Money for this purpose is appropriated from the Highway Patrol Treasury Contraband Fund (Fund 3GS0), which consists of proceeds that the Patrol receives from directly participating in a U.S. Department of Treasury investigation or prosecution which results in a federal forfeiture. Department of Treasury investigative agencies include Customs and Border Protection, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Internal Revenue Service, and Secret Service.

C1:10: Fatality Analysis Report System Grant (ALI 764608)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3GU0 ALI 764608, Fatality Analysis Report System Grant	\$160,000	\$175,000	\$175,000
% change	--	9.4%	0.0%

This line item is supported by federal grants awarded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and is used to reimburse the Patrol for operating expenses, primarily personal services, incurred to collect and share fatal traffic crash data through the Fatality Analysis Reporting System.

C1:11: Highway Safety Programs Grant (ALI 764610)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3GU0 ALI 764610, Highway Safety Programs Grant	\$5,372,329	\$5,226,000	\$5,333,000
% change	--	-2.7%	2.0%

This line item is used to pay the costs of administering certain federally funded highway safety grant programs, which target specific behaviors and activities in effort to reduce the number of Ohio motorists killed or injured as a result of traffic crashes.

Category 2: Emergency Management

This category of line items supports the Ohio Emergency Management Agency (Ohio EMA), which is responsible for coordinating activities to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

C2:1: EMA Operating (ALI 763403)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 763403, EMA Operating	\$8,230,028	\$8,931,000	\$9,102,000
% change	--	8.5%	1.9%

This line item is used to pay the costs of administering programs of Ohio EMA, which include federal and state individual and public assistance recovery programs, as well as mitigation programs which work to eliminate or minimize the impact of future disasters to the state. This line item is also used to pay the nonfederal cost share for the Emergency Management Performance Grant, which covers personnel costs, trainings and exercises for first responders and emergency management personnel, and all-hazards planning activities for state and local entities.

C2:2: Security Grants (ALI 763513)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 763513, Security Grants	\$4,832,390	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000
% change	--	75.9%	0.0%

This line item is used in part to make competitive grants of up to \$125,000 to nonprofit organizations, houses of worship, chartered nonpublic schools, and licensed preschools for specified purposes that assist the organization in preventing, preparing for, or responding to acts of terrorism. Under the budget, Ohio EMA is: (1) required to administer and award the security grants, (2) permitted to prioritize up to \$1.0 million in each fiscal year for innovative community-public safety partnerships with certain eligible grantees, and (3) permitted to use up to 2.5% of the total amount appropriated to administer the program.

The budget also earmarks \$300,000 of this line item in FY 2026 to award competitive grants to chartered nonpublic schools for school resource officer or special duty officer programs, with preference given to institutions that can show a high risk of terror attack.

C2:3: EMA Service and Reimbursements (ALI 763662)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 4V30 ALI 763662, EMA Service and Reimbursements	\$560,357	\$559,000	\$562,000
% change	--	-0.2%	0.5%

This line item supports activities associated with developing and maintaining early warning systems across the state, including: (1) maintaining over 416 precipitation and 75 river stage gauges as part of the State of Ohio Rain/Snow Monitoring System (STORMS) and 17 radio warning system transmitters for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and (2) supporting Ohio's Radiological Instrumentation and Calibration (RIM&C) facility, which provides calibrated radiation detection instruments to state and local governments to respond to nuclear emergencies. The money supporting the line item is appropriated from the EMA Service and Reimbursement Fund (Fund 4V30). Its revenue consists of a STORMS maintenance contract, RIM&C repair and maintenance work, and NOAA contract work.

Related temporary law requires the Director of Budget and Management to transfer \$450,000 in FY 2026 and FY 2027 from the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460), used by the Department of Commerce, to Fund 4V30, and requires that amount to be distributed as follows: (1) \$250,000 to the Ohio Task Force One – Urban Search and Rescue Unit to pay for its operating costs and develop new programs, and (2) \$200,000 to the Ohio Task Force One – Urban Search and Rescue Unit, other similar urban search and rescue units, and for maintenance of the statewide fire emergency response plan by an entity recognized by Ohio EMA.

C2:4 Disaster Relief (ALIs 763407 and 763609)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5330 ALI 763601, State Disaster Relief	\$13,074,128	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
% change	--	-92.4%	0.0%
FED Fund 3370 ALI 763609, Federal Disaster Relief	\$45,651,222	\$73,500,000	\$73,500,000
% change	--	61.0%	0.0%

State Disaster Relief (ALI 763601)

This line item is used by the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for: (1) the State Disaster Relief and State Individual Assistance programs, (2) reimbursements to state and local governments for Emergency Management Assistance Compact deployments, (3) reimbursements to local governments and private nonprofit organizations for costs related to disasters, and (4) other disaster related expenses.

Related temporary law permits the State Disaster Relief Fund (Fund 5330), which supports this line item, to accept transfers of cash or appropriations from the Controlling Board to pay for specified disaster-related expenses; to accept disaster-related reimbursement from federal, state, and local governments; and to accept, hold, administer, and expend any cash received from a gift, donation, bequest, devise, or contribution. Related temporary law also requires \$1.0 million cash in each fiscal year be transferred from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to Fund 5330.

Federal Disaster Relief (ALI 763609)

This line item is used to disburse all of Ohio EMA's federal grants awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The money is used, subsequent to a disaster or emergency declared by the President of the United States, to provide reimbursement to the state and local governments and eligible private nonprofit agencies for debris removal from private and public lands, performance of emergency protective measures, and uninsured costs of repair, replacement, restoration, and mitigation of eligible facilities.

C2:5: Utility Radiological Safety (ALI 763652)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 6570 ALI 763652, Utility Radiological Safety	\$1,354,594	\$1,420,000	\$1,467,000
% change	--	4.8%	3.3%

This line item is funded by a portion of the assessments that the Utility Radiological Safety Board (URSB)² imposes on nuclear electric utilities to fund emergency response planning and preparedness. Its use is restricted to enabling a member agency to fulfill its authority and duties under the statutes related to nuclear safety or the URSB, or under agreements with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Ohio EMA's role within the URSB is to coordinate emergency preparedness efforts for accidents at the Davis-Besse (Ottawa County), Perry (Lake County), and Beaver Valley (Beaver County, Pennsylvania) nuclear power facilities, as well as any other incidents that involve radioactive materials or radiological devices.

C2:6: SARA Title III HAZMAT Planning (ALI 763653)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 6810 ALI 763653, SARA Title III HAZMAT Planning	\$30,911	\$400,000	\$331,000
% change	--	1,194.0%	-17.3%

This line item is used to expend grant money awarded by the State Emergency Response Commission, the fiscal agent of which is the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, to implement Ohio EMA's responsibilities under R.C. Chapter 3750 (emergency planning and community right-to-know). This line item supports the operating costs associated with hazardous and toxic chemical emergency preparedness through assistance with planning, training, and exercises. This line item is also used to pay the state match for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grant program, which is funded through ALI 763609, Federal Disaster Relief.

C2:7: COVID Relief – Federal (ALI 763515)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3370 ALI 763515, COVID Relief – Federal	\$85,444,161	\$150,000,000	\$150,000,000
% change	--	75.6%	0.0%

² R.C. 4937.02.

This line item is used by Ohio EMA to distribute remaining unobligated federal funding from FEMA's Public Assistance Program in the form of reimbursement for the cost of emergency protective measures related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Category 3: Bureau of Motor Vehicles

This category of line items provides funds for the Department's Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), which was previously funded in the transportation budget. The BMV is responsible for the examination and licensing of drivers, registration of motor vehicles, maintenance of driver and vehicle records, enforcing motor vehicle blocks and suspensions, issuance of motor vehicle dealer and salesperson licenses, collection of motor vehicle registration and permissive taxes, and International Registration Plan revenue.

C3:1: Operating Expense – BMV (ALI 762321)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 5TM0 ALI 762321, Operating Expense – BMV	\$119,645,088	\$128,500,000	\$129,645,783
% change	--	7.4%	0.9%

This line item is used to pay for the BMV's operating expenses, the manufacture and distribution of license plates and stickers, the issuance of motor vehicle registrations, and the production and issuance of driver licenses and state identification cards, including the costs of supplying and maintaining systems at 182 deputy registrar locations and 56 BMV Express Kiosks statewide. Funding for this line item is appropriated from the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0), which consists of various taxes, fees, and fines related to the registration and operation of vehicles on public highways.

C3:2: Local Immobilization Reimbursement (ALI 762637)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 5TM0 ALI 762637, Local Immobilization Reimbursement	\$73,657	\$87,000	\$90,000
% change	--	18.1%	3.4%

This line item is used to reimburse law enforcement agencies and county treasuries for the costs incurred to immobilize a vehicle following a court order. Funding for this line item is appropriated from Fund 5TM0, which consists of various taxes, fees, and fines related to the registration and operation of vehicles on public highways.

C3:3: Automated Title Processing (ALIs 762627 and 762630)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 8490 ALI 762627, Automated Title Processing Board	\$11,333,540	\$11,000,000	\$10,950,000
% change	--	-2.9%	-0.5%
HSF Fund 8490 ALI 762630, Electronic Liens and Titles	\$1,876,125	\$2,008,000	\$2,008,000
% change	--	7.0%	0.0%

These two line items are supported by money appropriated from the Automated Title Processing Fund (Fund 8490), which consists of: (1) \$2 of certificate of title fees generally, (2) \$1 of certificate of title fees for watercraft, (3) \$2 of certificate of title fees for all-purpose vehicles and off-highway motorcycles, (4) \$1.50 of each certificate of title with no security interest noted issued to a licensed motor vehicle dealer for resale purposes, and (5) investment earnings.

Automated Title Processing Board (ALI 762627)

This line item is used by Ohio's 88 clerks of courts of common pleas who operate in 148 title offices across the state to maintain the automated title processing system for the issuance of motor vehicle, watercraft, off-highway motorcycle, and all-purpose vehicle certificates of title, including the collection of related fees and sales taxes.

Electronic Liens and Titles (ALI 762630)

This line item is used as a pass-through for lienholders participating in the Electronic Liens and Titling (ELT) Program to pay clerks of court for the costs of performing electronic title transactions. The ELT Program allows lienholders, generally financial institutions such as banks and credit unions, to electronically file lien notations on Ohio motor vehicle titles and cancel those liens once the debt has been satisfied.

C3:4: Motor Vehicle Dealers Board (ALI 762614)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5390 ALI 762614, Motor Vehicle Dealers Board	\$14,191	\$140,000	\$140,000
% change	--	886.5%	0.0%

This line item pays the operating expenses of the Motor Vehicle Dealers Board, which licenses and regulates persons and business entities operating in motor vehicle sales, leasing, and distributing, and the motor vehicle salvage industry. Its appropriation is primarily supported by 4¢ of the fee charged for each certificate of motor vehicle title and credited to the Motor Vehicle Dealers Board Fund (Fund 5390).

C3:5: License Plate Contributions (ALI 762682)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FID Fund 5V10 ALI 762682, License Plate Contributions	\$2,689,628	\$2,900,000	\$3,000,000
% change	--	7.8%	3.4%

This line item is used to distribute customer donations to nonprofit entities including colleges, universities, schools, and charitable organizations that are collected as supplementary vehicle registration fees for the purchase of certain specialty logo license plates. The annual required donation of up to \$35 varies by type of plate and is earmarked for designated recipients.

C3:6: Revenue Distribution (ALIs 762619 and 762623)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HLD Fund R024 ALI 762619, Unidentified Motor Vehicle Receipts	\$1,280,950	\$1,641,000	\$1,641,000
% change	--	28.1%	0.0%
HLD Fund R052 ALI 762623, Security Deposits	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
% change	--	0.0%	0.0%

These line items are used by the Department to hold certain cash receipts until its disposition can be properly identified.

Unidentified Motor Vehicle Receipts (ALI 762619)

This line item is used to refund overpayments from customer transactions with the BMV, including in-person, mail-in, and online transactions, back to the customer. Overpayment can occur due to a variety of reasons, such as recent changes to customer information, or permissive tax changes with respect to motor vehicle registrations.

Security Deposits (ALI 762623)

This line item serves as a pass-through consisting of security deposits established when uninsured motorists are involved in traffic crashes. All money disbursed from this line item is used to pay court-ordered judgments for damages arising out of an accident with an uninsured motorist where a security deposit was required to be made³ and the return of any security deposit where it is determined by a court that one is no longer necessary.⁴

³ R.C. 4509.28.

⁴ R.C. 4509.25 and 4509.29.

Category 4: Criminal Justice Services

This category of line items supports the services and activities of the Department's Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), including grants administration, policy and research, law enforcement services, providing support and overseeing the state's overall response to human trafficking, and the Family Violence Prevention.

C4:1: Operating Expenses (ALIs 768425, 768601, and 768687)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 768425, Justice Program Services	\$24,379,350	\$19,695,430	\$19,875,918
% change	--	-19.2%	0.9%
DPF Fund 4P60 ALI 768601, Justice Program Services	\$0	\$95,000	\$100,000
% change	--	N/A	5.3%
DPF Fund 5BK0 ALI 768687, Criminal Justice Services – Operating	\$161,207	\$770,000	\$795,000
% change	--	377.6%	3.2%

These line items support the administration and operation of the Office of Criminal Justice Services, including federal grant administration, as well as management and oversight of programs that disburse state grants to domestic violence shelters and law enforcement agencies.

Justice Program Services (ALI 768425)

Under the budget, approximately 90.0% of each fiscal year's appropriation is earmarked under a related temporary law provision that requires up to \$17.9 million annually be distributed to state and local law enforcement and first responder service providers for seven specified purposes. Those purposes and the corresponding "up to" amounts earmarked for each purpose are summarized in the table below. The remainder is used for the management and oversight of federal grants, including activities that are not eligible to be funded by federal grants or exceed the administrative set-aside.

Earmarks	Annual "Up To" Amount
Body-Worn Camera Programs	\$5,000,000
Anti-Human Trafficking Efforts	\$4,531,000
Crime Reduction and Prevention	\$4,000,000
Peace Officer and First Responder Recruitment, Retention, and Wellness	\$2,200,000
<i>First Responders' Bridge</i>	<i>\$500,000</i>
<i>Save A Warrior Foundation</i>	<i>\$500,000</i>
<i>Tri-State Peer Support Team</i>	<i>\$200,000</i>

Earmarks	Annual "Up To" Amount
Sexual Assault Kit Testing and Related Expenses	\$1,000,000
Law Enforcement Hearing Protection Program	\$1,000,000
Governor's Warrant Task Force Recommendation Implementation	\$200,000
Earmark Total	\$17,931,000

Justice Program Services (ALI 768601)

This line item is used to pay the operating expenses of the Office of Criminal Justice Services. It is supported by money appropriated from the Justice Program Services Fund (Fund 4P60), which primarily consists of 11¢ of the additional \$10 court cost imposed for moving violations.

Criminal Justice Services – Operating (ALI 768687)

This line item pays the costs of administering the operations of the Office of Criminal Justice Services, including meeting federal match requirements. It is supported with money appropriated from the Family Violence Prevention Fund (Fund 5BK0). Its revenue largely consists of (1) \$1.46 of the \$1.50 fee collected for certificates of birth and death, and (2) \$5.34 of the \$5.50 fee collected for the filing of a divorce decree or dissolution.

C4:2: Community Police Relations (ALI 768435)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 768435, Community Police Relations	\$2,173,232	\$2,445,800	\$2,607,939
% change	--	12.5%	6.6%

This line item is used to implement key recommendations of the Ohio Task Force on Community-Police Relations, including a public awareness campaign and state-provided assistance with policymaking and manuals.

C4:3: Family Violence Shelter Programs (ALI 768689)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5BK0 ALI 768689, Family Violence Shelter Programs	\$1,868,756	\$1,550,000	\$1,550,000
% change	--	-17.1%	0.0%

This line item is used to provide grants to Ohio's eligible family violence shelters to provide support for the shelters, including paying for rent and utilities. It is supported with money appropriated from the Family Violence Prevention Fund (Fund 5BK0). Its revenue largely consists

of (1) \$1.46 of the \$1.50 fee collected for certificates of birth and death, and (2) \$5.34 of the \$5.50 fee collected for the filing of a divorce decree or dissolution.

C4:4: Drug Law Enforcement (ALI 768625)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5ET0 ALI 768625, Drug Law Enforcement	\$3,294,455	\$3,750,000	\$3,750,000
% change	--	13.8%	0.0%

This line item is used to provide reimbursement grants to local drug task forces to offset the costs incurred to perform their functions related to the enforcement of the state's drug laws and other state laws related to illegal drug activity. Its money is appropriated from the Drug Law Enforcement Fund (Fund 5ET0), which consists of \$3.40 of the additional \$10 court cost assessed for moving violations.

C4:5: Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Support (ALI 768698)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5LM0 ALI 768698, Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Support	\$881,216	\$850,000	\$850,000
% change	--	-3.5%	0.0%

This line item is used to provide law enforcement training to local governmental entities. Its money is appropriated from the Criminal Justice Services Casino Tax Revenue Fund (Fund 5LM0), which receives 15% of the 2% of casino tax revenue collected that is directed to support law enforcement training.

C4:6: Federal Grants (ALIs 768604 and 768619)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3L50 ALI 768604, Justice Program	\$27,436,081	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000
% change	--	-8.9%	0.0%
FED Fund 3GL0 ALI 768619, Justice Assistance Grants	\$6,924,349	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
% change	--	44.4%	0.0%

These two federal line items are used to expend various criminal justice-related grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to assist the state and local governments with efforts to: (1) prevent and control crime based on local needs and conditions, (2) combat violent crimes against women and human trafficking, (3) reduce family and school violence, (4) support criminal justice and substance abuse treatment

programs, (5) improve forensic science and medical examiner services, and (6) enabling access to criminal history and related records.

Category 5: Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

This category of line items provides funding for the Division of Emergency Medical Services. EMS is responsible for certifying, training, and monitoring of continuing education requirements for emergency medical technicians (EMTs), firefighters, and fire and emergency services instructors.

C5:1: Emergency Medical Services Operating (ALI 765401)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 765401, Emergency Medical Services Operating	\$5,371,773	\$5,572,851	\$5,843,030
% change	--	3.7%	4.8%

This line item funds the operating costs of the EMS division, as well as the costs to support and maintain the EMS Incident Reporting Database and the Ohio Trauma Registry.

A related temporary law provision earmarks \$75,000 in each fiscal year of this appropriation item for distribution to the Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team headquarters in Montgomery County for maintenance and training.

C5:2: EMS Grants (ALI 765640)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 83M0 ALI 765640, EMS Grants	\$2,576,472	\$2,900,000	\$2,900,000
% change	--	12.6%	0.0%

This line item is used solely to fund grants to emergency medical services organizations to improve and enhance EMS and trauma patient care in Ohio through funding for equipment, training, and research. It is supported by Fund 83M0, which consists of: (1) fines from seat belt law violations, (2) 5% of fines and forfeited bail bonds related to Ohio State Highway Patrol apprehensions and arrests, (3) \$20 of the \$475 fee collected for the reinstatement of a driver's license that was suspended for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs, and (4) licensing fees for medical transportation providers.

Category 6: Homeland Security

This category of line items supports Ohio Homeland Security, a division that coordinates all of Ohio's homeland security activities.

C6:1: Homeland Security – Operating (ALI 769406)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 769406, Homeland Security – Operating	\$4,712,416	\$4,946,000	\$5,046,000
% change	--	5.0%	2.0%

This line item pays the operating expenses of Ohio Homeland Security, including maintaining the Statewide Terrorism Analysis and Crime Center, and the Strategic Analysis and Information Center.

C6:2: Private Investigator and Security Guard Provider (ALI 766632)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5B90 ALI 766632, Private Investigator and Security Guard Provider	\$1,943,858	\$2,134,000	\$2,203,000
% change	--	9.8%	3.2%

This line item is used to pay the operating expenses associated with the licensing and regulation of Ohio's private investigator and security guard providers, and the Ohio Private Investigation and Security Services Commission, which advises the Director of Public Safety on all matters related to the regulation of private investigation and the business of security services. It is supported largely by money received from examination, licensing, and registration fees paid by private investigators and security guard providers.

C6:3: Infrastructure Protection (ALI 769635)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF Fund 5ML0 ALI 769635, Infrastructure Protection	\$72,602	\$89,000	\$91,000
% change	--	22.6%	2.2%

This line item supports the Scrap Metal Dealer Oversight Program, which is intended to reduce the adverse effect of scrap metal theft on critical infrastructure across the state by requiring scrap metal dealers to register annually and to upload electronically certain daily business transactions. It is supported with money appropriated from the Infrastructure Protection Fund (Fund 5ML0), which consists of fees collected from scrap metal dealer registrations (\$200) and annual registration renewals (\$150).⁵

⁵ R.C. 4737.045.

C6:4: Homeland Security Disaster Grants (ALI 769631)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3GU0 ALI 769631, Homeland Security Disaster Grants	\$723,846	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
% change	--	107.2%	0.0%

This line item consists of federal awards received from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency and is used to reimburse Ohio Homeland Security for expenses incurred related to preventing, preparing for, and responding to acts of terrorism.

Category 7: Law Enforcement Initiatives

This category of line items provides funds for a variety of law enforcement initiatives.

C7:1: Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement (ALIs 761403 and 761682)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement	\$7,560,476	\$0	\$3,250,000
% change	--	-100.0%	N/A
DPF Fund 5TZ0 ALI 761682, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement	\$0	\$6,500,000	\$3,250,000
% change	--	N/A	-50.0%

These line items are used to pay for management and oversight of programs that disburse state grants to narcotics task forces and law enforcement agencies and for the operating expenses of the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) related to those programs. Related temporary law requires new DPF Fund 5TZ0 ALI 761682, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, and GRF ALI 761403, Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement, be used in conjunction to support the RecoveryOhio Initiative. Collectively, \$6.5 million of the combined appropriations in each fiscal year are earmarked for three specified purposes. The “up to” amounts earmarked for each of these purposes are shown in the table below.

Earmarks	Annual “Up To” Amount
Narcotics Task Forces	\$3,400,000
Law Enforcement Partnerships	\$2,500,000
Records Management/Data Intelligence System	\$600,000
Earmark Total	\$6,500,000

C7:2: Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center (ALIs 761411 and 761683)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 761411, Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center	\$14,906,596	\$0	\$7,050,000
% change	--	-100.0%	N/A
DPF Fund 5T20 ALI 761683, Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center	\$0	\$13,200,000	\$6,750,000
% change	--	N/A	-48.9%

These line items are used to support the operations of the Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center (ONIC), which provides services that directly benefit law enforcement agencies and drug task forces by offering investigative support, access to forensic and analytical tools, and a data-sharing case management system. Related temporary law requires new DPF Fund 5T20 ALI 761683, Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center, and GRF ALI 761411, Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center, be used in conjunction to support ONIC.

C7:3: Ohio Investigative Unit (ALIs 767420, 767697, 767696, 767615, 767620, 767691, and 769610)

These line items support the Ohio Investigative Unit, whose primary areas of enforcement pertain to: (1) illegal sale of alcohol beverages, (2) illegal sale and/or trading of food stamp benefits, (3) sale of tobacco to underage persons where a liquor permit premise is involved, and (4) gambling law and narcotics trafficking related to liquor permit premises. Investigations may be related to locations operating without a permit or involvement in crimes of drug, gambling, counterfeiting, property, and human trafficking.

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 767420, Investigative Unit Operating	\$16,091,781	\$16,554,073	\$14,718,860
% change	--	2.9%	-11.1%
DPF Fund 5RH0 ALI 767697, OIU Special Projects	\$213,987	\$750,000	\$750,000
% change	--	250.5%	0.0%
DPF Fund 5Y10 ALI 767696, Ohio Investigative Unit Continuing Professional Training	\$4,350	\$10,000	\$10,000
% change	--	129.9%	0.0%
DPF Fund 6220 ALI 767615, Investigative, Contraband, and Forfeiture	\$39,944	\$61,000	\$61,000
% change	--	52.7%	0.0%
FED Fund 3FP0 ALI 767620, Ohio Investigative Unit Justice Contraband	\$1,095	\$10,000	\$10,000
% change	--	813.2%	0.0%

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FED Fund 3GT0 ALI 767691, Investigative Unit Federal Equity Share	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
% change	--	N/A	0.0%
FED Fund 3GU0 ALI 769610, Investigations Grants – Food Stamps, Liquor and Tobacco Laws	\$915,112	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
% change	--	9.3%	0.0%

Investigative Unit Operating (ALI 767420)

This line item is used to pay the Investigative Unit's operating expenses and the state matching requirements for federal awards received.

OIU Special Projects (ALI 767697)

This line item is used to pay the expenses of investigatory activities performed by the Investigative Unit pursuant to nonfederal agreements with the Ohio Department of Behavioral Health.⁶

Ohio Investigative Unit Continuing Professional Training (ALI 767696)

This line item is used to pay for the Investigative Unit's continuing professional training programs. It draws its money from reimbursements received from the Ohio Attorney General's Law Enforcement Assistance Fund (Fund 5L50) for the costs of certain continuing professional training programs that are successfully completed by Investigative Unit agents.

Investigative, Contraband, and Forfeiture (ALI 767615)

This line item is used by the Investigative Unit to pay for investigative supplies, law enforcement equipment, evidence purchase, and payments to confidential informants. It is supported by money appropriated from the Investigative, Contraband, and Forfeiture Fund (Fund 6220), which consists of proceeds from the disposal of contraband, proceeds, and instrumentalities that are forfeited pursuant to the state's criminal and civil forfeiture laws.

Federal Equitable Sharing (ALIs 767620 and 767691)

These two line items are funded from the Ohio Investigative Unit's share of the money received from the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Treasury through the Federal Equitable Sharing Program, where federal forfeiture proceeds are shared between the state and federal law enforcement authorities. Federal Equitable Sharing Program guidelines dictate how these line items can be used.

⁶ H.B. 96 of the 136th General Assembly changed the name of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to the Department of Behavioral Health.

Investigations Grants – Food Stamps, Liquor and Tobacco Laws (ALI 769610)

This line item consists of awards received by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, the Ohio Department of Behavioral Health, and the Ohio Traffic Safety Office. It is used by the Investigative Unit to investigate the illegal sale of food stamp benefits, the illegal sale of tobacco and alcohol to minors, and alcohol-related crashes.

C7:4: Ohio Traffic Safety Office (ALIs 769407, 761625, 762621, 761610, and 761612)

These line items support the Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO), which oversees Ohio Driver Training, Motorcycle Ohio, and Ohio's Ignition Interlock Program. OTSO is also responsible for administering federal highway safety funds for programs which are designed to reduce the number of injuries and fatalities on Ohio's roadways.

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 769407, Driver Safety	\$6,310,116	\$6,425,545	\$6,458,591
% change	--	1.8%	0.5%
HSF Fund 8460 ALI 761625, Motorcycle Safety Education	\$3,155,179	\$4,215,000	\$4,220,000
% change	--	33.6%	0.1%
DPF Fund 5FF0 ALI 762621, Indigent Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring	\$1,289,333	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
% change	--	8.6%	0.0%
FED Fund 3GU0 ALI 761610, Information and Education Grant	\$0	\$435,000	\$435,000
% change	--	N/A	0.0%
FED Fund 3GV0 ALI 761612, Traffic Safety Action Plan Grant	\$18,965,275	\$31,625,000	\$31,685,000
% change	--	66.8%	0.2%

Driver Safety (ALI 769407)

This line item is principally used to pay for the Youthful Driver Safety Program, which aims to reduce the number of fatal car crashes involving youth by supporting awareness campaigns and programs, providing driver training courses and assessments, and allowing OTSO to perform research and data analytics.

Motorcycle Safety Education (ALI 761625)

This line item pays for the operating expenses of Motorcycle Ohio (the Department's motorcycle safety and education program) and provides funding to subrecipients that offer motorcycle safety and education courses to Ohio residents. Motorcycle Ohio program staff develop and distribute public information and education materials pertaining to motorist

awareness and motorcycle licensing, make presentations regarding motorcycle safety issues, and participate in other motorcycle safety-related activities.

Money for this purpose is appropriated from the Motorcycle Safety and Education Fund (Fund 8460), which consists of: (1) \$6 of the \$14 annual motorcycle registration fee, (2) the \$50 motorcycle training course tuition fee, (3) fees related to the initial certification of a private motorcycle safety and education program (\$400) and a private program instructor (\$50), (4) a \$175 private program evaluation fee that is assessed every two years, and (5) investment earnings.

Indigent Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring (ALI 762621)

This line item is supported by \$40 of the \$190 mandatory minimum fine imposed for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs if the court in which the offender was convicted does not have a special projects fund. Money in the Indigent Drivers Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring Fund (Fund 5FF0), which supports this line item, is distributed to counties and municipalities to fund interlock and alcohol monitoring expenses for indigent adult and juvenile offenders.

Information and Education (ALI 761610)

This line item, which was previously funded in the transportation budget, consists of federal awards received from NHTSA and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and is used to reimburse the BMV for expenses associated with the notification of motor vehicle recalls and improvements to the commercial driver's licensing program. The costs supported by this line item vary based on the federal award.

Traffic Safety Action Plan Grant (ALI 761612)

This line item, which was previously funded in the transportation budget, is used to disburse various federal NHTSA grants awarded to the state of Ohio. It primarily provides funding to subrecipients to implement highway safety programs identified within Ohio's Highway Safety Plan, with the remainder used to pay OTSO administrative expenses.

C7:5: Ohio School Safety Center (ALIs 769412 and 769638)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
GRF ALI 769412, Ohio School Safety Center	\$8,429,187	\$8,963,284	\$9,367,524
% change	--	6.3%	4.5%
DPF 5BC1 ALI 769638, Ohio School Safety and Security Center Training Fees	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
% change	--	N/A	0.0%

Ohio School Safety Center (ALI 769412)

This line item pays for the operating expenses of the Ohio School Safety Center (OSSC), which is housed within the Division of Homeland Security and includes the Mobile Training Team. Activities supported by OSSC include: (1) assisting local schools and first responders with preventing, preparing for, and responding to threats and acts of violence, (2) developing

curriculum and providing training to schools, including firearms and tactical emergency medical services training, (3) developing and reviewing emergency management plans, and (4) promoting awareness of the Safer Schools Tip Line.

Ohio School Safety and Security Center Training Fees (ALI 769638)

This line item is used to offset the operating and training costs of the Ohio School Safety Center, that provides required training to schools, including firearms and tactical emergency medical services training. The fund supporting this line item consists of training fees paid by certain school employees who participate in the trainings.

C7:6: eWarrant Local Integration (ALI 761680)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
DPF 5AZ1 ALI 761680, eWarrant Local Integration	\$2,393,026	\$1,390,000	\$1,405,000
% change	--	-41.9%	1.1%

This line item is used to support the development of a statewide electronic warrant (eWarrant) system to track the status of warrants from creation to service and provide accessibility to local law enforcement and authorized governmental agencies. The budget authorizes a \$750,000 transfer from the GRF on July 1, 2025, to Fund 5AZ1.

C7:7: Federal Salvage/GSA (ALI 761678)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
FID Fund 5J90 ALI 761678, Federal Salvage/GSA	\$949,104	\$600,000	\$600,000
% change	--	-36.8%	0.0%

This line item is used to purchase vehicles on behalf of local law enforcement agencies through the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) AutoChoice Program.

Local law enforcement agencies that wish to participate and purchase vehicles at the GSA rate first pay the Department for the vehicle, the Department orders the vehicle through the program, and then the Department pays for the vehicle from this line item when the vehicle is received by the local law enforcement agency. Costs are driven by the price of vehicles and local law enforcement agency participation.

Category 8: Administration

This category of line items, which was previously funded in the transportation budget, provides funds for the Department's administrative expenses.

C8:1: Administrative Expenses – Highway Purposes (ALI 769636)

Fund/ALI	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
HSF Fund 5TM0 ALI 769636, Administrative Expenses – Highway Purposes	\$47,346,852	\$56,062,283	\$58,959,468
% change	--	18.4%	5.2%

This line item is used to pay the Department's operating expenses, which include personnel costs related to information technology, human resources, legal services, fiscal services, Director's office staff, and any other central services personnel with the Department. Funding for this line item is appropriated from the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0), which consists of various taxes, fees, and fines related to the registration and operation of vehicles on public highways.

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DPS Ohio Department of Public Safety								
GRF	761403	Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement	\$7,546,760	\$7,560,476	\$0	\$3,250,000	-100.00%	N/A
GRF	761411	Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center	\$10,674,878	\$14,906,596	\$0	\$7,050,000	-100.00%	N/A
GRF	763403	EMA Operating	\$7,210,839	\$8,230,028	\$8,931,000	\$9,102,000	8.52%	1.91%
GRF	763408	State Disaster Relief	\$629,268	\$2,271,254	\$0	\$0	-100.00%	N/A
GRF	763511	Local Disaster Assistance	\$2,198,266	\$1,103,800	\$0	\$0	-100.00%	N/A
GRF	763513	Security Grants	\$2,402,809	\$4,832,390	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	75.90%	0.00%
GRF	765401	Emergency Medical Services Operating	\$4,854,516	\$5,371,773	\$5,572,851	\$5,843,030	3.74%	4.85%
GRF	767420	Investigative Unit Operating	\$14,373,414	\$16,091,781	\$16,554,073	\$14,718,860	2.87%	-11.09%
GRF	768425	Justice Program Services	\$17,822,681	\$24,379,350	\$19,695,430	\$19,875,918	-19.21%	0.92%
GRF	768435	Community Police Relations	\$1,480,605	\$2,173,232	\$2,445,800	\$2,607,939	12.54%	6.63%
GRF	769406	Homeland Security - Operating	\$4,753,573	\$4,712,416	\$4,946,000	\$5,046,000	4.96%	2.02%
GRF	769407	Driver Safety	\$4,460,395	\$6,310,116	\$6,425,545	\$6,458,591	1.83%	0.51%
GRF	769412	Ohio School Safety Center	\$9,531,098	\$8,429,187	\$8,963,284	\$9,367,524	6.34%	4.51%
GRF	769501	School Safety	\$68,474	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A
General Revenue Fund Subtotal			\$88,007,577	\$106,372,399	\$82,033,983	\$91,819,862	-22.88%	11.93%
5TM0	762321	Operating Expense - BMV	\$114,876,831	\$119,645,088	\$128,500,000	\$129,645,783	7.40%	0.89%
5TM0	762637	Local Immobilization Reimbursement	\$81,400	\$73,657	\$87,000	\$90,000	18.12%	3.45%
5TM0	764321	Operating Expense - Highway Patrol	\$352,925,020	\$377,412,927	\$404,019,560	\$416,140,146	7.05%	3.00%
5TM0	764605	Motor Carrier Enforcement Expenses	\$235,961	\$584,095	\$709,000	\$730,000	21.38%	2.96%
5TM0	769636	Administrative Expenses - Highway Purposes	\$47,097,255	\$47,346,852	\$56,062,283	\$58,959,468	18.41%	5.17%
8370	764602	Turnpike Policing	\$12,427,589	\$13,350,011	\$13,652,000	\$14,117,000	2.26%	3.41%
83CO	764630	Contraband, Forfeiture, and Other	\$949,431	\$730,492	\$500,000	\$500,000	-31.55%	0.00%
83FO	764657	Law Enforcement Automated Data System	\$4,868,946	\$5,819,387	\$6,216,213	\$6,380,428	6.82%	2.64%
83G0	764633	OMVI Enforcement/Education	\$154,418	\$540,789	\$156,727	\$157,703	-71.02%	0.62%
83M0	765624	Operating - EMS	\$31,630	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A

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DPS Ohio Department of Public Safety								
83M0	765640	EMS Grants	\$2,208,191	\$2,576,472	\$2,900,000	\$2,900,000	12.56%	0.00%
8400	764607	State Fair Security	\$1,778,887	\$1,901,286	\$1,788,386	\$1,842,038	-5.94%	3.00%
8400	764617	Security and Investigations	\$15,486,967	\$11,606,594	\$14,376,926	\$14,808,233	23.87%	3.00%
8400	764626	State Fairgrounds Police Force	\$950,911	\$1,024,831	\$1,031,556	\$1,062,502	0.66%	3.00%
8460	761625	Motorcycle Safety Education	\$3,108,829	\$3,155,179	\$4,215,000	\$4,220,000	33.59%	0.12%
8490	762627	Automated Title Processing Board	\$7,557,638	\$11,333,540	\$11,000,000	\$10,950,000	-2.94%	-0.45%
8490	762630	Electronic Liens and Titles	\$2,007,270	\$1,876,125	\$2,008,000	\$2,008,000	7.03%	0.00%
Highway Safety Fund Group Subtotal			\$566,747,174	\$598,977,324	\$647,222,651	\$664,511,301	8.05%	2.67%
4P60	768601	Justice Program Services	\$151,787	\$0	\$95,000	\$100,000	N/A	5.26%
4V30	763662	EMA Service and Reimbursements	\$549,021	\$560,357	\$559,000	\$562,000	-0.24%	0.54%
5330	763601	State Disaster Relief	\$13,484,071	\$13,074,128	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	-92.35%	0.00%
5390	762614	Motor Vehicle Dealers Board	\$7,589	\$14,191	\$140,000	\$140,000	886.54%	0.00%
5AZ1	761680	eWarrant Local Integration	\$1,755,862	\$2,393,026	\$1,390,000	\$1,405,000	-41.91%	1.08%
5B90	766632	Private Investigator and Security Guard Provider	\$1,880,394	\$1,943,858	\$2,134,000	\$2,203,000	9.78%	3.23%
5BC1	769638	Ohio School Safety and Security Center Training Fees	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	N/A	0.00%
5BK0	768687	Criminal Justice Services - Operating	\$432,151	\$161,207	\$770,000	\$795,000	377.65%	3.25%
5BK0	768689	Family Violence Shelter Programs	\$1,191,600	\$1,868,756	\$1,550,000	\$1,550,000	-17.06%	0.00%
5CV3	768622	Community Violence Intervention - First Responder Program	\$106,689,467	\$73,625,554	\$0	\$0	-100.00%	N/A
5ET0	768625	Drug Law Enforcement	\$2,852,707	\$3,294,455	\$3,750,000	\$3,750,000	13.83%	0.00%
5FF0	762621	Indigent Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring	\$1,317,628	\$1,289,333	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	8.58%	0.00%
5LM0	768431	Highway Patrol Training	\$0	\$178,500	\$0	\$0	-100.00%	N/A
5LM0	768698	Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Support	\$751,692	\$881,216	\$850,000	\$850,000	-3.54%	0.00%
5ML0	769635	Infrastructure Protection	\$68,751	\$72,602	\$89,000	\$91,000	22.59%	2.25%
5RH0	767697	OIU Special Projects	\$523,188	\$213,987	\$750,000	\$750,000	250.49%	0.00%
5RS0	768621	Community Police Relations	\$913,974	\$250,266	\$0	\$0	-100.00%	N/A

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DPS Ohio Department of Public Safety								
5TZ0	761682	Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement	\$0	\$0	\$6,500,000	\$3,250,000	N/A	-50.00%
5TZ0	761683	Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center	\$0	\$0	\$13,200,000	\$6,750,000	N/A	-48.86%
5Y10	764695	State Highway Patrol Continuing Professional Training	\$256,922	\$291,300	\$148,000	\$148,000	-49.19%	0.00%
5Y10	767696	Ohio Investigative Unit Continuing Professional Training	\$5,150	\$4,350	\$10,000	\$10,000	129.89%	0.00%
6220	767615	Investigative, Contraband, and Forfeiture	\$61,263	\$39,944	\$61,000	\$61,000	52.71%	0.00%
6570	763652	Utility Radiological Safety	\$1,183,187	\$1,354,594	\$1,420,000	\$1,467,000	4.83%	3.31%
6810	763653	SARA Title III Hazmat Planning	\$241,579	\$30,911	\$400,000	\$331,000	1,194.04%	-17.25%
Dedicated Purpose Fund Group Subtotal			\$134,317,985	\$101,542,536	\$36,316,000	\$26,713,000	-64.24%	-26.44%
5J90	761678	Federal Salvage/GSA	\$23,472	\$949,104	\$600,000	\$600,000	-36.78%	0.00%
5V10	762682	License Plate Contributions	\$2,609,137	\$2,689,628	\$2,900,000	\$3,000,000	7.82%	3.45%
Fiduciary Fund Group Subtotal			\$2,632,609	\$3,638,732	\$3,500,000	\$3,600,000	-3.81%	2.86%
R024	762619	Unidentified Motor Vehicle Receipts	\$1,542,654	\$1,280,950	\$1,641,000	\$1,641,000	28.11%	0.00%
R052	762623	Security Deposits	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00%	0.00%
Holding Account Fund Group Subtotal			\$1,542,654	\$1,330,950	\$1,691,000	\$1,691,000	27.05%	0.00%
3370	763515	COVID Relief - Federal	\$122,441,258	\$85,444,161	\$150,000,000	\$150,000,000	75.55%	0.00%
3370	763609	Federal Disaster Relief	\$47,080,500	\$45,651,222	\$73,500,000	\$73,500,000	61.00%	0.00%
3FP0	767620	Ohio Investigative Unit Justice Contraband	\$0	\$1,095	\$10,000	\$10,000	813.22%	0.00%
3GL0	768619	Justice Assistance Grants	\$5,828,653	\$6,924,349	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	44.42%	0.00%
3GR0	764693	Highway Patrol Justice Contraband	\$204,241	\$184,966	\$227,000	\$227,000	22.73%	0.00%
3GS0	764694	Highway Patrol Treasury Contraband	\$79,215	\$90,257	\$80,000	\$80,000	-11.36%	0.00%
3GT0	767691	Investigative Unit Federal Equity Share	\$14,050	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	N/A	0.00%
3GU0	761610	Information and Education Grant	\$0	\$0	\$435,000	\$435,000	N/A	0.00%
3GU0	764608	Fatality Analysis Report System Grant	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$175,000	\$175,000	9.38%	0.00%
3GU0	764610	Highway Safety Programs Grant	\$4,400,724	\$5,372,329	\$5,226,000	\$5,333,000	-2.72%	2.05%

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DPS Ohio Department of Public Safety								
3GU0	764659	Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program Grant	\$9,103,482	\$8,725,392	\$11,242,000	\$11,582,000	28.84%	3.02%
3GU0	769610	Investigations Grants - Food Stamps, Liquor, and Tobacco Laws	\$655,899	\$915,112	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	9.28%	0.00%
3GU0	769631	Homeland Security Disaster Grants	\$437,900	\$723,846	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	107.23%	0.00%
3GV0	761612	Traffic Safety Action Plan Grant	\$18,806,757	\$18,965,275	\$31,625,000	\$31,685,000	66.75%	0.19%
3HT0	768699	Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding	\$2,628,135	\$15	\$0	\$0	-100.00%	N/A
3L50	768604	Justice Program	\$18,636,736	\$27,436,081	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000	-8.88%	0.00%
Federal Fund Group Subtotal			\$230,477,549	\$200,594,099	\$310,120,000	\$310,627,000	54.60%	0.16%
Ohio Department of Public Safety Total			\$1,023,725,549	\$1,012,456,042	\$1,080,883,634	\$1,098,962,163	6.76%	1.67%