Budget Briefing:
State Police

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Department State Police

The Department of State Police – also known as the Michigan State Police (MSP) – provides law enforcement and public safety services throughout the state. In addition to primary law enforcement, criminal investigation, and traffic safety duties, the department is also responsible for the administration and implementation of state programs, technologies, and services that enhance the capabilities and coordination of federal, state, and local law enforcement and criminal justice agencies.

The MSP provides services that include, but are not limited to:

- Patrol of major state highways
- Records and information management and sharing
- Criminal investigations and forensic science services
- Special services, such as aviation, dive teams, Emergency Support Team (SWAT), and bomb squads
- Coordination of disaster relief and homeland security efforts
- Commercial vehicle regulation and enforcement, and school bus inspections
- Establishment and upholding of law enforcement standards, and distribution of grants to local law enforcement agencies
Key Budget Terms

**Fiscal Year:** The state’s fiscal year (FY) runs from October to September. FY 2018-19 is October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

**Appropriation:** Authority to expend funds. An appropriation is not a mandate to spend. Constitutionally, state funds cannot be expended without an appropriation by the Legislature.

**Line Item:** Specific appropriation amount in a budget bill which establishes spending authorization for a particular program or function.

**Boilerplate:** Specific language sections in a budget bill which direct, limit, or restrict line item expenditures, express legislative intent, and/or require reports.

**Lapse:** Appropriated amounts that are unspent or unobligated at the end of a fiscal year. Appropriations are automatically terminated at the end of a fiscal year unless designated as a multi-year work project under a statutory process. Lapsed funds are available for expenditure in the subsequent fiscal year.

Note: Unless otherwise indicated, historical budget figures in this presentation have *not* been adjusted for inflation.
Funding Sources
# FY 2018-19 MSP Budget

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<td>Gross Appropriations</td>
<td>$777,936,400</td>
<td>Total spending authority from all revenue sources</td>
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<td>Interdepartmental Grants (IDG) Revenue</td>
<td>24,748,300</td>
<td>Funds received by one state department from another state department, usually for services provided</td>
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<td>Adjusted Gross Appropriations</td>
<td>$753,188,100</td>
<td>Gross appropriations excluding IDGs; avoids double counting when adding appropriation amounts across budget areas</td>
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<td>Federal Revenue</td>
<td>100,648,800</td>
<td>Federal grant or matching revenue; generally dedicated to specific programs or purposes</td>
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<td>Local Revenue</td>
<td>5,146,800</td>
<td>Revenue received from local units of government for state services</td>
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<td>Private Revenue</td>
<td>115,000</td>
<td>Revenue from individuals and private entities, including payments for services, grants, and other contributions</td>
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<td>State Restricted Revenue</td>
<td>154,103,700</td>
<td>State revenue restricted by the State Constitution, state statute, or outside restriction that is available only for specified purposes; includes most fee revenue</td>
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<td>State General Fund/General Purpose (GF/GP) Revenue</td>
<td>$493,173,800</td>
<td>Unrestricted revenue from taxes and other sources available to fund basic state programs and other purposes determined by the Legislature</td>
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FY 2018-19 Fund Sources

Approximately 63% of the $777.9 million MSP budget consists of discretionary GF/GP funds.
MSP Share of Total State Budget

The MSP budget represents approximately 1% of the $55.9 billion state budget (adjusted gross) for FY 2018-19.
MSP Share of Total GF/GP Budget

The MSP budget represents approximately 5% of the $10.4 billion state GF/GP budget appropriations for FY 2018-19.
MSP Funding History

State Police funding has grown by approximately 59% since FY 2004-05. Increases in FYs 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 were largely due to Trooper Recruit Schools undertaken to offset promotions and separations and to rebuild strength.
Appropriation Areas
MSP Appropriation Areas

**Departmental Administration and Support:** Unclassified personnel, fleet costs, lease obligations and state-owned property costs, management and accounting staff, executive protection, and various administrative sections

**Law Enforcement Services:** Biometric and forensic science services, Criminal Justice Information Center, staff and operations of the state 9-1-1 administration, community service and grants to local criminal justice agencies, Michigan Youth Leadership Academy, and the Training Division, which provides training to personnel across the department

**Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES):** Development of training curricula and law enforcement standards, issuance and revocation of law enforcement licensure, Public Safety Officers Benefit Program, and partial reimbursement of the costs to local law enforcement agencies to train employed officer candidates

**Field Services:** Officers and enlisted personnel, law enforcement operations of the seven MSP districts and associated posts, casino gaming oversight and tobacco tax fraud enforcement, the Impaired Driving Safety Commission Fund, and the Secure Cities Partnership, which provides MSP services to select distressed cities

**Specialized Services:** Grants to local law enforcement agencies to patrol secondary roads, commercial vehicle regulation and enforcement, State Emergency Operations Center and other disaster-related training and response operations, highway safety planning, Michigan Intelligence Operations Center, and the Special Operations Division, which oversees and operates MSP special service teams (e.g., aviation and SWAT)

**Information Technology:** Provides for the department’s IT services and projects

**One-Time Appropriations:** Trooper Recruit School, providing traffic control services to Michigan International Speedway, school safety grants, a deposit to the Disaster and Emergency Contingency Fund, and a placeholder for OK2SAY IT upgrades
Nearly 50% of the $777.9 million MSP budget consists of the Field Services appropriation unit, which includes the general law enforcement and criminal investigation operations of the department.
FY 2018-19 GF/GP Appropriations

GF/GP funds (totaling $493.2 million) are also more heavily concentrated in Field Services, which accounts for 60% of the total GF/GP appropriations to the MSP budget.
Major Budget Topics
Law Enforcement Strength

Total law enforcement strength in Michigan has decreased by approximately 12% between FY 2007-08 and FY 2016-17. Law enforcement strength has begun to stabilize in the last several fiscal years.

Source: FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics
*Data unavailable for FY 2016
State Police At-Post Trooper Strength

Following several years of decreases from FY 2003-04 through FY 2011-12, FY 2017-18 trooper levels are still below FY 2003-04 levels. An additional 107 new graduates joined the ranks as of July 2018, and the FY 2018-19 budget provides for trooper schools totaling 155 recruits.
Total backlogs in the forensics caseloads have decreased by 23% between the end of FY 2015-16 and the end of FY 2017-18. The substantial increase in case backlog during FY 2015-16 was due to firearms, toxicology, and biology cases substantially exceeding expected caseload intake.
Local Requests for Specialized Services

Total local requests for MSP specialized services teams have increased by 87% between the end of FY 2009-10 and the end of FY 2017-18. Requests for canine units make up the vast majority of requests, with approximately 5,500 and 6,800 requests for support in FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18, respectively.
Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

Total inspections of commercial vehicles operating on Michigan roads has decreased by approximately 28% between the end of FY 2008-09 and the end of FY 2017-18, with total commercial vehicle inspections remaining relatively stable between FY 2012-13 and FY 2017-18.
Secondary Road Patrol

Grants to county sheriffs to support patrols of state secondary roads peaked in FY 2004-05 with $13.6 million restricted expended, and total funded deputies peaked in 2001-02 with 193 supported. Between FY 2005-06 and FY 2016-17, total expenditures have declined by 29% while total SRP-funded deputies have declined by 31%.

Source: SRP Annual Report
Disaster and Emergency Contingency Fund

- The Disaster and Emergency Contingency Fund (DECF) is a reserve fund utilized during a declared state disaster or emergency in order to respond to, and mitigate the effects of, a disaster or emergency.

- DECF was depleted during the early months of FY 2015-16 during the Flint water emergency.

- The statutory cap was raised from $4.5 to $10.0 million and $10.0 million GF/GP was deposited into the fund in FY 2015-16.

- A supplemental appropriation of $4.0 million GF/GP was deposited into the DECF in FY 2016-17.

- $5.0 million GF/GP was appropriated in one-time funding to the DECF in the FY 2017-18 budget.

- $7.5 million GF/GP was appropriated in one-time funding to the DECF in 2018 PA 601, to offset expenses related to flooding in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula.
Disaster and Emergency Contingency Fund

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House Fiscal Agency
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FY 2018-19 One-Time Appropriations

**Trooper Recruit School:** $7.8 million GF/GP to support the one-time training costs of graduating 140 new State Police Troopers.

**Michigan International Speedway Traffic Control:** $725,000 GF/GP to support the costs of providing traffic control services to Michigan International Speedway during major sporting and entertainment events.

**OK2SAY IT Upgrade:** $100 placeholder for future funding for upgrades related to the program’s software.

**Disaster and Emergency Contingency Fund:** $7.5 million GF/GP deposit was made to the DECF to offset expenses related to flooding in the U.P.

**School Safety Grants:** $25 million GF/GP was included to provide grants to public and private schools and school districts to improve school safety.
For more information about the State Police budget:

HFA Resources
http://www.house.mi.gov/hfa/StatePolice.asp

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