

Sheriff's Department

MISSION

To partner with the community to proactively prevent crime, enforce the law fairly, and enhance the public's trust through transparency and accountability.

MANDATORY & MAJOR DUTIES









- Jail Management
- Enforcement of Laws (at all levels – federal, state, local)
- Courtroom Security
- Civil Process Services
- Justice-Involved Transportation
- Community Services





CURRENT BUDGET OVERVIEW

FY 2025-2026
Final Adopted Budget
(\$ Millions)

Total Appropriation		\$4,213
<i>(What We Budgeted to Spend in FY 2025-26)</i>		
	Salaries & Employee Benefits (17,460 positions)	3,715 (88%)
	Services & Supplies	391 (9%)
	Other (Cap Assets/Equip, Other Charges)	107 (3%)
Sources of Funding		\$4,213
<i>(How We Pay For All of This)</i>		
	Federal Assistance	22 (<1%)
	State Assistance	1,197 (28%)
	Fees/Charges for Services*	831 (20%)
	Other Resources**	208 (5%)
	Net County Cost <i>remaining balance, covered by locally generated revenues</i>	1,955 (46%)

* Some State and Federally funded services are reflected as “Fees/Charges for Services” through reimbursement mechanisms (e.g., Medi-Cal billing)
** “Other Resources” includes miscellaneous revenues not otherwise classified, including fines, settlements, interest earnings, and interdepartmental billing



BUDGET BREAKDOWN BY PROGRAM AREA

What These Investments Deliver For Residents

General Program Category	% of Dept Budget
Public Safety and Emergency Response	51%
Corrections, Courts, and Re-entry	32%
Administration	10%
Facilities, Infrastructure, and Technology	6%
Records, Permitting, Licensing, and Regulatory Compliance	1%

Program categories shown here are presentation-level groupings created to consolidate information from the new LA County Enterprise System (LACES) for this briefing. Note that as part of the County’s initial rollout of data-driven budgeting through LACES, categories and outcome measures will continue to evolve based on practical use and data insights as departments operationalize the system in FY 2026–27.



DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES, METRICS & OUTCOMES

- The Sheriff's core mission is to provide **public safety** to Los Angeles County residents through:
 - **Patrol services**
 - **Criminal investigations**
 - **Care and supervision of the incarcerated population**
- ...all delivered effectively, efficiently, and in collaboration with government and community partners
- FY 2026-27 budget requests align with these priorities

Operational Scale

- **3,600 square miles of land** patrolled by deputies
- **~2.8 million** residents served within unincorporated Los Angeles County and contract cities
- **>60,000 new bookings** processed in 2025 at Sheriff's jail facilities
- **~13,000 average daily population** of incarcerated individuals managed in jail facilities and receiving:
 - Supervision, Housing, Meals, Clothing, Bedding, Medical & Mental Health Care, Legal Access, and Educational, Recreational & Rehabilitative Services
- **>400,000 individuals transported** to and from court appearances annually



BUDGET REQUEST (FY2026-2027)

Total New Appropriation Request ^{1,2}	\$556.6M
Additional positions requested ³	29.0
Additional NCC requested	\$562.6M

Key Budget Requests	Amount (\$Millions)	One-Time/ Ongoing?	Positions
Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Staffing	\$22.0	Both	99.0
Weapons Qualifications and Perishable Skills Training Facility	\$39.0	Both	--
Fleet Vehicles and Components	\$44.9	Both	--
Wellness Center	\$5.1	Both	--

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Total New Appropriation Request defined as priority budget and unmet needs requests

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The 'Total New Appropriation Request' reflects the discontinuation of certain fully IFT-funded contracts and grants, combined with new and expanded program funding requests that rely more heavily on NCC, thereby resulting in a higher total NCC funding requirement.

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The net increase of 29 positions reflects gross additions – including requests such as the 99 positions shown above for CAD & staffing – partially offset by proposed position deletions elsewhere



CHALLENGES & MITIGATION STRATEGIES

Challenge	Risk	Mitigation Strategy
1 High number of vacant and impaired positions	Staffing shortages driving overtime and workforce strain	Continued recruitment and training of qualified deputy sheriff candidates
2 Outdated and unreliable Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system	Possible system failure disrupting emergency response	Fully replace CAD system, which is the primary platform for receiving, prioritizing, and dispatching emergency calls to front-line units
3 Aging patrol and aviation fleet	Front-line deputies may not have the reliable equipment needed to effectively carry out their public safety duties	Replace aging patrol vehicle and helicopter fleets, restoring essential tools needed to deliver services across the County's large geographic area