AGENCY PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Attorney General Kris W. Kobach has retained the agency program structure listed below.

PROGRAMS

- 01030 **Administration Division**
- 05100 **Solicitor's Division**
- 05110 **Special Litigation Division**
- 05200 **Victim Services Division**
- 05300 **Criminal Division**
- 05400 **Youth Services Division**
- 05500 **Public Protection Division**
- 05600 **Civil Division**
- 06100 **Office of Inspector General**

STATUTORY HISTORY

The Attorney General is an elected constitutional officer of the executive department of the state whose office is established by Kan. Const., art. 1, § 1. The statutory history and case law which further define and describe the duties and responsibilities of the Attorney General as the state's chief law enforcement officer and its chief legal officer are set out within the agency strategic plan in each program section of this document.

AGENCY WIDE OVERVIEW

The Attorney General is the chief legal officer for the State of Kansas. The Office of Attorney General supports and carries out duties assigned by law to the Attorney General. Kansas statutes make more than 1,000 references to the Attorney General, assigning a wide-ranging list of duties to the Office of Attorney General. The Attorney General has worked to balance the available resources for the Office with the wide range of duties, recognizing that not all duties need to be performed at all times. Major areas of focus and resource-allocation for the Office of Attorney General include:

1. Public Protection. The Office of the Attorney General is the principal consumer-protection agency for most of the State of Kansas and the only one with statewide jurisdiction. The Public Protection division is composed of the following sub-divisions: Consumer Protection, Anti-Trust and Business Operations, Charities and Financial Scams, Open Government, and Sexually Violent Predators (SVP). The Public Protection Division is self-sustaining, paying for its operations by recovering costs from defendants who have violated state law. Because these recoveries do not occur on a fixed and regular timetable, it is necessary to maintain a sufficient balance in the Court Cost Fund to pay for ongoing operational costs through time periods when operating expenses exceed cost recoveries.
2. Civil Division. The State of Kansas is a large enterprise, expending billions of public dollars each year and employing thousands of employees. As with any large enterprise, the State is constantly a defendant in litigation. The Civil Litigation Division of the Office of Attorney General is the State's defense counsel and is supported by the Tort Claims Fund and the State General Fund. The Attorney General seeks to provide legal defense for the State in the most cost-efficient but also professionally effective manner.
3. Appellate advocacy. The Office of Attorney General handles or otherwise coordinates the State's appellate litigation, both civil and criminal. The Solicitor General's Division handles appeals in all state appellate courts and in federal courts. It also is responsible for receiving and assessing each notice of a constitutional challenge to the validity of a state statute and for defending the statute's validity when appropriate. The Division is principally supported by the State General Fund, although approximately 60 Kansas counties contract with the Office of the Attorney General to handle all criminal appeals originating from their county.
4. Special Litigation. The special litigation division is tasked with defending the Constitution of the United States, Constitution of Kansas, and laws of Kansas to the best of our ability.
5. General counsel. The Office provides general counsel services to about 30 smaller state agencies, boards and commissions. This is a cost-effective way of providing legal representation for these agencies. The Office of Attorney General is permitted by statute to recover representation costs from these agency-clients. This department resides in the Civil Division.
6. Medicaid fraud and abuse. Under federal law, each state must maintain a Medicaid Fraud Control Unit as a condition of receiving federal Medicaid funds. Kansas satisfies this requirement by operating the Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Division within the Criminal Division in the Office of Attorney General. The Division detects, investigates and prosecutes or civilly litigates cases of criminal or civil Medicaid fraud and also cases of the abuse of Medicaid beneficiaries. The unit is 75% federally funded with a 25% match.
7. The Office of Inspector General is tasked by state law with auditing, investigating and reviewing the performance of the state Medicaid program, the state mediKan program, the state children's health insurance program and all Kansas cash, food, and health assistance programs. This office is supported with State General Funds.
8. Major Crimes Prosecution: A traditional core function of the Office is the prosecution of criminal cases, usually major felonies, throughout the State at the request of local county or district attorneys. The Office focuses on homicides, child sex crimes, large scale drug manufacturing and distribution, and public misconduct cases. The Criminal Litigation Division houses this function in the Office. By its nature, this core public-safety function is not self-financing and therefore is funded by State General Fund

appropriations.

9. Economic Crimes. The Office of Attorney General also maintains a dedicated capacity to detect, investigate and prosecute cases of elder abuse and financial crimes. The economic crimes section handles adult abuse criminal cases, criminal insurance fraud, criminal securities fraud, organized retail crime, and criminal tax-law prosecutions. The Division is principally funded through insurance and securities fees. The Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation (ANE) Unit, which is part of the Division, is partially funded through the State General Fund.
10. Victims Services: The Office of Attorney General provides financial and non-monetary support to victims of crime throughout the State. The Victims Services Division administers grants that support victim services, provides overall victim services coordination, and provides direct financial support to victims of crime for economic loss from criminal conduct through the Division of Crime Victims Compensation. The division is funded by dedicated grant funds, State General Fund revenue sources, federal grants, and other non-State General Fund revenue sources.
11. Youth Services. The Youth Services Division of the Office of the Attorney General was established in 2023 to improve the ability of this agency to serve and prioritize the safety and wellbeing of Kansas Children. The Youth Services Division houses the State Child Death Review Board which is required by K.S.A. 22a-243, the DARE Coordinator which is required by K.S.A. 75-721 and the Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator which is required by K.S.A. 75-772.

CURRENT YEAR 2027 SUPPLEMENTALS

2026 Session Bills: During the 2026 legislative session, several bills were passed that gave our agency expanded authority, but no additional funding or authorized FTEs to accomplish the required provisions. To be compliant with previously passed legislation, our agency is seeking a total of $706,965 ($364,041 SGF and $342,924 Fee Fund) as detailed below:

- HB 2347 Buyer's Education – this bill will require 1 Program Coordinator in our Victim Services Division at $80,388 in salaries and fringe, $18,021 in operating expenses and a one-time cost of $50,000 to develop a program curriculum. These are SGF dollars requested.
- HB 2591 Crypto Kiosks – this bill will require 1 Investigator in our Public Protection Division at $60,839 in salaries and fringe and $8,808 in operating expenses, all in SGF.
- HB 2537 Sextortion Education – this bill will require 1 Program Consultant in our Youth Services Division at $62,366 with operating expenses of $9,058, all in SGF.
- HB 2613 Sexual Assault Evaluation Kits – this bill requires 1 additional Program Consultant in our Crime Victims Compensation Unit at $71,049 and other claims at $271,875. These funds are all Fee Funds.
- SB 462 Public Nuisance – this bill will require a .5 FTE Assistant Attorney General in our Public Protection Division at $66,953 and operating expenses of $7,608, all in SGF.

Security Enhancements: The agency is also requesting $1,217,705 from the State General Fund to address security, both physical and virtual.

- As part of our KCJIS (Kansas Criminal Justice Information System) involvement, our agency underwent a risk assessment in FY 2026 and several weaknesses were identified. We would like to request $64,380 to replace and/or update cameras and door locks throughout Memorial Hall in order

to maintain KCJIS compliancy.

- Our agency's cybersecurity and data resiliency solution are set to expire and will need renewed in FY 2027 to maintain continuous monitoring, threat detection and protection of critical back up data. We are seeking SGF of $106,171 to provide a 3-year term that will ensure continued access to security monitoring, software updates and vendor support as well as continuity of service, reducing the risk of gaps in coverage.
- The current spinning-disk SAN is aging and provides low performance and responsiveness. Our agency would like to modernize our storage infrastructure while providing significantly faster storage performance, improved efficiency, and greater scalability. We request $1,010,776 in SGF to upgrade our existing SAN infrastructure to a newer Dell PowerStore 500T platform. This upgrade will position our office for future growth without requiring another major SAN replacement in the near term.
- Our security system upon entry into Memorial Hall is no longer functional and is no longer eligible to warranty due to age. We are requesting $36,378 in State General Funds to replace our metal detector and walk-through x-ray equipment.

BUDGET YEAR 2028 ENHANCEMENTS

2026 Session Bills: During the 2026 legislative session, several bills were passed that gave our agency expanded authority, but no additional funding or authorized FTEs to accomplish the required provisions. To be compliant with previously passed legislation, our agency is seeking a total of $667,725 ($318,956 SGF and $348,769 Fee Fund) as detailed below:

- HB 2347 Buyer's Education – this bill will require 1 Program Coordinator in our Victim Services Division at $86,885 in salaries and fringe and $11,375 in operating expenses, all SGF dollars requested.
- HB 2591 Crypto Kiosks – this bill will require 1 Investigator in our Public Protection Division at $66,885 in salaries and fringe and $4,583 in operating expenses, all in SGF.
- HB 2537 Sextortion Education – this bill will require 1 Program Consultant in our Youth Services Division at $67,599 with operating expenses of $4,833, all in SGF.
- HB 2613 Sexual Assault Evaluation Kits – this bill requires 1 additional Program Consultant in our Crime Victims Compensation Unit at $76,894 and other claims at $271,875. These funds are all Fee Funds.
- SB 462 Public Nuisance – this bill will require a .5 FTE Assistant Attorney General in our Public Protection Division at $73,413 and operating expenses of $3,383, all in SGF.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Administration Division provides for the fiscal operations, communications, human resources, information technology, and day-to-day office management of the agency.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I:

To provide skilled and comprehensive administrative support to the Office of the Kansas Attorney General. K.S.A. 75-709, 75710, 75311175 -3717, 75-3729, 75-3736; 75-4701 et seq.; 75-5501 et seq.; and amendments thereto.

Objective #1: Prepare and present the annual budget and support it before the Division of Budget, Governor, and Legislature. Monitor administration of the approved budget.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Facilitate the further development and improvement of a detailed and measurable strategic plan to support the state budget process.

b. Accurately project fiscal requirements for the strategic plan at required funding levels and within all available resources.

c. Provide complete, timely, accurate and persuasive information in support of the strategic plan to the Division of Budget, Governor and Legislature to enable informed policy and budgetary decisions.

Output Measures for Objective #1

Number of programs and subprograms addressed in the strategic plan through goals, objectives, strategies, outcome and output measurements:

Actual	FY 2025	50
Actual	FY 2026	55
Estimate	FY 2027	55
Estimate	FY 2028	55

Objective #2: To ensure that the Office of the Kansas Attorney General is staffed with competent and qualified employees, to maintain a quality work environment for those employees, and to ensure that federal and state employment laws are adhered to concerning the hiring, firing, discipline, and treatment of employees who work in the Office of the Kansas Attorney General.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Receive and process applications of attorneys and law students seeking employment in the office. Interview qualified applicants for attorney and law clerk positions with the appropriate supervisor and the Attorney General.

b. Receive and process applications from all other individuals seeking employment in the office. Arrange interviews of qualified applicants with the appropriate supervisor and the Attorney General.

c. Record and process employee time sheets for payroll purposes, obtain training on employee relations, work environments and employment laws, and provide orientation for new employees.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of openings for which applications for employment are processed:

Actual	FY 2025	36
Actual	FY 2026	35
Estimate	FY 2027	45
Estimate	FY 2028	45

Objective #3: Provide timely, detailed, and accurate fiscal services in accordance with the budget plan.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. Provide assistance to the senior staff to ensure that expenditures do not exceed available resources.

b. Prepare vouchers that accurately and appropriately code expenditures by the fund, budget unit, program, and account.

c. Ensure the timely payment of obligations, and provide staff and others with timely information on requests concerning expenditures and available resources. Ensure timely deposits of all monies.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of transactions processed:

Actual	FY 2025	11,173
Actual	FY 2026	11,263
Estimate	FY 2027	12,000
Estimate	FY 2028	12,000

Objective #4: Acquire necessary goods and services, including adequate office facilities and motor vehicles of appropriate quality and quantity, within established funding, in a timely manner and at competitive prices. Purchases are made in accordance with state purchasing guidelines and contracts.

Strategies for Objective #4:

a. Respond to all requests for purchases in a time frame appropriate for the request.

b. Facilitate hiring of outside professional services as required and pursuant to law and procedures adopted by the Attorney General.

c. Administer and monitor operation of guidelines on contracts for outside counsel defining what services are compensable, limit expense billing, and set billing requirements.

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PROGRAM GOAL II:

To provide timely and accurate information to the Legislature and the public on legal matters affecting the state, and to provide for the effective servicing of citizen advisory groups. Kan. Const., art. 1, § 1.

Objective #1: To inform and educate the electronic and print news media about the Office of the Kansas Attorney General, the actions and activities of the Attorney General as they relate to matters of public interest, and laws of the State of Kansas.

Strategies for Objective #1:

Inform the public by providing regular press releases, press conferences to news media throughout the state to educate and warn consumers about consumer-related fraudulent activities by unscrupulous suppliers, to provide timely and accurate information about legal matters affecting the state, and to raise awareness about services the Kansas Attorney General's Office provides to the general public.

a. Inform the public by providing copies to the media of legal opinions explaining legal conclusions reached by the Office of the Kansas Attorney General in response to questions raised by public officials concerning the interpretation of various state statutes.

b. Coordinate appearances by the Attorney General and members of his staff at which the Attorney General informs the public about the activities of the office.

c. Coordinate the writing, editing, design, layout and production of various brochures, annual reports, pamphlets and papers describing the activities of the Office of the Kansas Attorney General, informing consumers of ways to avoid becoming victims of consumer fraud and educating citizens about various state laws such as the Kansas Open Meetings Act.

d. Coordinate news conferences at which the Attorney General and staff members make announcements related to the activities of the Office of the Kansas Attorney General.

e. Collaborate with the KBI on the release of information to the news media about activities of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation.

f. Issue news releases and respond to questions from the news media and other individuals about the activities of the Attorney General or actions taken by the Office of the Kansas Attorney General.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of formal releases of opinions, news, information and the Attorney General's consumer protection advice:

Actual	FY 2025	247
Actual	FY 2026	252
Estimate	FY 2027	250
Estimate	FY 2028	250

Objective #2: Discuss and prepare, in a timely manner, accurate information for testimony to or for meetings with the Kansas Legislature.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Work with members of the Legislature and their staff on specific issues resulting from committee recommendations, Legislative staff recommendations and other initiatives. Staff will assist the Legislature and the Division of Budget with the preparation of fiscal notes.

b. Provide liaison between the Office of the Kansas Attorney General and the Legislature during the legislative session.

c. Schedule the Attorney General and/or appropriate staff for testimony before the various legislative committees and assist in preparation of the testimony.

d. Track all bills of interest to the office and monitor legislative committees when appropriate.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Percentage of fiscal note inquiries responded to in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimate	FY 2027	100%
Estimate	FY 2028	100%

Number of fiscal note inquiries responded to in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	80
Actual	FY 2026	100
Estimate	FY 2027	110
Estimate	FY 2028	110

Objective #3: To maintain a website to provide citizens of the State of Kansas access to information about the Office of the Kansas Attorney General and the services it provides.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. Work with the Office of Information Technology Services (OITS) and deputies and division directors in the Office of the Kansas Attorney General on the maintenance of the website.

b. Provide routine maintenance of the website.

c. Gather and maintain printed and electronic material from the various divisions of the Office of the Kansas Attorney General and put into electronic format.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of brochures, documents, reports, media releases, videos, and other informational materials created or made available on the agency website:

Actual	FY 2025	10,171
Actual	FY 2026	12,500
Estimate	FY 2027	11,000
Estimate	FY 2028	11,000

PROGRAM GOAL III: **Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center**

The Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center Act (K.S.A. 48-3701 et seq.) establishes the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center as part of the Adjutant General's department. The attorney general is tasked with chairing and providing administrative support of the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center Oversight Board as well as assigning an attorney to serve as privacy and civil liberties counsel to the Center and appointing a Deputy Director for law enforcement.

Objective #1: To support the work of the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center through providing appropriate oversight, legal counsel and liaison with the law enforcement community.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Coordinate and chair meetings of the Oversight Board as necessary; provide administrative support to the Board.

b. Assign an assistant attorney general to serve as privacy and civil liberties counsel to the Fusion Center and provide appropriate and necessary legal services.

c. Appoint a Deputy Director for law enforcement to serve as the liaison between the Fusion Center and the Kansas law enforcement community.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODES

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 14.24 FTE and 4.60 Non-FTE

FY 2027 $2,269,129
FY 2028 $2,381,460

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage. There will be additional costs incurred in FY 2027 to assist in facilitating the move into the freed-up space in Memorial Hall.

FY 2027 $775,792
FY 2028 $618,829

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers. There

will be additional costs incurred in FY 2027 to assist in facilitating the move into the freed-up space in Memorial Hall. There is also a one-time allocation in FY 2027 for hearing protection productions for law enforcement officers pursuant to 2026 HB 2513.

FY 2027 $1,046,750
FY 2028 $46,750

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures. There will be additional costs incurred in FY 2027 to assist in facilitating the move into the freed-up space in Memorial Hall.

FY 2027 $41,756
FY 2028 $41,756

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

2012 COURT COST FUND: This fund is a litigation recovery fund and is used primarily to fund operations of the Consumer Protection Division. Because litigation recoveries are not obtained on a regular schedule due to the vagaries of litigation, it is necessary to maintain not less than two full years of operating funds as a minimum balance in the Court Cost Fund at all times. The fund also serves as a vehicle to recover fees and expenses of investigators and attorneys in the Consumer Protection program. The main source of receipts to this fund is "global" or large, multi-state actions. As a smaller state, Kansas has little control over these cases and must generally depend on other states to take the lead. The agency deposits these receipts consistent with the related court order for use in consumer protection matters. Receipts can vary widely from year to year. The agency has also used this fund to pay for salaries of staff that had previously been paid through SGF. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2029 PRIVATE DETECTIVE FEE FUND: The agency provides licensing services and maintains accurate information on persons and agencies licensed as private detectives and agencies in the State of Kansas and maintains the licensing records in a manner that support office use and public access. This fund and the responsibilities were brought over from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation on July 1, 2012. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2085 SCRAP METAL THEFT REDUCTION FEE FUND. This fund was created by the 2015 Legislature pursuant to HB 2048. The bill establishes the Scrap Metal Theft Reduction Fee Fund to be administered by the Attorney General, which will be credited with all fees, charges, or penalties collected by the Attorney General under the Act. Expenditures from the Fund will be used for the administration of the duties, functions, and operating expenses incurred under the Act. On and after January 1, 2016, the bill establishes civil penalties of $100 to $5,000 for each

violation of the Act by a scrap metal dealer, which can be imposed by the Attorney General and will be subject to appeal under the Kansas Judicial Review Act. On and after January 1, 2016, the bill allows the Attorney General to bring a civil action to obtain a declaratory judgment that an act or practice violates the Act; enjoin or restrain any person who has violated, is violating, or is likely to violate the Act; recover reasonable expenses and investigation fees; or impose any civil penalty authorized by the Act. The Attorney General is also required to maintain a database of regulated scrap metal sales. Effective June 1, 2017, SB 149 amended K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 50-6,109c, and made certain sections of the Scrap Metal Theft Reduction Act unenforceable from June 1, 2017 to January 1, 2020. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2103 BATTERER INTERVENTION PROGRAM CERTIFICATION FUND: Any amounts collected pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4215 are credited to the Kansas Attorney General Batterer Intervention Program Certification Fund. The funds are to be used only for administering the Batterer Intervention Program Certification Act. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2113 CRIME PREVENTION FEE FUND: This fund is used to support the seminars and training sponsored by the Attorney General's Committee on Crime and Violence Prevention (in conjunction with Victim Services and Grant Programs); the Attorney General Calls to prosecutors statewide; and National Consumer Protection Week. It is not known at this time what revenue will be collected or the exact cost of these seminars; however, they have been self-supporting, and have generated a balance available as seminar seed money to support certain less expensive no-charge functions. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund, and the ability to spend funds on official hospitality is required for the functions which are sponsored (see prior year proviso language for this fund, which should continue to be included in Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028).

2239 PROTECTION FROM ABUSE FUND:

Budget Unit 2030: Pursuant to K.S.A. 23-108a, as amended, 38.98 percent of fees from marriage licenses is deposited into this sub-fund. Pursuant to K.S.A. 20-367, 2.38 percent of district court docket fees are deposited into the Protection from Abuse Fund. By tradition 27 percent of the 2.38 percent distribution to the Protection from Abuse Fund is deposited to this sub-fund. Another source of revenue is 50 cents of each $1 of the docket fee charged in cases in municipal and county court (see K.S.A. 12-4117, 19-101e, and 19-4707, as amended). These funds are reserved for domestic violence prevention grants. As a result of the redirection of certain docket fees to the Judicial Branch the 2013 Legislature appropriated amounts from the State General Fund to replace the docket fees which would, by statute, be deposited into this sub-fund. The Legislature continues this practice that started in FY 2016. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

Budget Unit 2035: Pursuant to K.S.A. 20-367, 2.38 percent of docket fees are deposited into the Protection from Abuse Fund. Of this amount, 73 percent is credited to this sub fund. These funds are reserved for sexual assault prevention grants. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

K.S.A.74-7325, as amended, authorizes the Attorney General to award grants from the fund to programs that provide services to victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault. As a result of the redirection of certain docket fees to the Judicial Branch the 2013 Legislature appropriated

amounts from the State General Fund to replace the docket fees which would, by statute, be deposited into this sub-fund. The Legislature continues this practice that started in FY 2016. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2254 BOND TRANSCRIPT REVIEW FEE FUND: The attorney general is authorized to fix, charge and collect fees for review and examination of the transcripts of the proceedings of municipalities for the issuance of municipal bonds under K.S.A. 10-108. No limit expenditure authority is requested for the fund.

2259 BAIL ENFORCEMENT AGENTS FEE FUND: The agency provides licensing services and maintains accurate information on persons and agencies licensed as bail enforcement agents (or "bounty hunters") in the State of Kansas and maintains the licensing records in a manner that support office use and public access. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2261 STATE AGENCY REPRESENTATION FUND: Effective June 1, 2017, S.B. 149, sec. 2(a) established that, "The attorney general may determine, fix and establish a system of legal representation charges and collect such charges from any state agency to which the attorney general provides legal services. The attorney general may determine the amount of legal representation charges due from the state agency by use of a schedule of fees and costs for legal services published by the attorney general or by entering into an agreement with a state agency for payment by such agency for legal services. Such schedule of fees and costs shall not exceed the amount of compensation established pursuant to K.S.A. 224507, and amendments thereto, for attorneys appointed by the court to perform services for an indigent person. Moneys in the attorney general's state agency representation fund shall be expended by the attorney general for operations of the office of the attorney general. The monies deposited into this fund have been moved to off-budget fund 6125, therefore this fund is no longer needed.

2262 FRAUD & ABUSE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION FUND: This fund was created during the 2017 Legislative session through the passage of SB 23, effective July 1, 2017. This fund shall be administered by the attorney general. All moneys credited to the fund shall be expended for the prevention and detection of fraud and abuse and for support of criminal investigations and prosecutions within the jurisdiction of the attorney general. In expending moneys from the fund, the attorney general shall give priority to criminal cases referred to the attorney general for investigation or prosecution by or pursuant to (1) the office of the securities commissioner of Kansas, (2) the criminal anti-fraud division of the department of insurance, and (3) the abuse, neglect and exploitation unit. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2305 COST RECOVERY FUND: This fund was provided to allow the Attorney General to recoup costs for administering and monitoring a program established by K.S.A. 75-719, as amended, to collect unpaid debt owed to the Kansas District Courts, as well as restitution owed to crime victims. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2311 INTERSTATE WATER LITIGATION FUND: Historically, receipts to this fund are in the form of a revenue transfer from the State General Fund. In FY 2010, it was discovered that the $17 million from the State General Fund that was to be held in reserve for the purpose of water litigation had been lapsed. In FY 2010, the legislature authorized transfers from the Medicaid Fraud Prosecution Revolving Fund to the water litigation account. No transfers to the fund were approved for either FY 2014 or FY 2015. The agency was required to make expenditures for interstate water litigation activities from the agency's Court Cost Fund for several months in FY 2014 and in FY 2015. Expenditures are for continuing water litigation costs. In May 2015, the State of Kansas received $5.5 million from the State of Nebraska after prevailing in the Kansas v. Nebraska case. Pursuant to provision of K.S.A. 82a-1801 (a) (2), a total of $4.5 million should have been deposited to the Interstate Water Litigation Fund. The 2015 Legislature, however, capped the amount to be deposited to the Interstate Water Litigation Fund to $2.0 million, and redistributed the remainder of the funding to Republican River water conservation projects in the budget of the Kansas water office. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2379 SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR EXPENSE FUND: This fund was created during the 2007 Legislative session through K.S.A 5929a04a with no appropriation. This fund was intended to be used to reimburse district and county attorneys for costs associated with efforts in prosecuting potentially sexually violent predators. Five requests were processed in FY 2025 and two were processed in FY 2026.

2383 TOBACCO MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FUND: The 2008 Legislature authorized this fund for attorney salaries, operating expenditures and fees for outside counsel to assist in arbitration. Expenditures from the fund are financed through annual transfers from the annual tobacco Master Settlement Agreement. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2450 CONCEALED WEAPON LICENSURE FUND: This fund established by the 2006 Legislature allows the Attorney General to recoup costs for administering and monitoring a program established by K.S.A. 12-4516, as amended, to collect license fees for a concealed weapon permit. Money is used to pay all operating costs in the Concealed Carry Licensing Unit. Twice a year the agency will review the fund balance to certify any "excess" funds to be transferred to the County Law Enforcement Equipment Fund (20 percent) and the KBI Forensic Laboratory and Materials Fee Fund (80 percent). No excess was declared for FY 2015 through FY 2021. There was excess of $178,382 transferred in FY 2022. No excess was declared for FY 2023. In FY 2024, the Legislature enacted SB 116, removing the concealed carry license fees. In removing this licensure fee, the Legislature also approved a transfer from the State General Fund to the KBI to replace the "excess" funds transfer. Fees for address violations and lost licenses are still credited to this fund. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2470 COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT FUND: This fund was established by the 2006 Legislature to provide additional funding for sheriffs' departments. Capitalization of the fund is dependent on the Office of the Attorney General certifying that "excess" funds are available in the Concealed Weapon Licensure Fund. There is no requirement for certification after the enactment of SB 116. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2497 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPEN GOVERNMENT FUND. This fund was created by the 2015 Legislature pursuant to HB 2256. The bill allows the Attorney General to determine, by a preponderance of the evidence after investigation, that a public agency has violated Kansas Open Records Act (KORA) or the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA), and allows the Attorney General to enter into a consent order with the

public agency or issue a finding of violation to the public agency prior to filing an action in district court which can include a civil penalty of up to $250 for each violation. The bill also authorizes the Attorney General to make a finding of violation which can include a civil penalty of up to $500. The Attorney General's Open Government Fund (Fund) is to be used to carry out the provisions and purposes of KORA and KOMA. All civil penalties, expenses, costs, and attorney fees awarded in an action brought by the Attorney General pursuant to KORA or KOMA, or pursuant to a consent order or finding of violation under the provisions of the bill, will be credited to the Fund. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2506 ANTITRUST SPECIAL REVENUE FUND: This is a revolving fund for recoveries of fees and expenses and 20 percent of judgments and settlements in antitrust cases (see K.S.A. 75-715, as amended). Antitrust matters are handled in the Consumer Protection division. Receipts can vary widely from year to year. A portion of salary and operating costs for 1.0 FTE position is charged against this fund. The agency expects to make payments to consumers regarding claims. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2563 CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND: This fund finances a portion of the state Crime Victims Compensation Program from 10.7 percent of fines, penalties, and forfeitures paid at the district court (see K.S.A. 74-7336, as amended). Other sources of receipts to the fund include prisoner contributions from wages, a portion of parole supervision fees, and amounts received through subrogation and restitution. Each year, the Legislature approves a current fiscal year limitation for administrative operating costs. Program expenditures include salaries and operating costs in addition to claim payments relating to victims of crime. Those claim payments are then matched at the rate of 60 percent by federal funds which are deposited for expenditure in fund 3133-3030 – Victims of Crime Act (VOCA). In order to maintain a consistent level of funding of the federal VOCA award, it is important not to reduce claim payment expenditures from the CVCF below $3,000,000. The agency has had the authority to transfer up to $300,000 per year from this fund to the Crime Victims Assistance Fund. In FY 2024, that amount was increased to $500,000. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2598 CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE FUND:

Budget Unit 2070 receives 2.19 percent of fines, penalties, and forfeitures paid to the district court (see K.S.A. 74-7336, as amended). An additional source of funding is .48 percent of the district court docket fee per K.S.A. 20-367. K.S.A 75-752 authorizes a transfer of up to $300,000 from the Crime Victims Compensation Fund to the Crime Victims Assistance Fund. In FY 2024, that amount was increased to $500,000. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

Budget Unit 2075 receives clerks' fees and fines (.50 cents) per K.S.A. 12-4117. This funding is reserved for child abuse programs (also see K.S.A. 74-7334, as amended). No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

Budget Unit 2078 receives revenue of 16.95 percent from the marriage license fee per K.S.A. 23-108a and .58 percent of docket fees per K.S.A 20-367. This funding is used to fund child exchange and visitation centers. As a result of the redirection of certain docket fees to the Judicial Branch, the 2013 Legislature appropriated amounts from the State General Fund to replace the docket fees which would, by statute, be deposited

into this fund. The Legislature continues this practice that started in FY 2016. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2613 TORT CLAIMS FUND: Receipts to this fund are in the form of revenue transfers from the State General Fund made upon request from the Attorney General, as provided for in K.S.A. 75-6117, as amended. Expenditures are for defense costs, and judgments and settlements regarding litigation and potential litigation as provided for in the above statute. Expenditures from this fund can fluctuate greatly. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2641 MEDICAID FRAUD PROSECUTION REVOLVING FUND: This fund was created by K.S.A. 21-3851, as amended, to collect awarded fees and prosecution expenses following successful prosecution in Medicaid Fraud cases. Expenditures from this fund are to meet the required 25 percent match for federal Medicaid Fraud program grants (Fund 3060). No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2650 FALSE CLAIMS LITIGATION REVOLVING FUND: This fund was created during 2009 legislative session by SB 44 which amended K.S.A. 60-455 and K.S.A. 60-1505. The Office of the Attorney General is now empowered to initiate civil prosecutions of fraud and waste in the form of false claims submitted to the state. This law also allows the state to recoup damages and penalties from these civil prosecutions. The agency receives 10 percent of all money recovered including penalties that will be used to cover the operation costs for these activities. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2654 CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER FUND: This fund is capitalized through a $400 fee assessed on defendants convicted of certain crimes involving a minor. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2774 ROOFER REGISTRATION FUND: The 2013 Legislature authorized the roofer registration program and created the Roofer Registration Fund. Receipts to the fund are generated by applicants who file to be registered under the program. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2775 HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM ASSISTANCE FUND. The 2013 Legislature created the Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Fund to provide administrative costs and grants to victims through the new Anti-Human Trafficking Unit created in the Office of the Attorney General. The Legislature has funded the program since FY 2014 and FY 2015 from the State General Fund. As reflected in the revenue estimates, only an insignificant amount has been collected each year. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2779 CRIMINAL APPEALS COST FUND. The 2014 Legislature created the Criminal Appeals Cost Fund and gave the Attorney General authority to allow the Attorney General to enter into agreements with counties to perform appellate work on criminal cases originating in district courts. The fund may be used by the Attorney General for purpose of representing the interests of the state in criminal appeals and post-conviction proceedings. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2822 STATE MEDICAID FORFEITURE FUND. This fund was established in 2006 and the creation was authorized in House Substitute for Senate Bill 25 during the 2019 legislative session. Moneys in this fund shall be used to defray the costs of the attorney general in connection with

the duties of investigating and prosecuting Medicaid fraud and abuse. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2826 KANSAS FIGHTS ADDICTION FUND. This fund was created during the 2021 legislative session by HB 2079. This fund is used to grant funds to qualified applicants for projects and activities that reduce, treat or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction and provide support to the prescription monitoring program. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2838 MUNICIPALITIES FIGHT ADDICTION FUND. The 2021 Legislature created this fund in by HB 2079 allowing the Attorney General to partner with the Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities for projects and activities that prevent, reduce, treat or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction or to reimburse municipalities for previous expenses related to substance abuse mitigation. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

2863 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS FEE FUND. The 2021 Legislature created this fund, transferring the authority from the Secretary of State to the Attorney General to carry out the provisions and purposes of the charitable organizations and solicitations act. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

FEDERAL FUNDS

3060 MEDICAID FRAUD CONTROL FUND: This fund's receipts are from federal grants and are estimated in an amount necessary to finance the federal share of Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Division expenses each year. This federal money has a 25 percent state match requirement, which has been achieved through Fund 2641 since FY 2003. The passage of the False Claims Act initiated an expansion of the Medicaid Fraud Unit and related federal funding. The receipt estimate for this fund has been determined using the actual federal budget awarded for this grant. A no limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund. CFDA 93.775

3098 SUID CASE REGISTRY: This is federal money provided through a cooperative agreement with US Department of Health and Human Services. These funds are offered to Child Death Review Boards to improve case ascertainment, data completeness and timeliness for reporting of sudden unexpected infant deaths. CFDA 93.946

3133 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (Crime Victims Compensation): This is federal money that supplements the Crime Victims Compensation Fund for the payment of crime victims' claims. Receipts are based on prior fiscal year state funding for the payment of victim claims – a 60 percent match. Each award is made for a three-year period. Beginning with Fiscal Year 1998, the money can also be used for administrative costs (5 percent). For administrative of the program, refer to the Uniform Grant Guidance at 200 CFR. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund. CFDA 16.576

3247 DUI PROSECUTOR (through the Kansas Department of Transportation): This grant currently funds the salary of two FTE positions. These criminal attorneys specialize in DUI prosecutions and training with a high level of conviction success. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

3460 STATE ACCESS AND VISITATION PROGRAM FUND: This grant was transferred to the Attorney General in FY 2026 from the Governor's Grants Program. The money is provided through a formula grant from the US Department of Health and Human Services to provide direct supervised visitation and exchange services. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

3919 FEDERAL MEDICAID INDIRECT COST FUND: This federal fund is for recouping indirect costs assessed to the agency on a quarterly basis as pre-authorized by a formal agreement with Health and Human Services. This indirect cost fund has been used to fund a percentage of administrative salaries. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

3940 FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUND: These federal funds are received on a basis that cannot be accurately estimated. These funds do not allow for supplanting and should be used for unbudgeted/unforeseen expenditures and law enforcement training. Typically, DARE training, and other expenditures for the criminal litigation division, as allowed by the Equitable Sharing Agreement, are funded from the Forfeiture Fund. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

INTRA-GOVERNMENTAL SERVICE FUNDS

6125 STATE AGENCY REPRESENTATION FUND: This fund replaced Special Revenue Fund 2261 beginning July 1, 2020. Effective June 1, 2017, S.B. 149, sec. 2(a) established that, "The attorney general may determine, fix and establish a system of legal representation charges and collect such charges from any state agency to which the attorney general provides legal services. The attorney general may determine the amount of legal representation charges due from the state agency by use of a schedule of fees and costs for legal services published by the attorney general or by entering into an agreement with a state agency for payment by such agency for legal services. Such schedule of fees and costs shall not exceed the amount of compensation established pursuant to K.S.A. 22-4507, and amendments thereto, for attorneys appointed by the court to perform services for an indigent person. Moneys in the attorney general's state agency representation fund shall be expended by the attorney general for operations of the office of the attorney general. No limit expenditure authority is requested for this fund.

Also, please see additional pass through funds which are listed below. These funds are utilized by the office with no activity to report here, but should be appropriated to keep them available for use:

7300-7000 Private Gifts Fund
9002-9000 Antitrust Suspense Fund
9034-9040 Medicaid Fraud Reimbursement Fund
9409-9400 Credit Card Clearing Fund
7340-7010 Crime Victims Grants & Gifts Fund
9003-9010 Consumer Protection Clearing Fund
9112-9030 Suspense Fund

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL

The Solicitor's Office was created as a free-standing division within the Office of Attorney General at the beginning of FY 2017. The Office as it now stands was made up of components that were housed within the Administration, Civil Litigation, and Criminal Litigation Divisions of the OAG. Within the Solicitor's Office are housed six programs: Civil Appeals (with four subprograms), Criminal Appeals (with seven subprograms), Contracted County Criminal Appeals, Review of Notices of Constitutional Challenges, Extraditions, and Attorney General Opinions.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: CIVIL APPEALS

Build and sustain a team of appellate attorneys that can efficiently, effectively, and ethically represent the State of Kansas in civil appeals before state and federal appellate courts. K.S.A. 75-702 and 75-764.

Objective #1: For civil appeals cases initiated by, retained, or referred to the Solicitor General's Office for action at the appellate court level, ensure that each and every action is handled professionally, competently, and ethically.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. In every case in which an appeal is appropriate on behalf of the State or its agencies or employees, the attorney will consult with trial counsel to file and serve a timely notice of appeal.

b. In every case appealed, the attorney will file and serve a timely and accurate docketing statement along with any supporting documentation required by the appellate court.

c. In every case appealed, the attorney will file and serve an appropriate appellate brief presenting a full and complete factual and legal argument to the appellate court. If the appeal is filed by the opposing party, the brief will be responsive to the arguments raised by the appellant.

d. In every case in which oral argument is ordered, the attorney will offer a persuasive, concise, and accurate oral presentation to the appellate court.

e. The Solicitor General may assist in those cases in which either the Attorney General or the Chief Deputy believe that special expertise is necessary for a particular case or certain line of cases. Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Output Measures for Objective #1:

*Number of new appellate cases filed (Does **not** include continuing appellate cases or amicus cases the OAG is involved in or appeals handled exclusively in any other Division of the office):*

Actual	FY 2025	25
Actual	FY 2026	17
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Objective # 2: Provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advice concerning whether to join civil amicus curiae briefs, and when in the best interests of the State, draft civil amicus curiae briefs for cases before the United States Supreme Court or other appellate courts, and when advisable before trial courts.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Focus on cases that will advance, protect, or defend the sovereign interests of the State of Kansas or otherwise as requested by the Executive or Legislative branches of government.

b. When practicable, work through NAAG or other recognized entities to recruit other states to join the amicus briefs drafted by the State's appellate lawyers.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of civil amicus briefs reviewed and acted on by the Agency:

Actual	FY 2025	142
Actual	FY 2026	199
Estimate	FY 2027	120
Estimate	FY 2028	120

Number of civil amicus briefs drafted by the Agency:

Actual	FY 2025	7
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Objective # 3: When in the best interests of the State, provide civil litigation support, including the handling of specialized litigation or the drafting of motions and dispositive pleadings.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. Focus on cases that will advance, protect, or defend the sovereign interests of the State of Kansas or otherwise as requested by the Executive or Legislative branches of government.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of civil cases handled or assisted by the Solicitor's Office:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

Objective # 4: When in the best interests of the State, file legal actions of federal administrative actions, including the drafting of motions, briefs, and presentation of oral argument.

Strategies for Objective #4:

Focus on cases that will advance, protect, or defend the legal and sovereign interests of the State of Kansas or otherwise as requested by the Executive or Legislative branches of government where the state's interests may be harmed by the unchallenged implementation of unlawful or unwarranted federal administrative rulemaking.

Output Measures for Objective #4:

Number of federal administrative actions filed, handled or assisted by the Solicitor's Office:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	18
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

PROGRAM GOAL II: CRIMINAL APPEALS

Build and sustain a team of appellate attorneys who can efficiently, effectively, and ethically represent the State of Kansas in criminal direct appeals and collateral appeals before state and federal appellate courts. K.S.A. 75-702, K.S.A. 75-703, K.S.A 75-764, and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 60-1501, K.S.A. 60-1507, 28 U.S.C. § 2241 *et seq.* and amendments thereto; *Memorial Hospital Ass'n, Inc. v. Knutson,* 239 Kan. 663, 667-68, 772 P.2d 1093 (1986).

Objective #1: Utilize well-trained and resourced appellate attorneys to prepare and submit briefs to the Kansas Court of Appeals or Kansas Supreme Court, and argue relevant cases before these courts.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Focus resources on preparing appeals without excessive extension requests.

b. Improve competency among the appellate attorneys by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on persuasive legal writing and oral argument skills.

c. Maintain the capacity to meet the demands generated by the number of guilty verdicts obtained from the Criminal Litigation Division.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of state appellate briefs completed and filed:

Actual	FY 2025	17
Actual	FY 2026	12
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

Objective #2: Utilize well-trained and resourced appellate attorneys to represent the State in criminal proceedings before the United States Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Focus resources on preparing appeals in a timely manner.

b. Improve competency among the appellate attorneys by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on federal appellate practice procedures and persuasive legal writing and oral argument skills.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of appellate briefs completed and filed in the 10th Circuit:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	2
Estimate	FY 2028	2

Objective #3: Utilize well-trained and resourced appellate attorneys to represent the State in criminal appeals proceedings before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. Maintain an element within the Solicitor General's Office that is qualified to represent the State before the Supreme Court of the United States.

b. Improve competency among the appellate attorneys by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on federal appellate practice and procedures.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of U.S. Supreme Court petitions and briefs completed:

Actual	FY 2025	1
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	3

Objective #4: Provide for the defense of the State of Kansas, its agencies, and employees in all petitions for federal habeas corpus relief filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 2241 and 2254 by individuals held in the custody of State institutions.

Strategies for Objective #4:

a. Maintain an element within the Solicitor General's Office that is qualified to represent the State before federal courts.

b. Improve competency among the appellate attorneys by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on federal habeas corpus relief practice and procedures.

Output Measures for Objective #4:

Number of federal habeas corpus cases answered:

Actual	FY 2025	6
Actual	FY 2026	17
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

Objective #5: Provide for the defense of the State, its agencies and employees in collateral appeals and petitions for state habeas corpus relief filed pursuant to K.S.A. 60-1501 and 1507 by individuals held in the custody of State institutions.

Strategies for Objective #5:

a. Focus resources on preparing and arguing state habeas corpus relief petitions without undue delay.

b. Improve competency among the appellate attorneys by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on persuasive legal writing and oral argument skills.

c. Maintain the capacity to meet the demands generated by the number of guilty verdicts obtained from the Criminal Litigation Division.

Output Measures for Objective #5:

Number of K.S.A. 60-1501 & 60-1507 cases and other post-conviction attacks opened:

Actual	FY 2025	4
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	7
Estimate	FY 2028	8

Objective #6: Utilize well-trained and resourced appellate attorneys to provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advice and assistance to county and district attorneys in appellate and other post-conviction practice before the state courts.

Strategies for Objective #6:

a. Focus resources on the timely review of county-generated appeals required by Supreme Court Rule 6.10.

b. Improve appellate competency within the prosecutor community in Kansas by offering training opportunities and promoting appellate practice discussions with county and district attorneys.

c. Maintain the capacity to meet the demands generated by the growing number of child sex crime appeals within Kansas.

Output Measures for Objective #6:

Number of appellate briefs submitted to this office by local prosecutors for review and approval as to form and legal substance:

Actual	FY 2025	404
Actual	FY 2026	419
Estimate	FY 2027	400
Estimate	FY 2028	400

Objective # 7: Provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advice concerning whether to join criminal amicus curiae briefs, and when in the best interests of the State, draft criminal amicus curiae briefs for cases before the United States Supreme Court or other appellate courts, and when advisable before trial courts.

Strategies for Objective #7:

a. Focus on cases that will adversely impact public safety, law enforcement investigations, and prosecutions, or cases that advance, protect, or defend the sovereign interests of the State of Kansas.

b. When practicable, work through NAAG or other recognized entities to recruit other states to join the amicus briefs drafted by the State's appellate lawyers.

Output Measures for Objective #7:

Number of criminal amicus briefs reviewed and acted on by the Agency:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

PROGRAM GOAL III: CONTRACTED COUNTY CRIMINAL APPEALS

By contracting with County and District Attorneys around the State, build, deploy, and sustain a team of appellate attorneys that can efficiently, effectively, and ethically represent the State of Kansas in criminal direct appeals and collateral appeals before state and federal appellate courts to achieve efficiency and uniformity. K.S.A. 75-702, K.S.A. 75-703, K.S.A. 75-764, and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 601501, K.S.A. 60-1507, 28 U.S.C. § 2241 *et seq.* and amendments thereto; *Memorial Hospital Ass'n, Inc. v. Knutson,* 239 Kan. 663, 66768, 772 P.2d 1093 (1986).

Objective #1: Contract with County and District Attorneys across the state to handle criminal appeals on behalf of the county for the entire Fiscal Year for a pre-set fee with a goal toward achieving efficiency, economies of scale, and greater uniformity in the handling of the State's criminal appellate work.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Conduct discussions with County and District Attorneys across the state, offering to handle criminal appeals on behalf of the county for the entire Fiscal Year for a pre-set fee.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of counties under contract for appellate services:

Actual	FY 2025	50
Actual	FY 2026	62
Estimate	FY 2027	63
Estimate	FY 2028	63

Objective #2: Utilize well trained and resourced appellate attorneys to prepare and submit briefs to the Kansas Court of Appeals or Kansas Supreme Court, and argue relevant cases before these courts, as contracted with County and District Attorneys on an annual basis.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Focus resources on preparing appeals without excessive extension requests.

b. Improve competency among the appellate attorneys by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on persuasive legal writing and oral arguments utilizing available funds primarily derived from forfeiture litigation generated within the division.

c. Maintain the capacity to meet the anticipated demand based upon the number of counties under contract and each county's historic average number of appeals generated.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of state appellate briefs completed and filed:

Actual	FY 2025	191
Actual	FY 2026	252
Estimate	FY 2027	170
Estimate	FY 2028	170

PROGRAM GOAL IV: REVIEW OF NOTICES OF CONSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES

K.S.A. 75-764 requires that notice be provided to the Attorney General or prosecuting attorney, as appropriate, when the validity of a Kansas law is challenged on grounds that the law violates the state constitution, federal constitution, or federal law. All notices sent to the Attorney General are directed to the Solicitor Division for handling.

Objective #1: Review and recommend for possible intervention or litigation or appellate support all Notices of Constitutional Challenges received by the OAG pursuant to K.S.A. 75-764 and Supreme Court Rules 11.01, 147, and 148.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Review and address all Notices received in a timely and comprehensive manner.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of Notices Received and Reviewed by the Solicitor General's Office:

Actual	FY 2025	23
Actual	FY 2026	19
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Objective #2: When appropriate, file all necessary motions to intervene and required related pleadings in support of the constitutionality of Kansas laws under challenge in district or appellate courts.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. File all motions and pleadings in a timely, professional, and legally expert manner.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of Cases in which Interventions or Other Relevant Pleadings are filed by the Solicitor Division pursuant to K.S.A. 75-764:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	3

PROGRAM GOAL VI: ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

The Solicitor's Office is responsible for researching and issuing written legal opinions requested by legislators, public agencies, and other officials. The LOGIC Division used to have this responsibility.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: LEGAL COMMUNICATIONS

To provide formal written opinions to the Legislature, Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, State Board of Education, Commissioner of Insurance and other public officials that may settle a question of law or provide a certain and uniform method of analyzing a legal question in an unbiased manner. When assigned by Administration, to appropriately respond to emails, letters, and other communication from legislators, public agencies and state or local public officials requesting information on a legal issue. To assist the Office of the Attorney General with legal research and special projects. K.S.A. 75-704.

Objective #1: To research and issue written legal opinions requested by legislators, public agencies, and officials.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The Solicitor General, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Chief Deputy Attorney General, reviews opinion requests to determine whether issuance of a formal opinion is appropriate pursuant to the authority listed above. If so, a file is created, an attorney is assigned, and an acknowledgment letter is sent to the requestor.

b. In drafting formal opinions, the assigned attorney seeks input from interested persons, researches questions of law, applies the law to the known facts, and prepares a draft opinion that is vetted by other attorneys in the Solicitor's Office and the Chief Deputy Attorney General before it is provided to the Attorney General for consideration. The Attorney General approves, disapproves, or modifies the draft opinion.

c. After the formal opinion is signed by the Attorney General, copies are provided to the requester, the State Library, the State Supreme Court Law Library, the law libraries of the University of Kansas School of Law and Washburn University School of Law, Westlaw, and other interested parties, and posted on the Attorney General website in searchable format.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of formal legal opinions issued:

Actual	FY 2025	17
Actual	FY 2026	23
Estimate	FY 2027	15

	Estimate	FY 2028	15

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODES

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 9 FTE and 4.60 Non-FTE

FY 2027	$1,578,029
FY 2028	$1,686,431

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage.

FY 2027	$261,102
FY 2028	$278,732

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers.

FY 2027 $2,975
FY 2028 $2,975

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures.

FY 2027 $9,104
FY 2028 $9,104

SPECIAL LITIGATION AND CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES DIVISION

The Special Litigation and Constitutional Issues Division was created at the beginning of calendar year 2023. The Division is dedicated to handling lawsuits and regulatory comments involving constitutional issues or the Attorney General's important policy priorities.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I:

To defend The Constitution of the United States, Constitution of Kansas, and laws of Kansas to the best of our abilities

Objective #1: For cases and comments initiated by or received from other states, the Special Litigation and Constitutional Issues Division will ensure that each and every action is handled professionally, competently, and ethically.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Monitor proposed federal regulatory actions with an eye to protecting constitutional rights, protecting Kansas' interests as a state, and keeping federal agencies within their lawful powers. Draft and submit comments on such proposals. Review proposed comments from other states and evaluate whether the OAG should join those comments.

b. When necessary, bring suit to defend the rights of Kansans or the state against unlawful federal, state, or local government action.

Output measures for Objective #1:

Number of lawsuits filed:

Actual	FY 2025	4
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	4
Estimate	FY 2028	4

Number of defense cases taken:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	7
Estimate	FY 2028	7

Number of lawsuits joined:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

SPECIAL LITIGATION AND CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODES

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 3 FTE

FY 2027 $162,556
FY 2028 $170,604

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference

calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage.

FY 2027 $112,140
FY 2028 $112,973

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers.

FY 2027 $1,125
FY 2028 $1,125

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures.

FY 2027 $3,415
FY 2028 $5,608

VICTIMS SERVICES DIVISION

The Victims Services Division of the Office of the Attorney General was established in 2007 to centralize victim-focused programs and initiatives for administration and coordination. This includes assisting in the development and implementation of statewide training curricula designed to promote best practices for crime victim response; providing direct assistance to crime victims and their families; providing oversight, certification, and training for batterer intervention programs; administering state-funded grants for victim service agencies; coordinating statewide training, service delivery, and public awareness regarding human trafficking, providing coordination for the automated victim notification system in conjunction with county jails, providing coordination of the Safe At Home address confidentiality program; and supporting the Crime Victims Compensation Board.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: STATEWIDE VICTIMS SERVICES COORDINATION

To strengthen and enhance the quality of services to victims and witnesses of crime in all 105 counties of the state. K.S.A. 74-7337; and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 74-7337(c); K.S.A. 74-7325 and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 20-370; and K.S.A.75-758.

Objective #1: Improve local response to victims by providing technical assistance and resource material to local crime victim services and witness assistance programs in all counties of Kansas.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The Division Chief, with the assistance of staff, will respond to all questions and requests for assistance from local crime victim and witness programs and other related professionals.

b. The Division Chief and/or staff will attend and participate in statewide crime victim assistance associations such as the Kansas Organization for Victim Assistance (KOVA), and projects such as the Kansas Academy for Victim Assistance (KAVA).

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of contacts made to provide technical assistance:

Actual	FY 2025	67
Actual	FY 2026	68
Estimate	FY 2027	75
Estimate	FY 2028	75

Objective #2: Ensure victims and witnesses receive appropriate assistance and referrals by responding to all requests for assistance from crime victims and witnesses of criminal conduct, and requests from all 105 Kansas counties.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. The Division Chief and/or staff will respond in a timely manner to requests by crime victims for assistance statewide.

b. The Division Chief and/or staff will meet with crime victims requesting personal assistance.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of contacts made or received to provide victims assistance:

Actual	FY 2025	486
Actual	FY 2026	152
Estimate	FY 2027	175
Estimate	FY 2028	175

* During FY 2026, the Crime Victims' Rights hotline was transferred to the Victim Rights Coordination team in the Criminal Division, responsibility for criminal justice system related calls were shifted out of the Victim Services Division and into the VRC. Numbers in FY 2025 & FY 2026 will reflect this shift.

Objective # 3: To increase victim safety by ensuring that victims of crime and the general public have access to a timely and reliable

automated victim notification program as per K.S.A. 75-771.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. The Kansas VINE Coordinator will coordinate the delivery of automated victim notifications through the Kansas VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) program as per K.S.A. 75-771.

b. The Kansas VINE Coordinator will maintain an advisory board to provide recommendations for the implementation and operation of the Kansas VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) program as per K.S.A. 75-771.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of searches for offenders in custody conducted through the Kansas VINE program

Actual	FY 2025	410,041
Actual	FY 2026	482,483
Estimate	FY 2027	485,000
Estimate	FY 2028	495,000

Number of new registrations for notification in the Kansas VINE program

Actual	FY 2025	16,839
Actual	FY 2026	18,806
Estimate	FY 2027	19,000
Estimate	FY 2028	20,000

Number of notifications regarding offender custody status sent through the Kansas VINE program

Actual	FY 2025	113,499
Actual	FY 2026	118,605
Estimate	FY 2027	120,000
Estimate	FY 2028	125,000

Objective #4: Improve the services available to victims statewide through the administration of crime victim assistance grant funds.

K.S.A. 74-7337; and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 74-7337(c); K.S.A. 74-7325 and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 20-370; and K.S.A 75758.

Strategies for Objective #4:

a. The Division Chief and/or staff will develop and distribute grant applications for the Crime Victims Assistance Fund, Crime Victims Assistance Fund for Child Abuse and Neglect, Protection from Abuse Fund, Child Exchange & Visitation Centers Fund, Kansas Child Advocacy Center Fund, and Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Fund.

b. The Division Chief and/or staff will review all applications to determine eligibility, coordinate grant review committees, and assist the Attorney General in determining grant awards.

c. The Division Chief and/or staff will answer questions from applicants and will provide assistance to service providers who apply for grants.

d. The Division Chief and/or staff will process quarterly grant vouchers to allocate grant funds, and will prepare financial and statistical reports for year-end reports and annual reports.

e. The Division Chief and/or staff will monitor compliance with financial and statistical reporting requirements for each grant awarded.

f. The Division Chief and/or staff will conduct on-site grant reviews, desk reviews, and technical assistance to programs awarded grant funds.

g. The Division Chief will oversee the work of the Grant Monitor and other support staff.

Output Measures for Objective #4:

Number of grants awarded and monitored:

Actual	FY 2025	100
Actual	FY 2026	99
Estimate	FY 2027	100
Estimate	FY 2028	105

Objective #5: Educate and inform the public and professionals working with crime victims to improve the response to victims throughout the

state. K.S.A. 74-7337 and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 75-758.

Strategies for Objective #5:

The Division Chief and/or staff will educate and inform the public, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, victims/witness coordinators, crime victim advocates, medical professionals, court service officers, parole officers, and others who work with crime victims, by providing workshops, training, conferences, public meetings, and media events.

Output Measures for Objective #5:

Number of educational presentations made:

Actual	FY 2025	34
Actual	FY 2026	43
Estimate	FY 2027	45
Estimate	FY 2028	50

Number of participants in educational presentations:

Actual	FY 2025	1,914
Actual	FY 2026	1,695
Estimate	FY 2027	1,900
Estimate	FY 2028	2,000

PROGRAM GOAL II: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM SUPPORT

To reduce domestic violence in Kansas by ensuring that domestic violence offenders have access to quality intervention services as provided by K.S.A. 75-7d01 to 7d13.

Objective #1: To increase domestic violence offender accountability and victim safety through a statewide certification program for batterer intervention programs (BIPs).

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The BIP Unit Coordinator will maintain an advisory board and certification panel, for certification of batterer intervention programs in Kansas as per K.S.A. 75-7d01to 7d13.

b. The BIP Unit Coordinator will review applications, perform site visits and gather necessary information for certification determination.

c. The BIP Unit Coordinator will share certification status information to the Courts, County/District Attorney's offices, victim advocacy agencies, probation/community corrections, parole, and other potential referral sources.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of BIPs that are certified:

Actual	FY 2025	35
Actual	FY 2026	33
Estimate	FY 2027	33
Estimate	FY 2028	35

Number of Judicial Districts with access to a certified BIP out of 31 Judicial Districts statewide:

Actual	FY 2025	23
Actual	FY 2026	23
Estimate	FY 2027	31
Estimate	FY 2028	31

Number of domestic violence offenders served by a certified program:

Actual	FY 2025	5,106
Actual	FY 2026	5,103
Estimate	FY 2027	5,000
Estimate	FY 2028	5,000

Number of victims provided service notification, referrals, or resources by a certified program:

Actual	FY 2025	1,735
Actual	FY 2026	1,824
Estimate	FY 2027	1,900
Estimate	FY 2028	1,900

PROGRAM GOAL III: ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING

To coordinate and enhance the efforts to stop the commercial exploitation of children and other forms of human trafficking in Kansas as per KSA 75- 756 to 759.

Objective #1: To enhance the human trafficking reduction efforts in Kansas through policy analysis by the Human Trafficking Advisory Board as per K.S.A. 75-757.

Strategies for Objective #1:

The Anti-Human Trafficking staff will:

a. Coordinate and maintain a working Human Trafficking Advisory Board as per K.S.A. 75-757.

b. Maintain human trafficking data collection for Kansas victim service providers who receive grant funds.

c. Provide data information and policy analysis to key stakeholders and the public through informational releases and training material produced.

Outcome Measure for Objective # 1:

Number of public policy and prevention strategies recommended.

Actual	FY 2025	4
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Output Measure for Objective # 1:

Number of informational releases, annual reports, and training materials produced and disseminated:

Actual	FY 2025	4,915
Actual	FY 2026	7,861*
Estimate	FY 2027	5,000
Estimate	FY 2028	5,000

* Preparations for the FIFA World Cup games were made throughout FY 2026, resulting in a higher volume of printed materials requested. These numbers are expected to decrease in FY 2027.

Objective #2: To increase the capacity of Kansas to reduce human trafficking through awareness efforts as per K.S.A. 75-759

Strategies for Objective #2:

Anti-Human Trafficking staff will:

a. Maintain a working Prevention & Awareness Subcommittee of the Human Trafficking Advisory Board.

b. Develop awareness campaign efforts; ensuring hotline awareness is accomplished as per KSA 75-757.

c. Provide presentations to communities, schools, faith-based organizations, businesses, and allied professionals.

Outcome measure for Objective #2:

Number of presentations provided:

Actual	FY 2025	14
Actual	FY 2026	23
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	18

Objective #3: To increase the capacity of criminal justice personnel statewide to respond effectively to human trafficking as per K.S.A. 75756.

Strategies for Objective #3:

The Anti-Human Trafficking Unit staff will:

a. Maintain a working Law Enforcement Subcommittee of the Human Trafficking Advisory Board.

b. Develop training curriculum for law enforcement training.

c. Coordinate training for law enforcement, criminal justice personnel, and allied professionals as per K.S.A. 75-756.

d. Target training for underserved law enforcement personnel.

Output Measure for Objective #3:

Number of law enforcement trainings provided:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	3
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Outcome Measure for Objective #3:

Number of law enforcement officers trained:

Actual	FY 2025	172
Actual	FY 2026	48
Estimate	FY 2027	190
Estimate	FY 2028	225

Objective # 4: To increase capacity of victim service agencies to respond effectively to human trafficking in Kansas as per K.S.A. 75-758.

Strategies for Objective #4:

The Division Chief and Human Trafficking Unit staff will:

a. Maintain a working Victim Service Subcommittee of the Human Trafficking Advisory Board (HTAB).

b. Provide funding to organizations for provision of quality services to human trafficking victims, as per KSA 75-758.

c. Develop training curriculum for victim services training.

d. Provide training to victim service agency personnel and allied professionals.

e. Perform site visits statewide to ensure the services for victims of human trafficking are of high quality.

Outcome for Objective #4:

Number of grants awarded:

Actual	FY 2025	8
Actual	FY 2026	6
Estimate	FY 2027	6
Estimate	FY 2028	10

Number of victim service personnel trained:

Actual	FY 2025	1,414
Actual	FY 2026	1,286
Estimate	FY 2027	750
Estimate	FY 2028	750

Output for Objective #4:

Number of trainings provided:

Actual	FY 2025	9
Actual	FY 2026	20
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	13

PROGRAM GOAL IV: KANSAS SAFE AT HOME ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM

To coordinate and implement a statewide address confidentiality program for designated victims of crime that includes first class mail forwarding services at no cost to victims as outlined in K.S.A. 75-451 through 75-458.

Objective #1: To ensure the Kansas SaH program is appropriately and effectively implemented, including the efficient enrollment of safe at home participants and a timely first class mail forwarding system for those enrolled.

Strategies of Objective #1:

a. Plan, implement, and monitor SaH program activities.

b. Monitor and evaluate program activities for effectiveness and compliance with legal directives, policies, and procedures.

c. Enroll potential participants as soon as possible upon acceptance of application materials.

d. Retrieve mail from the SaH PO Box in a timely manner and forward to program participants.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of Active Participants:

Actual	FY 2025	1,111
Actual	FY 2026	867*
Estimate	FY 2027	1,200
Estimate	FY 2028	1,300

*During FY 2026, the SaH program changed the location of its safe mailing address to enhance safety for SaH participants. This transition assisted with identifying participants who previously moved without updating their address with the SaH program. Participants were removed if they could not be contacted and updated mailing addresses obtained.

Number of contacts providing assistance or information to potential or enrolled SaH participants:

Actual	FY 2025	814
Actual	FY 2026	945
Estimate	FY 2027	800
Estimate	FY 2028	800

Objective #2: Provide training, education, and technical assistance for SaH enrolling agencies and enrolling assistants.

Strategies of Objective #2:

a. Develop and provide SaH enrolling assistants training within 60 days of application.

b. Provide technical assistance as requested to enrolling agencies and assistants.

c. Advise community partners, agencies and the public about the SaH program.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of current enrolling assistants:

Actual	FY 2025	258
Actual	FY 2026	295
Estimate	FY 2027	315
Estimate	FY 2028	335

GOAL V: CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION

This program is responsible for supporting the Crime Victims Compensation Board (CVCB) to ensure that just compensation is awarded to victims of crime for economic loss from criminal conduct and in obtaining funds to satisfy victims' claims through the pursuit of subrogation rights, restitution, and fees from offenders. As part of this responsibility, the program seeks to educate public officers and employees, health care providers, judges, attorneys, law enforcement officers, victims' advocates, and others about the board and the program. Our goal is to serve more victims of crime with empathy and efficiency.

To award just compensation to the victims of crime for economic loss arising from criminally injurious conduct. K.S.A. 74-7302, et seq.

To obtain additional funds to satisfy victim's claims through the pursuit of subrogation rights, restitution, and fees from offenders. K.S.A. 74- 7312, -7317(c), K.S.A. 75-5211, -5268(e), Atty. Gen. Op. 90-65 and K.A.R. 44-5-115(b).

To assist in the education of the public to improve methods of providing compensation to victims of crime. K.S.A. 74-7304 (I), (j) and amendments thereto.

To assist crime victims in connecting with resources beyond crime victims compensation.

Objective #1: The Director will ensure that every claim is thoroughly investigated and that the monies awarded by the Board are properly distributed in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The Claims Analysts will gather information by letter and telephone interview to make a preliminary determination of eligibility. A summary of the claim will be compiled and submitted with recommendations to the Crime Victims Compensation Board, whose three members represent the public, are appointed by the Attorney General and confirmed by the State Senate.

b. The Board will decide by majority vote whether the claims should be granted. Awards are paid in accordance with state and federal appropriation acts from the Crime Victims Compensation Fund and the Victims of Crime Act Compensation Fund.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percentage of claims processed in 75 days or less:

Actual	FY 2025	95%
Actual	FY 2026	95%
Estimate	FY 2027	95%
Estimate	FY 2028	95%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Claims processing data:

		New Claims	*Claims Approved*	*Claims Denied*	*% of Claims Approved*
Actual	FY 2025	1,580	909	249	78%
Actual	FY 2026	1,834	1,042	254	80%
Estimate	FY 2027	2,800*	2,050	250	80%
Estimate	FY 2028	3,000	2,250	250	80%

**HB 2613 was passed during the 2026 Legislative session, effective July 1, 2026. CVCB will begin paying for sexual assault forensic examinations through the new "SAFE Program." CVCB will pay for an estimated 1,000 forensic examinations in its first year.*

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Claims compensation data:

		Amount Paid	*Number of Claims Paid*
Actual	FY 2025	$2,013,453	687
Actual	FY 2026	$2,302,663	627
Estimate	FY 2027	$3,225,000	1,750
Estimate	FY 2028	$3,500,000	1,750

Objective #2: The Director will ensure the Crime Victims Compensation Board receives funds to which it is entitled from subrogation rights, court ordered restitution and fees collected from offenders.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Upon receiving notice of a civil claim that may involve subrogation rights in which the Board may have an interest, an attorney from the Civil Division of the Office of the Attorney General will be assigned to the case.

b. The attorney assigned by the Civil Division of the Attorney General and the Crime Victims Compensation staff will investigate the matter, and if it is determined that the Board does have an interest, will take appropriate action to protect the Board's interest and collect the funds.

c. Notification of a request for restitution will be filed by the Director, or a designated employee, with the clerk of the district court, and the district/county attorney. The Crime Victims Compensation staff will work with the district courts and the restitution request will be monitored on a periodic basis until the restitution obligation is fulfilled.

d. The Director will periodically confer with Department of Corrections personnel to encourage, monitor and facilitate monthly collection of fees from inmates and parolees.

Output Measures for Objective #2

Amount collected from inmates, probationers and parolees for restitution and from subrogation claims:

Actual	FY 2025	$2,005,067
Actual	FY 2026	$1,128,620*
Estimate	FY 2027	$1,900,000
Estimate	FY 2028	$1,900,000

*KDOC changed systems during the fiscal year, which resulted in delayed deposits from inmate contributions. Deposits for the last four months of FY 2026 were received in July 2026 and are not reflected in this table.

Objective #3: The Director, with the aid of the staff, will inform public officers and employees, health care providers, judges, attorneys, law enforcement officers, victim advocates, other interested groups and the public of the crime victim compensation program.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. Staff and Board members distribute brochures, applications and other related materials to members of the public, judges, attorneys, law enforcement officers, social services providers, health care providers, and other interested parties.

b. The Board approves an annual report which will be provided to the Governor and Legislature, as required by statute.

c. The Board makes available to the public its rules and regulations, as well as statements of policy.

d. The Director and staff make presentations to the public, law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, and other interested groups. The Director and the Crime Victims Compensation staff will collect and evaluate data on how each claimant was referred to the Crime Victims Compensation Program. Crime Victims Compensation staff will then use the collected data to target future education and outreach programs.

Outcome Measures for Objective #3:

Percentage of referrals made by target groups:

		Law Enforcement	*Providers*	*Victim Advocates*	*Prosecutors*
Actual	FY 2025	23%	47%	21%	9%*
Actual	FY 2026	18%	57%	16%	9%
Estimate	FY 2027	25%	40%	25%	10%
Estimate	FY 2028	25%	40%	25%	10%

**If providers are exceeding expectations in making referrals to CVCB, the number of victims who have already applied by the time the case is prosecuted will increase. Efforts were made in SFY 2024 to increase awareness of CVCB within hospital forensic programs, and forensic nurses began assisting victims with completing the paperwork rather than sending the application home with the patient to complete.*

Objective #4: The Director and the Crime Victims Compensation staff will communicate with victims to help determine their needs and provide referrals outside of crime victim's compensation to assist victims in their recovery.

Strategies for Objective #4:

a. Staff and Board Members will screen all victims and applicants to determine if they would benefit from additional services.

b. Staff and Board Members will refer victims to other government programs including (but not limited to): public assistance, KanCare, victim advocates, law enforcement, and the Victim Programs staff of the Attorney General's office.

Output Measures for Objective #4

Percentage of applicants screened for additional services:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimate	FY 2027	100%
Estimate	FY 2028	100%

Percentage of applicants referred to the Attorney General's Office Victim Programs and/or others:

Actual	FY 2025	25%
Actual	FY 2026	25%
Estimate	FY 2027	25%
Estimate	FY 2028	25%

Educational presentations:

		Number of Presentations	*Number of People Trained*
Actual	FY 2025	14	506
Actual	FY 2026	10	579
Estimate	FY 2027	15	550
Estimate	FY 2028	15	550

VICTIMS SERVICES DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODE

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 11 FTE and 4 Non-FTE

FY 2027 $1,348,188
FY 2028 $1,419,604

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

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FY 2027 $1,102,280
FY 2028 $1,123,149

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

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FY 2027 $11,620
FY 2028 $11,620

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

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FY 2027 $21,700
FY 2028 $21,700

Other Assistance, Grants, and Benefits 55XXX:

Grant payments made by the Division of Victims Services have increased slightly. These grants are for providing services to victims of sexual abuse, child visitation centers, victims of domestic abuse and victims of child abuse.

The State Protection From Abuse Fund (PFA 2239) was established in 1984 and is to be used solely for the purposes of making grants for operating expenses to programs providing:

1) Temporary emergency shelter for adult victims of domestic violence or sexual assault and their dependent children
2) Counseling and assistance to those victims and their children or
3) Educational service directed at reducing the incidence of domestic violence or sexual assault and diminishing its impact on victims

The State Crime Victim's Assistance Fund (CVAF 2598-2070) was established in 1989 to assist programs in providing services and assistance to crime victims in order to speed their recovery from the financial loss, physical suffering and emotional trauma of victimization, and to assure proper and sensitive treatment of crime victims in the criminal justice process. The CVAF grant is awarded to several types of agencies throughout the state of Kansas. Examples of the types of agencies receiving CVAF funding are as follows:

- Child Advocacy Centers provide specialized child-focused forensic assessments to children, advocacy and support for victims of sexual abuse or serious physical abuse and their non-offending caregiver. Throughout the investigation and prosecution of their case, a variety of services are provided to victims, which could include: counseling, in-home support, legal advocacy, court accompaniment & interpretation services, if needed.

- CASA programs provide certified volunteers to advocate for the rights of abused and neglected children.

- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs provide vital domestic violence and sexual assault services to survivors of domestic violence and their children, such as shelter, support groups, and court advocacy.

The State Child Exchange & Visitation Centers (CVAF CEVC 2598-2075) grant fund is available to increase, enhance, expand, or initiate grant projects which provide services & assistance to children and families in need of supervised exchange or visitation.

The State Crime Victims' Assistance Fund for Child Abuse and Neglect (CVAF CA 2598-2078) was established in 1994 to fund programs whose primary function is preventing child abuse and neglect or providing residential services or facilities to victims of child abuse or neglect. The grant funds are to be used for ongoing operating expenses of programs, including court-appointed special advocate programs, providing:
1) Temporary emergency shelter for victims of child abuse and neglect
2) Counseling and assistance to those child victims or
3) Educational services directed at reducing the incidence of child abuse and neglect and diminishing its impact on the child victim.

A total of $198,796 in State General Funds, is included in FY 2027 and FY 2028 for Anti-Human Trafficking Grants**.**

FY 2027 $2,534,468
FY 2028 $2,534,468

CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION

Other Assistance, Grants, and Benefits 55XXX:

The number of claims paid out by the Crime Victims Compensation Board has decreased slightly as the number of violent crimes reported to law enforcement has decreased slightly in Kansas over the past five years.

The Crime Victims Compensation Board was established by the Kansas Legislature in 1978 pursuant to K.S.A. 74-7301, et seq., to provide monetary compensation for out-of-pocket medical expenses, loss of earnings or support, burial expenses, and other costs associated with the treatment of injuries sustained as a result of being a victim of a violent crime.

Compensation may be awarded only if the Board finds that, unless the claimant is awarded compensation, the claimant will suffer financial stress as the result of economic loss that is otherwise reparable. A claimant suffers financial stress only if the claimant cannot maintain the claimant's customary level of health, safety and education without undue financial hardship.

An application for compensation may be filed by:

1. The victim
2. A dependent of a deceased victim
3. A third person other than a collateral source or
4. An authorized person acting on behalf of any of the above

i. The claim must be filed within two years of the incident (Child sexual assault claims are based on the date the crime was reported to law enforcement officials).

ii. Compensation for mental health counseling may be provided if a claim is filed within two years of (1) testimony to a claimant who is, or will be, required to testify in a sexually violent predator commitment of an offender who victimized the claimant or the victim on whose behalf the claim is made or (2) notification, to a claimant who is notified that DNA testing of a sexual assault kit or other evidence has revealed a DNA profile, or is notified of the identification of a suspected offender who victimized the claimant of the victim on whose behalf the claim is made, whichever occurs later.

iii. The victim suffered bodily injury or death as a result of the criminal actions of another.

iv. Mental health counseling because of emotional trauma resulting from a violent crime.

v. The incident occurred in Kansas, or committed outside the United States against a person whose domicile is in Kansas.

vi. The incident was reported to law enforcement officials within 72 hours or would have been reported within that time except for a valid reason.

vii. The victim and/or claimant fully cooperated with law enforcement officials during the investigation and prosecution of his or her case.

viii. Economic loss (medical expenses, wage loss, etc.) will total $100 or more and has not been, nor will be, totally paid by other sources. The loss may be less than $100 for crimes of sexual assault.

x. The claimant was not the offender or an accomplice of the offender. An award may not be made to another person if the award would unjustly benefit the offender or accomplice.

FY 2027	$2,900,000
FY 2028	$2,900,000

OPIOID ABUSE MITIGATION

Other Assistance, Grants, and Benefits 55XXX:

The Attorney General shall provide funding to municipalities and other non-state agencies, pursuant to HB 2079, to support projects, and activities that prevent, reduce, treat or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction.

FY 2027	$23,015,905
FY 2028	$17,725,330

The Criminal Division is comprised of the following sections: Major Crimes; Medicaid Fraud Control; Victims' Rights Coordination; Economic Crimes; and Investigations.

MAJOR CRIMES

The Major Crimes maintains a group of highly skilled prosecutors who assist county and district attorneys in prosecuting the most difficult and demanding criminal cases throughout Kansas. The Section hosts regional continuing legal education on emerging prosecution and appellate issues, and provides training to law enforcement officers and officials, and allied professionals on major criminal issues.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: PROSECUTION

Build and sustain a group of highly skilled prosecutors who can efficiently, effectively, and ethically prosecute persons charged with violations of Kansas criminal laws. Kan. Constitution, Article I, § 1; K.S.A. 22-2202(17), K.S.A. 75-108, K.S.A. 75-702, K.S.A. 75-708, and amendments thereto; *State ex rel. Stephan v. Reynolds*, 234 Kan. 574, 673 P.2d 1188 (1984).

Objective #1: Utilizing well trained and resourced Assistant Attorneys General, prosecute the most difficult and demanding cases throughout Kansas.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Focus resources on homicide prosecution, including capital cases, child death cases, child sex crimes, and death related to distribution, and violent crimes involving public officials.

b. Improve competency among the Assistant Attorneys General by developing and executing an efficient training program that focuses on violent crime prosecution utilizing available funds, while also ensuring that prosecutors maintain strong mental health and wellness as essential components of professional effectiveness, sound judgment, and ethical decision-making.

c. Maintain the capacity to meet prosecution needs throughout the State, especially in smaller population counties with limited resources.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of criminal cases accepted from county and district attorney offices:

Actual	FY 2025	13
Actual	FY 2026	24
Estimate	FY 2027	28
Estimate	FY 2028	32

Number of jury trials conducted:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Number cases resolved by plea:

Actual	FY 2025	8
Actual	FY 2026	6
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	14

Objective #2: Build positive relationships with state and local law enforcement officers and officials to foster core competencies in the investigation and prosecution of homicides and violent crimes.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Host regional events that provide an opportunity to present continuing legal education on emerging prosecution and appeal issues to local prosecutors, and provide an opportunity for the Kansas Attorney General to discuss emerging public safety issues with county and district attorneys.

b. Provide specialized training to law enforcement officers, law enforcement officials, victim advocates, and court services personnel on prosecution considerations concerning homicide and violent crime.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

AG Call / Regional Event attendance:

Actual	FY 2025	38
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	50
Estimate	FY 2028	50

OAG to entity training events conducted:

Actual	FY 2025	7
Actual	FY 2026	16
Estimate	FY 2027	12
Estimate	FY 2028	15

PROGRAM GOAL II: TRAFFIC SAFETY RESOURCE PROSECUTORS

The Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) program is funded by the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) through a grant from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT). The TSRP provides training, education and technical support to prosecutors and law enforcement agencies throughout the state on traffic crimes and safety issues. While the TSRP's focus is on alcohol and drug impaired driving, the TSRP also serves as a resource in other areas of traffic safety including distracted driving, occupant restraint, and other highway safety issues.

Objective #1: Provide support to local prosecutors to review and assist with the prosecution of traffic safety crimes with an emphasis on impaired driving offenses.

Strategies for Objective #1

a. Provide technical assistance to local prosecutors and law enforcement and allied professionals to assist in the prosecution of traffic safety crimes.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of technical assistance request responses

Actual	FY 2025	166
Actual	FY 2026	168
Estimate	FY 2027	175
Estimate	FY 2028	175

Objective #2: Produce or co-produce with one or more agencies or organizations, training events relating to detection and apprehension of impaired drivers.

Strategies for Objective #2

a. Develop and provide training programs to law enforcement officers concerning traffic safety investigations, including detection of impaired driving, as well as courtroom presentation.

b. Develop and provide training for prosecutors concerning the prosecution of impaired driving offenses.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of law enforcement trainings conducted		*# of events*	*cumulative attendees*
Actual	FY 2025	11	328
Actual	FY 2026	27	629
Estimate	FY 2027	15	400
Estimate	FY 2028	15	425

Number of prosecutor trainings conducted		*# of events*	*Cumulative attendees*
Actual	FY 2025	4	84
Actual	FY 2026	20	217
Estimate	FY 2027	10	150
Estimate	FY 2028	11	175

Objective #3: Inform prosecuting attorneys and law enforcement officers of significant developments about the DUI and Implied Consent laws as well as other traffic safety related news including upcoming training opportunities.

Strategy for Objective #3

a. Develop and provide a weekly newsletter highlighting significant case law, legislative developments, upcoming training opportunities, and other traffic safety news.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of Newsletter Subscribers

Actual	FY 2025	725
Actual	FY 2026	800
Estimate	FY 2027	805
Estimate	FY 2028	825

Number of Law Enforcement Officers Receiving Newsletter

Actual	FY 2025	460
Actual	FY 2026	528
Estimate	FY 2027	535
Estimate	FY 2028	545

Number of Prosecutors Receiving Newsletter

Actual	FY 2025	178
Actual	FY 2026	181
Estimate	FY 2027	183
Estimate	FY 2028	185

VICTIM RIGHTS COORDINATION

The Victim Rights Coordinator and/or staff ensure that victims are afforded their rights as noted in the Kansas Crime Victims Bill of Rights K.S.A. 74-7333, Kansas Constitutional Amendment for Victims; Rights Article 15, and other notification requirements set forth by statute. The ongoing statutory responsibilities assigned to the Victims' Rights Coordinator in 1989 by K.S.A. 74-7337 include to create, coordinate and assist in the operation of local victim-witness programs throughout the state; respond to a statewide victims' rights telephone hotline; and administer the Kansas crime victims' assistance fund. This includes providing statewide coordination of crime victims and witness assistance programs; assisting in the development and implementation of statewide training curricula designed to promote best practice for crime victim's response; providing direct assistance to crime victims and their families through the hotline and other contact; administering state funded grants for victim service agencies; and coordinating statewide training. The Victim Rights Coordinator and/or staff will be responsible for providing crime victim and witnesses system-based advocacy including assistance, referrals, and information during the criminal justice process to all requests from the 105 counties in Kansas.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: RESPOND TO STATEWIDE VICTIMS' RIGHTS INQUIRIES

To provide services to victims who have reached out through the statewide hotline regarding victim rights inquiries.

Objective #1: Ensure victims and witnesses receive appropriate assistance and referrals by responding to all requests for assistance from crime victims and witnesses.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will respond in a timely manner to requests by crime victims for assistance statewide.

b. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will meet with crime victims requesting personal assistance and referrals.

Number of contacts made or received to provide victims assistance:

Actual	FY 2025	344
Actual	FY 2026	913
Estimate	FY 2027	800
Estimate	FY 2028	800

PROGRAM GOAL II: ASSIST LOCAL VICTIM-WITNESS PROGRAMS IN THE STATE

To strengthen and enhance the quality of services to victims and witnesses by creating, coordinating, and assisting in operations of system-based advocacy programs and collaborating agencies that work with victims of crime in all 105 counties of the state.

Objective #1: Educate and inform the public and professionals working with crime victims to improve the response to victims throughout the state. K.S.A. 74-7337, K.S.A. 74-7333 and amendments thereto; K.S.A. 75-758.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will educate and inform the public, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, victims/witness coordinators, crime victim advocates, medical professionals, court service officers, parole officers, and others who work with crime victims, by providing workshops, training, conferences, public meetings, and media events.

b. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will respond to all questions and requests for assistance from local crime victims and witness programs and other related professionals.

c. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will attend and participate in statewide crime victim assistance associations such as Kansas Organization for Victim Assistance (KOVA), and projects such as the Kanas Academy for Victim Assistance (KAVA) along with others as requested.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of educational presentations made:

Actual	FY 2025	23
Actual	FY 2026	29
Estimate	FY 2027	20
Estimate	FY 2028	25

Number of participants in educational presentations:

Actual	FY 2025	630
Actual	FY 2026	901
Estimate	FY 2027	300
Estimate	FY 2028	500

PROGRAM GOAL III: SUPPORT VICTIM-WITNESS ACROSS THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DIVISIONS

To strengthen and enhance the quality of system-based advocacy services provided directly to victims and witnesses through the Office of the Attorney General.

Objective #1: Ensure victims and witnesses receive appropriate assistance and referrals by responding to all requests for assistance from crime victims and witnesses of criminal conduct, and requests from all 105 Kansas counties and perform the functions of victim/witness coordinator for the criminal division and other requested divisions within the Office of the Attorney General.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will notify all victims of the Kansas Crime Victims Bill of Rights as required in K.S.A. 74-7333 and the Kansas Constitutional Amendment for Victims' Rights Article 15.

b. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will assist prosecutors/attorneys by meeting statutory requirements set forth in statutes of Articles 23, 29, 34, 37, 67, 68, 73, and other necessary information related to a case/incident.

c. The statewide Victims' Rights Coordinator and/or staff will assist victims during the criminal justice process by providing system-based advocacy services including but not limited to accompaniment to court/meetings, referrals, safety planning, and other related services.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of contacts made or received to provide victims assistance:

Actual	FY 2025	5755
Actual	FY 2026	5697
Estimate	FY 2027	5200
Estimate	FY 2028	5200

Number of case support:

Actual	FY 2025	932
Actual	FY 2026	486*
Estimate	FY 2027	475*
Estimate	FY 2028	480*

* Unduplicated cases not previously tracked, and will be reported beginning with FY 2026.

MEDICAID FRAUD & ABUSE UNIT

The Criminal Division's Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Unit (the Unit) was established pursuant to K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 75-725 to comply with the requirements of 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(61) and 42 U.S.C. § 1396b(q). The majority of the funding for this Unit is provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at 75%. The Office of the Kansas Attorney General provides a 25% match provided by litigation recoveries and State General Fund. The Unit is the only state entity responsible for receiving, investigating, and prosecuting, either civilly or criminally, all cases of suspected fraud by Medicaid providers committed against the Kansas Medicaid program. The unit is tasked with recovering state and federal tax monies fraudulently obtained by Medicaid providers and returning said monies to the appropriate state and federal agencies. In addition, the Unit receives, investigates, and prosecutes allegations of patient abuse, neglect, or exploitation or misappropriation of patients' private funds committed by providers in residential care facilities and non-institutional settings receiving Medicaid funds.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I:

To efficiently, effectively, and ethically investigate and litigate against providers found to be committing fraud in or against the Kansas Medicaid program, recover state and federal monies fraudulently obtained by Medicaid providers, and reimburse the appropriate state and federal agencies.

Objective #1: Staff a unit, independent of the State Medicaid Agency (the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Division of Health Care Finance), that will develop and implement specific procedures to effectively and efficiently investigate and prosecute criminal instances of fraud by Medicaid providers.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The Unit will employ sufficient staff to investigate and prosecute Medicaid provider fraud cases throughout the state pursuant to the Medicaid Fraud Control Act.

b. Each reported incident of suspected Medicaid fraud committed by a provider will be thoroughly reviewed for the potential for investigation and criminal prosecution.

c. If it is determined that a provider may have committed Medicaid fraud in violation of the Medicaid Fraud Control Act, and that an investigation is warranted, utilizing a case metric analysis based on available Unit resources, then the Unit will assign personnel to thoroughly investigate the matter. All necessary evidence will be reviewed to determine if a crime has been committed.

d. If an investigation is not conducted and a determination is made that an administrative remedy is appropriate, the matter is forwarded to the appropriate agency to conduct such administrative actions.

e. Once an investigation is complete, the Unit initiates criminal proceedings when appropriate. An assigned attorney completes all aspects of the case, including, but not limited to, researching applicable law, filing the complaint, preparing witnesses for hearing(s) and trial, preparing and filing necessary motions and/or responsive pleadings, preparing for and participating in hearings, depositions, and trials, and preparing and presenting appeals to appropriate courts as necessary.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of Medicaid open investigations being handled by the Unit:

		Open Investigations	*Cases Filed*	*Sentences/ Judgments Received*
Actual	FY 2025	287	8	17
Actual	FY 2026	158	10	7
Estimate	FY 2027	160	16	12
Estimate	FY 2028	160	16	15

Number of Medicaid provider fraud open criminal investigations being handled by the Unit:

		Open Investigations	*Cases Filed*	*Cases Sentenced*
Actual	FY 2025	199	8	14
Actual	FY 2026	86	9	1
Estimate	FY 2027	90	14	10
Estimate	FY 2028	90	15	12

Objective #2: Staff a unit, independent of the State Medicaid Agency (the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Division of Health Care Finance), that will develop and implement specific procedures to effectively and efficiently investigate and litigate civil instances of fraud by Medicaid providers.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. The Unit will employ sufficient staff to investigate and litigate Medicaid provider fraud cases throughout the state pursuant to the Kansas False Claims Act.

b. Each reported incident of suspected Medicaid fraud committed by a provider will be thoroughly reviewed for the potential for investigation and litigation.

c. If it is determined that a provider may have committed Medicaid fraud in violation of the Kansas False Claims Act, and that an investigation is warranted, utilizing a case metric analysis based on available Unit resources, then the Unit will assign staff to thoroughly investigate the matter. All necessary evidence will be reviewed to determine if a civil wrong has been committed.

d. If an investigation is not conducted and a determination is made that an administrative remedy is appropriate, the matter is forwarded to the appropriate agency to conduct such administrative actions.

e. Once an investigation is complete, the Unit initiates civil proceedings when appropriate. An assigned attorney completes all aspects of the case, including, but not limited to, researching applicable law, filing the petition, preparing witnesses for hearing(s) and trial, preparing and filing necessary motions, discovery and/or responsive pleadings, preparing for and participating in hearings, depositions, and trials, and preparing and presenting appeals to appropriate courts as necessary.

f. When appropriate, the Unit will work with other state Medicaid Fraud Control Units to negotiate multi-state settlements of cases of suspected provider fraud by corporate providers.

Outcome Measures for Objective #2:

Number of Medicaid provider fraud open civil investigations being handled by the Unit:

		Open Investigations	*Cases Filed*	*Judgments Received*
Actual	FY 2025	32	0	3
Actual	FY 2026	41	0	3
Estimate	FY 2027	30	3	5
Estimate	FY 2028	36	10	7

PROGRAM GOAL II:

To review allegations of patient abuse, neglect, or the exploitation or misappropriation of patients' private funds committed by healthcare providers in residential care facilities that receive Medicaid funds and by Medicaid providers who provide in-home care to efficiently, effectively, and ethically investigate those allegations with substantial potential for criminal prosecution and to prosecute the perpetrators of such misconduct or refer cases to agencies for appropriate sanctions.

Objective #1: Develop and implement procedures to effectively and efficiently review, investigate, and prosecute cases of patient abuse and/or Medicaid beneficiary abuse, neglect or misappropriation of patients' private funds.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The Unit will employ sufficient staff to review, investigate and prosecute allegations of patient abuse, neglect, or exploitation or misappropriation of patients' private funds by healthcare providers receiving Medicaid funding, in residential care facilities or by Medicaid providers providing in-home care throughout the state.

b. Complaints of abuse or neglect resulting in bodily injury, death, or exploitation or misappropriation of significant amounts of funds will be considered for assignment to an investigator who will open an official case file and pursue an investigation.

c. If a criminal investigation is not conducted the case will be referred to the appropriate agency for review and consideration of sanctions.

d. Once an investigation is complete, if the evidence warrants and after notifying the appropriate county or district attorney, the Unit initiates criminal proceedings. An assigned attorney completes all aspects of the proceedings, including, but not limited to, researching applicable law, filing the complaint, preparing witnesses for hearing(s) and trial, preparing and filing necessary motions and/or responsive pleadings, preparing for and participating in hearings, depositions, and trials, and preparing and presenting appeals to appropriate courts as necessary.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of open criminal investigations alleging abuse, neglect, or exploitation or misappropriation of patients' private funds:

		Open Investigations	*Cases Filed*	*Sentences Received*
Actual	FY 2025	56	2	6
Actual	FY 2026	31	1	3
Estimate	FY 2027	40	5	5
Estimate	FY 2028	30	2	2

NOTE: It would be expected that any abuse, neglect, or exploitation or misappropriation of patients' private funds would be prosecuted criminally and NOT civilly.

PROGRAM GOAL III:

To provide for the efficient and effective education of the public and health care providers to aid in the fight against Medicaid fraud and abuse through awareness and cooperation, as well as the coordination of private, state and federal resources. 42 U.S.C. § 1396b(q)(3); K.S.A. 75-708.

Objective #1: Create procedures to ensure that Medicaid providers and the general public are provided with relevant information concerning Medicaid provider fraud and vulnerable adult abuse, neglect and exploitation.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Unit staff will respond to all inquiries, written or otherwise, concerning the Unit's responsibilities for protecting the integrity of the Kansas Medicaid program.

b. Routine informational meetings will be held with state and federal agencies participating in activities or programs relevant to the Unit's responsibilities.

c. Informational meetings will be held with provider groups participating in the Medicaid program.

d. Staff will be made available for meetings and seminars with other interested parties to provide education and information.

e. Unit representatives will participate in national organizations as means of gathering information to disseminate to the public.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of educational and informational sessions presented:

Actual	FY 2025	4
Actual	FY 2026	20
Estimate	FY 2027	20
Estimate	FY 2028	20

Number of attendees at educational and informational sessions presented:

Actual	FY 2025	15
Actual	FY 2026	193
Estimate	FY 2027	200
Estimate	FY 2028	200

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ECONOMIC CRIMES

Agency: Kansas Attorney General
Program: Criminal - 05300

The Attorney General's Office has historically prosecuted criminal cases of all kinds around the state in coordination with local county and district attorneys. The Economic Crimes Unit investigates and prosecutes cases involving abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adults (ANE), crimes against elders and dependent adults, insurance fraud, violations of the securities laws, offenses identified under the White-Collar Crime Fund such as unauthorized gambling and illegal wagering, voting/election crimes, organized retail theft, public official and conflict cases, and general and complex financial crimes.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: ANE UNIT

Participate in the review, referral, investigation, prevention, and prosecution of abuse, neglect, and exploitation cases involving adults pursuant to
K.S.A. 75-723.

Objective #1: Review and follow up on law enforcement referrals and substantiated reports of abuse, neglect, and exploitation for adults.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. As a unit, determine which cases need assistance. This will require assessment of the needs of the local law enforcement agency, the agency's desire for assistance, and the request of the local prosecutor.

b. Refer local law enforcement agencies to Criminal Investigations unit for investigative assistance, including financial analyst assistance.

c. Provide effective prosecution of cases involving abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

d. All reports of confirmed or substantiated abuse, neglect, and exploitation referred to the ANE Unit will be reviewed for potential follow up including, but not limited to, referral for investigative assistance and/or prosecution.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of law enforcement referrals by State agencies regarding abuse, neglect, and exploitation of adults requiring review and potential follow-up; this number includes, as of FY 2025, matters that are sent to law enforcement but not opened as investigations by the social services agencies:

Actual	FY 2025	7,190
Actual	FY 2026	8,386
Estimate	FY 2027	8,500
Estimate	FY 2028	9,000

Number of Substantiated cases of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of adults forwarded to the office by state agencies requiring review and potential follow-up:

Actual	FY 2025	421
Actual	FY 2026	487
Estimate	FY 2027	500
Estimate	FY 2028	520

Number of cases criminally litigated:

Actual	FY 2025	14
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

Objective #2: Prevention through education of law enforcement, prosecutors and the general public.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Provide specialized training to law enforcement officers and prosecutors to ensure ethical investigation and litigation of cases involving abuse, neglect, and exploitation of dependent adults.

b. Provide specialized training to the general public to protect themselves or a loved one from abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

c. To inform policy change, the division will share findings and recommendations for investigations through reports, presentations, and collaborative meetings with professionals and key stakeholders in Kansas. This includes an annual report to the legislature, as per K.S.A. 75-723.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of educational presentations made to law enforcement, prosecutors, or the general public:

Actual	FY 2025	20
Actual	FY 2026	35
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Objective #3: Track Silver Alerts and Purple Alerts

To develop and maintain a coordinated response to prevent serious harm and deaths of vulnerable adults as per K.S.A. 75-754 and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 75-754a and amendments thereto.

Number of silver alerts(elders):

Actual	FY 2025	32
Actual	FY 2026	46
Estimate	FY 2027	50
Estimate	FY 2028	55

Number of purple alerts (dependent adults); began tracking in July 2024:

Actual	FY 2025	1
Actual	FY 2026	1
Estimate	FY 2027	2

PROGRAM GOAL II: CRIMINAL PROSECUTION/ENFORCEMENT

Provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the applicable criminal statutes pertaining to general economic crimes, insurance fraud, securities fraud, and other crimes, including public official, elections and conflict cases. Kan. Constitution, Article I, § 1; K.S.A. 22-2202(17), K.S.A. 75-108, K.S.A. 75-702, K.S.A. 75-708, and amendments thereto; *State ex rel. Stephan v. Reynolds*, 234 Kan. 574, 673 P.2d 1188 (1984), K.S.A. 40-113 and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 17-12a508 and amendments thereto.

Objective #1: Review and prosecute economic crimes, insurance fraud, securities fraud, general fraud, and other non person crimes.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Review complaints referred by the Consumer Protection Division, local authorities, the Kansas Department of Insurance, the Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner, the Office of the Inspector General, and the Secretary of State, to assess jurisdiction and to determine if facts suggest a probable violation of the applicable criminal statutes. Determine if the section has available resources to conduct such a prosecution.

b. Coordinate with the referring agency regarding the investigation and any follow-up required.

c. When enforcement action is required and approved by the Attorney General, the attorney files the appropriate complaint, prosecutes the case until completion, and takes appropriate action to enforce any verdict.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of economic crime, general fraud, and other non-person crime cases criminally litigated:

Actual	FY 2025	7
Actual	FY 2026	18
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	12

Number of insurance fraud cases criminally litigated:

Actual	FY 2025	45
Actual	FY 2026	36
Estimate	FY 2027	40
Estimate	FY 2028	40

Number of securities fraud cases criminally litigated:

Actual	FY 2025	7
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	7
Estimate	FY 2028	8

PROGRAM GOAL III: STATEWIDE MULTI DISCIPLINARY COORDINATOR

To facilitate the convening of an elder and dependent adult multidisciplinary team in each judicial district. The purpose of such teams is to coordinate investigations of elder and dependent adult abuse, as well as identifying opportunities with local jurisdictions to improve policies and procedures in the notification and response to abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elder and dependent adults. K.S.A. 75-782 and amendments thereto.

Number of MDTs newly established in judicial districts:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	4

Number of MDTs maintained in judicial districts:

Actual	FY 2025	9
Actual	FY 2026	14
Estimate	FY 2027	17
Estimate	FY 2028	21

PROGRAM GOAL IV: WHITE COLLAR CRIME FUND INVESTIGATIONS AND PROSECUTIONS

To identify, investigate, and prosecute criminal offenses of the Kansas expanded lottery act, K.S.A. 74-8702 *et seq.*, including those pertaining to offenses related to wagering and unauthorized gambling. (NOTE: Senate Bill 84, passed during the 2022 legislative session, provides the Attorney General and the executive director of the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission (KRGC) may annually submit requests to the governor for any funds necessary to carry out the purposes of the white-collar crime fund. See K.S.A. 74-8792.)

Objective #1: Review and prosecute criminal offenses involving or facilitated by the placing of wagers, violations of the Kansas expanded lottery act, and financial or economic crimes involving unauthorized gambling.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Review complaints referred by the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission to assess jurisdiction and to determine if facts suggest a probable violation of the applicable criminal statutes. Determine if the section has available resources to conduct such a prosecution.

b. Coordinate with the referring agency regarding the investigation and any follow-up required, including provision of appropriate legal support such as facilitating inquisitions or search warrants.

c. When enforcement action is required and approved by the Attorney General or, if applicable, the appropriate County or District Attorney, the prosecuting attorney files the appropriate complaint, prosecutes the case until completion, and takes appropriate action to enforce any verdict.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of White Collar Crime Fund cases reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	6
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Number of White Collar Crime Fund cases criminally litigated:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	2
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	3

Objective #2: Collaborate with the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission, other law enforcement agencies, and state and federal prosecutors to identify trends in White-Collar Crime Fund cases; pursue training opportunities to build competency in the field.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Meet biannually with the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission to discuss active cases and prosecution/investigation needs.

b. Attend conferences and training events related to White Collar Crime Fund offenses and prosecution of such cases.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of White Collar Crime Fund educational opportunities attended:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	3

PROGRAM GOAL V: ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME

To identify, investigate, and prosecute criminal offenses relating to organized retail theft and crime, and to assist county and district attorneys in prosecuting such offenses. NOTE: Economic Crimes has begun to build competency in this area, but is currently in the process of bringing on the resources [attorneys, agents, legal assistants] to staff these cases.

Number of Organized Crime cases criminally litigated:

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Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	3
Estimate	FY 2027	4
Estimate	FY 2028	4

INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Investigations Unit plays a critical role in supporting the prosecution teams within the Criminal Division, including Major Crimes, Economic Crimes, Livestock and Brand Investigations, and the ANE Unit. This section assists prosecutors by conducting witness interviews, performing criminal history checks, conducting follow-up investigations and facilitating subpoena service. Beyond these responsibilities, Investigations offers training to law enforcement agencies, assists in executing arrest warrants, and provides investigative assistance for other law enforcement-related matters in line with the Attorney General's statutory and constitutional duties. Additionally, the section manages constituent inquiries to ensure that concerns raised by the public are properly addressed, responds to safety and security incidents within the agency, and oversees a comprehensive agency-wide peer support program.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT

Objective #1: Providing competent law enforcement capabilities within the OAG's Investigation Unit, to ensure the effective prevention and investigation, and supporting prosecution of major crimes, economic crimes, and crimes involving the abuse, neglect and exploitation of Kansans pursuant to K.S.A. 75-723.

Strategy for Objective #1: Leverage key law enforcement capabilities to support the Office of the Attorney General in fulfilling its responsibilities and functions.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of ANE case investigations conducted:

Actual	FY 2025	33
Actual	FY 2026	33
Estimate	FY 2027	35
Estimate	FY 2028	35

Number of non-ANE investigations conducted:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	39
Estimate	FY 2027	20
Estimate	FY 2028	20

Number of cases with financial analyst support provided:

Actual	FY 2025	14
Actual	FY 2026	25
Estimate	FY 2027	25
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Number of prosecution assistance request supported:

Actual	FY 2025	74
Actual	FY 2026	59
Estimate	FY 2027	35
Estimate	FY 2028	35

NOTE: This category was previously used to track all Criminal History Checks, including those related to Human Resources related background checks. Starting in FY2026, these have been separated into distinct categories for more accurate tracking, so the numbers reported here will appear lower moving forward.

Objective #2: To support external law enforcement agencies by providing investigative assistance, delivering educational presentations on relevant criminal and public safety issues, reviewing and responding to constituent inquiries to address citizen concerns.

Strategy for Objective #2:

a. Establish and maintain strong communication channels with local, state and federal law enforcement to support collaboration and requests for assistance.

b. Develop qualified agents and support staff to lead presentations on topics such as fraud prevention, elder abuse, and economic crimes.

c. Coordinate with OAG divisions to ensure accurate, timely, and respectful responses to constituent inquiries.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of assist other agency requests supported:

Actual	FY 2025	50
Actual	FY 2026	46
Estimate	FY 2027	45
Estimate	FY 2028	45

Number of educational presentations made to law enforcement or the general public:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Number of constituents inquires reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	104
Actual	FY 2026	201
Estimate	FY 2027	150
Estimate	FY 2028	150

PROGRAM GOAL II: PROTECTIVE SUPPORT

Objective #1: Providing protective support capabilities of the OAG by responding to all safety and security incidents for the protection of OAG employees, visitors and the general public.

Strategy for Objective #1: Enhance preparedness and incident response to ensure timely investigations while identifying trends for proactive prevention and mitigation of future incidents.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of safety and security incidents investigated:

Actual	FY 2025	8
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	8
Estimate	FY 2028	8

Objective #2: To uphold established standards through effective background investigation procedures that align with legal standards, ensuring the integrity and quality of new hires within the OAG, thereby fostering a trustworthy and ethical workforce.

Strategy for Objective #2: Maintain background investigation procedures that comply with legal standards to ensure the integrity of new hires within the OAG.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of Human Resources background checks completed:

Actual	FY 2025	104
Actual	FY 2026	67
Estimate	FY 2027	*
Estimate	FY 2028	*

*Human Resource background checks were moved to Civil Division beginning FY2027.

Objective #3: Establish and maintain a comprehensive peer support program to promote the well-being, resilience, and mental health of OAG employees while providing peer support services to local law enforcement, and District/County Attorney Offices across the State of Kansas.

Strategy for Objective #3:

a. Select peer support team members who are passionate and experienced in supporting others.

b. Provide in-depth training on listening skills to recognize, prevent and understand the effects of stress on employees.

c. Build connections with local law enforcement agencies to ensure they are aware of the peer support service available to them.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of internal peer support sessions provided:

Actual	FY 2025	**
Actual	FY 2026	9
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Number of external peer support sessions provided:

Actual	FY 2025	**
Actual	FY 2026	9
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

PROGRAM GOAL III: LIVESTOCK AND BRAND INVESTIGATIONS

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the Kansas Brand Law and other criminal statutes. K.S.A. 47-414 *et seq.*

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and act on complaints pertaining to the Kansas Brand Law, and to ethically prosecute or otherwise enforce the matters falling within the parameters of the Kansas Brand Law.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. All complaints will be reviewed to assess jurisdiction, and determine, if facts as presented by complainant, suggest a probable violation of the Kansas Brand Act, or other violations of Kansas criminal statutes.

b. If a probable violation assessment is made, a Special Agent will be assigned to coordinate an investigation, assist local agencies and provide support to prosecutors in the investigative effort.

c. When violations of the Act have occurred, the assigned Special Agent will make a recommendation to the County or District Attorney concerning criminal prosecution.

d. Assist investigative agencies from other states and federal agencies in pursuing investigative leads in Kansas.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of requests for assistance received:

Actual	FY 2025	57
Actual	FY 2026	30
Estimate	FY 2027	40
Estimate	FY 2028	45

Number of law enforcement inquiries from outside agencies:

Actual	FY 2025	52
Actual	FY 2026	53
Estimate	FY 2027	55
Estimate	FY 2028	55

Number of requests for assistance closed:

Actual	FY 2025	24
Actual	FY 2026	24
Estimate	FY 2027	25
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Number of head of livestock recovered:

Actual	FY 2025	805 head
Actual	FY 2026	516 head
Estimate	FY 2027	800 head
Estimate	FY 2028	850 head

Number of entities reached in public education and law enforcement training presentations:

Actual	FY 2025	26
Actual	FY 2026	31
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

CRIMINAL DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODES

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 52.00 FTE and 6.70 Non-FTE

FY 2027	$6,147,320
FY 2028	$6,476,052

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing, and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the Mills Building, Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage.

FY 2027	$1,092,349
FY 2028	$1,137,062

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers.

FY 2027 $49,820
FY 2028 $49,820

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures.

FY 2027 $99,656
FY 2028 $99,656

YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION

The Youth Services Division of the Office of the Attorney General was established in 2023 to improve the ability of this agency to serve and prioritize the safety and well-being of Kansas Children. The Youth Services Division houses the State Child Death Review Board, which is required by K.S.A. 22a-243, the DARE Coordinator, which is required by K.S.A. 75-721, and the Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator, which is required by K.S.A. 75-772.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION

The Kansas youth suicide prevention coordinator will work toward zero deaths by suicide of Kansas youth through the identification, creation, coordination, and support of youth suicide awareness and prevention efforts throughout the state per K.S.A. 75-772.

Objective #1: To lead the development, implementation, and marketing of a website, online and mobile phone applications to facilitate communication with youth for the purpose of preventing youth suicide and promoting youth safety and wellbeing.

Strategies for Objective #1:

The Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator will:

a. Ensure that Kansas youth have access to the mobile phone app, Kansas A Friend AsKS, when they are in need.

b. Create awareness of the availability of the mobile phone app, Kansas a Friend AsKS, statewide.

c. Build partnerships with agencies, schools, health providers, and youth organizations to promote suicide prevention information and resources including the mobile phone app, Kansas A Friend AsKS.

Output Measure for Objective # 1:

Number of Kansas A Friend AsKS promotional materials and resources disseminated at outreach events, presentations, and training provided to youth and youth-serving organizations:

Actual	FY 2025	1,270
Actual	FY 2026	1,000
Estimate	FY 2027	1,000
Estimate	FY 2028	1,200

Objective #2: To develop and promote multidisciplinary and interagency strategies to help communities, schools, mental health professionals, medical professionals, law enforcement, and others work together and coordinate efforts to prevent and address youth suicide.

Strategies for Objective #2:

The Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator will:

a. Collaborate with other suicide prevention organizations to ensure there are coordinated youth suicide prevention efforts in Kansas.

b. Establish statewide awareness of risk factors and resources available for youth at risk.

c. Provide technical assistance to agencies and communities for the development of quality services for at-risk youth.

Output measures for Objective #2:

Number of presentations to communities, schools, mental health, medical professionals, law enforcement personnel, businesses, and allied professionals:

Actual	FY 2025	8
Actual	FY 2026	12
Estimate	FY 2027	12
Estimate	FY 2028	6

Number of local and state committee meetings attended:

Actual	FY 2025	38
Actual	FY 2026	40
Estimate	FY 2027	40
Estimate	FY 2028	40

Objective #3: Organize events that bring together youth, educators, and community members from across the state to share information and receive training to prevent and address youth suicide in their communities.

Strategies for Objective #3:

The Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator will:

a. Engage youth, school personnel, and community members from across the state to participate in youth-led suicide prevention initiatives.

b. Utilize events as a starting point for continued communication, collaboration, and skill development throughout the year.

c. Showcase available tools, programs, and services to strengthen community capacity for suicide prevention.

Output Measure for Objective #3:

Number of local and statewide events coordinated to share information, raise awareness, and promote youth suicide prevention:

Actual	FY 2025	6
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	8
Estimate	FY 2028	8

PROGRAM GOAL II: STATEWIDE DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION (D.A.R.E.) PROGRAM

To provide training and resources for Kansas school-based police (SBP) to reduce victimization of youth and help ensure a safer environment for the youth of Kansas. K.S.A. 75-721 and amendments thereto.

Objective #1: Provide trainings needed for D.A.R.E. and School Resource Officer (SRO) certification in Kansas, along with collaborating with schools, communities, and other organizations to provide for the expansion of school-based policing (SBP) programs in Kansas.

Strategies for Objective #1:

The D.A.R.E Coordinator will:

a. Assist in providing trainings to teach the D.A.R.E. program and/or to be an SRO.

b. Coordinate state level support for the annual statewide school-based policing and D.A.R.E. conferences.

c. Coordinate stipends to local law enforcement agencies designed to support officers from those agencies attending approved SBP and D.A.R.E. trainings.

d. Serve as the liaison to outside agencies/organizations as it relates to youth substance abuse and violence prevention. These include, but are not limited to, the Kansas State Juvenile Officers Association, the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center, Chiefs of Police Association, the Sheriffs Association, and the Peace Officers Association. The D.A.R.E. coordinator will also serve on selected advisory committees and Boards as necessary.

e. Ensure coordination of out-of-state training for those law enforcement agencies requesting such help.

f. Act as a resource for D.A.R.E. and school resource officers, law enforcement agencies, schools, and communities to assist their efforts to improve the future of Kansas youth.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of officers trained through the D.A.R.E. and school resource officer training programs:

Actual	FY 2025	169
Actual	FY 2026	210
Estimate	FY 2027	250
Estimate	FY 2028	250

Number of educational programs participated in and outreach conducted:

Actual	FY 2025	37
Actual	FY 2026	42
Estimate	FY 2027	50
Estimate	FY 2028	50

PROGRAM GOAL III: STATE CHILD DEATH REVIEW BOARD

Conduct a review of all child deaths in Kansas pursuant to K.S.A. 22a-243 and amendments thereto.

Objective #1: Impact decision making in Kansas by collecting, maintaining, and reporting on data pertaining to child deaths.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Acquire complete and accurate records on each child death reported to the Board with the theme of identifying the circumstances surrounding the child's death.

b. Assure accuracy of acquired data and maintain confidentiality of records.

c. Monitor cases provided to board members for accuracy and completion.

d. Report findings to the Kansas governor and legislature.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of child death cases reviewed by the state child death review board:

Actual	FY 2025	403
Actual	FY 2026	385
Estimate	FY 2027	375
Estimate	FY 2028	375

Number of reports or testimony provided by the State Child Death Review Board to the Kansas governor or legislature:

Actual	FY 2025	2
Actual	FY 2026	9
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Objective #2: Provide guidance and information to advocacy groups, law enforcement agencies, and other stakeholders in Kansas regarding trends, risk factors, and patterns surrounding child deaths.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Accept invitations and/or appointments to serve.
b. Provide information regarding child death trends where applicable.
c. Propose public policy recommendations and prevention strategies.
d. Support legislation proposals to reduce child fatality in Kansas.
e. Produce and make available an annual report regarding child deaths on a calendar basis.

Outcome Measure for Objective #2:

Number of public policy recommendations and prevention strategies proposed by the State Child Death Review Board:

Actual	FY 2025	29
Actual	FY 2026	35
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Number of public meetings and training seminars held or participated in concerning child deaths:

Actual	FY 2025	75
Actual	FY 2026	122
Estimate	FY 2027	85
Estimate	FY 2028	85

Number of individuals trained by the State Child Death Review Board staff and/or Board members:

Actual	FY 2025	765
Actual	FY 2026	1,121
Estimate	FY 2027	750
Estimate	FY 2028	750

YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODE

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 5 FTE

FY 2027: $485,822
FY 2028: $511,053

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage.

FY 2027: $88,371
FY 2028: $92,476

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers.

FY 2027: $17,450
FY 2028: $17,450

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures.

FY 2027: $8,050
FY 2028: $8,050

Other Assistance Account Code 55XXX:

In FY 2026, this Division will be responsible for distributing funds related to the Kansas Safe and Secure Firearm Detection Program as authorized in the enrolled version of SB 125, 2025 session. Stipends for DARE trainers are a required cost for certifying DARE officers and are also captured in this series.

FY 2027: $40,000
FY 2028: $40,000

PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION

This Division is responsible for safeguarding the citizens of Kansas by educating consumers and businesses and providing efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of consumer protection laws, including: the Kansas Consumer Protection Act (KCPA); the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act; the Kansas False Claims Act; the Kansas Roofing Registration Act; the Kansas Wayne Owen Act; the Kansas No Call Act; the unauthorized practice of law statutes; consumer information data protection laws; and state and federal antitrust laws, and other Kansas laws supplemental to the KCPA.

The Division also reviews and approves trustee accountings for charitable trusts, investigates complaints alleging Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) and Kansas Open Records Act (KORA) violations, and prosecutes KORA and KOMA violations when appropriate.

The Division handles all pre-commitment and post-commitment proceedings under the Kansas Sexually Violent Predator Act (KSVP).

The Division receives and investigates reports of prohibited transactions and land ownership under the Kansas Land and Military Installation Protection Act (KLMIPA).

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goals of this Division are to provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of consumer protection laws, to educate consumers and businesses to ensure fair dealings in the State of Kansas, to oversee trustee accountings for charitable trusts, evaluate and respond to potential violations of KOMA and KORA, objectively administer the KSVP, and efficiently enforcing the provisions of the KLMIPA.

PROGRAM GOAL I: KANSAS CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the KCPA and other state and federal consumer protection laws. K.S.A. 50-623 *et seq*.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and act on consumer complaints in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1

a. An attorney within the Division reviews all incoming complaints to assess jurisdiction and to determine whether the facts, as presented by the consumer, suggest a possible violation of the KCPA.

b. All complaints undergo initial review within five business days of receipt of the complaint.

c. The Division evaluates each complaint to determine whether the Office of Attorney General has jurisdiction to act on the complaint, and whether the facts suggest a violation of the KCPA. Depending on the facts, staff may refer the consumer to another state or federal agency or to private legal counsel. Division staff may provide the consumer with educational information. For all investigative requests received, staff enters the following information into a database: the name of the consumer, the name of the business or supplier identified in the complaint, a description of the nature of the complaint, and the date the Division received the complaint.

d. If an investigation reveals sufficient evidence of a KCPA violation, an attorney is assigned to evaluate the case for potential enforcement action. Enforcement action is approved by the Attorney General before it is begun.

e. The Division's attorneys and investigators cooperate with state and federal officials and agencies, referring appropriate cases of potential violation of law.

f. The Division's attorneys and investigators attend and participate in meetings and conferences sponsored by various regional and national organizations. These meetings and conferences provide training and information regarding recent trends in consumer fraud issues, and offer networking opportunities with consumer attorneys and investigators from across the country. The staff obtains information and training from these meetings and conferences, which assist Division staff in investigating consumer complaints and enforcing consumer protection laws.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of complaint files opened:

Actual	FY 2025	3,909
Actual	FY 2026	4,126
Estimated	FY 2027	4,000
Estimated	FY 2028	4,000

Number of complaints resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	3,682
Actual	FY 2026	3,701
Estimated	FY 2027	4,000
Estimated	FY 2028	4,000

Amount of consumer savings returned (in the form of refunds, debts or obligations canceled, and products delivered, repaired or replaced without litigation) directly to consumers as a result of investigations:

Actual	FY 2025	$2,392,021
Actual	FY 2026	$1,597,278
Estimated	FY 2027	$2,000,000
Estimated	FY 2028	$2,000,000

Amount of recoveries resulting from investigations through Assurance of Voluntary Compliance Agreements:

Actual	FY 2025	$0
Actual	FY 2026	$43,743
Estimated	FY 2027	$250,000
Estimated	FY 2028	$250,000

Objective #2: To effectively, efficiently, and ethically prosecute or otherwise enforce the KCPA against suppliers for violations of the Act.

Strategies for Objective #2

a. Division staff, including investigators, attorneys, and the Division Deputy Attorney General, determines whether a supplier likely violated the KCPA, and what appropriate remedial action the Division should take.

b. The assigned attorney seeks a fair and equitable settlement with the supplier, whether through informal resolution, an assurance of voluntary compliance, or a consent judgment. The First Assistant Attorney General, Division Deputy Attorney General and the Attorney General approves any offer of settlement, litigation, and resulting resolution.

c. If the investigation demonstrates enforcement action is necessary, the assigned attorney makes recommendations to the First Assistant Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General, who then recommend action to the Attorney General. If the Attorney General approves enforcement action, the assigned Division attorney files appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment or settlement, and takes appropriate action to enforce the action, including consumer restitution.

d. The assigned attorney may participate in and/or lead a multi-state investigation, and may cooperate with other state and federal agencies in that investigation. The Deputy Attorney General and the Attorney General approve this participation. The goal of these investigations are multi-agency enforcement actions in response to violations of state or federal consumer protection laws.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY 2025	15
Actual	FY 2026	14
Estimated	FY 2027	25
Estimated	FY 2028	25

Amount of penalties and fees recovered in enforcement actions deposited into the State General Fund as consistent with the related court order:

Actual	FY 2025	$1,261,377
Actual	FY 2026	$962,962
Estimated	FY 2027	$50,000
Estimated	FY 2028	$50,000

Amount of penalties (which go into the Court Cost Fund) and fees recovered in enforcement actions deposited into the Consumer Court Cost Fund as consistent with the related court order:

Actual	FY 2025	$3,301,978
Actual	FY 2026	$2,245,694
Estimated	FY 2027	$2,000,000
Estimated	FY 2028	$2,000,000

PROGRAM GOAL II: CONSUMER EDUCATION

To provide efficient and effective education of the public, law enforcement officials, legal profession, and providers of goods and services on issues related to the KCPA in order to reduce or prevent the occurrence of consumer fraud.

Objective #1: Educate consumers regarding deceptive and unconscionable acts and practices to reduce the possibility that consumers will fall victim to such acts.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Division staff prepares and disseminates written material regarding consumer protection issues. Consumers may obtain this material from the agency website or in person when Division staff speak at events, or from the agency booth at the Kansas State Fair or county fairs and festivals.

b. Division staff makes educational presentations regarding consumer issues to civic organizations, churches, schools, universities, governmental agencies, law enforcement, the private bar, and other groups as requested.

c. Division staff cooperates with other state and federal officials and agencies in disseminating educational materials and making cross-divisional presentations concerning the KCPA.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of requests for consumer educational outreach presentations granted:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimated	FY 2027	97%
Estimated	FY 2028	97%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of consumer educational outreach presentations made:

Actual	FY 2025	70
Actual	FY 2026	110
Estimated	FY 2027	50
Estimated	FY 2028	50

PROGRAM GOAL III: KANSAS CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS AND SOLICITATIONS ACT

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advocacy on behalf of the State of Kansas in matters relating to the enforcement of the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act, K.S.A. 17-1767 & 1768.

Objective #1: To act on consumer complaints pertaining to the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act (KCOSA) and effectively, efficiently, and ethically prosecute or otherwise enforce the Act against charitable organizations or solicitors.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An attorney within the Division reviews all incoming complaints to assess jurisdiction and to determine whether the facts, as presented by the complaining entity, suggest a possible violation of the KCOSA.

b. If the Division has authority over the matter, and the facts suggest a possible violation of the KCOSA, an attorney within the Division will oversee an investigation and recommend appropriate action including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement.

c. If the investigation demonstrates enforcement action is necessary, Division attorneys, through the Deputy Attorney General, recommend action to the Attorney General. If the Attorney General approves enforcement action, the Assistant Attorney General files the appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment or settlement, and takes appropriate action to enforce the judgment.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of complaints filed concerning charitable organizations or solicitations complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	1
Estimated	FY 2027	2
Estimated	FY 2028	2

Objective #2: To act on suspected registration violations pertaining to the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act (KCOSA) and effectively, efficiently, and ethically prosecute or otherwise enforce the Act against charitable organizations or solicitors.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Attorneys in the Public Protection Division and the Civil Division will collaborate and determine whether the Office has legal authority to investigate and act on the suspected registration violation, and whether the facts, as presented in the complaint, suggest a probable violation of KCOSA.

b. If the Office has legal authority to investigate, and the facts presented suggest a possible violation of KCOSA, an attorney in the Public Protection Division will oversee an investigation and recommend appropriate action including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement.

Outcome Measures for Objective #2:

Percent of complaints filed concerning charitable organizations or solicitations complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY 2025	1
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	2
Estimated	FY 2028	2

PROGRAM GOAL IV: ANTITRUST

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of state and federal antitrust laws on antitrust matters referred to the office, ensure an Assistant Attorney General examines each allegation, and recommends appropriate action. K.S.A. 50-101 to 50-1,105.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Attorneys assigned to an antitrust caseload will maintain contact and communication with the National Association of Attorneys General, other states' Attorney General's Offices, the Federal Trade Commission, and the U.S. Department of Justice on antitrust matters that arise at the state and federal level.

b. The Attorney General, on behalf of the State of Kansas, will join in antitrust court actions with other states and the federal government when joining such cases is in the best interest of the citizens of and the State of Kansas.

c. The Division maintains at least one Assistant Attorney General with sufficient antitrust law knowledge to review citizen complaints, provide consultation on legislative proposals, prosecute violations of state or federal antitrust law, and act as liaison with other state and federal agencies regarding antitrust matters.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percentage of citizens antitrust filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Percentage of interstate antitrust case referrals from the federal government, or from another state's attorney general's office, processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new complaints filed concerning antitrust:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	10
Estimated	FY 2027	3
Estimated	FY 2028	3

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	2
Estimated	FY 2028	2

Number of complaints concerning antitrust resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	7
Estimated	FY 2027	2
Estimated	FY 2028	2

Number of cases in active litigation:

Actual	FY 2025	6
Actual	FY 2026	6
Estimated	FY 2027	7
Estimated	FY 2028	7

PROGRAM GOAL V: KANSAS FALSE CLAIMS ACT

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the Kansas False Claims Act (KFCA). K.S.A. 75-7501–7511.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and act on complaints pertaining to the KFCA, and prosecute or otherwise enforce violations of the KFCA.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An attorney reviews complaints to determine whether the OAG has legal authority to investigate and act on the complaint, and whether the facts as presented in the complaint suggest a probable violation of the KFCA.

b. If the OAG has legal authority to investigate, and the facts presented suggest a probable violation of the KFCA, Deputy Attorney General or First Assistant Attorney General assigns an Assistant Attorney General to oversee an investigation and recommend appropriate action.

c. The assigned Assistant Attorney General determines whether evidence indicates a violation of the KFCA has occurred, and makes recommendations to the First Assistant Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General, who then recommend action to the Attorney General.

d. If the Attorney General approves enforcement action, the Assistant Attorney General files the appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment or settlement, and takes appropriate action to enforce the judgment.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new complaints filed concerning false claims:

Actual	FY 2025	2
Actual	FY 2026	2
Estimated	FY 2027	3
Estimated	FY 2028	3

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	2
Estimated	FY 2028	2

Number of complaints concerning false claims resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	2
Estimated	FY 2027	5
Estimated	FY 2028	5

PROGRAM GOAL VII: UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

To provide efficient, effective and ethical enforcement of the Unauthorized Practice of Law statute, K.S.A. 50-6,142.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate and act on complaints pertaining to the Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL) statute and prosecute or otherwise enforce matters falling within the parameters of the UPL statute.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An attorney within the Public Protection Division reviews complaints to determine whether the OAG has legal authority to investigate and act on the complaint, and whether the facts as presented in the complaint indicate a probable violation of the UPL statutes.

b. If the OAG has legal authority to investigate, and the facts presented suggest possible UPL, an Assistant Attorney General is assigned to oversee an investigation and recommend appropriate action.

c. The assigned Assistant Attorney General determines whether evidence indicates UPL has occurred, and recommends appropriate case management, including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement to the First Assistant and Deputy Attorney General, who then recommend action to the Attorney General.

d. If the Attorney General approves enforcement action, the Assistant Attorney General files the appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment or settlement, and takes appropriate action to enforce the judgment.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new complaints filed concerning UPL:

Actual	FY 2025	10
Actual	FY 2026	9
Estimated	FY 2027	10
Estimated	FY 2028	10

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	1
Estimated	FY 2028	1

Number of complaints concerning UPL resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	9
Actual	FY 2026	10
Estimated	FY 2027	10
Estimated	FY 2028	10

PROGRAM GOAL VIII: KANSAS WAYNE OWEN ACT (DATA PROTECTION)

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the Kansas Wayne Owen Act (KWOA), K.S.A. 50-6,139 *et seq.*

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate and act on complaints pertaining to KWOA, and prosecute or otherwise enforce the matters falling within the parameters the statute.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An Assistant Attorney General reviews complaints to determine whether the OAG has legal authority to investigate and act on the complaint, and whether the facts, as presented in the complaint, suggest a probable violation of the KWOA.

b. If the OAG has legal authority to investigate, and the facts presented suggest a probable violation of the KWOA, an Assistant Attorney General is assigned to oversee an investigation and recommend appropriate action.

c. The assigned Assistant Attorney General determines whether evidence indicates a violation of the KWOA has occurred, and makes appropriate case management, including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement to the First Assistant and Deputy Attorney General, who then recommend action to the Attorney General.

d. If the Attorney General approves enforcement action, the Assistant Attorney General files the appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment or settlement, and takes appropriate action to enforce the judgment.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new complaints filed concerning KWOA:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	2
Estimated	FY 2027	5
Estimated	FY 2028	5

Number of litigation files opened on KWOA investigations:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	3
Estimated	FY 2028	3

Number of complaints concerning KWOA resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	1
Estimated	FY 2027	3
Estimated	FY 2028	3

PROGRAM GOAL IX: KANSAS DATA BREACH STATUTES

To provide efficient, effective and ethical enforcement of the Kansas Data Breach Statutes. K.S.A. 50-7a01 et seq., and K.S.A. 50-6,139b.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate and act on complaints pertaining to data breaches, and prosecute or otherwise enforce the matters falling within the parameters the statute.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An Assistant Attorney General reviews complaints to determine whether the OAG has legal authority to investigate and act on the complaint, and whether the facts, as presented in the complaint, suggest a probable violation of the data breach statutes.

b. If the OAG has legal authority to investigate, and the facts presented suggest a probable violation of the data breach statutes, an Assistant Attorney General is assigned to oversee an investigation and recommend appropriate action.

c. The assigned Assistant Attorney General determines whether evidence indicates a violation of the data breach statutes has occurred, and recommends appropriate case management, including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement to the First Assistant and Deputy Attorney General, who then recommend action to the Attorney General.

d. If the Attorney General approves enforcement action, the Assistant Attorney General files the appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment, and takes appropriate action to enforce the judgment.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new complaints filed concerning data breaches:

Actual	FY 2025	16
Actual	FY 2026	24
Estimated	FY 2027	20
Estimated	FY 2028	20

Number of litigation files opened on data breach investigations:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	2
Estimated	FY 2028	2

Number of complaints concerning data breaches resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	17
Actual	FY 2026	16
Estimated	FY 2027	30
Estimated	FY 2028	30

PROGRAM GOAL X: KANSAS NO CALL ACT

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the Kansas No Call Act.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and act on consumer no call complaints in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1

a. Division staff reviews all complaints under the direction of an Assistant Attorney General, to assess jurisdiction and determine whether the facts, as presented by the consumer, suggest a probable violation of the Kansas No Call Act, K.S.A. 50-670 *et seq*.

b. For all complaints received, staff enters the following into a database: the name of the consumer, the name of the business or phone number identified in the complaint, a description of the nature of the complaint, and the date the office received the complaint.

c. If an initial review determines the OAG lacks jurisdiction to act on a complaint, staff refers the complainant to the appropriate government or social agency or other appropriate party. When referral is not appropriate, a member of staff may provide the consumer with appropriate educational information.

d. If the OAG has legal authority to investigate a complaint, but the facts presented by the consumer do not suggest a possible violation of the Kansas No Call Act, Division staff encourages the consumer to seek private legal assistance. Staff may also provide appropriate educational information to the consumer.

e. If the OAG has legal authority to investigate and the facts presented by the consumer suggest a possible violation of the Kansas No Call Act, an investigator is assigned for investigation and appropriate action.

f. Following an investigation, if the assigned Assistant Attorney General determines that sufficient evidence exists that a violation of the Kansas No Call Act has occurred, and recommends appropriate enforcement including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement to the First Assistant and Deputy Attorney General, who then recommend action to the Attorney General.

g. The Division's attorneys and investigators also inform and cooperate with other interested state or federal officials and agencies in cases suggesting violations of other civil or criminal state or federal laws.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of filed complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new complaints filed concerning no call violations:

Actual	FY 2025	130
Actual	FY 2026	175
Estimated	FY 2027	250
Estimated	FY 2028	250

Number of litigation files opened on no call investigations:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimated	FY 2027	3
Estimated	FY 2028	3

Number of complaints concerning no call violations resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	132
Actual	FY 2026	105
Estimated	FY 2027	250
Estimated	FY 2028	250

Amount of penalties and fees recovered in enforcement actions deposited into the No Call Court Cost Fund as consistent with the related court order:

Actual	FY 2025	$0
Actual	FY 2026	$0
Estimated	FY 2027	$20,000
Estimated	FY 2028	$20,000

PROGRAM GOAL XI: PROTECTION OF CHARITABLE ASSETS AND BENEFICIARIES

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advocacy on behalf of the State of Kansas, as a qualified beneficiary, relating to the approval of trustee accountings for charitable trusts and protection of charitable assets and beneficiaries. This program is administered by the Public Protection Division.

Objective # 1: To provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advocacy on behalf of the State of Kansas in matters relating to the approval of trustee accountings for charitable trusts and protection of charitable assets and beneficiaries, in accordance with K.S.A 58a-110.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Upon receipt of a petition for approval of a trustee accounting, a case file is opened and assigned to an attorney for review.

b. If the attorney determines the accounting is within the intent of the trust, the attorney files a disclaimer of interest with the court. If the accounting is not within the intent of the trust, the attorney files a motion for disapproval of the accounting with the court, prepares any memoranda or briefs required, corresponds with opposing counsel and the court, meets with witnesses, and appears at any scheduled court hearings.

c. Upon receipt of a petition to modify or terminate a trust, the attorney reviews the facts and circumstances and determines if the modification or termination is justified under the terms of the Kansas Trust Code and consistent with the intent of the trust. If it is, the attorney files a disclaimer of interest with the court. If it is not, the attorney files an objection to the modification or termination with the court, prepares any memoranda or briefs required, corresponds with opposing counsel and the court, meets with witnesses, and appears at any scheduled court hearings.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new petitions for approval of Trustee motions and actions filed and reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	98
Actual	FY 2026	75
Estimate	FY 2027	25
Estimate	FY 2028	25

PROGRAM GOAL XII: SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR PROGRAM

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal representation on behalf of the State of Kansas in civil commitment proceedings for an extremely dangerous class of individuals determined to be sexually violent predators. K.S.A. 59-29a01 *et seq.* This program is administered by the Public Protection Division in cooperation with the Criminal Litigation Division.

Objective #1: Ensure the safety of the public and the continuing care and treatment of individuals determined to be sexually violent predators by advocating for the commitment of such individuals until such time as the individual's mental abnormality or personality disorder has changed so that the individual is safe to be at large among the general public.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Provide staff support to the prosecutor's committee in conducting assessments of particular individuals utilizing records, criminal files, and evaluation and diagnostic reports.

b. Focus the prosecutor's review committee recommendations towards the best legal judgment in determining whether to file petitions.

c. Monitor the existing population of sexually violent predators with particular emphasis on contested annual reviews and motions for transitional release, conditional release, and final discharge.

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of potential sexually violent predator cases referred to the prosecutor's review committee for assessment and cases recommended for filing:

Actual	FY 2025	422	
Actual	FY 2026	487	
Estimate	FY 2027	750	
Estimate	FY 2028	750	
Actual	FY 2025	4	0.95%
Actual	FY 2026	2	0.41%
Estimate	FY 2027	10	1.3%
Estimate	FY 2028	10	1.3%

Number of Sexually Violent Predator trials:

Actual	FY 2025	5
Actual	FY 2026	4
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

Number of Sexually Violent Predator commitments:

Actual	FY 2025	4
Actual	FY 2026	6
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

Number of Sexually Violent Predator post-commitment litigation cases opened:

Actual	FY 2025	292
Actual	FY 2026	322

Estimate	FY 2027	300
Estimate	FY 2028	300

PROGRAM GOAL XIII: OPEN GOVERNMENT ENFORCEMENT

The Kansas Legislature expanded the investigatory and enforcement authority of the attorney general and county/district attorneys under both the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) and the Kansas Open Records Act (KORA) in July 2015. Beginning in March 2023, enforcement duties were transferred from the Civil Litigation Division to the Public Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office.

Objective #1: Investigate possible violations of Kansas open government laws and take appropriate action when violations are found.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The First Assistant Attorney General of the Open Government Enforcement Unit (OGEU) reviews filed complaints to determine if the complaint alleges a possible violation of the KOMA or KORA. If it does not, the attorney sends the complainant a letter and closes the case. If the complaint does allege a violation of law, the attorney opens a case file, and writes to the public body or agency requesting information about the alleged violation(s).

b. The OGEU attorney will review the public body or agency's response and all other available material to determine whether additional information is necessary. If so, the attorney may request additional information from the public body or agency, or an investigator from the Office of the Attorney General may conduct interviews or otherwise gather relevant information.

c. Once the OGEU investigation is complete, the attorney determines whether evidence indicates a violation of the KOMA or KORA occurred. If no KOMA or KORA violation is identified, the First Assistant Attorney General will inform the complainant of such and will close the case file. If the First Assistant identifies KORA or KOMA violations, they will recommend enforcement action to the Deputy Attorney General, who will further recommend action to the senior administration of the OAG. When the preponderance of the evidence establishes a violation, possible resolutions include:

    1) a Consent Order in which the public body or agency admits the violation and agrees to remedial action involving any or all of the following: complete training; comply with the law; and/or payment of a civil penalty not to exceed $250 for each violation;

    2) a Finding of Violation in which the Attorney General issues findings of fact and conclusions of law, and requires the public body or agency to cease and desist from further violation, comply with the law, attend training approved by the Attorney General, and payment of a civil penalty not to exceed $500 for each violation;

    3) a Consent Judgment in which the Attorney General may resolve the violation by entering into a consent judgment with the public body or agency that must be approved by the court, and is enforceable as a court order; or

4) Filing an action in district court to enforce the provisions of the KOMA or the KORA by injunction, mandamus, declaratory judgment or other appropriate order, or to void an action not in substantial compliance with the KOMA. The court may require a defendant to complete training; pay a civil penalty not to exceed $500 for each violation; and/or to pay attorney fees and costs, including the reasonable expenses and investigation costs.

d. County and district attorneys also have jurisdiction to investigate these cases. The First Assistant Attorney General consults with local prosecutors to ensure there are no dual complaint filings or ongoing investigations to avoid duplication of effort and inconsistent results. The OGEU will generally process and resolve all complaints filed with the Unit unless the local prosecutor already has an ongoing investigation. The OGEU may also accept cases from local prosecutors for investigation and resolution where there is a conflict.

e. Enforcement actions taken by the OGEU are published on the attorney general's website for public viewing. Additionally, K.S.A. 75-753 requires the attorney general to compile a yearly abstract containing the names of public bodies and agencies that are the subject of complaints and investigations, for the preceding fiscal year, as well as the disposition of the complaint. This yearly abstract is published on the attorney general's website for public viewing, and includes complaints/dispositions from county/district attorneys.

Output measures for this Objective:

Number of KOMA/KORA investigations conducted by the office:

Actual	FY 2025	261
Actual	FY 2026	479
Estimate	FY 2027	400
Estimate	FY 2028	400

Number of KOMA/KORA complaints referred to the county or district attorney:

Actual	FY 2025	1
Actual	FY 2026	3
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

PROGRAM GOAL XIV: KANSAS LAND AND MILITARY INSTALLATION PROTECTION ACT

The Kansas Legislature enacted the Kansas Land and Military Installation Protection Act, prohibiting certain foreign principals from acquiring non-residential real property within 100 miles of a military installation, and requiring existing land interests held by affected foreign principals near military installations to register with the Office of the Kansas Attorney General.

Objective #1: Investigate possible violations of the Kansas Land and Military Installation Protection Act and take appropriate action when violations are found.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An investigator within the Division reviews all incoming reports of non-notified transactions under the Kansas Land and Military Installation Protection Act to assess whether the facts, if credible, suggest a violation of the Act.

b. All incoming reports are reviewed within three business days of receipt.

c. If an investigation reveals sufficient evidence of a violation, an attorney is assigned to issue a warning letter and commence divestiture proceedings in accordance with the Act.

Output measures for this Objective:

Percent of reports of non-notified transactions processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	n/a
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimate	FY 2027	99%
Estimate	FY 2028	99%

Number of investigations of non-notified transactions conducted by the office:

Actual	FY 2025	n/a
Actual	FY 2026	3
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Number of divestiture proceedings commenced by the office

Actual	FY 2025	n/a
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1
Estimate	FY 2028	1

PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODE

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 24.5 FTE and 7 Non-FTE

FY 2027	$3,270,224
FY 2028	$3,437,977

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the newly leased space at 515 S. Kansas Avenue, the Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage.

FY 2027	$487,515
FY 2028	$489,512

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers.

FY 2027 $42,175
FY 2028 $42,175

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures.

FY 2027 $22,211
FY 2028 $22,211

Other Assistance, Grants, and Benefits 55XXX:

The agency anticipates reimbursing district and county attorneys for costs associated with efforts in prosecuting potentially sexually violent predators, pursuant to K.S.A. 59-29a04a.

FY 2027 $50,000
FY 2028 $50,000

CIVIL DIVISION

The Civil Division of the Office of the Kansas Attorney General is composed of four Sections or Units, each of which has its own missions and programs. These subdivisions are: Civil Defense Litigation Section; Affirmative Civil Enforcement (ACE) Unit; Legal Oversight and Government Counsel (LOGiC) Section; and the Licensing and Inspections Unit.

CIVIL DEFENSE LITIGATION SECTION

The Civil Litigation Section is primarily responsible for providing for the defense of the State of Kansas and its agencies and employees in civil matters contested before Kansas or Federal courts and before administrative agencies. The Section is responsible for carrying out the Attorney General's administration of the Kansas Tort Claims Fund and for providing or arranging for the defense of civil actions or proceedings against covered persons and entities.

Among other duties assigned to the Section are providing assistance to state agencies involved in bankruptcy matters to protect against the discharge of debts owed to the State government and reviewing applications for the placement of tribal-owned land into trust with the Federal government. The Section also investigates and litigates matters concerning the Kansas Funeral and Cemetery Merchandise Agreements, Contracts, and Plans Act, Cemetery Merchandise Contracts Act, and the Kansas Cemetery Corporations Acts.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I:

To provide efficient, effective and ethical legal advocacy on behalf of the State of Kansas, its agencies and employees, in civil matters contested before a Kansas or Federal court or administrative agency. *Memorial Hospital Ass'n, Inc. v. Knutson*, 239 Kan. 663, 667, 772 P.2d 1093 (1986); K.S.A. 75-702, -703, -708 -713; K.S.A. 75-6108 & -6117, and amendments thereto; and numerous other statutes found within the Kansas Statutes Annotated and the United States Code.

Objective #1: In the defense of the State and/or its agencies and employees, ensure that each and every action or threatened action is responded to in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Staff examines, records, and distributes to the appropriate attorney every summons, complaint, petition, motion, order, pleading, waiver, or correspondence received. Issues regarding representation and/or referrals are decided by the Attorney General, the Chief Deputy Attorney General, the Civil Deputy, and the Civil Litigation Section First Assistant Attorney General.

b. If the case is retained by the office, the assigned attorney, with staff assistance, calendars response times, communicates with client(s), investigates facts, researches applicable law, prepares responsive pleadings and/or correspondence, and serves, files, or conveys the appropriate response.

c. If the case is referred to out-of-office legal counsel, the case material is delivered and responsibility for the case is assigned to the recipient attorney. . The Deputy and the Section First Assistant Attorney General monitor cases assigned to out-of-office contract counsel.

d. Cases are generally assigned to out-of-office contract counsel only in cases of conflict, cases requiring specialized expertise, cases of extraordinary complexity, or where the resources necessary for the defense are beyond the resources available to the office.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1

Number of case files handled by the Civil Litigation Section

Actual	FY 2025	1,514
Actual	FY 2026	1,705
Estimate	FY 2027	1,600
Estimate	FY 2028	1,650

Number of cases using outside contract counsel:*

Actual	FY 2025	77
Actual	FY 2026	107
Estimate	FY 2026	100
Estimate	FY 2027	75

*reflects new contracts generated during the FY, not total outstanding contracts

Objective #2: As to cases initiated by, retained, or referred to the Civil Defense Litigation Section for action at the trial court level, ensure that each and every action is a pursuit for justice.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. In every case the attorney will file and serve timely and accurate first pleadings, whether in form of a claim, complaint, petition, answer, dispositive motion or administrative record.

b. In every case the attorney will obtain the necessary factual understanding through the use of some or all of the following: client communications; examination of records available by informal request or administrative action; submission of formal requests for production, interrogatories and admissions to opposing counsel; participation in the deposition of witnesses; or private consultation with witnesses, consultants, experts and other legal counsel.

c. In every case the attorney will respond to proper discovery requests and oppose any unauthorized or abusive discovery requests by opposing parties.

d. In every case the attorney will obtain the necessary understanding of the legal issues and file dispositive motions if appropriate, taking full advantage of the various immunities available to our clients in order to spare the State the expense and risk of trial.

e. In every case requiring an adjudicative hearing or trial, the attorney will present the law and facts of the case to the finder of fact in a precise, accurate and professional manner, being alert to legal issues which may form the basis of future appellate argument.

f. No court action shall be filed, settled or compromised without consultation with the client and the express approval of the Attorney General or Deputy Attorney General.

Objective #3: As to cases initiated by, retained, or referred to the Civil Litigation Section for action at the appellate court level, ensure that each and every action is a pursuit for justice.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. In every case in which an appeal is appropriate on behalf of the State or its agencies or employees, the attorney will file and serve a timely notice of appeal.
b. In every case appealed, the attorney will file and serve a timely and accurate docketing statement along with any supporting

documentation required by the appellate court.

c. In every case appealed, the attorney will file and serve an appropriate appellate brief presenting a full and complete factual and legal argument to the appellate court. If the appeal is filed by the opposing party, the brief will be responsive to the arguments raised by the appellant.

d. In every case in which oral argument is ordered, the attorney will offer a persuasive, concise and accurate oral presentation to the appellate court.

e. The Solicitor General may assist in those cases in which either the Attorney General or the Deputy believe that special expertise is necessary for a particular case or certain line of cases. With additions to the Solicitor General's staff, more civil appeals have been handled by that division than in the past.

Outcome Measures for Objective #3:

*Number of new appellate cases opened involving appeals of Civil Litigation Section cases (Solicitor's Office separately reports caseload) (Does **not** include continuing appellate cases):*

Actual	FY 2025	6
Actual	FY 2026	4
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

Objective #4: With regard to bankruptcy litigation, the Civil Defense Litigation Section gives legal advice and assistance to state agencies, including Regents Institutions, involved in bankruptcy litigation and protects against the discharge of student loans, fines, penalties, criminal restitution, and other types of debts owed to the state government.

Strategies for Objective #5

a. Upon receipt of a notice of bankruptcy from the court or from a State agency, the Assistant Attorney General assesses the level of involvement necessary to protect the State's interest. This involves determining if there is a potential state interest, what agency is involved if there is a potential state interest and sending the notice to the agency, and taking further actions if warranted.

b.

c. The Assistant Attorney General files appropriate documentation with the court, including proofs of claim and communicates with the pertinent agency about the status of the case.

d. The Assistant Attorney General defends against adversary proceedings that seek to discharge debts owed to the State.

Outcome Measures for Objective #4:

Number of bankruptcy cases monitored to protect the State's interest:*

Actual	FY 2025	87
Actual	FY 2026	165
Estimate	FY 2027	90
Estimate	FY 2028	90

*The number of monitored cases is less than the total number of cases that come in and must be processed as discussed in Objective #6(a) above.

**Economic conditions have resulted in a significant reduction in bankruptcy filings in FY 2022 as filings are down significantly across the country.

Objective #6: In matters involving Indian Tribes and the placement of tribal land into trust with the Federal government, the Civil Defense Litigation Section reviews the tribes' applications and, where appropriate, objects to the application before the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the Department of Interior, and, where appropriate, Federal court.

Strategies for Objective #6

a. Upon receipt of the tribe's Land in Trust application, an assistant attorney general will determine whether the land in question is within the boundaries of the tribe's reservation. If it is within the boundaries, no objection will be made.

b. If the land is outside the reservation boundaries, and if the local county officials wish to object and will cooperate in the process, an Assistant Attorney General will work with local county officials and prepare an objection to taking the land into trust to be filed with the regional office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

c. If the local BIA recommends taking the land into trust, and if the local county officials continue in their objection, the Assistant Attorney General will appeal that determination to the Regional (BIA), then to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals.

d. If that appeal is rejected, the Assistant Attorney General and Deputy will review the matter to determine whether an appeal to Federal District Court is warranted, and if so, will prepare the Federal lawsuit and seek immediate injunctive relief preventing the Federal government from taking the land into trust until the matter can be reviewed on the merits.

Outcome Measures for Objective #6:

Number of applications for taking land into trust received and reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	2
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	2
Estimate	FY 2028	2

PROGRAM GOAL II:

To provide efficient, effective and ethical legal advice and technical assistance to the Attorney General and agency employees, as well as to any branch, department, agency, authority, institution or other instrumentality of the State of Kansas; other State legal counsel in the performance of their duties, as well as education to the public and profession. *Memorial Hospital Ass'n, Inc. v. Knutson*, 239 Kan. 663, 667, 772 P.2d 1093 (1986); K.S.A. 75-702, -703, 704, -708, & -710; K.S.A. 75-3111 and numerous other statutes found within the Kansas Statutes Annotated.

Objective #1: Respond in a timely manner to questions from State agencies, officials, and employees.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An attorney with special expertise will be assigned to answer the question raised if time permits. However, because legal advice is often not sought from this division until a crisis has developed, each attorney must be capable of giving sound advice on court procedures that can stabilize a situation until a more permanent solution is determined.

b. The attorney will research legal issues raised, apply conclusions of law to known facts and respond.

Objective #2: Help educate the public and the profession about the role of the office and generally applicable legal issues.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Attorneys are encouraged with coordination and approval by the Administration Division, to research, write and publish

articles of interest to members of the legal profession on topics relevant to Kansas law, the functioning of the Office, and effective government as a whole.

b. Make presentations and contribute to Continuing Legal Education programs for state legal counsel and others.
c. Upon receipt of a question from the public, the question is referred to the appropriate attorney with expertise in the relevant subject matter for response.

d. Division attorneys will comply with the Kansas Rules of Professional Conduct relating to contacts with persons other than clients and persons who are represented by counsel. When appropriate, division attorneys will advise persons to seek the aid of private legal counsel.

e. Attorneys will participate in activities which assist the general public and the legal profession in understanding the law and the role of the office.

PROGRAM GOAL III: Kansas Funeral and Cemetery Acts

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical legal advocacy on behalf of the State of Kansas in matters concerning 1) the enforcement of the Kansas Funeral and Cemetery Merchandise Agreements, Contracts and Plans Act, Cemetery Merchandise Contracts Act, and the Kansas Cemetery Corporations Act, as those Acts relate to the protection of cemetery trust funds required to be maintained by law; and 2) the investigation of abandoned cemeteries to determine the necessity of the dissolution of the cemetery corporation owning the abandoned cemetery.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and act on matters referred by the Kansas Secretary of State concerning the Kansas Funeral and Cemetery Merchandise Agreements, Contracts and Plans Act, Cemetery Merchandise Contracts Act, and the Kansas Cemetery Corporations Act as those Acts relate to the protection of cemetery trust funds required to be maintained by law, and to effectively, efficiently, and ethically prosecute actionable cases in a timely manner; and to investigate and take action on abandoned cemeteries.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Requests for involvement from the Secretary of State shall be reviewed and investigated by an Assistant Attorney General to determine whether a receivership action should be filed, and whether to pursue the recovery of payments withheld or withdrawn from trust in violation of law.

b. Where appropriate, the Attorney General may attempt to sell any cemeteries found to be in violation of law to recover any and all funds withheld or withdrawn from trust in violation of law.

c. The Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General shall investigate the abandonment of all cemeteries, and where appropriate shall proceed to dissolve the cemetery corporation owning the cemetery.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of Requests for Involvement in Cemetery Cases received and handled:

Actual	FY 2025	0
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1
Estimate	FY 2028	1

AFFIRMATIVE CIVIL ENFORCEMENT – ACE UNIT

The Unit acts as Litigation Counsel for numerous smaller state agencies in disciplinary and licensure matters under the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act or the Kansas Judicial Review Act. Attorneys assigned to other agencies and monitoring forfeiture actions also fall within ACE.

Objective #1: Prosecute violations of Kansas administrative law on behalf of Kansas licensing boards and agencies.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. An Assistant Attorney General will work with licensing boards and agencies, prepare and file petitions against violators, negotiate consent agreements and orders, and prepare and present the case for hearing before the board/agency or an administrative hearing officer in a precise, accurate and professional manner, being alert to legal issues which may form the basis of future appellate argument.

b. In every case the attorney will obtain the necessary factual understanding of each case through the use of some or all or the following: client communications; examination of records available by informal request or administrative action; submission of formal requests for production, interrogatories and admissions to opposing counsel; participation in the deposition of witnesses; or private consultation with witnesses, consultants, experts and other legal counsel.

c. In every case the attorney will respond to proper discovery requests and oppose any unauthorized or abusive discovery requests by opposing parties.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of Administrative Prosecution cases:

Actual	FY 2025	302
Actual	FY 2026	449
Estimate	FY 2027	450
Estimate	FY 2028	450

Objective #2: Support forfeiture actions against the proceeds and facilitating property of criminal activity.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Maintain strong working relationships with federal and state agencies to facilitate referrals and adoptions of federal forfeiture cases.

b. Establish and sustain a process that tracks federal forfeiture cases from initial review through payment of sharing.

c. Identify approved uses of asset forfeiture funds and expend those funds appropriately.

d. Assist local officials when requests are made.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of forfeiture cases opened:

Actual	FY 2025	7
Actual	FY 2026	1
Estimate	FY 2027	8
Estimate	FY 2028	8

Asset forfeiture amounts placed in the Kansas Attorney General's forfeiture fund:

Actual	FY 2025	$48,056
Actual	FY 2026	$30,795
Estimate	FY 2027	$60,000
Estimate	FY 2028	$60,000

Objective #3: Tobacco Enforcement Unit

In the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) of 1999 resulting from the case of *State ex rel. Stovall v. RJR, et al.,* the Section will identify and take action against participating manufacturers who violate the MSA and enforce the provisions of the Requirements for Sale of Cigarettes Act against Non-Participating Manufacturers (NPM). The Division is also responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the settlement agreement arising from the NPM adjustment arbitration. As a result of this settlement, the Division has assumed new enforcement obligations at increased costs to the Division.

Strategy

a. The Division Director and/or Assistant Attorneys General will monitor and participate in the activities of the NAAG Tobacco Enforcement Committee, as well as its Tobacco Project Group and the tobacco related activities of other states.

b. The Division Director and/or Assistant Attorney General will respond to litigation filed by individuals and organizations related to the MSA through direct court action, the filing of amicus curiae briefs, or the provision of information and analysis.

c. The Assistant Attorneys General, with the assistance of staff of the Kansas Department of Revenue, will monitor the sale of cigarettes by non-participating manufacturers and will assist the Department of Revenue staff in enforcing Kansas law related to the sale of cigarettes in the state. As appropriate, regulations and statutory amendments to such laws will be drafted and proposed, demand letters will be sent, lawsuits filed, and escrow accounts monitored to ensure timely payment of amounts owed.

d. The Tobacco unit has added an investigator/enforcement special agent last fiscal year to assist in the investigation of potential tobacco violations and enforcement of tobacco laws and agreements. The enhanced investigation ability has resulted in better enforcement of tobacco laws and agreements.

LEGAL OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT COUNSEL SECTION

This Section provides County and District Attorneys with consultation and advice related to their official duties. This Section is also responsible for reviewing new and amended proposed agency rules and regulations; and for reviewing bond issue and temporary note transcripts, as well as interlocal agreements, easements, special assessments, deeds and leases on state property. The Section also serves as general counsel to a total of 43 client agencies, including external clients that are state boards and commissions that do not have in-house counsel; internal Attorney General clients; external clients attached to the Attorney General's Office, and external clients that have embedded Assistant Attorneys General. In addition, the Section is responsible for investigating potential violations of the Kansas Architectural Accessibility Act. The Section is also responsible for the Racial or Other Biased-Based Policing duties of the Office of the Attorney General.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I: LEGAL COMMUNICATIONS

To provide County and District Attorneys, and other public officials with consultation and advice in all matters pertaining to their official duties. Appropriately respond to emails, letters, and other communication from legislators, public agencies and state or local public officials requesting information on a legal issue. Review takings assessment reports submitted by state agencies to determine whether proposed formal rules or governmental actions would result in a taking of private property. Assist the Office of the Attorney General with legal research and special projects, such as promulgating regulations in response to a newly enacted state law. K.S.A. 75-704, K.S.A. 77-701 *et seq.*

Objective #1: Consult with and advise county and district attorneys, when requested by them, in all matters pertaining to their official duties. Appropriately respond to emails, letters, and other communication from legislators, public agencies, and state or local public officials requesting information on a legal issue.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Communication is assigned to an attorney.

b. The attorney researches legal issues raised and drafts an appropriate response.

c. If appropriate, the response is submitted to the Attorney General for approval.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percentage of communication responded in a timely manner

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimate	FY 2027	99%
Estimate	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #2:
*Number of communications received**

Actual	FY 2025	1,015
Actual	FY 2026	1,975

Estimate	FY 2027	1,900
Estimate	FY 2028	1,900

*Output measures also take into account telephone communication and meetings.

Objective #2: Review takings assessment reports submitted by state agencies to determine whether proposed formal rules or governmental actions would result in a taking of private property. Assist the Attorney General with research and special projects, such as responding to requirements imposed by the Legislature or other authority and anticipating legal developments in the State to put the State in the best posture in the event litigation arises. K.S.A. 77-704.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Project is assigned to an attorney.

b. The attorney researches the legal issues involved.

c. The attorney may discuss the project with other attorneys in the section and then drafts documents as needed.

d. Results are shared and discussed with the Attorney General and other personnel.

e. Results of takings review are posted on the Office of the Attorney General's website.

Output Measures for Objective #2:
Number of special projects handled

Actual	FY 2025	13
Actual	FY 2026	12
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY2028	15

PROGRAM GOAL II: REVIEW OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS FOR FORM AND LEGALITY

Review for legality all proposed rules and regulations. Review the issuance of bonds and temporary notes for sufficiency of associated transcripts of proceedings. Review contracts affecting state property, including deeds, easements, leases and special assessments. Review interlocal agreements submitted by local units of government. K.S.A. 77-420, 10-108, 12-3425, 75-3743, 74-3264, 75-2131, 12-2904, and others.

Objective #1: Review any proposed adoption, amendment, or revocation of agency rules and regulations pursuant to K.S.A. 77-420 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 77-426(d)(2)(B) to determine whether the proposed action is within the scope of the agency's authority and appears to be consistent with applicable statutory and constitutional law.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Proposed changes in rules and regulations are assigned to two attorneys for review.

b. Each attorney researches the agency's legal authority and other applicable law. Once both attorneys have reviewed the regulations, a meeting may be scheduled with the agency to discuss additional information and clarification or needed revisions to the regulation. The attorneys review subsequent agency revisions until the regulations are approved or withdrawn. When the regulations are approved or rejected, a letter is sent to the agency, with copies to the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Ranking Minority Member of the Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percentage of proposed State agency regulations reviewed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY 2025	99%
Actual	FY 2026	99%
Estimate	FY 2027	99%
Estimate	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of Regulations reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	621
Actual	FY 2026	818
Estimate	FY 2027	725

Estimate	FY 2028	725

Objective #2: Perform an independent review of bonds and temporary notes submitted by governmental entities for sufficiency of the transcript of proceedings.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. The transcript is assigned to attorney for review pursuant to K.S.A.10-108 and K.S.A. 12-3425.

b. Assigned attorney reviews the submitted documents for the purpose of determining sufficiency of the transcript, and notifies the appropriate state or local government representative of any concerns or suggested revisions.

c. Assigned attorney approves and sends the transcript and written approval of sufficiency to the Treasurer's Office.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of bond/temporary note transcripts reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	166
Actual	FY2026	153
Estimate	FY2027	165
Estimate	FY2028	165

Objective #3: Review easements, special assessments, deeds and leases on state property as statutorily required for form and/or substance.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. The document or agreement is assigned to an attorney for review.

b. The attorney reviews the submitted document pursuant to the appropriate statute. Review may address such issues as whether the proposed use or disposal of the property is legal and has been properly authorized; whether the property is correctly described and the state has clear title; whether easements require the property to be returned to original condition, ensuring the use does not harm any special feature of the property, and determining whether any rights are

reserved.

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of easements, special assessments, deeds, and leases reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	14
Actual	FY 2026	25
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

Objective #4: Review Interlocal Cooperation Act agreements as statutorily required for proper form and compatibility with the laws of the state.

Strategies for Objective #4:

a. The document or agreement is assigned to an attorney for review.

b. The attorney reviews the submitted document pursuant to the appropriate statute for compliance with applicable laws, and notifies the appropriate state or local government representative of any concerns or suggested revisions.

Output Measures for Objective #4:

Number of interlocal agreements reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	40
Actual	FY 2026	35
Estimate	FY 2027	40
Estimate	FY 2028	40

PROGRAM GOAL III: GOVERNMENT COUNSEL

To serve as general counsel for state boards and commissions that do not have in-house counsel, helping them pursue a proper course of conduct and avoid litigation through the provision of advice and consultation. Pursuant to K.S.A. 75-769, the Office of the Attorney General has authority to charge legal representation charges to state agencies. To serve as the Attorney General's designee on certain statutorily created entities. K.S.A. 77-

423, 75-4101, 46-2303, 75-710, 66-106, 74-4206, 74-4908, 74-7029, 41-201, 75-1515, 75-1516, 74-8715, 74-8809, 25-3201, 25-308, and 75-3502.

Objective #1: Act as general counsel for 43 external and internal clients, including boards and commissions that do not have in-house counsel, attend administrative board meetings and hearings, draft orders, and assist with other legal matters as necessary. The clients consist of the following:

- **External Clients (General Counsel Services):** Abstractors, Board of; Adult Care Home Administrators, Board of; Barbering, Board of ; Cosmetology, Board of; Council on Developmental Disabilities; Credit Unions; Disability Concerns Commission; Hearing Aid Dispensers, Board of; Historical Society; Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (KS-CPOST); Kansas Public Disclosure Commission; Kansas Office of Veterans Services (KOVS); Soldiers' Home; Veterans' Home; Kansas Law Enforcement Memorial Advisory Commission (KLEMAC); Kansas Fights Addiction Grant Review Board (KFAB); Mortuary Arts, Board of; Nursing, Board of; Office of the Child Advocate; Optometry Examiners, Board of; Real Estate Appraisal Board; Real Estate Commission; State Fair Board; State Library; Technical Professions, Board of; and Water Office.
- **Internal Attorney General Clients (General Counsel Services):** Concealed Carry Licensing Unit; Charities Registration Unit; Roofing Registration Unit; Safe at Home Program; Scrap Metal Registration Unit; and Victim Information & Notification Everyday (VINE).
- **External Clients Attached to Attorney General's Office:** Batterers Intervention Program (BIP); Crime Victims Compensation Board (CVCB); Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Prevention Council; Fusion Center (Privacy / Civil Liberties / Civil Rights Counsel); Human Trafficking Advisory Board (HTAB); and State Child Death Review Board (SCDRB).
- **External Clients with Embedded Assistant Attorneys General:** Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC); Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission (Vacant); Labor – Workers Compensation (Vacant); Lottery Commission; Nursing, Board of (Disciplinary Counsel only); and State Fire Marshal.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Upon receiving notice of a meeting, the assigned attorneys review and conduct any necessary research pertaining to issues on the agenda in preparation for the meeting. The attorneys attend the meeting and advise the board or commission on action to be taken by the board or commission. The attorneys complete any tasks assigned at the meeting.

b. Upon receiving notice of a hearing, the assigned attorneys review and conduct any necessary research pertaining to issues on the cases to be heard in preparation for the hearing. The attorneys attend the hearing, facilitate the hearing if necessary and advise the board or commission on action that may be taken by the board or commission. The attorneys draft any orders generated from a hearing.

c. Attorneys also provide legal advice to members and staff of boards and commissions on a variety of subjects.

Output Measures for Objective #1:*

**Beginning in FY 2025, the Section began assigning more than one attorney to each agency to allow for seamless representation and more robust coverage of larger agencies with more technical subject matter concerns. Numbers beginning in FY 2025 account for the fact that more than one attorney may have attended the same meeting or hearing, reviewed the same document, or communicated with agency personnel.*

Number of State agency meetings/hearings attended:

Actual	FY 2025	412
Actual	FY 2026	523
Estimate	FY 2027	450
Estimate	FY 2028	450

Number of legal documents created or reviewed:

Actual	FY 2025	2,182
Actual	FY 2026	2,359
Estimate	FY 2027	2,300
Estimate	FY 2028	2,300

Number of communications (letter, email, telephone calls) with agencies:

Actual	FY 2025	9.526
Actual	FY 2026	13,929
Estimate	FY 2027	12,000
Estimate	FY 2028	12,000

Objective #2: Serve as the Attorney General's designee on statutorily created entities such as the State Rules and Regulations Board, State Records Board, Committee on Surety Bonds and Insurance, and the Joint Committee on State/Tribal Relations or as directed.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Upon receiving notice of a meeting, the assigned attorney reviews and conducts any necessary research pertaining to issues on the agenda in preparation for the meeting.

b. The attorney attends and/or conducts the meeting and may advise the entity and/or vote on action to be taken by the entity. The attorney completes any tasks assigned at the meeting.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of statutorily created entity meetings/hearings attended:

Actual	FY 2025	21
Actual	FY 2026	20
Estimate	FY 2027	20
Estimate	FY 2028	20

PROGRAM GOAL IV: KANSAS ARCHITECTURAL ACCESSIBILITY ACT

Investigate complaints that suggest potential Kansas Architectural Accessibility Act (KAAA) violations, or refer investigation of such matters to local prosecutors. K.S.A. 58-1304.

Strategies for Program Goal VII:

a. Complaints are assigned to an attorney for an initial review of the legal issues involved.

b. If it appears that KAAA may have been violated, the alleged violations of the Architecture Accessibility Act are referred to the agency responsible for enforcement.

Output Measures for Program Goal VII:

Number of KAAA investigations conducted by the office or referrals made

Actual	FY 2025	3
Actual	FY 2026	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1
Estimate	FY 2028	1

PROGRAM GOAL V: RACIAL AND/OR BIASED BASED POLICING

Carry out the Office of the Attorney General's duties under the racial or other biased based policing statutes, K.S.A. 22-4606 *et seq.*, including processing and reviewing complaints received by the OAG, and collecting and publishing law enforcement agency Racial or Other Biased Based

Policing annual reports.

Objective #1: Review each racial or other biased based policing complaint filed with this office and make a determination of the appropriate action on each complaint.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The section will maintain an Assistant Attorney General with sufficient knowledge to review and take appropriate procedural action regarding racial or other biased based policing complaints.

b. Legal assistant in section will be assigned to assist the designated Assistant Attorney General in reviewing racial or other biased based policing complaints and taking appropriate procedural action.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of racial profiling complaints which were acknowledged within 10 days:

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	98%
Estimated	FY 2027	98%
Estimated	FY 2028	98%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of racial profiling related complaints received and opened for review:

Actual	FY 2025	53
Actual	FY 2026	54
Estimated	FY 2027	50
Estimated	FY 2028	50

Number of racial profiling complaints resolved or closed:

Actual	FY 2025	61
Actual	FY 2026	53

Estimated	FY 2027	55
Estimated	FY 2028	55

Objective #2: Collect and publish law enforcement agency Racial and Other Biased Based Policing annual reports.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. The section will assign a legal assistant to track compliance with statutory requirement that each law enforcement agency file with the Attorney General a Racial or Other Biased Based Policing annual report.

Outcome Measures for Objective #2:

Percent of non-exempt agencies filing annual report:

Actual	FY 2025	89%
Actual	FY 2026	90%
Estimated	FY 2027	95%
Estimated	FY 2028	95%

LICENSING & INSPECTIONS UNIT

This unit is a composition of offices processing and monitoring licensing, registration, and inspection responsibilities of the Office of the Attorney General. These offices include the Tobacco Enforcement Unit, which oversees the 1999 Master Settlement Agreement, the Concealed Carry Licensing Unit, which also processes licenses for bail enforcement agents and private detectives, scrap metal dealer registration, and the roofing and charitable organizations registration group.

PROGRAM GOAL I: KANSAS CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS AND SOLICITATIONS ACT

To provide efficient, effective and ethical legal advocacy on behalf of the State of Kansas in matters relating to the enforcement of the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act, K.S.A. 17-1767 & 1768.

Objective #1: To receive, process, and publish annual registration applications of charitable organizations, professional fundraisers, and professional solicitors employed by charitable organizations in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Division staff reviews all incoming registration applications of charitable organizations, professional fundraisers, and professional solicitors employed by charitable organizations, and accompanying documents, to determine whether the application should be approved.

b. All applications undergo review and response within sixty calendar days of receipt. If a registration application lacks necessary information, Division staff sends the applicant a notice identifying what documents or actions are necessary to complete the application.

c. Division staff ensures charitable organization registration applications meet statutory requirements of the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act.

d. Once a charitable organization, fundraiser, or professional solicitor application is complete, and the required filing fee has been received, Division staff obtains the Attorney General's signature on a registration certificate, and mails the certificate to the charitable organization.

e. Division staff maintains a webpage that provides a method for the public to make inquiries through e-mail, fax or telephone.

Outcome Measures for Objective#1:

Percent of submitted charitable organization, professional fundraiser, and professional solicitor registrations to which staff reviewed and responded within 60 days:

Actual	FY 2025	81%
Actual	FY2026	100%
Estimated	FY 2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective#1:

Number of charitable organizations applying annually for registration:

Actual	FY2025	5,227
Actual	FY2026	5,758
Estimated	FY2027	6,100
Estimated	FY 2028	6,500

Number of charitable organizations successfully completing the application process:

Actual	FY2025	5,759
Actual	FY2026	4,918
Estimated	FY2027	5,700
Estimated	FY2028	6,300

Number of professional fundraisers applying annually for registration:

Actual	FY2025	271
Actual	FY2026	242
Estimated	FY2027	245
Estimated	FY2028	250

Number of professional fundraisers successfully completing the application process:

Actual	FY2025	219
Actual	FY2026	202
Estimated	FY2027	205
Estimated	FY 2028	210

Number of professional solicitors applying annually for registration:

Actual	FY2025	617
Actual	FY2026	574
Estimated	FY2027	580
Estimated	FY 2028	585

Number of professional solicitors successfully completing the application process:

Actual	FY 2025	559
Actual	FY2026	492
Estimated	FY2027	500
Estimated	FY2028	505

Objective #2: To receive, process, investigate and act on consumer complaints pertaining to the Kansas Charitable Organizations and Solicitations Act and effectively, efficiently, and ethically prosecute or otherwise enforce the Act against charitable organizations or solicitors.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. An Assistant Attorney General and the Special Agent in Charge review complaints to determine whether the Section has legal authority to investigate and act on the complaint, and whether the facts, as presented in the complaint, suggest a probable violation of the Act.

b. If the Section has legal authority to investigate, and the facts presented suggest a possible violation of the Act, a member of staff opens the complaint file in a database, and the Special Agent in Charge oversees an investigation and recommends appropriate action.

c. If the investigation indicates a violation of the Act has occurred the Special Agent in Charge will submit the findings to the

ACE First Assistant Attorney to determine appropriate enforcement action.

d. If the investigation demonstrates enforcement action is necessary, the ACE First Assistant Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General recommend action to the Attorney General. If approved, the ACE First Assistant Attorney General files the appropriate pleadings, prosecutes the case until final judgment, and takes appropriate action to enforce the judgment.

Outcome Measures for Objective #2:

Percent of complaints filed concerning charitable organizations or solicitations complaints processed in a timely manner:

Actual	FY2025	99%
Actual	FY2026	99%
Estimated	FY2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of complaints filed concerning charitable organizations or solicitations:

Actual	FY2025	21
Actual	FY2026	52
Estimated	FY 2027	60
Estimated	FY 2028	60

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY2025	0
Actual	FY2026	0
Estimated	FY2027	0
Estimated	FY2028	0

Number of complaints concerning charitable organizations or solicitations resolved or closed:

Actual	FY2025	19
Actual	FY2026	46
Estimated	FY2027	50
Estimated	FY2028	50

PROGRAM GOAL II: KANSAS ROOFING REGISTRATION ACT

To provide efficient, effective and ethical enforcement of the Kansas Roofing Registration Act, K.S.A. 50-6,121 et seq**.**

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and publish annual roofing registration applications in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. All incoming roofing contractor applications and accompanying documents are reviewed by the Roofing Registration Unit Coordinator and Investigator to determine whether the application should be approved on an annual basis.

b. All applications undergo initial review within five business days of receipt.

c. For all applications received, the completed application, KDOR tax clearance certificate, certificate of liability insurance, registration with the Secretary of State, certificate of workers' compensation coverage or affidavit of exemption under the workers' compensation act, and appropriate fees must be included for processing.

d. If an application lacks necessary information, the investigator will send the applicant a notice identifying what documents or actions are necessary to complete the application. This notice indicates the applicant has 30 days to provide the necessary reply

before a member of the staff categorizes the application as abandoned.

e. Following a period of processing, if the Director determines that sufficient evidence exists that a violation of the Kansas Roofing Registration Act has occurred, the Deputy Attorney General assigns the file to an Assistant Attorney General for an enforcement action recommendation, subject to the approval of the Attorney General.

f. The Division's Assistant Attorneys General, Director, and investigators also inform and cooperate with other interested state or federal officials or agencies in cases suggesting violations of other civil or criminal state or federal laws.

g. The Division ensures the maintenance of the webpage that lists currently registered roofers for the public and provide answers to any inquiries coming to the office through e-mail, fax or telephone.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Percent of submitted roofing registrations of which staff reviewed and responded within 60 days:

Actual	FY2025	100%
Actual	FY2026	100%
Estimated	FY2027	99%
Estimated	FY 2028	99%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of roofing companies applying annually for registration:

Actual	FY2025	1,574
Actual	FY2026	1,798
Estimated	FY2027	1,823
Estimated	FY2028	1,848

Number of roofing companies successfully completing the application process:

Actual	FY2025	1,525
Actual	FY2026	1,765
Estimated	FY2027	1,815

Estimated	FY2028	1,815

Objective #2: To investigate and recommend for prosecution any violations of the Roofing Registration Act (Act).

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. The Special Agent in Charge of Licensing and Inspections will review all incoming complaints for potential violations of the Act. After initial screening if it is believed violations of the act have or are occurring an investigator will be assigned..

b. If the investigations substantiates violations of the ACT have occurred, the Special Agent in Charge of Licensing and Inspections or designee will send a final case report, including recommendations to the ACE First Assistant Attorney for review and determination of appropriate action.

c. The assigned Assistant Attorney General determines whether a violation of the Act has occurred, and make recommendations to the Deputy Attorney General and the Attorney General regarding appropriate case management, including, but not limited to, litigation, negotiation, and settlement.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of complaints filed concerning a roofing registration violation:

Actual	FY2025	65
Actual	FY2026	135
Estimated	FY2027	140
Estimated	FY 2028	140

Number of litigation files opened on new complaints:

Actual	FY2025	0
Actual	FY2026	5
Estimated	FY2027	5
Estimated	FY 2028	5

Number of complaints concerning roofing registration violations resolved or closed:

Actual	FY2025	94
Actual	FY2026	126

Estimated	FY2027	134
Estimated	FY2028	134

Amount of penalties and fees recovered in enforcement actions deposited into the Roofing Civil Penalty Fund consistent with the related court order:

Actual	FY2025	$2,500
Actual	FY2026	$0
Estimated	FY2027	$2,000
Estimated	FY 2028	$2,500

PROGRAM GOAL III: SCRAP METAL THEFT REDUCTION ACT

To provide efficient, effective, and ethical enforcement of the Scrap Metal Theft Reduction Act (SMTRA), K.S.A. 50-6,109 et seq.

In 2017, the Kansas State Legislature passed Senate Bill 149, which, among other things, delayed implementation of certain provisions of the SMTRA. In 2018, Senate Bill 429 extended Senate Bill 149 until January 1, 2019. It is important to note that when the SMTRA was initially adopted, it was incorrectly estimated that there were approximately 200 scrap metal dealers in Kansas, indicating that the revenue generated would likely have been sufficient to operate the program. However, at the time the SMTRA was suspended, only 75 scrap metal dealers had completed the registration process. This resulted in a significant underfunding of the program. Because the Legislature did not appropriate funds for this program until a year following the initial adoption, there was a delay in the request for proposal (RFP) process to create the transactional database required by the law. At the time of the suspension of this program, bids were undergoing review as part of the RFP process. In 2019, the Legislature enacted HB 2248, which transfers responsibilities for the law enforcement database to the Kansas Bureau of Investigation.

Objective #1: To receive, process, investigate, and publish annual scrap metal dealer registration applications in a timely manner.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Division staff reviews each application for completeness and accuracy, notifies each applicant of any incomplete application, and allows each applicant to complete an incomplete application within 30 days of notification;

b. Division staff ensures each application contains the completed application form, payment of the initial or renewal application fee, and a copy of the applicant's current state or federal government-issued photographic identification;

c. For all applicants who provided complete, accurate applications, Division staff presents registration certificates to the

Attorney General for review and signature; and

d. Division staff publishes the names, addresses, and registration numbers of registered scrap metal dealers on a publicly accessible website.

Outcome Measures for Objective#1:

Percent of submitted scrap metal registrations to which staff responded within 30 days:

Actual	FY2025	98%
Actual	FY2026	99%
Estimated	FY 2027	100%
Estimated	FY 2028	100%

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of scrap metal dealers applying annually for registration:

Actual	FY2025	120
Actual	FY 2026	138
Estimated	FY2027	140
Estimated	FY2028	140

PROGRAM GOAL IV: CONCEALED CARRY LICENSING UNIT - CCLU

Administer and regulate the issuance of concealed carry handgun licenses (CCHL) pursuant to the 2006 Kansas Personal and Family Protection Act (K.S.A. 75-7c01 *et seq*.) (K.A.R. 16-11-1 through K.A. R. 16-11-8). The Act became effective July 1, 2006 and the first licenses were issued January 3, 2007.

Per statute, applicants for an initial concealed carry license are charged $32.50 by the sheriff's office of the county where the applicant resides to pay for fingerprinting and processing the initial application. Effective July 1, 2023 (FY2024), a statutory change reduced the application fee paid to the OAG from $100 to $0 for initial applications. Currently, the OAG pays $57 to the KBI for conducting the state and national background checks for each initial application. Licenses are valid for four years.

Effective July 1, 2023 (FY2024), a statutory change reduced the application fee paid to the OAG from $25 to $0 for renewal applications, and removed the $15 fee for late renewals. There is no fee paid to the sheriff's offices during the renewal process as the renewal applications are submitted directly to the OAG. A renewed license is also valid for four years.

Objective #1: Receive license applications from the county sheriffs, conduct background checks on the applicants and either approve or deny requests for a license within the 90-day period allowed by the Act.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Distribute printed application forms to the county sheriffs as requested, and provide access to electronic application forms approved by the Attorney General through the OAG website.

b. Receive applications from the county sheriffs, enter applicant information, and route fingerprint cards to the KBI for state and national criminal history background checks. This includes processing reapplications for licensure from those whose CCHL has permanently expired (license expired for more than 6 months without submitting a renewal, requiring the individual to complete a new CCHL application.)

c. Review applications for completeness, initiate correspondence to address deficiencies, review criminal history record information, and search other criminal justice databases for relevant information.

d. Approve licenses and mail approval notices to applicants that qualify for a CCHL under the Act.

e. Deny licenses to persons that do not qualify under the Act and mail summary proceeding orders to denied applicants.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of new license applications received:

Actual	FY 2025	3657
Actual	FY 2026	3381
Estimate	FY 2027	3500
Estimate	FY 2028	4000

Number of re-applications for licensure received:

Actual	FY 2025	406
Actual	FY 2026	407
Estimate	FY 2027	375
Estimate	FY 2028	375

Percentage of license applications fully processed within 90 days:*

Actual	FY 2025	100%
Actual	FY 2026	100%
Estimate	FY 2027	100%
Estimate	FY 2028	100%

* "Fully processed" does not necessarily mean a decision has been made to approve or deny the applicant. Some applications are held beyond 90 days if the unit is waiting to receive background information needed to make a final decision to approve or deny. However, this impacts less than 1% of the total applications received in any given year.

Number of licenses issued/denied:

		*Licenses Issued**	*Denied Licenses*
Actual	FY 2025	6,251	6
Actual	FY 2026	5,740	1
Estimate	FY 2027	6,000	10
Estimate	FY2028	8,000	10

* Includes re-issued licenses.

Objective #2: Suspend, revoke, surrender and reinstate concealed carry licenses due to licensees' failure or ability to maintain qualifications under the Act.

Strategies for Objective #2:

a. Review arrest reports, criminal history record abstracts, involuntary commitment orders, protection from abuse orders and other court records relating to disqualifying incidents involving licensees.

b. Review driver's license records and self-reported address changes to identify licensees who have moved to another state or country to ensure that licensees are residents of Kansas or qualified active duty personnel residing in Kansas.

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of active Kansas concealed carry licensees

Actual	FY 2025	90,745
Actual	FY 2026	95,361
Estimate	FY 2027	93,500
Estimate	FY 2028	92,500

Number of reported incidents resulting in the surrender, suspension or revocation of a concealed carry license:

		*KBI Rapbacks**	*Criminal Offenses*	*Residency Issues*	*Restraining Orders*	*Mental Disorders*
Actual	FY 2025	2,811	7	100	3	1
Actual	FY 2026	2,640	14	92	4	0
Estimate	FY 2027	2,500	20	75	5	1
Estimate	FY 2028	2,500	20	75	5	1

*A "rapback" is a notification from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation that there has been ***an update*** to the criminal history of someone whose fingerprints were previously submitted for the purpose of a concealed carry application. This does not necessarily mean the update was due to a recent incident, and it does not mean the update that will result in an administrative action against the applicant or licensee. The CCLU must review each update to determine if any have a potential for CCHL disqualification.

** "Residency Issues" includes license surrenders (for those who notify the CCLU of a move to a new state) and revocations (for those who do not notify the CCLU of a move to a new state).

Output Measures for Objective #2:

Number of licenses suspended, revoked, surrendered and reinstated:

		Licenses Suspended	*Licenses Revoked*	*Licenses Surrendered*	*Licenses Reinstated*
Actual	FY 2025	7	22	79	6
Actual	FY 2026	8	93	77	1

Estimate	FY 2027	25	75	75	2
Estimate	FY 2028	25	75	75	2

Objective #3: As licenses expire every four years, send license renewal notices, process renewal applications and mail approval/denial notices to licensees.

Strategies for Objective #3:

a. Mail renewal notices and applications to licensees not less than 90 days prior to the expiration date of the license.

b. Receive, enter, review, and approve or deny renewal applications.

Outcome Measures for Objective #3:

Number of renewal notices mailed to licensees:

Actual	FY 2025	24,597
Actual	FY 2026	19,328
Estimate	FY 2027	23,000
Estimate	FY2028	20,000

Output Measures for Objective #3:

Number of licenses renewed, denied or expired:

		Renewals Approved	*Renewals Denied*	*Expired Licenses**
Actual	FY 2025	14,243	1	14,480
Actual	FY 2026	17,606	1	16,046
Estimate	FY 2027	15,000	3	12,000
Estimate	FY 2028	15,000	2	10,000

*Licensees failed to renew prior to expiration date.

Objective #4: Facilitate administrative hearings in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act for persons denied licenses or whose license has been suspended or revoked.

Strategies for Objective #4:

a. Receive and process requests for administrative hearings.

b. Notify the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) and provide required documents.

c. Participate in prehearing conferences.

d. Represent the Office of the Attorney General at scheduled hearings.

Outcome Measures for Objective #4:

Number of hearings scheduled and conducted:

		Hearings Requested	*Prehearing Resolution**	*Hearings Conducted*	*Hearings Pending*
Actual	FY 2025	0	1	0	0
Actual	FY 2026	1	1	0	0
Estimate	FY 2027	5	3	2	1
Estimate	FY 2028	3	2	1	1

***** Prehearing resolution includes appeals that are withdrawn or defaulted on by the Appellant at or before the prehearing conference.

Output Measures for Objective #4:

Results of hearings scheduled and conducted:

		Action Affirmed	*Action Rescinded**	*Default Orders*	*Request for Hearing Withdrawn*	*Hearing Denied*
Actual	FY 2025	0	0	0	1	0
Actual	FY 2026	0	0	0	1	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1	0	2	2	0
Estimate	FY 2028	1	1	1	2	0

* Rescission of (a)n (proposed) administrative action is almost always due to a change in circumstance (i.e., temporary protection order is dismissed; or a felony charge is reduced to a non-disqualifying action; etc.) as opposed to the original proposed action being incorrect for the situation.

Objective #5: Certify and regulate concealed carry handgun instructors authorized to conduct the required weapons and safety training class.

Strategies for Objective #5:

a. Provide an application form approved by the Attorney General for persons qualified to become a certified concealed carry instructor.

b. Review and certify instructors based on the requirements set forth in K.S.A. 75-7c04(b)(1) and K.A.R. 16-11-2.

a. Conduct quarterly instructor orientation classes to assist instructors in conducting the Attorney General approved lesson plan.

d. Monitor instructor qualifications and withdraw certifications when they fail to maintain said qualifications.

Outcomes Measures for Objective #5:

Number of instructors certified to conduct concealed carry classes:

Actual	FY 2025	530
Actual	FY 2026	627
Estimate	FY 2027	500
Estimate	FY2028	450

Output Measures for Objective #5:

Instructor orientation classes held and instructor certifications withdrawn:

		Orientation Classes Held	*Certificates Withdrawn*
Actual	FY 2025	0	9
Actual	FY 2026	0	8
Estimate	FY 2027	0	100
Estimate	FY 2028	1	50

PROGRAM GOAL V: PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSING UNIT - PDLU

Provide licensing services and maintain accurate information on persons and agencies licensed as private detectives and agencies in the State of Kansas. Maintain the licensing records in a manner that supports office use and public access.

Objective #1: Strive to effectively and efficiently manage the PDLU.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Process new and renewal license applications in a timely, effective, and efficient manner.

b. Maintain a complete and accurate database of private detectives and agencies licensed in Kansas.

c. Administer the Private Detective Licensing Act and corresponding Kansas Administrative Regulations, to include the investigation of complaints against licensed private detectives and agencies.

d. Manage the private detective e-mail account and website.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of licensed independent private detectives:

Actual	FY 2025	128
Actual	FY 2026	130
Estimate	FY 2027	125
Estimate	FY 2028	125

Number of private detective agencies:

Actual	FY 2025	82
Actual	FY 2026	83
Estimate	FY 2027	85
Estimate	FY 2028	85

Number of private detectives licensed through agencies:

Actual	FY 2025	241
Actual	FY 2026	244
Estimate	FY 2027	250
Estimate	FY 2028	250

Private detectives with firearm permits:

Actual	FY 2025	74
Actual	FY 2026	67
Estimate	FY 2027	70
Estimate	FY 2028	70

Certified firearms trainers:

Actual	FY 2025	10
Actual	FY 2026	9
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

Complaint cases resolved:

Actual	FY 2025	2
Actual	FY 2026	2
Estimate	FY 2027	3
Estimate	FY 2028	3

Output Measures for Objective #1:

New applications processed:*

Actual	FY 2025	68
Actual	FY 2026	102
Estimate	FY 2027	85
Estimate	FY 2028	95

Renewal applications processed:*

Actual	FY 2025	134
Actual	FY 2026	122
Estimate	FY 2027	130
Estimate	FY 2028	125

** Includes applications for detectives and agencies*

Complaint cases opened:

Actual	FY 2025	7
Actual	FY 2026	5
Estimate	FY 2027	5
Estimate	FY 2028	5

PROGRAM GOAL VI: BAIL ENFORCEMENT LICENSING UNIT - BEALU

Provide licensing services and maintain accurate information on persons and agencies licensed as bail enforcement agents (or "bounty hunters") in the State of Kansas. Maintain the licensing records in a manner that supports office use and public access.

Objective #1: Strive to effectively and efficiently manage the BEALU.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. Process new license applications in a timely, effective, and efficient manner.

b. Maintain a complete and accurate database of BEAs licensed in Kansas.

c. Administer the BEALU and corresponding Kansas Administrative Regulations, to include the investigation of complaints against BEAs.

d. Manage the BEA e-mail account and website.

e. Efficiently renew qualified licensees every two years.

Outcome measures for Objective #1:

Number of initial BEA applications received:

Actual	FY 2025	12
Actual	FY 2026	15
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of licensed independent BEAs:

Actual	FY 2025	28
Actual	FY 2026	36
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Number of application denials and administrative challenges

		Denials	*Hearings Requested*
Actual	FY 2025	2	0
Actual	FY 2026	0	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1	0
Estimate	FY 2028	1	0

Results of administrative hearings

		Prehearing Resolution	*Hearings Conducted*
Actual	FY 2025	0	0
Actual	FY 2026	0	0
Estimate	FY 2027	0	0
Estimate	FY 2028	0	0

Complaint cases opened and closed.

		Complaints	*Case Closed*	*Action Taken on License*
Actual	FY 2025	2	1	0
Actual	FY 2026	1	0	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1	1	0
Estimate	FY 2028	1	1	0

Outcome measures for Objective #1

Number of BEA renewal applications received:

Actual	FY 2025	6
Actual	FY 2026	7
Estimate	FY 2027	10
Estimate	FY 2028	10

Output Measures for Objective #1:

Number of renewal application denials and administrative challenges

		Denials	*Hearings Requested*
Actual	FY 2025	0	0
Actual	FY 2026	0	0
Estimate	FY 2027	1	0

Estimate	FY 2028	0	0

Results of administrative hearings

		Prehearing Resolution	*Hearings Conducted*
Actual	FY 2025	0	0
Actual	FY 2026	0	0
Estimate	FY 2027	0	0
Estimate	FY 2028	0	0

CIVIL LITIGATION DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODE

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 44.24 FTE and 5.2 Non-FTE

FY 2027	$4,669,203
FY 2028	$4,896,867

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the agency's space in the Memorial Building, Landon State Office Building and the Curtis State Office Building (including the monumental building surcharge) and for record storage are included in this account code. Agency travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. Membership dues also constitute contractual services. This category also captures rent and communication surcharges that cannot be federally funded. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage.

FY 2027	$7,486,889
FY 2028	$7,586,533

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws.

FY 2027	$23,645
FY 2028	$22,520

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures.

FY 2027	$45,166
FY 2028	$44,166

Other Assistance, Grants, and Benefits 55XXX:

The agency anticipates a possible need to pay out tort claims per judgments and settlements.

FY 2027	$750,000
FY 2028	$750,000

Off-budget State Agency Representation Fund 6125 will also be part of our LOGIC Division and is budgeted at:

FY 2027	$252,542
FY 2028	$263,146

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) was the first statutorily created Office of Inspector General in Kansas. Per K.S.A. 75-7427(b)(1) *The purpose of the inspector general is to establish a full-time program of audit, investigation and performance review to provide increased accountability, integrity and oversight of the state Medicaid program, the state mediKan program and the state children's health insurance program and to assist in improving agency and program operations and in deterring and identifying fraud, waste, abuse and illegal acts.*

K.S.A. 75-7427 was amended by HB 2217 effective July 1, 2025, expanded the area of responsibility for the OIG to include all Kansas cash, food, and health assistance programs. HB 2217 included a fiscal note to add nine additional staff members to facilitate the additional planned work involved in assuming audit and criminal investigation responsibilities for the cash and food assistance programs. Funding for HB 2217 was included in SB 125 for FY 2026 and FY 2027 to fund six of the nine originally approved FTE's.

In FY 2025, OIG processed 1,471 fraud complaints and opened 59 eligibility fraud investigations along with 14 provider and four state employee investigations. In FY 2026, OIG processed 1,589 fraud complaints and opened 20 eligibility fraud investigations along with 2 provider investigations.

In FY 2026, OIG issued two interim audit reports and one issue brief that included $238,814,272 in wasteful spending, $798,621 in fraud, and $36,282,296 in savings, 3 findings, and 8 recommendations for improvement. The OIG currently has five open performance audits and one review that are scheduled to be completed in FY 2027. OIG has five state level cases and one federal level case that have been accepted for prosecution and are awaiting action. A completed federal level case was prosecuted in FY 2026, with the subject being sentenced to 15 months in federal prison and order to pay $273,144.55 in restitution to Medicaid. A state level case resulted in a guilty plea to Medicaid fraud of $17,968.74, sentencing is pending. A second state level case resulted in a guilty plea to Medicaid fraud and the payment of $1,913.82 in restitution to Medicaid. Six investigations were closed due the allegation(s) being disproven.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROGRAM GOAL I:

To establish a full-time program of audit, investigation and performance review to provide increased accountability, integrity and oversight of the state cash, food, and health programs to include the Medicaid program, the state mediKan program and the state children's health insurance program and to assist in improving agency and program operations and in deterring and identifying fraud, waste, abuse and illegal acts.

Objective #1: Staff an office, independent of the State Medicaid Agency (the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Division of Health Care Finance), that will develop and implement specific procedures to effectively and efficiently audit, investigate and provide performance reviews to increase accountability, integrity, and oversight of the State cash, food, and health assistance programs.

Strategies for Objective #1:

a. The OIG will employ sufficient staff to oversee, audit, investigate, and make performance reviews of the state cash, food, and health assistance programs or their successor programs.

b. The inspector general shall make provision to solicit and receive reports of fraud, waste, abuse, and illegal acts in such programs from any person or persons who shall possess such information.

c. The inspector general shall make annual reports, findings and recommendations regarding the office's investigations into reports of fraud, waste, abuse and illegal acts relating to any such programs to the appropriate state agency, the legislative post auditor, the committee on ways and means of the senate, the committee on appropriations of the house of representatives, the attorney general and the governor.

d. Upon finding credible evidence of fraud, waste, abuse or illegal acts, the inspector general shall report its findings to the attorney general.

e. The inspector general shall proactively review available data to look for indicators of fraud, waste, abuse, and illegal acts.

Outcome Measures for Objective #1:

Number of audits, reviews and investigations completed:

Actual	FY 2025	35
Actual	FY 2026	23
Estimate	FY 2027	50
Estimate	FY 2028	55

Number of audit, review and investigation related trainings attended by IG staff:

Actual	FY 2025	42
Actual	FY 2026	24
Estimate	FY 2027	25
Estimate	FY 2028	25

Number of program integrity related meetings and conferences attended by IG staff:

Actual	FY 2025	23
Actual	FY 2026	31
Estimate	FY 2027	30
Estimate	FY 2028	30

Number of outreach and fraud, waste, and abuse presentations conducted by IG staff:

Actual	FY 2025	12
Actual	FY 2026	14
Estimate	FY 2027	15
Estimate	FY 2028	15

Number of recommendations for improving outcomes and processes provided to the attorney general:

Actual	FY 2025	49
Actual	FY 2026	8
Estimate	FY 2027	45
Estimate	FY 2028	46

Number of referrals received and evaluated by IG staff:

Actual	FY 2025	1,471
Actual	FY 2026	1,589
Estimate	FY 2027	1,625
Estimate	FY 2028	1,640

Number of allegations referred for further criminal/civil investigation:

Actual	FY 2025	95
Actual	FY 2026	104
Estimate	FY 2027	105
Estimate	FY 2028	115

Amount of money identified for repayment or recovery:

Actual	FY 2025	$390,542
Actual	FY 2026	$1,281116
Estimate	FY 2027	$10,000,000
Estimate	FY 2028	$13,000,000

Amount of monetary savings or wasteful spending identified:

Actual	FY 2025	$22,500,000
Actual	FY 2026	$275,096,568
Estimate	FY 2027	$45,000,000
Estimate	FY 2028	$45,000,000

INSPECTOR GENERAL DIVISION

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION BY ACCOUNT CODE

The levels of expenditures are presented at the minimum required to perform necessary core functions.

Salaries and Wages Account Code 51XXX:

SFY 2026 Actual FTE: 19 FTE and .6 Non-FTE

FY 2027	$1,863,662
FY 2028	$1,959,151

Contractual Services Account Code 52XXX:

Contractual services expenditures include expenditures for basic communications, including data services, long distance service, conference calls, public service communications, cell phones, printing and central mail services. The agency posts a great deal of information on the website to lessen both printing and mailing costs. In addition, rental charges for the division's space in the Mills Building are included in this account code. Travel expenditures, including lodging, airfare, vehicle mileage, car rental, subsistence, and registrations are also reflected as contractual services. This program code also reflects costs to provide training to the agency's employees, and where applicable to the specific division, costs related to litigation, including witness fees, certified court reporter services, attorney and other expert services. The agency also pays a portion of the monthly cost for those employees wishing to park in the Curtis parking garage. Annual maintenance agreements for software and equipment are included in this account code range. Included in FY 2027 is also a one-time, legislatively passed allocation for a Public Assistance Integrity Program software to detect duplicate or ineligible payments, out-of-state recipients, process failures, and fraud or waste.

FY 2027	$1,224,861
FY 2028	$264,185

Commodities Account Code 53XXX:

Commodities consist primarily of fuel for agency vehicles and rental cars, office and computer related supplies, and professional supplies, such as KSA supplements and session laws and equipment for our law enforcement officers. FY 2027 is larger due to reappropriated funds expanding the OIG.

FY 2027 $55,530
FY 2028 $4,040

Capital Outlay Account Code 54XXX:

Capital outlay consists of computer equipment and office furniture, which is replaced and updated when necessary. When major computer components require replacement, the cost is generally prorated across divisions to maximize the use of available special revenue funds and lessen the need for State General Fund expenditures. FY 2027 is larger due to reappropriated funds expanding the OIG.

FY 2027 $71,928
FY 2028 $9,700