County Attorney's Office

The County Attorney's Office (CAO) is established in the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter to "serve as legal counsel to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and all County departments, offices, and agencies, and perform such other legal duties as may be assigned." The County Attorney is appointed by and is directly responsible to the BCC. The CAO represents the County in all civil legal matters arising in the discharge of official duties.

As part of the Policy Formulation strategic area, the CAO is responsible for the prosecution and the defense of all lawsuits brought by or against the County; the provision of legal advice to the BCC and its committees and subcommittees, the Mayor, the Property Appraiser, and the Public Health Trust; the representation of the County at administrative hearings; the drafting and review of ordinances and resolutions; the approval of all contracts, bonds or written instruments as to form and legal sufficiency; and the rendering of legal opinions.

The CAO provides legal representation to the BCC, the Property Appraiser, the Mayor, the Public Health Trust, various County boards, and all County departments and agencies.

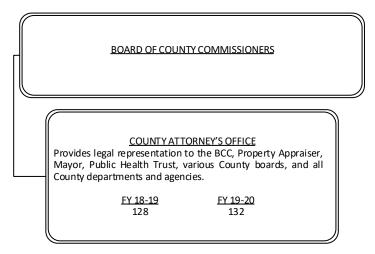
FY 2019-20 Proposed Operating Budget

Expenditures by Activity (dollars in thousands) Office of the County Attorney \$28,278 Proprietary Fees \$8,735

Countywide General Fund \$14,853

FY 2019 - 20 Proposed Budget and Multi-Year Capital Plan

TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



The FY 2019-20 Table of Organization includes one part-time position for a total of 132 FTE.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The FY 2019-20 Proposed Budget includes one Eminent Domain Administrator position converted from part-time to full-time to assist with processing eminent domain items, the addition of one Assistant County Attorney and one Paralegal to support increasing legal service demand from the Seaport Department, and the transfer of one Paralegal position from the Aviation Department to assist with increased demand associated with administrative workload
- The FY 2019-20 Proposed Budget includes \$9.97 million in reimbursements for legal services provided in excess of typical requirements from the Aviation Department (\$1 million), Finance Department Bond Administration Fund (\$450,000), Internal Services Department Self-Insurance Trust Fund (\$3.8 million), Seaport Department (\$1 million), Public Health Trust (\$2.07 million), Children's Trust (\$250,000), and CareerSource South Florida (\$165,000)
- The County Attorney's Office (CAO) is performing e-filing functions on-behalf of all County Departments; as a result, departments are reimbursing all Clerk of Court Fees to ensure the CAO's budget is not adversely impacted

FY 2019 - 20 Proposed Budget and Multi-Year Capital Plan

SELECTED ITEM HIGHLIGHTS AND DETAILS

Line Item Highlights	(dollars in thousands)					
	Actual	Actual	Budget FY 18-19	Projection FY 18-19	Proposed FY 19-20	
	FY 16-17	FY 17-18				
Advertising	0	0	0	0	0	
Fuel	1	3	2	1	1	
Overtime	0	0	0	0	0	
Rent	0	0	0	0	0	
Security Services	1	1	1	1	1	
Temporary Services	0	0	0	0	0	
Travel and Registration	87	103	61	97	96	
Utilities	81	82	78	77	82	

OPERATING FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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(dollars in thousands)	Actual FY 16-17	Actual FY 17-18	_	Proposed FY 19-20
·	FY 10-17	FY 17-18	FY 18-19	FY 19-20
Revenue Summary	42.000	42.464	42.020	44.052
General Fund Countywide	12,869	13,461	13,828	-
General Fund UMSA	4,521	4,487	4,609	4,690
Reimbursements from	0	6,031	0	8,320
Departments				
Reimbursements from	338	317	418	415
Outside Agencies				
Reimbursements from	6,421	0	7,942	0
Departments	24.440	24.206	26 707	20.270
Total Revenues	24,149	24,296	26,797	28,278
Operating Expenditures				
Summary				
Salary	18,524	18,701	21,829	21,277
Fringe Benefits	4,573	4,702	4,040	5,995
Court Costs	-13	-54	76	55
Contractual Services	12	9	13	22
Other Operating	559	590	531	626
Charges for County Services	387	262	225	236
Grants to Outside	0	0	0	0
Organizations				
Capital	107	86	83	67
Total Operating Expenditures	24,149	24,296	26,797	28,278
Non-Operating Expenditures				
Summary				
Transfers	0	0	0	0
Distribution of Funds In Trust	0	0	0	0
Debt Service	0	0	0	0
Depreciation, Amortizations	0	0	0	0
and Depletion				
Reserve	0	0	0	0
Total Non-Operating Expenditures	0	0	0	0

	Total Funding		Total Pos	Total Positions				
(dollars in thousands)	Budget	Propose	d Budget	Proposed				
Expenditure By Program	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	FY 18-19 F	Y 19-20				
Strategic Area: Policy Formulation								
Office of the County Attorney	26,7	97 28,2	278 128	132				
Total Operating Expenditu	res 26,7	97 28,2	278 128	132				