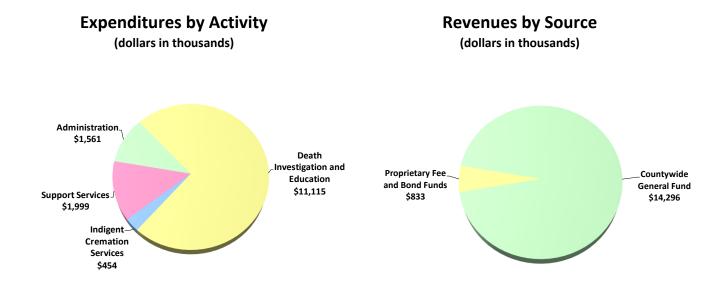
Medical Examiner

The Medical Examiner Department, acting under the authority of Chapter 406 of the Florida Statutes, provides accurate, timely, dignified, compassionate and professional death investigative services for the residents of Miami-Dade County. In addition, the Department provides education, consultation and research for local and national medical, legal, academic and law enforcement communities.

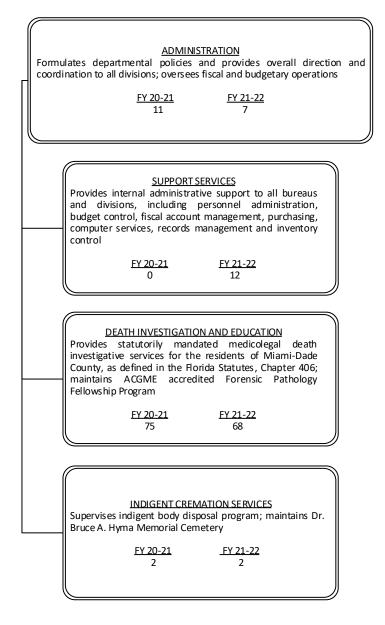
As part of the Public Safety strategic area, the Medical Examiner provides pathology, toxicology, records/transcription, morgue, photography, investigation and indigent cremation services; investigates and processes approximately 14,000 cases annually, which include cremation request reviews, autopsies and toxicology and pathology consultation cases; and facilitates organ, bone and tissue donor cases. The Department focuses on what is generally called "forensic pathology," which combines the methods of legal and police investigations with those of medicine and science to ascertain the facts surrounding deaths, particularly the cause and manner of deaths. The Medical Examiner also hosts annual seminars on death investigation, forensic imaging, anthropology and odontology.

The Department serves the public and partners with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), State Attorney, US Attorney, Public Defender, Florida Department of Health, Centers for Disease Control (CDC), local and state police departments, hospitals, National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and funeral centers.



FY 2021-22 Adopted Operating Budget

TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



The FY 2021-22 total number of full-time equivalent positions is 89

DIVISION: ADMINISTRATION

The Administration Division is responsible for formulating departmental policies and providing overall direction and coordination to all divisions.

- Oversees fiscal and budgetary operations
- Provides secretarial services and schedules appointments, court appearances, depositions and speaking engagements
- Oversees policy and procedures development
- Directs and coordinates all departmental internal and external operations

DIVISION COMMENTS

• The FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget includes a departmental reorganization that consolidates positions from the Business, IT and Records Bureaus into one division that provides services that are Department-wide. As a part of this reorganization, one Accountant III, one Accountant I, one Clerk IV, and one ME Administrative Coordinator were transferred from Administration to Support Services

DIVISION: SUPPORT SERVICES

The Support Services Division provides internal administrative support such as personnel administration, budget control, accounts payable and receivable, purchasing and computer services; additionally, the Division maintains and tracks inventory

- Develops and maintains information systems
- Maintains all departmental case files; tabulates information and prepares statistics and quarterly reports for use by professional staff and interested agencies; forwards reports to requesting individuals, companies and agencies

DIVISION COMMENTS

- The FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget includes the establishment of one new Human Resources Manager position and funding to support the Department's human resources administration
- The FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget includes a departmental reorganization that consolidates positions from the Business, IT and Records Bureaus into one division that provides services that are Department-wide; the positions transferring in are one Accountant III, one Accountant I, one Clerk IV, one ME Administrative Coordinator, one Senior Systems Analyst Programmer, two Systems Analyst Programmers, one Medical Records Coordinator and three Forensic Records Technicians

DIVISION: DEATH INVESTIGATION AND EDUCATION

The Death Investigation Division is responsible for providing statutorily mandated medicolegal death investigative services for the residents of Miami-Dade County, combining the methods of legal and law enforcement investigations with those of medicine and science to ascertain the facts surrounding deaths, particularly the cause and manner of death, as defined in Florida Statutes, Chapter 406.

- Provides statutorily mandated medicolegal death investigative services for the residents of Miami-Dade County, as defined in the Florida Statutes, Chapter 406; maintains ACGME accredited Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program
- Conducts all medical examinations and autopsies
- Provides and coordinates investigative services to medical examiners and maintains individual case files
- Provides laboratory services by performing toxicological analysis on specimens submitted for examination, issues reports and interpretation of findings and testifies in court
- Responds to police and hospital calls to transport human remains and other items of evidentiary value
- Coordinates efforts of police, family and funeral homes; receives and releases bodies; provides X-ray examination, finger printing and evidence documentation
- Provides photography services such as copy work, slide duplication, computer graphics, photomicrography, photomacrography and audiovisual services
- Provides histology services by processing and preparing tissue specimens for microscopic analysis by pathologists
- Conducts preceptorship programs in the photography field and coordinates photography training and educational workshops for local and national medical, legal, academic and law enforcement communities
- Provides revenue-generating educational training programs in multiple forensic areas
- Provides toxicology testing services to Collier County, local police agencies and entities outside the United States such as the Bahamas, Cayman Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and British Virgin Islands

Key Department Measures, Strate	gic Objec	tives, and	d Resilien	cy Driver	S				
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Ratio of doctors on staff to doctors needed to meet the NAME workload standards*	PS1-2	ES-2	EF	Ŷ	80%	57%	95%	80%	92%
Percentage of cases closed in 90 days	PS1-2	ES-2	EF	\uparrow	92%	91%	90%	90%	90%
Toxicology case average turnaround time (in days)	PS1-2	ES-2	EF	\downarrow	41	43	45	41	45
Toxicology Cases Received	PS1-2	ES-2	IN	\leftrightarrow	2,053	1,884	2,197	2,100	2,100
Average time for release of body to funeral home (in hours)	PS2-1	ES-2	EF	\downarrow	26	29	24	27	24
Death investigations conducted**	PS1-2	ES-2	OP	\leftrightarrow	14,766	18,379	14,600	14,700	14,700
Crime scene investigations conducted	PS1-2	ES-2	OP	\leftrightarrow	183	176	190	190	190
Average monthly medicolegal calls	PS1-2	ES-2	OP	\leftrightarrow	13	8	12	5	7

*This benchmark reflected in this measure requires enough staffing to keep medical examiners below 250 autopsies performed annually; the measure indicates the ratio of doctors on staff to doctors needed to handle autopsy case load in compliance with the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) guidelines; FY 2019-20 Actual reflects the impact of COVID-19 on the number of cases, which affected the ratio of doctors on staff to doctors needed to meet the NAME workload standards

**FY 2019-20 Actual and FY 2020-21 Projection reflect COVID-19 impacts; FY 2021-22 Target was adjusted to align with prior years' actuals and trend

DIVISION COMMENTS

• The FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget includes a departmental reorganization that consolidates positions from the Business, IT and Records Bureaus into one division that provides services that are Department-wide; as a part of this reorganization, one Senior Systems Analyst Programmer, two Systems Analyst Programmers, one Medical Records Coordinator and three Forensic Records Technicians were transferred from Death Investigation to Support Services

DIVISION: INDIGENT CREMATION SERVICES

The Indigent Cremation Services Division provides indigent body disposal and maintains the Dr. Bruce A. Hyma Memorial Cemetery.

- Coordinates with funeral homes and crematoriums
- Ensures maintenance of the Dr. Bruce A. Hyma Memorial Cemetery
- Provides indigent body disposal
- Supervises indigent cremations

CAPITAL BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS AND OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- The Department's FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget and Multi-Year Capital Plan includes an audio visual system for the auditorium where trainings, seminars and events are held both by the department as well as outside organizations (\$230,000); the replacement of various aging and outdated equipment to include the replacement of 46 digital camera kits which enables the department to document crime scenes, autopsies and evidence (\$263,000); a Gas Chromatograph Triple Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer which is essential for measuring toxic substances in postmortem blood and tissue (\$160,000); a rapid DNA instrument to process bone and tissue samples for the purpose of identification when in a limited capacity (\$130,000); and a Total Body Digital X-Ray Imaging Device which will allow the ME's office to scan the entire body and provide a clearer image (\$540,000)
- In FY 2021-22, the Department also budgeted \$73,000 in facility improvements that address space needs to incorporate new technology and improve forensic work methods; project is funded with Building Better Communities Bond Program proceeds (capital program #119420)

SELECTED ITEM HIGHLIGHTS AND DETAILS

	(dollars in thousands)							
Line-Item Highlights	Actual	Actual	Budget	Projection	Budget			
	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	FY 20-21	FY 20-21	FY 21-22			
Advertising	0	0	2	0	0			
Fuel	17	14	21	21	21			
Overtime	111	103	107	205	135			
Rent	0	0	0	0	0			
Security Services	118	114	125	125	125			
Temporary Services	70	39	48	76	48			
Travel and Registration	39	19	73	27	32			
Utilities	107	107	184	144	168			

OPERATING FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	Actual	Actual	Budget	Adopted
(dollars in thousands)	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	FY 20-21	FY 21-22
Revenue Summary				
General Fund Countywide	11,013	11,407	13,798	14,296
Carryover	4	4	0	C
Cremation Approval Fees	598	697	590	625
Fees and Charges	16	19	10	10
Forensic Imaging	12	8	13	8
Other Revenues	171	107	185	60
Special Service Fees	54	38	60	30
Toxicology Testing	104	191	87	100
Total Revenues	11,972	12,471	14,743	15,129
Operating Expenditures				
Summary				
Salary	6,908	7,097	7,919	8,278
Fringe Benefits	3,240	3,429	3,714	3,909
Contractual Services	313	287	568	559
Other Operating	1,030	1,183	1,744	1,756
Charges for County Services	203	214	475	434
Capital	274	93	323	193
Total Operating Expenditures	11,968	12,303	14,743	15,129
Non-Operating Expenditures				
Summary				
Transfers	0	0	0	(
Distribution of Funds In Trust	0	0	0	C
Debt Service	0	0	0	C
Depreciation, Amortizations	0	0	0	(
and Depletion				
Reserve	0	0	0	(
Total Non-Operating Expenditures	0	0	0	C

(dollars in thousands) Expenditure By Program	Total F Budget FY 20-21	unding Adopted FY 21-22	Total Posi Budget FY 20-21	tions Adopted FY 21-22
Strategic Area: Public Safety				
Administration	2,86	3 1,56	51 11	7
Support Services		0 1,99	9 0	12
Death Investigation and Education	11,44	1 11,11	.5 75	68
Indigent Cremation Services	43	9 45	64 2	2
Total Operating Expenditures	14,74	3 15,12	9 88	89

CAPITAL BUDGET SUMMARY

(dollars in thousands)	PRIOR	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	FUTURE	TOTAL
Revenue									
BBC GOB Financing	0	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
Capital Asset Series 2021A Bonds	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
General Government Improvement	0	1,123	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,123
Fund (GGIF)									
Total:	200	1,196	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,396
Expenditures									
Strategic Area: PS									
Equipment Acquisition	0	1,323	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,323
Facility Improvements	0	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
Total:	0	1,396	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,396

FUNDED CAPITAL PROGRAMS

(dollars in thousands)

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	City of Miami			Di	strict(s) Serv	ed:	County	wide		
REVENUE SCHEDULE:		PRIOR	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	FUTURE	TOTAL
General Government I Fund (GGIF)	mprovement	0	230	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
TOTAL REVENUES:	=	0	230	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
EXPENDITURE SCHEDU	LE:	PRIOR	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	FUTURE	TOTAL
Furniture Fixtures and	Equipment	0	230	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
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General Government Improvement Fund (GGIF)	0	160	0	0	0	0	0	0	160
TOTAL REVENUES:	0	160	0	0	0	0	0	0	160
EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE:	PRIOR	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	FUTURE	TOTAL
Furniture Fixtures and Equipment	0	160	0	0	0	0	0	0	160
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BBC GOB Financing	0	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
	0	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
TOTAL REVENUES:	-						2026.27	FUTURE	TOTAL
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TOTAL BODY DIGITAL X-RAY IMAGING DEVICE

City of Miami

PROGRAM #: 200000597

Countywide

 DESCRIPTION:
 Renovate space to accommodate the installation of the new total body digital X-ray imaging device which will replace the outdated targeted X-ray system

 LOCATION:
 1851 NW 10 Ave
 District Located:
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REVENUE SCHEDULE:	PRIOR	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	FUTURE	TOTAL
Capital Asset Series 2021A Bonds	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
General Government Improvement Fund (GGIF)	0	340	0	0	0	0	0	0	340
TOTAL REVENUES:	200	340	0	0	0	0	0	0	540
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District(s) Served: