



Tompkins County

District Attorney

2020 Budget Presentation

Recommended Budget

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	2019 Modified	2020 Recommended	\$ Change	% Change
Expenditures	\$1,828,363	\$2,081,467	\$253,104	13.84%
Revenues	-\$102,671	-\$102,671	\$0	0.00%
Net Local	\$1,725,692	\$1,978,796	\$253,104	14.67%

Full-Time Equivalents

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2017	2018	2019	2020 Target	2020 Rec.	# Change	% Change
12.50	13.50	13.50	14.30	14.98	1.48	10.96%

Over-Target Requests Supported by the Recommended Budget

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Page #	OTR #	Priority	Req. OTR	Req. Source	Rec. OTR	Rec. Source	Purpose
4-62	17	1	\$78,531	Target	\$78,531	Target	Additional Paralegal
4-62	53	2	\$83,702	Target	\$83,702	Target	Additional Confidential Investigator
4-62	84	3	\$2,640	Target	\$2,640	Target	Additional Digital Storage Contract
4-62	18	4	\$3,500	Target	\$3,500	One-Time	Office Supplies
4-63	19	5	\$2,000	Target	\$2,000	One-Time	Postage

Major Influences

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- ▶ Criminal Justice Reform
 - ▶ *Discovery Reform*
 - ▶ *Bail Reform*
- ▶ Third County Court Judge
- ▶ Alternatives to Incarceration
 - ▶ *Treatment Courts*
 - ▶ *Wellness & Recovery Court*
- ▶ Raise the Age Implementation

Mission & Goals

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- ▶ Public safety –
 - ▶ *Criminal Justice Reforms effective January 1, 2020 present a significant challenge to public safety in our community.*
 - ▶ *Compliance with new Criminal Procedure Law Section 245 Discovery obligations*
 - ▶ *Bail reform and associated consequences*

Departmental Overview

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- ▶ Criminal Justice Reform
- ▶ Historically Fiscally stable and efficient
- ▶ Fully staffed

Discovery Reform

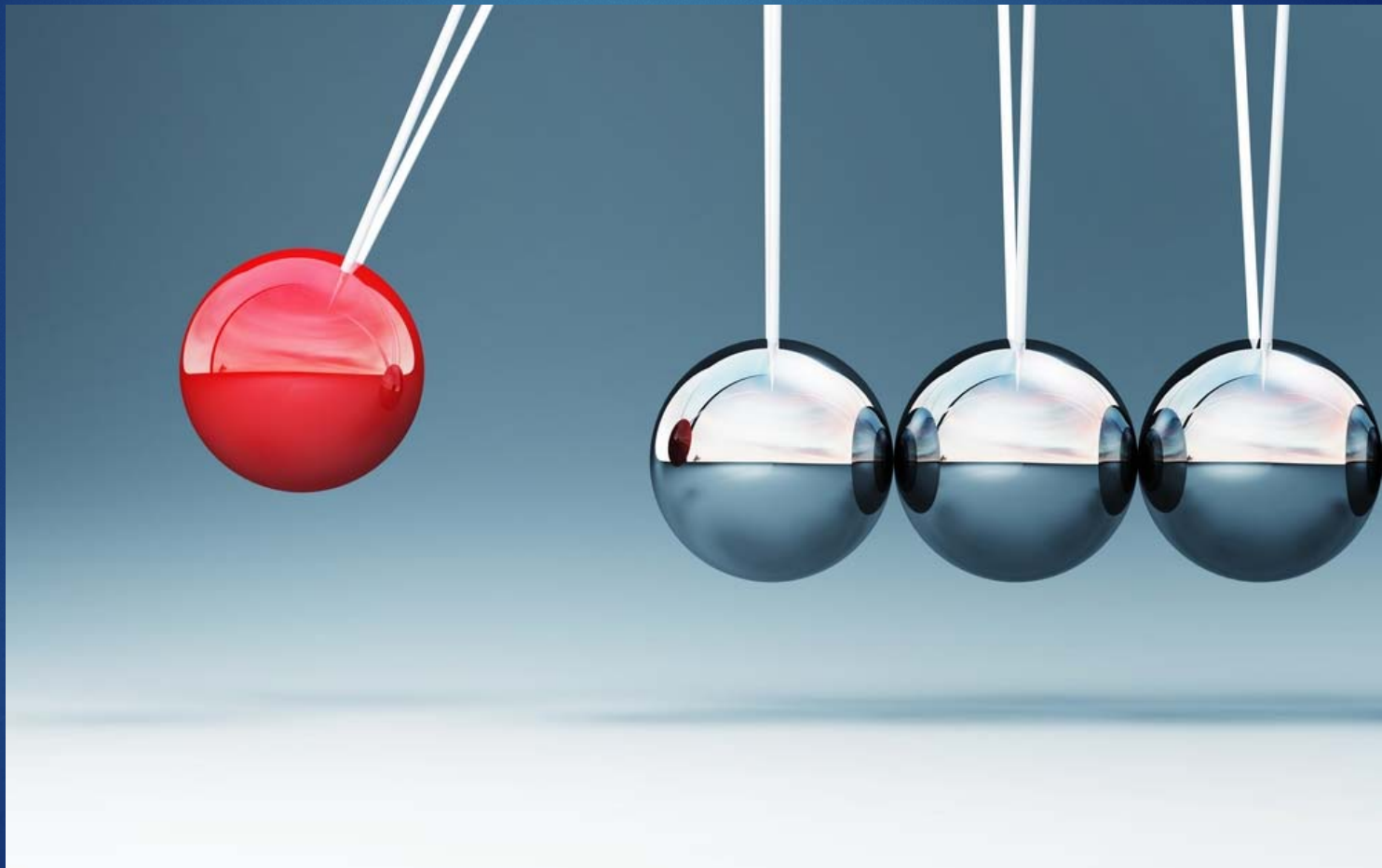
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The Pendulum Has Swung to the Extreme

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Automatic Discovery

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- ▶ Statements made by the D or co-D to a public servant or agent
 - ▶ GJ transcripts for all witnesses
 - ▶ Civilian witness names, adequate contact information, and designation as to whether they will testify for the prosecution
 - ▶ LEO witness names, work affiliation, and designation as to whether they will testify for the prosecution
 - ▶ Statements of witnesses
 - ▶ Expert witness names, work address, CV, publications, proficiency test results
 - ▶ Tapes and electronic recordings; designation as to whether they will be introduced
 - ▶ Photographs and drawings
 - ▶ Photographs, photocopies, or reproductions of stolen property pre-release
- Full documentation of forensic evidence analysis
- All exculpatory material
- Documentation and/or summaries of promises, rewards, inducements made to potential witnesses
- List of all tangible property allegedly possessed by D or co-D; designation of type of possession
- Search warrant applications, orders, and returns with inventories
- Any tangible property related to the case; designation of which items the prosecutor will introduce
- Records of judgment of conviction for all defendants and potential civilian prosecution witnesses
- If known, the existence of any pending cases against potential civilian prosecution witnesses
- For all VTL offenses, all records of instrumentation, calibration, certification, inspection, repair, and maintenance

Victims' Rights & Public Safety

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Philosophy

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- ▶ Consistent with Theme of CJ Reform
- ▶ “Doing the Right Thing”
- ▶ Public Safety
 - ▶ Long term and Short term
- ▶ Victim Advocacy
 - ▶ Especially important in light of consequences of CJ Reform
- ▶ Reflection of Community Values
 - ▶ Alternatives to Incarceration
 - ▶ Jail Population
 - ▶ Treatment
 - ▶ Offender Accountability

Attorney Staff

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- 1 - District Attorney
- 1 - Deputy District Attorney
- 2 - Assistant District Attorney 4
- 4 - Assistant District Attorney 3
- 1 - Assistant District Attorney 1

Prosecutors Per Capita = 1 per 11,539

*(national standard: 1 per 10,000)

Engagement with Alternatives to Incarceration Programs

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- ▶ Felony Treatment Court – 1 ADA
- ▶ Ithaca City Treatment Court – 1 ADA
- ▶ IDV Court – 2 ADAs
- ▶ Sex Offender Court – 1 ADA
- ▶ Wellness & Recovery Court – DA & 1 ADA
- ▶ LEAD Planning – DA
- ▶ Collective Philosophy

Support Staff

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- ▶ Confidential Investigators
 - ▶ Liaison between LE agencies and DA's office
 - ▶ Extensive experience & credibility in LE community
 - ▶ Critical to Discovery compliance
- ▶ Confidential Secretary to DA (Office Manager)
- ▶ Paralegals
 - ▶ Collect and organize discovery materials
 - ▶ Assign and document cases
 - ▶ DWI statistics and case specific support
- ▶ Administrative Assistant (Receptionist)
 - ▶ Traffic tickets

Questions

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