



Office of the County Executive Monroe County Legislature

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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
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Subject: Amend the 2023 Operating Budget of the Office of the Sheriff to Provide Adequate Staffing for the Police Bureau and Establish the Regional Investigative Operations Center by Appropriating Unassigned Fund Balance, Amend the 2023 Capital Budget to Increase Funding for the Project Entitled "Sheriff's Vehicle Replacement," Authorize the Creation of Forty-Three Sworn and Civilian Positions, and Authorize an Interfund Transfer

Honorable Legislators:

This referral is being submitted by County Executive Adam J Bello, Sheriff Todd K. Baxter, and Monroe County Legislators.

We recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2023 operating budget of the Office of the Sheriff to provide adequate staffing for the Police Bureau and establish the Regional Investigative Operations Center (RIOC) by appropriating unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$7,291,000, amend the 2023 capital budget to increase funding for the project entitled "Sheriff's Vehicle Replacement" in the amount of \$1,021,000, authorize the creation of forty-one (41) sworn and two (2) civilian positions within the Office of the Sheriff, and authorize an interfund transfer in the amount of \$1,021,000.

Sheriff Patrol across Monroe County is currently staffed at minimum levels and there is no flexibility for leave, training or proactive details. Specifically, the number of patrol deputies per capita averages 1 per 3,615 residents. This is well below the national average of 2.3 per 1,000 residents. This referral will increase the amount of patrol to improve coverage and safety across Monroe County. The additional deputies will staff the 3 Zones and address increased demand from 10:00 AM to 2:00 AM as well as fully staffing the Traffic Enforcement Unit and Community Engagement Unit.

Multijurisdictional crime patterns and domestic violent extremists are a rapidly growing threat to our community. Consistent with Governor Hochul's Executive Order 18, the Office of the Sheriff is seeking to create a RIOC to provide a formal structure for coordinating interagency law enforcement and other public safety resources to address a wide range of multijurisdictional crime patterns, such as smash-and-grab burglaries, catalytic converter thefts, child abductions, and violent extremist threats.

Under a formal structure, RIOC staff will coordinate law enforcement involvement in the Rochester Threat Advisory Committee (ROCTAC), provide a liaison to state and federal agencies on targeted violence prevention cases, and receive actionable intelligence from the Monroe Crime Analysis Center and the New York State Intelligence Center. Further, the RIOC will take an all-hazards approach, meaning regardless of the type of threat to the community, RIOC staff will assist the Office of Emergency Management with information collection, situational assessment, and strategy recommendations for engaged fire, EMS, and law enforcement agencies.

This referral will allow the Sheriff's Office to meet the demands of 21st century policing.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2023 operating budget of the Office of the Sheriff to establish the Regional Investigative Operations Center by appropriating unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$7,291,000 into general fund 9001, funds centers:
 - a. 3803010000, Police Bureau Administration, in the amount of \$1,982,442;
 - b. 3803020000, Road Patrol Zone A, in the amount of \$776,300;
 - c. 3803030000, Road Patrol Zone B, in the amount of \$776,300;
 - d. 3803040000, Road Patrol Zone C, in the amount of \$776,300;
 - e. 3803050100, Criminal Investigations, in the amount of \$1,091,595;
 - f. 3803140000, Airport Security, in the amount of \$521,183;
 - g. 3806030000, Fleet Maintenance, in the amount of \$1,145,000;
 - h. 3806060000, Quartermaster, in the amount of \$221,880.
2. Authorize the creation of forty-three sworn and civilian positions within the Office of the Sheriff, as follows:
 - a. (32) Deputy Sheriff Road Patrol, Group 70;
 - b. (2) Deputy Sheriff Investigator, Group 72;
 - c. (2) Deputy Sheriff Road Patrol Sergeant, Group 73;
 - d. (2) Deputy Sheriff Investigator Sergeant, Group 73;
 - e. (3) Deputy Sheriff Road Patrol Lieutenant, Group 78;
 - f. (1) Office Clerk 2, Group 7;
 - g. (1) Drone Technician/Pilot, Group 13.
3. Amend the 2023 capital budget to increase funding for the project entitled "Sheriff's Vehicle Replacement" in the amount of \$1,021,000, from \$1,599,026 to \$2,620,026.
4. Authorize an interfund transfer in the amount of \$1,021,000 from the Office of the Sheriff, general fund 9001, funds center 3806030000, Fleet Maintenance to capital fund 1855, Sheriff's Vehicle Replacement.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This budget amendment to provide adequate staffing for the Police Bureau and establish the Regional Investigative Operations Center will require additional net County support for which the appropriation of fund balance is requested.

We recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,



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