

Coroner

Activity Overview

The County Coroner is a statutory position, filled through a consolidation effective January 1st, 2008 with the resignation of the elected coroner. The Elected Office was consolidated with the County Sheriff. The Coroner has authority to use temporary employees appointed as deputy coroners.

Neither the Coroner nor his deputies perform autopsies. Medical professionals are paid for each autopsy performed. This represents the majority of the Department's operating budget.

Activity Goals

- Strive to provide the best Coroner Service in Montana, using first-rate investigative skills combined with professional and compassionate care to the family members and public surrounding each death.
- Continue public education classes in area schools regarding safety, using coroner statistics as a tool, and educate the general public regarding duties performed by the Coroner's Office.
- Establish and maintain a well-equipped morgue.
- Continue to offer fee-based services to other counties.
- Continue training of Coroner and Deputy Coroners.
- Modify Monthly Statistic Program to reflect fiscal year reporting rather than the current calendar year reporting.
- Continue building capital for the purpose of purchasing a pickup-style 4-wheel drive coroner vehicle with tinted-glass topper in order to accomplish separate air space for driver and cargo/body and provide for safer travel; intended replacement for aging Chevrolet Suburban.

Recent Accomplishments

- Basic and advanced (medico-legal) training of several Deputy Coroners.
- Providing outreach to driver's education classes and career days in the local schools.
- Comply with City, County, State and Federal standards.
- Maintained a Monthly Statistic Program.
- Complied with state-mandated cremation guidelines.

PUBLIC SAFETY

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2015	Budget FY 2016	Actual FY 2016	Request FY 2017	Preliminary FY 2017	Final FY 2017
Personnel	\$ 58,426	\$ 57,405	\$ 56,641	\$ 57,271	\$ 57,271	\$ 57,271
Operations	32,246	51,605	43,531	43,954	43,954	43,954
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 90,672	\$ 109,010	\$ 100,172	\$ 101,225	\$ 101,225	\$ 101,225

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds	90,672	109,010	100,172	101,225	101,225	101,225
Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 90,672	\$ 109,010	\$ 100,172	\$ 101,225	\$ 101,225	\$ 101,225

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 73,771	\$ 68,132	\$ 79,690	\$ 68,717	\$ 62,064	\$ 66,419
Non-Tax Revenues	16,526	18,049	27,148	22,135	19,765	17,576
Cash Reappropriated	375	22,829	(6,666)	10,373	19,396	17,230
Total	\$ 90,672	\$ 109,010	\$ 100,172	\$ 101,225	\$ 101,225	\$ 101,225

Activity Personnel

No. of Positions	FT/PT	Title	FTE FY 2015	FTE FY 2016	FTE FY 2017
1	Part-Time	Consolidated Coroner	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	Part-Time	Deputy Coroners	0.00	0.00	0.00
1	Part-Time	West Yellowstone, Big Sky	0.00	0.00	0.00
10		Total Program	0.00	0.00	0.00

*Coroners receive a stipend for their services above their regular pay so there are no FTE associated with this activity.