

**Division:** Violent Crimes Division

**Program Characteristics:**

**Program Description**

The Homicide Unit prosecutes cases involving homicide, the most serious crimes handled by MCDA. The unit focuses exclusively on these cases, where careful legal analysis, early coordination with investigators, and consistent application of legal standards are essential to public safety and justice.

Deputy District Attorneys assigned to the Homicide Unit partner with law enforcement from the earliest stages of a case, including responding to homicide scenes and working closely with detectives throughout the investigation. This early and sustained involvement supports thorough case development, accountability for unlawful violence, and meaningful engagement with victims' families.

Through focused prosecution and close collaboration with investigative partners, the Homicide Unit seeks to resolve cases in a way that provides accountability, supports victims and families, and helps prevent further violence, strengthening public trust in the justice system.

**Equity Statement**

The Homicide Unit promotes fair and unbiased prosecution by applying consistent legal standards and trauma-informed practices from the outset of each case through resolution. By emphasizing accountability, transparency, and respectful engagement with victims' families, the unit supports equitable treatment and helps build trust in communities most affected by lethal violence.

**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	<b>2026 General Fund</b>	<b>2026 Other Funds</b>	<b>2027 General Fund</b>	<b>2027 Other Funds</b>
Personnel	\$1,383,339	\$0	\$1,546,244	\$0
Contractual Services	\$10,000	\$0	\$49,450	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$12,000	\$0	\$8,500	\$0
Internal Services	\$97,117	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$1,502,456</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,604,194</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$1,502,456</b>		<b>\$1,604,194</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Performance Measures**

<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>FY25 Actual</b>	<b>FY26 Estimate</b>	<b>FY27 Target</b>
Number of homicide scene call outs a DDA attended and assisted	72	80	70
Number of homicide cases issued	61	94	80