

Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security



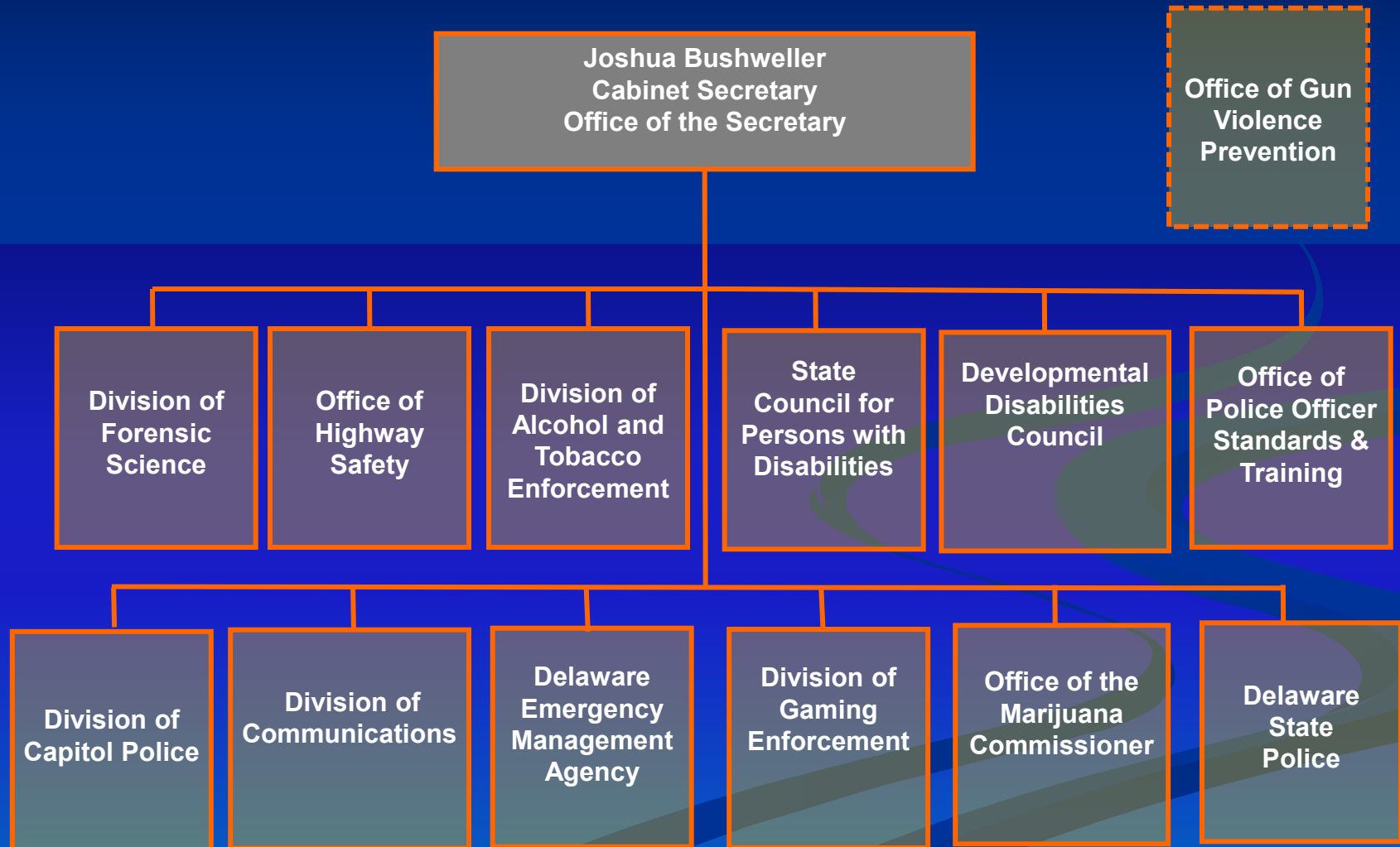
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

"TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT THE SAFETY OF PEOPLE AND PROPERTY IN DELAWARE"

FY 2027 GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET PRESENTATION

Secretary Joshua Bushweller

Department of Safety and Homeland Security



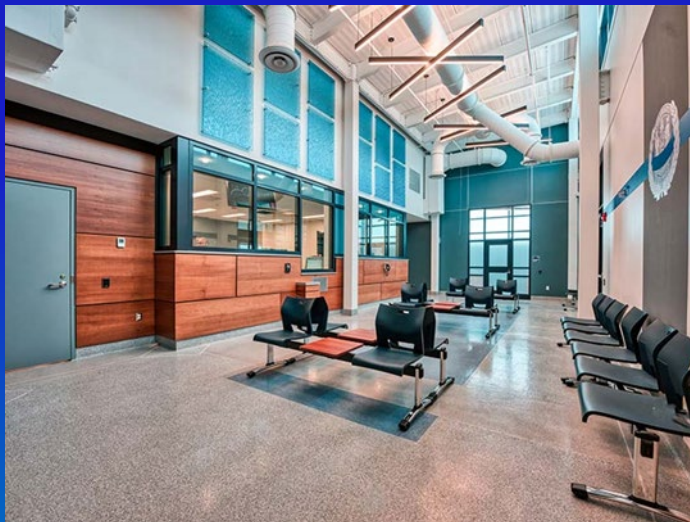
Department of Safety and Homeland Security Mission



“To promote and protect the safety of people and property in Delaware”

Accomplishments

Construction on the new Delaware State Police Troop 6 project concluded and went fully operational in July. This new facility will serve both our troopers and the community for many years to come.



Accomplishments

Construction on the new Delaware State Police Troop 4 is underway. This facility located on the Stockley Center Campus will house both Patrol and Criminal Investigation Troopers. The new upgraded facility is projected to open in late Spring 2027.



Accomplishments

The Division of Alcohol & Tobacco Enforcement has moved into their new renovated facility in Harrington.



Accomplishments

- 64% percent of Delaware police agencies are accredited
- 12 are Nationally Accredited & 20 are Delaware Accredited
- 49 police agencies (98%) have established a Police Accountability Commission (PAC), either singularly or jointly.



Accomplishments

Communications

- Final channels moved from the legacy 800 MHz system.
- Replacing three Communications Shelters
- The new P25 system is now fully operational
- Critical Connect project connects DE systems to other states and provides radio communications over cellular networks.
- Onboarding DOC portable radios to 800 MHz system.



Accomplishments

DEMA

- Launched new school safety platform for response plans
- Completed 5-year process and implementation of grant management system
- Facilitated active shooter/reunification exercise involving 100 students, 150 law enforcement, fire and EMS personnel. Largest drill ever held by DEMA.
- In partnership with the Navel Post Graduate School (NPS), conducted a day long senior level exercise with Governor Meyer's Cabinet.



Accomplishments

Office of the Marijuana Commissioner

- Launched Social Equity Financial Assistance (SEFA) grants.
- Of 125 licenses authorized, 84 licensees received a Conditional License. Three cultivation businesses are fully operational.
- To date, (1) micro manufacturer and (4) micro businesses have become fully operational.
- OMC, with DelTech, created a program to prepare students for careers in the Cannabis industry. The initial class had nine graduates.



Accomplishments

DATE

- Developed a Marijuana 101 course for Delaware law Enforcement.
- Officers are now utilizing tablets in the field making its alcohol inspections paperless.
- Working to implement the requirements of HB187 – Direct Shipments.



New Division

Office of Gun Violence Prevention and Community Safety

The Office is the point of contact for community-based organizations, municipalities, and counties in the fight against gun violence and leads coordination efforts of existing programs.

Vision and Goals:

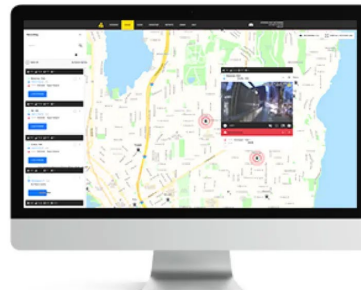
- Reduce shootings, violent actions and trauma as it relates to guns (including suicide)
- Promote gun owners to act responsibly
- Make Delaware a safer place for all families by building stronger state-community partnerships
- Promote data sharing and collaboration, develop common sense gun related policies, and support the development of trauma informed, evidence-based violence intervention programs.

Performance Measures FY 2027

- Enhance the quality of life for all Delaware residents and visitors by providing professional, competent and compassionate law enforcement services, in part by responding to approximately 378,610 calls for service annually.
- Prepare for and respond to natural and man-made catastrophes, ensure federal and state mandates for services are accomplished and assist communities in planning to become disaster resistant by providing over 18 outreach programs.
- Ensure reliable and effective statewide emergency communications capability by supporting and maintaining the statewide 800 MHz, and conventional radio systems.
- Protect the health of residents and youth by enforcing state and federal statutes on the prohibition of the sale of alcohol and tobacco to minors by monitoring the 1,346 tobacco and 1,293 alcohol retailers statewide.
- Improve highway safety by supporting enforcement and providing public awareness programs and educational efforts to increase seatbelt use, and reduce impaired driving, distracted driving, pedestrian crashes and fatal crashes, through the administration and oversight of a combination of federal grants totaling approximately \$6.9 million with approximately 50 subgrantees.

FY 2027 Door Opener #1

- Delaware State Police
- \$2,923.5M – Axon Officer Safety Bundle contract



FY 2027 Door Opener #2

- Delaware State Police

- \$148K – Training
Ammunition



FY 2027 Door Opener #3

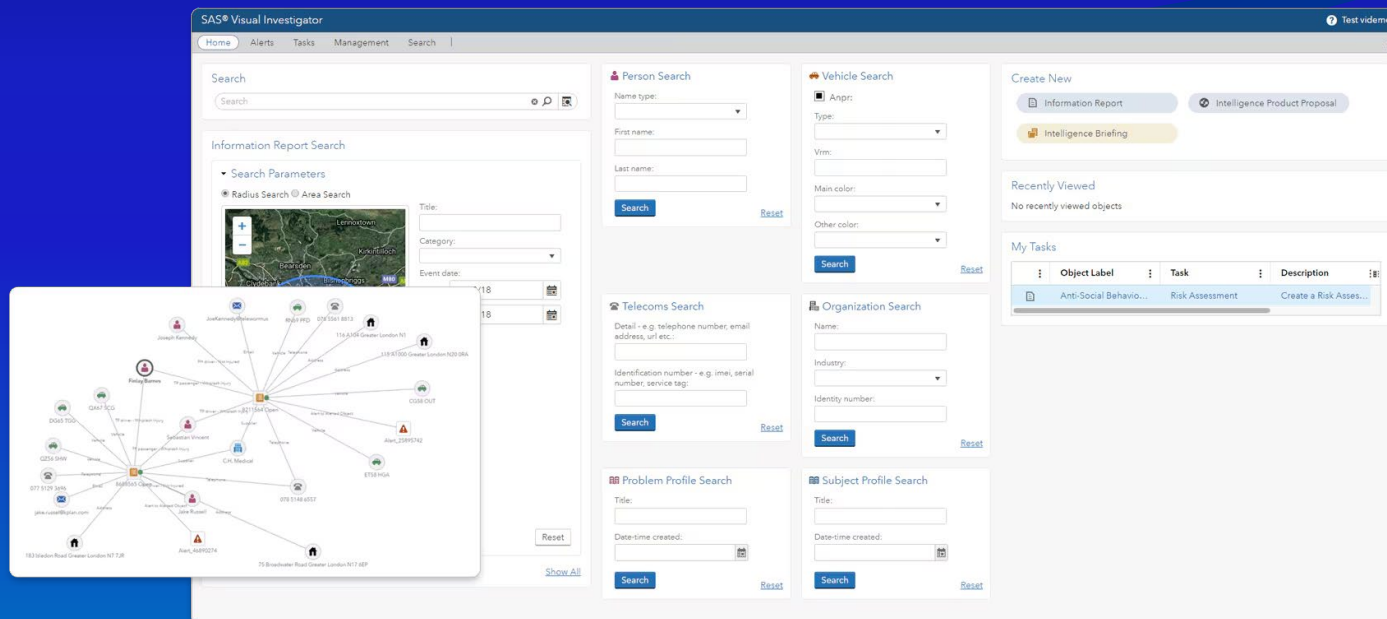
- Delaware State Police
- \$517K – Vehicle Replacement Plan
Inflationary Increase



FY 2027 Door Opener #4

■ Delaware State Police

■ \$880K – SAS Intelligence and Investigative Management System



FY 2027 Door Opener #5

- Delaware State Police
- \$115.2K – Canine Marijuana Impact



FY 2027 Door Openers #6 and # 7

- Capitol Police
- \$32K – Fleet Vehicles for the Sussex County Courthouse
- \$32K – Fleet Vehicles for the Kent County Courthouse



FY 2027 Annualizations

Three-months of funding for 8.0 FTE positions at the new Kent County Courthouse for Capitol Police \$256.2K

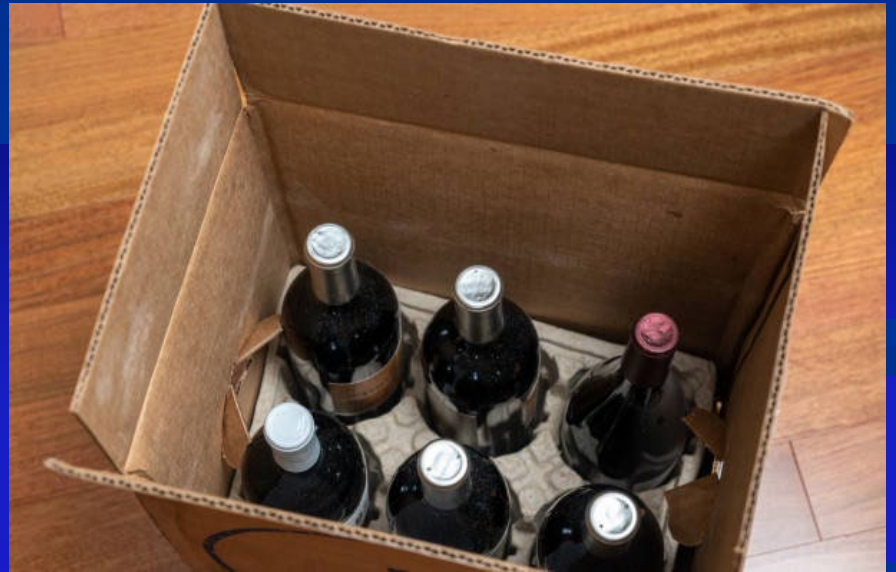
Nine-months of funding for the State Police to fill 16.0 FTE positions to meet the requirements of Senate Substitute 1 for Senate Bill 2, Permit to Purchase \$475.7K

Nine-months of funding for the State Police for 1.0 FTE \$41K and 2.0 ASF FTE positions \$78.2K for the Sussex County Trooper MOU.



FY 2027 One-Time Program Start-Up Costs

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- \$317.1K – for HB 187 Direct Shipments of Wine
- \$586.2K – 4 FTEs for 12 months for personnel & officer ongoing costs



Summary of Vacant Positions

- 1,422.0 FTEs total in Fiscal Year 2027 GRB
 - 1,200.2 GF
 - 125.5 ASF
 - 96.3 NSF
- 1.0 ASF FTE Increase in Fiscal Year 2027 GRB
 - GF to ASF (DATE Switch fund - Marijuana)
- 107.0 FTEs Vacant as of November 7, 2025

Potential Federal Funding Reductions

- **DEMA - \$3.45M**
 - Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)
 - Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
- **DATE - \$105K**
 - FBI-LEEDA (CJC)
- **DFS - \$600K**
 - FY25 DNA Capacity Enhancement/Backlog Reduction (CEBR)



Meyer Administration Values

INTEGRITY

Actions speak louder than words - actions build trust. We will lead with transparency and accountability to ensure every decision serves the public good.

EFFICIENCY

Government should work smarter, not harder. We will eliminate waste, streamline services, and prioritize execution over excuses.

COLLABORATION

Lasting change requires teamwork. We will break down silos, build strong partnerships, and deliver solutions that work.