



Cuyahoga County
Together We Thrive

Department of Public Safety & Justice Services

2020-2021 Budget Presentation
Cuyahoga County Council
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PSJS Departmental Overview



CECOMS

CECOMS mission is to maintain, enhance and coordinate the 9-1-1 system as the primary means of access for those in the region who need emergency public safety services, and to enhance the ability of public safety personnel and emergency responders to effectively communicate through all phases of emergency incidents and planned events.

Emergency Management

The mission of the Cuyahoga County Office of Emergency Management (CCOEM) is to protect lives, property, and the economy of Cuyahoga County through preparedness, planning, and effective response to all hazards and emergencies.

Fiscal and Grant Services

The Division of Fiscal and Grant Services provides fiscal support for the other divisions in the Department of Public Safety and Justice Services (PSJS) and administers the County's homeland security, forensic science, and justice services grants.

Witness Victim Services / Family Justice Center

The mission of the Division of Witness Victim Services is to protect crime victims' rights to receive advocacy, information, and access to community services.

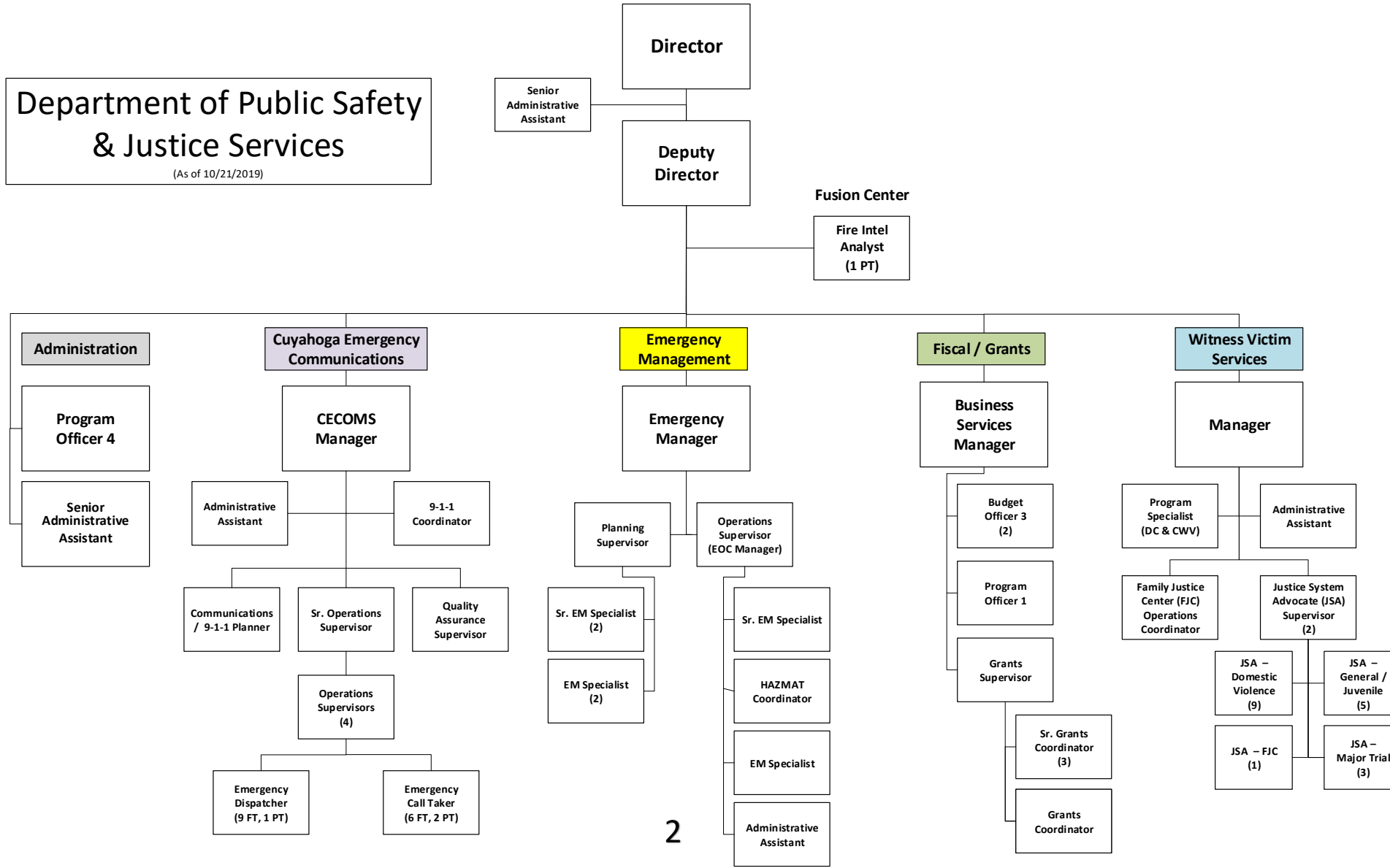
Fusion Center

To anticipate and counter terrorism, criminal activity and other hazards in coordination with the intelligence community.

PSJS Departmental Organizational Chart



Department of Public Safety & Justice Services
 (As of 10/21/2019)



Departmental FTEs (Operationally)



DIVISION	FTEs
PSJS Administration	6*
Cuyahoga Emergency Communications (CECOMS)	26.5 (25 FT, 3 PT)
Emergency Management	11
Fiscal and Grants Services	9
Witness Victim Services / Family Justice Center	24
Fusion Center	0.5
Total	77 (75 FT, 4 PT)

*Includes Chief Public Safety & Justice Services Officer

Vacancies (By Division)



DIVISION	FTEs
Cuyahoga Emergency Communications (CECOMS)	2* (Operations Supervisor, Call Taker)
Emergency Management	1 (Sr. EM Specialist)
Public Safety Grants Administration	1 (Program Officer 1)
Witness Victim Services / Family Justice Center	2# (Justice System Advocate x2)

*Funded By Special Revenue (9-1-1 Wireless Fund)

Funded By HHS Subsidy

PSJS Departmental Funding (2020-2021 Executive Budget)



General Fund

Division	2020 Funding	Δ From 2020 Base Budget
Administration	\$1,140,782	-7%
CECOMS	\$485,573	-7%
Emergency Management	\$1,147,975	-4%
Public Safety Grants Administration	\$687,176	-6%
Fusion Center	\$190,653	-7%
TOTAL	\$3,652,159	-5.7%

HHS Subsidy

Division	2020 Funding	Δ From 2020 Base Budget
Witness Victim Services	\$2,026,340	-5%
Family Justice Center	\$419,550	20%
TOTAL	\$2,445,890	-2%

PSJS New Initiatives Proposed



1. Rescue Task Force Expansion – \$853,750 *(Not Funded)*

The purpose of the Cuyahoga County Rescue Task Force (RTF) project is to standardize the process of equipping, training, and exercising of the RTF concept in Cuyahoga County. An RTF is a combination of Law Enforcement and Fire/EMS personnel that can triage and treat in a hostile working environment through standards outlined in Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC).

These task forces are deployed to provide point of wound care to victims where there is an on-going ballistic or explosive threat. These teams treat, stabilize, and remove the injured while wearing Ballistic Protective Equipment (BPE) in a rapid manner under the protection of local law enforcement. The primary scope of this RTF project includes training, supplies/equipment, and sustainment.

2. First Responder Mental Health Program - \$500,000 *(Not Funded)*

Evidence that more is needed to assist first responders deal with mental health issues is becoming more readily apparent. The Ruderman Foundation commissioned a white paper in April 2018 on Mental Health and Suicide in First Responders. The study found in 2017 that there were 103 reported firefighter suicides compared to the 93 firefighters killed in the line of duty, as well as 140 reported police officer suicides compared to the 129 killed in the line of duty. These numbers are considered low as many first responder suicides are not reported.

This project is intended to provide an analysis of current mental health programs available at first responder agencies in Cuyahoga County, develop a template for programs not currently active and will allow for awareness opportunities to be pushed to all first responders and family members in Cuyahoga County through literature, awareness and increased access to services. This is also intended to provide a comprehensive overview of the issues currently at hand in Cuyahoga County.