



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Critical Budget Needs
\$4,412,003 and 13 FTEs

1. Creation of a Special Victims Unit in the Department of Justice.

\$719,978 to hire three attorneys and one paralegal dedicated to the prosecution of sexual predators and human traffickers, ensuring a highly specialized legal team committed to safeguarding vulnerable communities.

\$83,090 for travel and support expenses for Statewide Prosecutions.

Total: \$803,068

2. Provide salary and benefit increases for general fund staff.

\$444,763 to cover the estimated merit, cost of living, and benefit increases.

3. Protecting and empowering human trafficking victims.

\$1,000,000 to provide comprehensive support for survivors of human trafficking, including advocacy, individualized safety planning, and essential direct assistance such as lost wages and childcare, empowering survivors to rebuild their lives and fostering long-term safety and stability.

4. Bolstering resources to hold professionals accountable.

\$515,367 for two attorneys and one paralegal who will play a pivotal role in safeguarding the public by investigating and prosecuting misconduct among licensed professionals, ensuring accountability and maintaining public trust.

5. Expand legal capacity to protect state agencies in litigation.

\$1,168,242 to hire six attorneys to provide comprehensive legal support to state agencies, including handling tort claims, managing legal and risk matters, overseeing lawsuits, and delivering critical legal guidance.

6. Modernizing technology to enhance security and competitive edge.

\$480,563 for new laptops, improved case management software, and additional software licenses, enhancing efficiency and effectiveness across operations.
(\$202,060 from general fund & \$278,503 from tech reinvestment fund)

Total: \$4,412,003