

State of Iowa
Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) Integration Initiative
SFY2008 Budget Offer

Governor Culver is recommending \$3.3 million in his FY 2008 budget for the continuation of Iowa's Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) Integration Initiative. This recommendation contains two distinct components:

- **Administration and Regulation Budget Subcommittees:** \$489,307 from the General Fund is requested for the Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning (CJJP). This ongoing funding would allow CJJP to pay the Information Technology Enterprise (ITE) for hardware and software maintenance, hosting costs, and network infrastructure costs associated with housing the CJIS "exchange broker" (equipment) purchased in FY '07.
- **Transportation, Infrastructure and Capitals Appropriations Subcommittees:** \$2.8 million is requested for CJJP to continue to expand the number of electronic information exchanges throughout the criminal justice community. This provides for the computer programming, data modeling, schema development, etc., that is necessary to exchange additional information.

BACKGROUND

- In 2003, Governor Vilsack and Chief Justice Lavorato, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to enhance public safety and improve the efficiency of criminal justice agencies by establishing a mechanism to develop a statewide integrated criminal justice information system. This system, when completed according to the Plan, will provide for the automated, real-time, exchange of information within and between the various segments of the criminal justice community at all levels of government.
- Over \$5.0 million of state and federal funds has been invested in this project.
- This budget offer is consistent with a five-year strategic Plan developed and approved by representatives from many state and local justice system officials and units of government. This FY '08 budget request is the third year of the five year implementation plan.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Improved public safety
- Reduced data entry errors and redundant data entry
- Increased complete, current and timely data
- Enhanced ability to evaluate policy decisions and changes
- Maximization of available resources
- Quicker data retrieval response time
- Increased availability and quality of data for informed decision making
- Improved the operational effectiveness of existing systems
- Increased efficiencies in uses of emerging technology
- Avoidance of building costly, redundant single issue data interfaces

Fully implementing CJIS in Iowa according to the recommendations in the Plan will require an investment of financial resources on behalf of the State. Last fiscal year, \$2.6 million was appropriated for this effort and it is anticipated that over the next three years an additional \$3.5 to \$9.0 million will be required for full implementation. The exact amount will be determined by the CJIS Advisory Committee as specific technological decisions are made. Additionally, the amount of recurring annual expenses will also depend on the architectural solution chosen.

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