

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

FY 2023 BUDGET

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City Council Work Session

City Attorney

Assistant City Attorney

2 Deputy City
Attorneys (Civil
Division)

6 Deputy City
Attorneys (Criminal
Division)

4 Victim/Witness
Specialists

5 Administrative
Support

TOTAL CURRENT STAFFING LEVEL

3 Deputy City Attorneys

- Criminal Division

4 Support Staff

- some combination of legal assistants, paralegals, VW Specialists
- Code Enforcement component - paralegal

**2021 PUBLIC SAFETY MILL LEVY
PROPOSAL**

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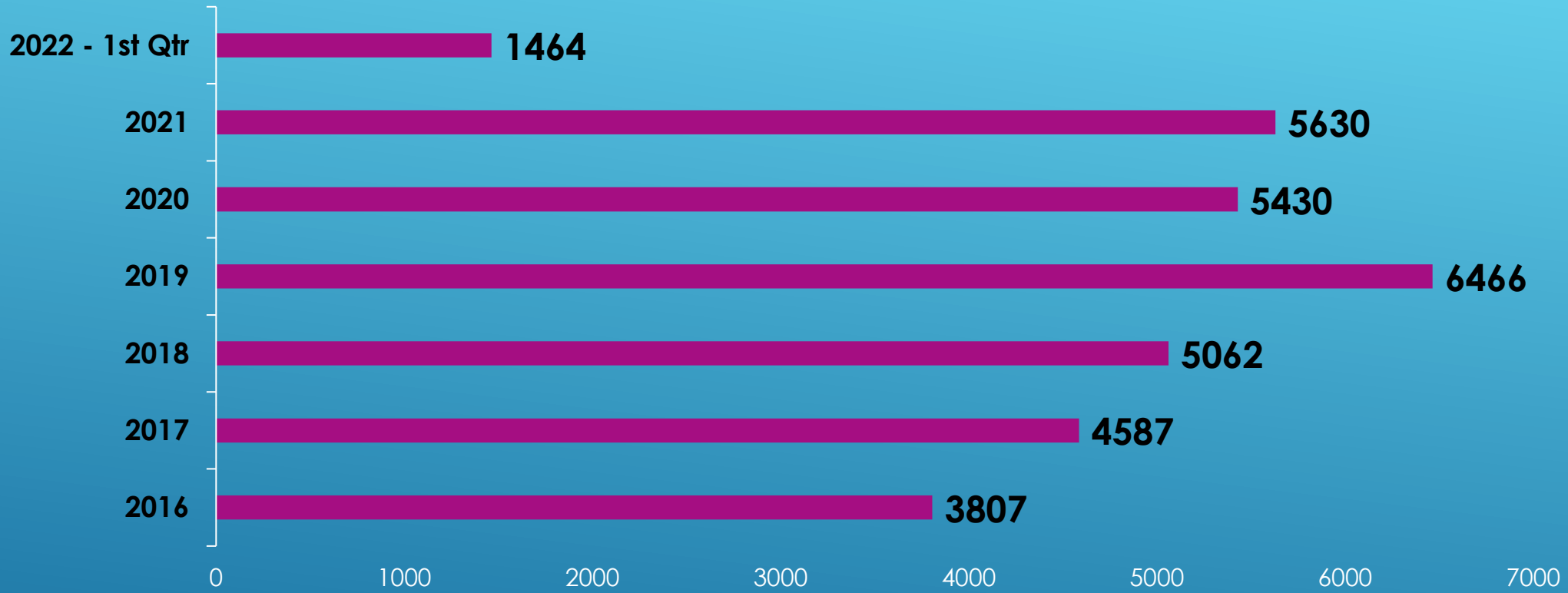
Position	FY22	FY23 - PROPOSED	change
City Attorney	1	1	
Assistant City Attorney	1	1	
Civil Deputy City Attorney	2	2	
Criminal Deputy Attorney	6	2	+2
Victim-Witness Specialist	4	5	+1
Legal Secretary	1	1	
Administrative Support	3	3	
Paralegal	1	1	
Total FTEs	19	22	+3

PROPOSED INCREASE IN STAFFING FOR FY 2023

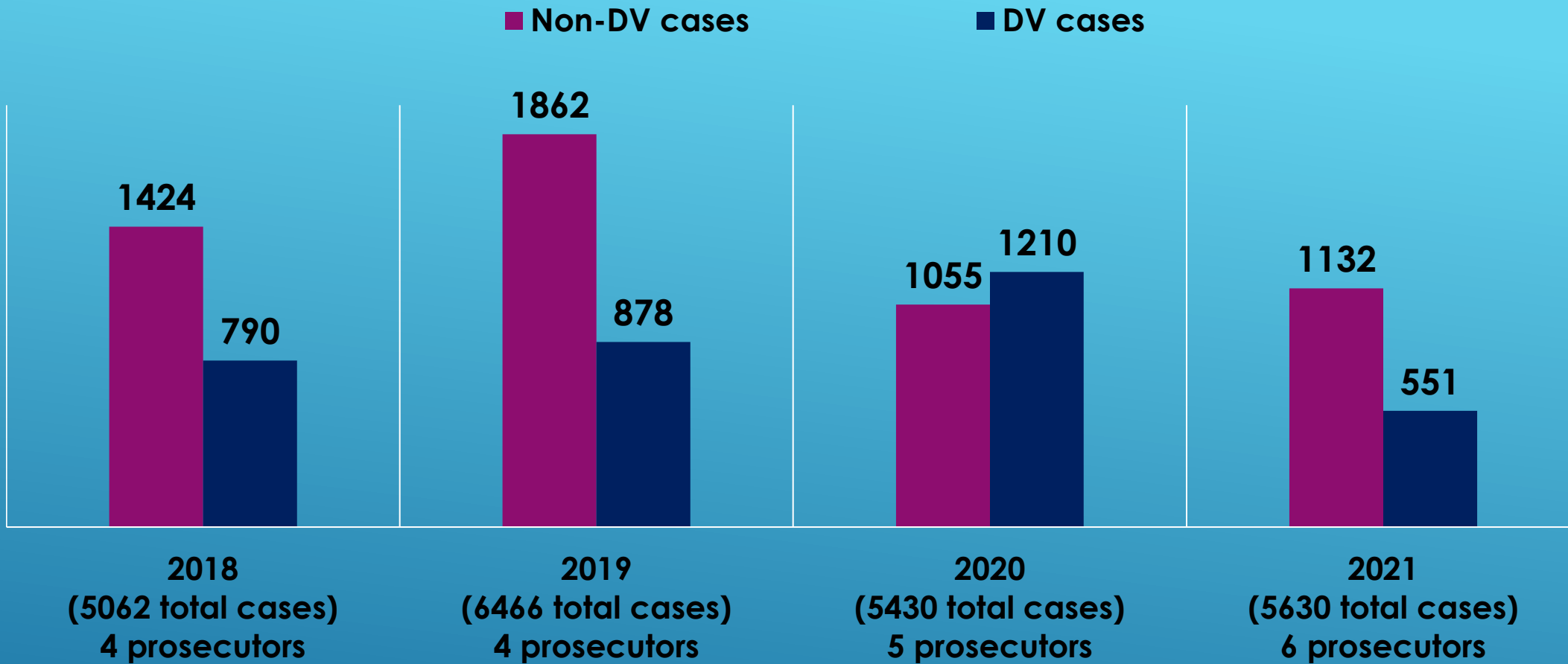
	2020	2021
New Cases Opened	5430	5630
Cases Reviewed for Charges/Warrants	1579	2367
Cases Reviewed for Revocation of Sentence	2181	2311

CRIMINAL DIVISION – CASES OPENED

Total Criminal and Traffic Cases



**CRIMINAL CASES OPENED
2016 -2022**

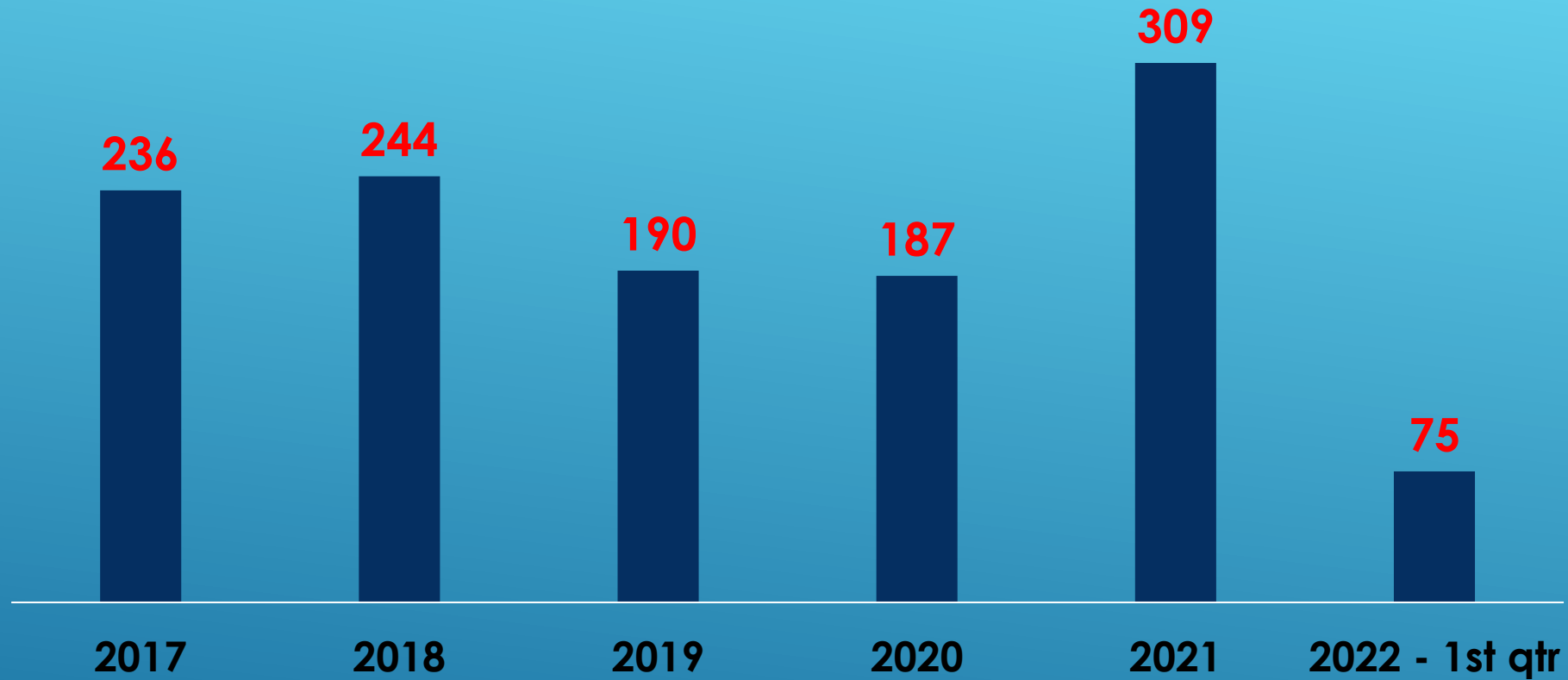


CASELOAD PER PROSECUTOR

Year	Total DV Cases Received	Total DV Cases Filed	% of Referred DV Cases Filed
2015	575	515	89.50%
2016	824	583	70.70%
2017	875	575	65.70%
2018	790	490	62.02%
2019	878	500	56.90%
2020	1,210	565	46.69%
2021	1,101	786	71.38%

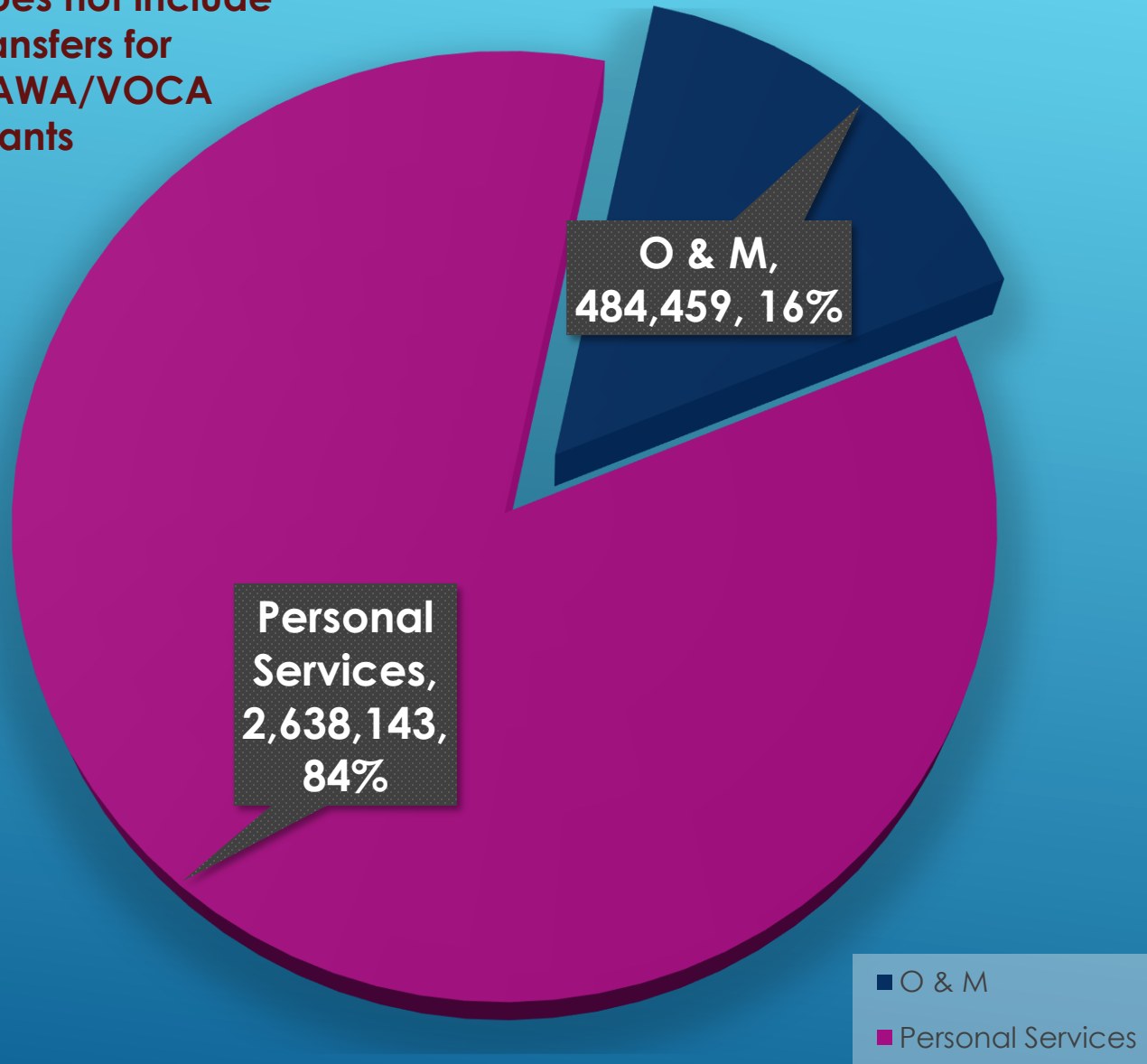
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES REFERRED VS. CASES FILED

Public Records Requests



PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS

Does not include transfers for VAWA/VOCA grants



PROPOSED BUDGETED EXPENDITURES FY 2023

Overall increase of \$481,578 compared to Adopted FY 2022 Budget

Additional Funding Sources:

- **Grant Revenue - \$155,458**
- **Fines/Forfeitures - \$46,000**

Now - FY 2023

- 1-2 Prosecutors
- 1 Victim/Witness Specialist (hired)

Next 2-3 years

- determine needs for support staff
 - legal assistants
 - Paralegals
 - V/W specialists
- hire remaining prosecutor[s]

PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PSML

Challenges:

- Office space
- Workforce shortage

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QUESTIONS?

