

FY27 DPD Budget Draft Review – BOPC Inquiries

1. FTE Increases: Any FTE increases other than the four lines listed below? Please explain the need for these incremental FTEs.

There are no additional FTE increases other than the four lines listed below.

[Responded to by Agency Chief Financial Officer \(ACFO\) Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

a) + 5 FTEs as a supplemental increase for Senior Emergency Services Deployment Operator -- Communications Operations

These personnel are in charge of police dispatch and communications operations, and the communications unit requests these positions so the operation can run more efficiently.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

b) + 5 FTEs as a supplemental increase for Senior Telecommunications Operator -- Communications Operations

These personnel are in charge of police dispatch and communications operations, and the communications unit requests these positions so the operation can run more efficiently.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

c) + 17 FTEs as a supplemental increase for Administrative Special Services Staff 2 Exempt -- Tactical Services & Operations

These positions are part of the Code Enforcement team. Code Enforcement is funded with ARPA dollars in FY26, and DPD is requesting continuation of this team in FY27 funded through general fund dollars.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

d) + 17 FTEs as a supplemental increase for Administrative Special Services Staff 2 Exempt -- Community Engagement

These positions are part of the Mental Health Co-Response team, and they are funded with ARPA dollars in FY26. DPD is requesting continuation of these positions in FY27 funded through general fund dollars.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

2. Beyond the +34 Admin Special Services Staff 2 Exempt FTEs above, what are other DPD Budgetary Initiatives are funded by ARPA in the present fiscal year?

There are no DPD budgetary initiatives funded by ARPA in the present fiscal year other than the 34 personnel for the Mental Health Co-Response and Code Enforcement teams.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

3. FTE Reductions: Are there any instances of DPD teams/units that are reducing headcount year-over-year?

There are no instances of DPD team/units reducing headcount year-over-year. There may be differences in headcount within unit year-over-year to correctly budget people in the unit where they are working, or to account for members that have been transferred to different units throughout the year.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

4. Resource Management Division, 621920 - Operating Supplies - Police Equipment: \$1,412,022 in this line item -- what specifically is in this amount?

This amount is to provide funds for the procurement of firearms for officers and the Department throughout the year.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

a) What type of firearms are being purchased? Who are the vendors of the firearms? Any military grade weapons or purchases that would fall under '402 Military Equipment'?

The supplemental request for firearms was from FY26. No supplemental funding was requested for FY27.

[Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.](#)

5. Major Crimes, 617900 - Contract Svcs- Major Case Investigation: \$2,600,000 in this line item -- what contracts are in this amount? Additionally, will you elaborate on the budgetary initiatives within this line item?

The \$2,600,000 in the Major Crimes cost center is for the ShotSpotter contract.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

6. Are there any new vehicles being requested in the 2026-27 fiscal year?

Fleet vehicles are budgeted and purchased through the General Services Division (GSD) based on their budget allocations for the fiscal year. At this time, no funding has been requested, or budgeted, in FY27 for Department vehicles. GSD will notify if changes occur as their budget cycle processes are not complete.

Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.

a) How many vehicles have been leased in the present fiscal year (that are outside the GSD-funded DPD vehicles)?

The Department has 27 vehicles, which are leased through grant funds. An additional 6 vehicles are leased at no-cost to the Department from various outside entities. Sixteen no-cost lease vehicles are out of service pending return and/or disposal.

Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.

7. Community Engagement, 617900 - Contract Svcs- Community Engagement: \$542,880 in this line item -- what contracts are in this amount? Additionally, will you elaborate on the budgetary initiatives within this line item?

This amount is to pay the crossing guards.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

8. Police Human Resources, 617900 - Contract Svcs- Police Human Resources: \$280,256 in this line item -- what contracts are in this amount? Additionally, will you elaborate on the budgetary initiatives within this line item?

This amount is for the promotional exam for career advancement.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

9. Office of the Assistant Chief, 617900 - Contract Svcs- Office of the Assistant Chief: \$100,242 in this line item -- what contracts are in this amount? Additionally, will you elaborate on the budgetary initiatives within this line item?

This amount is for the WSU Compstat contract and the secondary employment tracking system.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

10. Police Grants, 617900 - Contract Svcs- Police Grants: \$372,524 in this line item -- what contracts are in this amount? Additionally, will you elaborate on the budgetary initiatives within this line item?

This is the amount for salaries, fringe, and overtime for three contractual employees of Oakland County, Wayne State, and Dearborn for the ATPA Preventing Auto Theft grant.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

11. Police Towing Operations, in non-personnel baseline total: \$5,241,769 in this service item -- can you give additional background on the initiatives in this amount total?

This amount includes all contracts and costs to operating the police towing unit. It includes fuel for tow trucks; dangerous vehicle removal and storage; chains, ropes, cones, flares, tools, and winches; tow truck repairs and maintenance; tow services; tow yard security; annual wreckmaster training for certification; restroom facilities; mobile unit rentals; tow software; and boat removal services.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

12. Supplemental Request – ‘Cell Tower’ for \$1,000,000 -- can you give additional background on this initiative?

a) Is this request for an actual ‘cell tower’ or for cellular technology in a mobile van?

This request is for a cell site simulator, which is a device in a mobile van that simulates a cell tower and is used for investigative purposes. Pursuant to the Community Input Over Government Surveillance (CIOGS), a specification report was submitted to the BOPC for review and approval. On November 6, 2025, the BOPC approved the specification report. Subsequently, on December 18, 2026, the BOPC approved the DPD policy regarding the device.

[Responded to by Deputy Chief Grant Ha.](#)

13. Supplemental Request – ‘Geosystem Scanners’ for \$127,000 -- can you give additional background on this initiative?

Geosystem scanners will be utilized by Fatal Squad and Crime Scene Services. The scanners are mobile mapping tools to assist in accident investigation and re-creation, and in the documentation of crime scenes. This initiative is to increase the number of scanners of the Department.

[Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.](#)

14. Supplemental Request – ‘Bomb Suits’ for \$336,000 -- can you give additional background on this initiative?

Bomb suits are required safety gear for bomb technicians in the handling, investigation, safe rendering and disposal of explosive devices. The bomb suits and helmets expire every seven (7) years and require replacement.

[Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.](#)

a) Is this the same supplier as the last time bomb suits were ordered?

The Office of Contracting and Procurement will administer the procurement procedures in accordance with City rules. It cannot be determined at this time if the vendor was the same or different.

Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.

15. Supplemental Request – ‘Raid Vests’ for \$800,000 -- can you give additional background on this initiative?

Raid vests offer extra protection from a larger variety of calibers of ammunition for when Department members are in higher risk situations.

Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.

a) Do the raid vests and the bomb suits come from the same supplier?

The Department will follow the City of Detroit procurement procedures to determine what vendor(s) will fulfill the request. The Office of Contracting and Procurement will administer the procurement procedures in accordance with City rules. It cannot be determined at this time if the vendor will be the same or different.

Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.

16. Supplemental Request – ‘ShotSpotter Expansion’ for \$800,000 -- can you give additional background on this initiative?

The Supplemental Request is for the expansion of ShotSpotter for an additional thirteen (13) square miles. The expansion was proposed based on a concept discussed last year to add coverage within certain DPD precincts. The DPD has since learned that this supplemental budget request will be denied.

Responded to by Deputy Chief Mark Bliss, assigned to Crime Strategies.

a) What is the total DPD budget amount dedicated towards ShotSpotter? Are there any other budget dollars being dedicated to the surveillance of Detroit residents? Are any of these surveillance technologies potentially violating the 4th Amendment?

The total baseline DPD budget amount dedicated to ShotSpotter in FY27 is \$2,600,000.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

The following are the current contracts for the use of surveillance equipment. The contract and budget allocation are not all with the Police Department. There are other City departments that have the contract for the equipment DPD uses. None of these surveillance technologies are potentially violating the 4th Amendment.

Project Name	Cost	Funding Source	Time Span	Comments
ShotSpotter	\$2,400,000	Detroit Police Department (DPD) - General Fund	Annually	The maintenance in 2027 for phase 1 and 2 of ShotSpotter
Genetec License Plate Readers (LPR)/Cameras	\$45,000	DoIT – General Fund	Annually	Citywide Genetic Support
Facial Recognition	-	-	-	In 2023, the contract for Facial Recognition was cancelled. The Department now uses the Michigan State Police for this service.
Motorola LPRs	\$4,073,280	DoIT – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	Over 3 years	
Dumping Cameras	\$599,831	Department of Public Works (DPW) - General Fund	Over 2 years	
Detroit Fire Department Drones	\$120,000	Detroit Fire Department (DFD) - System Support	Over 3 years	Currently developing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to use the drones, but have not been activated at this time
Freeway Cameras/LPR	\$30,000,000	A grant from the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity	Over 5 years	The project includes CCTV cameras and LPR on freeway exit and entrance ramps, intersections, and bridges

Responded to by Deputy Chief Mark Bliss, assigned to Crime Strategies.

17. How does the revenue generated by DPD feed into the Department’s Budget expenditures?

DPD-generated revenue is shown on the revenue side of the budget into the General Fund and Tow Fund. Revenues do not “feed” into the expenditure side, however these revenues

supplement the revenues needed to support the overall DPD's expenditures, that amount to \$456 million for the FY27.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

18. Fringe Benefits: Are benefits subject to increase next fiscal year, due to contract negotiations?

Every year, the Budget Office recalculates an estimation of fringe benefits for all classifications of City employees. In FY26, the fringe rate estimate for general City employees was 32.19%, and the fringe rate estimate for Uniform Police employees was 30.67%. In FY27, the fringe rate estimate for general City employees is 32.02%, and the fringe rate estimate for Uniform Police employees is 31.04%.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

19. What type of contract does Wayne County Commissioner Angelique Mayberry-Peterson have with Chief Bettison? What is the dollar amount of this contract?

Ms. Angelique Mayberry-Peterson does not have a contractual agreement with Chief Bettison. She is employed in a part-time capacity under a Temporary Administrative Special Service Staff (TASSS) appointment as a Community Liaison Specialist. She works 25 hours per week and receives an annual salary of \$80,000. This position does not include benefits.

[Responded to by Director Katrina Patillo, assigned to Human Resources.](#)

20. As a general question, on the topic of Forfeiture Sales, what dates/frequency do forfeiture of this type occurs and what happens to the proceeds?

In 2023, Wayne County changed its processes for the forfeiture of vehicles. For 2025, 1 vehicle has been forfeited. The proceeds from the forfeiture sales are revenue in Fund 2601 to fund forfeiture operations.

[Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division, and ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

21. As a general question, what dollars will be dedicated to DPD seeking accreditation?

The initial two-year accreditation cycle for DPD started on January 8th, 2024, expires on January 8th, 2026 and if granted, the Department will be extended through January 8th, 2027. The initial accreditation cycle was for a total cost of \$6,000. The program allows one initial accreditation cycle, two (2) six-month extensions at no penalty/no cost and then a one (1) year extension (due January 8th, 2027) that would require the Department to pay a continuation fee of \$2,000.

Accreditation cost \$6,000 on January 8th, 2024 and is good for two years.

[Responded to by Deputy Chief Michael Parish, assigned to Planning and Transformation Bureau.](#)

22. Beyond the General Fund of 1000, will you speak to and define the other fund sources: 2110, 2610 (correction: 2601), and 3921?

- Fund 2110 accounts for all the activities of DPD grant related revenues and expenditures, being State or Federal grants.
- Fund 2610 accounts for activities of forfeiture activity that DPD personnel is involved.
- Fund 3921 accounts for all activities of the 911 surcharge funds coming in from the State of Michigan and also Tow activities resulting from the operations of the towing division within DPD or private vendors being utilized for towing operations at the request of DPD.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

23. How is overtime defined and tracked? What FTEs are eligible for overtime? For DPD FTEs eligible for overtime, on average, how many hours of overtime do they work throughout the year?

Overtime can be defined in numerous ways depending on the reporting source. Overtime may refer to actual overtime, overtime guarantees, roll call prep, call back, holiday work, off-duty court paid, or a variety of other premium types of compensation depending on the report or information requested. The Department tracks overtime through Smartsheets, as well as through various reports from the UltiPro time and attendance and payroll systems. Additional methods are utilized to track other premium compensation that may be classified as overtime including memorandums, timesheets, timebooks, and other time and attendance recording methods. Employees eligible for overtime are classified as non-exempt employees as determined by the Classification and Compensation Division of the City of Detroit. The majority of unionized employees are classified as non-exempt. Non-unionized employees may be exempt or non-exempt.

For calendar year 2025, the average number of hours paid for overtime for an individual employee was 334.7 hours. Three-thousand two-hundred forty-eight (3,248) employees received compensation for overtime in 2025.

[Responded to by Commander Stacy Alvarado, assigned to Management Services Division.](#)

24. How many budget dollars are being dedicated to officer recruitment?

\$555,750 is dedicated to marketing and advertising for police recruiting, including radio, TV, and billboards.

a) Has there been an increase in the number of new officers who are residents of the City of Detroit?

From 2024 to 2025, there was a 5% decrease in the average of the newly hired officers who are residents of the City of Detroit.

[Responded to by Director Katrina Patillo, assigned to Human Resources.](#)

25. How is officer burnout measured and managed?

While officer burnout is not a named Key Performance Indicator (KPI) that is measured by Risk Management, we monitor it through other processes within the unit. Signs of officer burnout can include chronic cynicism toward individuals, reduced patience, chronic fatigue, lower work quality, and increased risk-taking behavior.

Responded to by Deputy Chief Michael Parish, assigned to the Planning and Transformation Bureau.

a) Are employee engagement metrics measured for DPD officers?

All these items are tracked via the Management Awareness System and analysis done by Risk Management of the data contained within this system. Specific items that are examined are citizen complaints, use of force incidents, fully adjudicated discipline, and traffic accidents.

In addition to these items, officer behavior is monitored via body worn camera review conducted by units within Risk Management.

If any opportunities are discovered through any of the monitoring the leadership of the affected member is engaged to ensure that the member is properly cared for.

Responded to by Deputy Chief Michael Parish, assigned to the Planning and Transformation Bureau.

26. What is the total budget dollars being dedicated to the Detroit Detention Center?

\$16,706,769 is being dedicated to the Detroit Detention Center in FY27.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

a) What are the year-over-year dollar increases being utilized to ensure the DDC is being run safely and with dignity for inmates?

The City of Detroit took over control of the DDC in August 2025, with the intention of running the DDC at a lower cost than the previous contract with the State. In the FY27 budget, the City is delivering on this promise by dedicating \$16.7 million to the DDC, compared to the \$17.9 million required to run the DDC in FY25.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

b) What were the levels of funding when the State of Michigan was running the DDC?

When the State of Michigan was running the DDC in FY25, DPD dedicated \$11.8 million to the State contract and \$6.1 million to other in-house DDC contracts and personnel.

Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.

c) How have staffing levels changed since the State was running the DDC?

When the State was running the DDC, DPD had 64 employees working with the DDC. With DPD running the DDC, DPD has 121 employees working with the DDC.

[Responded to by ACFO Nevrus Nazarko.](#)

27. As a general question, who specifically is providing these responses? What DPD departments/teams are providing this detail?

ODFS and DPD provided detail of which team responded to each question.

28. From column Q: "Job Title" there are 117 unique job titles. Please provide a zip file of all 117 job descriptions. If these are not directly assessable to you, HR Director Patillo should have them.

The requested information is provided in the following attached PDFs:

- BOPC INQUIRY Q28
- BOPC INQUIRY Q28_CONTINUATION

29. On tab "Positions" there are 284 positions for which column U: "FY26 Amended FTE Budget as of 9/4/2025" is blank but there is a number populated in column W: "FY27 Department Request FTE".

a) Does that mean that in the 2026 current budget these positions were not budgeted for, but DPD is requesting those positions to be budgeted for 2027?

These positions are budgeted for in FY26, but they were not included in the original detail sheet data because they were vacant, the person was on leave, or in error.

b) If so, can you please advise which, if any, of those positions are currently filled? And if so, if they are filled at a fulltime FTE (1.00) or part time (i.e. 0.50); and their current salary.

An updated detail sheet is being provided as an attachment, with the FY26 Amended FTE Budget and Current Salary/Wage columns filled in for all positions. For positions that were or are vacant, the FY26 budgeted salary/wage is provided.

30. On tab "Positions" there are 3 positions for which the Employee Type is "not found". Please obtain an explanation for this.

Job Title	Civilian / Sworn	Employee Type
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Office Assistant 3 Police	Civilian	not found
Office Assistant 3 Police	Civilian	not found
Digital And Social Media Manager	Civilian	not found

This employee type was an error in the original data. The Employee Type for these three employees is "Regular".

31. On tab "Positions" there are 53 positions with an Employee Type of "TASS", which I believe stands for "Temporary Administrative Special Services". Traditionally it's a generic category of temporary staff. For the 2026 current, 14 of them show budgeted at 1.00 FTE each, 1 at 0.55 FTE, and the other 40 are blank (assuming not budgeted). DPD is requesting 51.5 total TASS FTE for 2027, making up \$3,710, 802 (salary/wage + benefits).

a) For each position with the Employee Type of "TASS" (whether listed for 2026 or 2027), please provide a detailed description of the assignment for which these TASS workers were/will be brought on. If these detailed descriptions are not directly assessable to you, HR Director Patillo should have them.

The requested information is provided in the attached PDF labeled "BOPC INQUIRY Q31A".

32. If I'm interpreting tab "Total Funds Summary" correctly, DPD's requested budget is targeted to be funded as follows:

- 95.6% from 1000 - General Fund
- 1.4% from 2110 - Police Grant Funds
- 0.2% from 2601 - Drug Law Enforcement Fund
- 2.7% from 3921 - Other Special Revenue Fund

Yes, that is correct.

33. Can you please explain if the General Fund is fully funded by tax dollars? If not, what percentage is tax dollars and what percentage is other sources?

The major sources that fund DPD's General Fund budget are Municipal Income Tax, Utility Users Tax, and Other Revenue, which includes sources such as special events billing, towing administration fees, unclaimed property revenue, and transit police subsidy from DDOT.

The estimates for all City revenues are determined by the Revenue Estimating Conference. Please feel free to review the Revenue Estimating Conference presentation for more detailed information: <https://detroitmi.gov/sites/detroitmi.localhost/files/2025-09/City%20Revenue%20Estimate%20Slides%20%281%29%20Sept.%202025.pdf>

a) **Also, can you please share which grants DPD currently has in place and their sources?**

The grants DPD is anticipating for FY27 are the following, with the grant source and description provided:

- **Auto Theft Prevention Authority: Preventing Auto Theft (ATPA: PAT)**
 - Source: Michigan State Police (MSP)
 - Description: DPD's primary ATPA task force. This grant is utilized solely for the benefit of motor vehicle theft prevent programs and initiatives.
- **Auto Theft Prevention Authority: Oakland County (ATPA: OCAT)**
 - Source: Michigan State Police (MSP)
 - Description: OCAT plans to continue educating citizens on preventing thefts and reducing their chances of becoming victims
- **Dearborn Auto Theft Unit Grant (SMACC)**
 - Source: Michigan State Police (MSP)
 - Description: The objective of this grant is to implement motor vehicle theft prevention programs and initiatives in Wayne County in collaboration with other law enforcement agencies
- **Responsive Services for Victims of Crime (VOCA)**
 - Source: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
 - Description: Expand and strengthen culturally specific and culturally responsive victim services for underserved survivors of crime by supporting expanding services for organizations with prior experience in serving victims of crime and managing federal and state funding to serve those victims
- **STOP Violence Grant for Law Enforcement Agencies**
 - Source: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
 - Description: Increase Capacity of Detroit Police Department's Domestic Violence unit. This grant will enable the department to pay salary, wages and benefits of three new domestic violence detectives
- **Crime Victim Sustainability (CVS)**
 - Source: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
 - Description: Provide support services to underserved victims of crime across Michigan. The funding allotted to the department will be utilized to pay salaries and wages, supplies and materials, and communications costs
- **Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)**
 - Source: Federal Pass-through grant: Bureau of Justice Assistance through The County of Wayne, Michigan
 - Description: An annual allocation used to fund equipment procurement and operations
- **Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program**
 - Source: The Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP)

- Description: The objective of the grant is to increase traffic safety in the City of Detroit. The Grant pays for Officer Overtime (OT) hours, to ensure police presence that prevents illegal driving or other activities that put drivers and pedestrians in danger.
- Operation Stonegarden
 - Source: Wayne County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management
 - Description: Provides funding to support enhanced cooperation and coordination among local, tribal, territorial, state and federal law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States borders along routes of ingress from international borders.