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**Fiscal Year 2020-21
Agency Budget Plan**

FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

OPERATING REQUESTS (FORM B1)	For FY 2020-21, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.
NON-RECURRING REQUESTS (FORM B2)	For FY 2020-21, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.
CAPITAL REQUESTS (FORM C)	For FY 2020-21, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.
PROVISOS (FORM D)	For FY 2020-21, my agency is (mark "X"):	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any proviso changes.

Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

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I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2020-21 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	<u>Agency Director</u>	<u>Board or Commission Chair</u>
SIGN/DATE:		
TYPE/PRINT NAME:	Alan Wilson, Attorney General	

This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.

Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget Request Executive Summary

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BUDGET REQUESTS			FUNDING					FTES				
Priority	Request Type	Request Title	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total
1	B1 - Recurring	Crime Victim Compensation Funding	1,600,000				1,600,000	4.50		(4.50)		0.00
2	B1 - Recurring	Stability Funding	1,500,000				1,500,000	13.00		(13.00)		0.00
3	B1 - Recurring	Administrative Assistant	60,900				60,900	1.00				1.00
4	B1 - Recurring	Criminal Prosecutors and Support Personnel	497,550				497,550	5.00				5.00
5	B1 - Recurring	Post-Conviction Relief Attorney	85,875				85,875	1.00				1.00
6	B1 - Recurring	Program Coordinator-Victim Advocacy	71,700				71,700	1.00				1.00
7	B1 - Recurring	FTE Realignment					0	11.50		(11.50)		0.00
8							0					0.00
9							0					0.00
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TOTAL BUDGET REQUESTS			3,816,025	0	0	0	3,816,025	37.00	0.00	(29.00)	0.00	8.00

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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	1 <i>Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.</i>
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TITLE	Department of Crime Victim Compensation Funding -Sexual Assault Exams for Adults and Children and Hospital Cost for Victims of Violent Crime <i>Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.</i>
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AMOUNT	General: \$1,600,000 Federal: Other: Total: \$1,600,000 <i>What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2020-21? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.</i>
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NEW POSITIONS	No New FTEs are being requested, but the funding will be utilized to cover 4.5 existing employees currently funded through state fines, fees and assessments. <i>Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.</i>
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FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/> IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/> Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/> Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
	<input type="checkbox"/> Government and Citizens

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	Accountability Report Objectives Crime Victim Services Compensation Claim Processing 6.1.1 <i>What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2019-20 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?</i>
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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	The funds would be used to support the salaries for 4.5 employees who support the DCVC Sexual Assault Claim Program and fund payouts of claims for adult and child sexual assault exams and sexual assault hospital costs.
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The Department of Crime Victim Compensation (DCVC) provides reimbursement for losses resulting crime criminal victimization in the state of South Carolina. In FY19 we assisted 9,113 victims of crime including: child victims of physical and sexual abuse, families of homicide victims, victims of rape and domestic violence, and many other violent crime victims. At no fault of their own, these victims' lives were forever changed through a traumatic event. Our agency is one of the few they can turn to for tangible assistance as they try to put their lives back together again.</p> <p>Since 1984, the Department has primarily relied on fines, fees and assessments on those convicted of crimes to fund the agency and its operations. Due to several years of decreasing revenues and increasing claims, the agency is no longer able to support its mission without additional resources.</p> <p>With the steady increase in claim payouts and decrease in revenue from fees, fines and assessments, the Compensation Department is quickly becoming insolvent. The unit is facing a serious financial hardship beginning in FY2021 and could face reduction in claim payouts due to lack of funding.</p> <p>In order to continue serving the victim community and ensuring all victims receive critical services and support needed, the Compensation Department is requesting \$1.6 million in recurring general funding in the FY2021 budget request to support the steadily increasing claims for sexual assault examinations and hospital costs, and 4.5 FTEs which oversee the sexual assault claims operations.</p> <p>DCVC receives a 60% match on the actual benefits the agency pays out to crime victims. Therefore, any state funds allocated for these services are matched 60% by federal Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) grant funds.</p>
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Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.

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AGENCY PRIORITY	2 <i>Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.</i>
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TITLE	Stability Funding <i>Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.</i>
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AMOUNT	General: \$1,500,000 Federal: Other: Total: \$1,500,000 <i>What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2020-21? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.</i>
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NEW POSITIONS	Transfer 13 <u>current FTEs</u> from Other Funding to State Funding <i>Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.</i>
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FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/> IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/> Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/> Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority # _____	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	The funds appropriated will directly affect all agency operations.
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2019-20 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	The funds will be utilized to transfer the remaining FTEs on one-time funds to stable funding source, retain top talent through appropriate salary adjustments and fund other critical recurring operations which are currently funded by one-time funds.
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The Attorney General's Office is seeking to secure the finalized recurring funding needed to stabilize agency operations and retain critical talent to meet the Agency's mission. The Agency has shifted from a decade long practice of relying on the statutory authorization to keep court ordered funds retained through litigation to fill the budget shortfall. This fluctuating revenue stream was unreliable and unpredictable yet it accounted for over 50% of the office funding until recent fiscal years. This unpredictable revenue stream has been the Agency's primary requirement for carryover funds to meet the necessities of the office.</p> <p>The Agency has reduced expenditures and strategized to continue to minimize the use of one-time funds for recurring expenses. The Agency has been working closely with the General Assembly to secure recurring funding through the legislative budget process and has gained great support over the last three fiscal years. However, with the 25% growth in personnel FY18 due to the State Crime Victim Services Act and continue rise in technology and litigation expenses, the office is still struggling to close the solvency gap.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Agency is still struggling to remain competitive with salaries for similar positions with other state entities. The greatest discrepancy is in beginning and middle management positions. Nearly half the agency's existing management will be retirement eligible in the next few years, so the failure to retain middle management is a high appropriation priority for this office. Without retention and stability, our office will likely face a fiscal and personnel crises over the next few years.</p> <p>The Agency is requesting the remaining stability funding needed to transfer the full time permanent FTEs remaining on one-time funds (13.00) to general funds, retain top talent and cover other critical recurring operating expenses.</p> <p>Should the agency not secure a stable source of revenue for the remaining FTEs and other annual recurring operating expenses that current rely on one-time funding, the agency could conceivably face a reduction in personnel and non-mandated services to the State in future fiscal years.</p>
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AGENCY PRIORITY	3
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Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE	Administrative Assistant
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Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT	General: \$60,900 Federal: Other: Total: \$60,900
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What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2020-21? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

NEW POSITIONS	1
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Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	This position will support accountability report objectives to provide administrative support to the mission and goals of the Office of Attorney General 5.1.1-5.1.3, 5.2.1-5.2.3 and 5.3.1-5.3.3
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2019-20 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	<p>Requesting an Administrative Assistant/Support to assist with the daily operations of the Administration Division. No additional administrative support provided to assist with finance, information technology, human resources, records and technical support needs of the Office. With a new division, staff has increased by 20%; resulting in critical personnel needs for the Administration Division.</p>
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The last few years, the Administration Division has experienced a need for additional support to sustain case management, document management, grants and records management to include personnel needs.</p> <p>The 2017/2018 Crime Victim Services Department addition (50+ plus employees) to the agency has brought the Administration Division to a critical staffing point. The Administration Division has continued to manage the Office's rapid growth with limitations. The demands and projects placed on the Administration Division are not sustainable and must be addressed to continue functioning at an efficient level. By adequately staffing the Administration Division, this will allow better proficiency in job performance and assignment of duties. Additionally, this position allows administration to reorganize and delegate responsibilities to an attainable level.</p>
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AGENCY PRIORITY	4
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Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE	Criminal Prosecutors and Support Personnel- Public Corruption Prosecutors (3), Auditor (1) and Legal Assistant (1)
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Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT	General: \$497,550 Federal: Other: Total: \$497,550
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What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2019-20? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

NEW POSITIONS	5
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Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/> IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/> Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/> Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	Help fight crime by prosecuting matters in the State and Federal justice system 1.1.1-1.8.3
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2018-19 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	The funds will support the salary, employer benefits, and other operating expenses of the stated personnel to prosecute criminal cases in the State justice system.
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The Agency has seen a large increase in State Grand Jury (“SGJ”) assistance request over the past year. The SGJ Unit recent investigations, indictments, and convictions have attacked the opiate crisis and gang problems in the Midlands, methamphetamine and cocaine trafficking organizations in the Upstate, cocaine and methamphetamine conspiracies in the Low County, and drug organizations in the Pee Dee and Grand Strand selling a variety of illegal drugs.</p> <p>Because of the white collar cases, the SGJ Unit has developed unique capabilities resulting in recent investigation, indictment and/or conviction of law enforcement officers, public school officials, and other state employees or contractors.</p> <p>It is being approached more and more with requests for assistance. With more open investigations, cases, and investigative activity than in any time in its history, SGJ Division resources are strained to their maximum.</p> <p>The Agency is asking for 3 additional Prosecutors, 1 Auditor and 1 Legal Assistant to address the rapidly growing case load in public corruption among other crimes. The additional personnel will allow the SGJ Division to meet this increased demand and provide complex or multijurisdictional investigative and prosecutorial services to South Carolina, especially where traditional local or federal resources are inadequate or unavailable.</p>
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Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.

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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	5 <i>Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.</i>
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TITLE	Post-Conviction Relief Attorney <i>Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.</i>
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AMOUNT	General: \$85,875 Federal: Other: Total: \$85,875 <i>What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2020-21? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.</i>
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NEW POSITIONS	1 <i>Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.</i>
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FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/> IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/> Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/> Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority # _____	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	Help insure timely handling of state mandated representation of State in post-conviction relief matters in state circuit court and appellate courts. Objectives 1.6.1-1.6.2
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2019-20 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	The funds will support one PCR Attorney salary, employer benefits and other operating expenses.
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The agency has seen an increase in the number of cases that are being handled in collateral PCR appeals where inmates are challenging their convictions. In addition, the agency lawyers are being required, as a change in policy and practice, to engage in discovery and collection of documents and materials from various solicitor offices and criminal defense lawyers in preparation of the hearings. The implementation of the Office of Indigent defense contract system has created of pool of specialized lawyers representing the inmates who have begun to utilize civil discovery rules when is an increasing practice that did not occur in the past. This has directly impacted time management issues.</p> <p>In addition, Attorney General staff has been called upon to represent the State in a number of habeas corpus matters and successive applications that had been summarily dismissed before due to recent opinions of the Supreme Court.</p> <p>The impact of training and retention of a number of new lawyers with the extensive caseload where higher private sector salaries exist have caused shorter tenures in the office and less efficiency by the current PCR staff in this entry level position for prosecutors. The addition of one FTE will enhance the ability of staff to manage a current caseload within the time limits demanded of the appellate courts.</p>
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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	6 <i>Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.</i>
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TITLE	Program Coordinator-Victim Advocacy <i>Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.</i>
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AMOUNT	General: \$71,700 Federal: Other: Total: \$71,700 <i>What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2020-21? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.</i>
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NEW POSITIONS	1 <i>Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.</i>
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FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
	<input type="checkbox"/> IT Technology/Security related
	<input type="checkbox"/> Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/> Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority # _____	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Training, and Human Development
	<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy and Safe Families
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	<p>This request will support all areas of the office resulting in crime victim notification of cases involving the Attorney General's Office. Specifically, this position will support all objectives under goals 1-3.</p> <p><i>What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2019-20 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?</i></p>
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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	<p>The funds will be used to support one Program Coordinator salary, employer benefits and other operations for the Victim Advocacy Unit.</p>
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The Agency is requesting a Program Coordinator with funding to assist the Victim Advocacy Division in meeting the statutory mandated SC Code 16-3-1505 – 1560 and the South Carolina Victim's Bill of Rights by keeping crime victims apprised of cases involving the South Carolina Office of the Attorney General.</p> <p>The Victim Advocacy Division has been directly affected by the high volume of criminal and post adjudication cases received by the Agency over the past fiscal year. The case load is continuing to climb as our office receives more referrals for assistance in criminal cases. The current Victim Advocacy staff is struggling to meet the statutory requirements at the current staffing levels due to the influx of cases.</p> <p>The current staff provides victims in OAG prosecution cases notifications of bond matters and plea negotiations. They accompany the victim to trial/plea hearings and assist in filing compensation claims. Victims are also provided status updates in all post-conviction matters including appellate cases, PCR filings, federal habeas petitions, and the Sexually Violent Predator commitment process. Lastly, the staff ensures appropriate referrals are provided to ensure victims' mental, physical, and financial needs are addressed.</p> <p>The additional Program Coordinator will assist to alleviate the case notification and victim assistance overload on the current staff; and ensure all victims are consistently notified and assisted according to the statutory requirements and Agency's mission.</p>
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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	7 <i>Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.</i>
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TITLE	FTE Realignment <i>Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.</i>
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AMOUNT	General: n/a Federal: n/a Other: n/a Total: n/a <i>What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2020-21? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.</i>
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NEW POSITIONS	Transfer of 11.5 <u>Currently Established</u> FTEs from Other Funding to State Funding <i>Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.</i>
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STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective: <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Education, Training, and Human Development</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Healthy and Safe Families</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Public Infrastructure and Economic Development</td></tr> <tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td><td>Government and Citizens</td></tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens
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ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	All objectives will be supported by this request. This request would allow the funds allocated in FY19-20 budget to be utilized as requested.
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What specific strategy, as outlined in the FY 2019-20 Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

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RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	There is no impact on funding associated with this request.
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What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	<p>The office of Attorney General received an increase in general funds in FY19-20 of \$1,500,000 and requested the current other 11.5 FTEs be switched over to state funding to utilize the funds received as intended in the budget proposal. The requested FTEs were not transferred during the budget process in FY19-20. The Attorney General's Office is requesting to make the FTE transfer permanent for FY19-20. A list of current FTEs for transfer will be provided to Executive Budget Office.</p>
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Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.

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**FORM E – AGENCY COST SAVINGS AND GENERAL FUND REDUCTION
CONTINGENCY PLAN**

TITLE	Agency Cost Savings and General Fund Reduction Contingency Plan
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AMOUNT	<p>\$439,000</p> <p><i>What is the General Fund 3% reduction amount (minimum based on the FY 2019-20 recurring appropriations)? This amount should correspond to the reduction spreadsheet prepared by EBO.</i></p>
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ASSOCIATED FTE REDUCTIONS	<p>Reduction in temporary and contract personnel. No FTEs would be affected by the reduction.</p> <p><i>How many FTEs would be reduced in association with this General Fund reduction?</i></p>
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PROGRAM/ACTIVITY IMPACT	<p>Non FTE, temporary, and contract positions.</p> <p><i>What programs or activities are supported by the General Funds identified?</i></p>
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SUMMARY	<p>A 3% reduction to the general fund appropriation would negatively impact current non-FTE, temporary, and contract positions. These positions include staff attorneys and support personnel. Reducing these positions could potentially impact time required for case review, trial preparation, and other administrative operations.</p> <p><i>Please provide a detailed summary of service delivery impact caused by a reduction in General Fund Appropriations and provide the method of calculation for anticipated reductions. Agencies should prioritize reduction in expenditures that have the least significant impact on service delivery.</i></p>
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AGENCY COST SAVINGS PLANS	<p>The Attorney General's Office continuously analyzes its personnel, process and procedures to ensure the most effective and economic methods are being utilized. The agency has thoroughly reviewed and prioritized operational expenditures in the area of personnel and information technology to generate cost savings. This continued analysis has reduced expenditures and created cost savings. The agency will continue to review agency needs, processes and procedures to ensure expenditures are controlled while providing the necessary deliverables to the citizens of South Carolina.</p> <p><i>What measures does the agency plan to implement to reduce its costs and operating expenses by more than \$50,000? Provide a summary of the measures taken and the estimated amount of savings. How does the agency plan to repurpose the savings?</i></p>
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FORM F – REDUCING COST AND BURDEN TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

TITLE	Revisions to the State Medicaid Fraud Control Regulations
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Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

EXPECTED SAVINGS TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS	Please see summary section
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What is the expected savings to South Carolina's businesses and citizens that is generated by this proposal? The savings could be related to time or money.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark "X" for all that apply:
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Repeal or revision of regulations.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

METHOD OF CALCULATION	Review and analysis of the current Medicaid Fraud statutes in the State of SC and other State Medicaid Fraud Units.
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Describe the method of calculation for determining the expected cost or time savings to businesses or citizens.

REDUCTION OF FEES OR FINES	n/a
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Which fees or fines does the agency intend to reduce? What was the fine or fee revenue for the previous fiscal year? What was the associated program expenditure for the previous fiscal year? What is the enabling authority for the issuance of the fee or fine?

REDUCTION OF REGULATION	SC Code § 43-7-90 , SC Code § 43-35-10 , SC Code § 43-7-60
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Which regulations does the agency intend to amend or delete? What is the enabling authority for the regulation?

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SUMMARY

Proposed amendments to §43-7-60 would include a clarification to the definition of a provider to include services provided through Managed Care Organizations and penalties to reflect the amounts of fraudulent claims, similar to property crime statutes.

- There is great interest by our taxpayers in combating fraud in the Medicaid program, and this updated statute would allow us to more effectively combat fraud. The current statute requires us to charge one count for each false claim, which is not in the best interest of judicial economy. A statute where we can aggregate the false claims into one charge will be much more efficient. This update also reflects the current Medicaid environment, with services being provided through Managed Care Organizations and not just the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

Proposed amendments to §43-7-90 would allow us to use subpoenas in our investigations.

- Much of the evidence uncovered during our investigations is stored in another state or in the cloud, so the ability to use a subpoena is paramount to our continued fight against fraud. Additionally, it is burdensome and an additional cost to taxpayers for our investigators to have to travel to the county where the fraud occurred in order to have a search warrant issued by a magistrate. This is a much more efficient use of time and resources.

Proposed amendments to §43-35-10 would prohibit the unauthorized videotaping or recording of vulnerable adults.

- It is in the best interest of the people of South Carolina to protect our vulnerable adult population from harassment and abuse, and this amendment would close a perceived loophole in the Omnibus Adult Protection Act allowing unauthorized recording of these individuals.

Provide an explanation of the proposal and its positive results on businesses or citizens. How will the request affect agency operations?