

State of Colorado Correctional Treatment Board

FY2025 Funding Plan

The Correctional Treatment Cash Fund and its oversight board, the Correctional Treatment Board, was established with the passage of HB12-1310. This legislation consolidated three major sources of state funding for substance abuse/co-occurring assessment and treatment: The Drug Offender Surcharge Fund, SB03-318 Funding (Drug Treatment Fund), and HB12-1352 funding. HB12-1310 restructured these funds to create and support a coordinated and collaborative effort regarding the assessment and treatment of criminal justice clients with substance use and co-occurring disorders. Board membership includes a representative from each of the four state agencies that have criminal justice programming (Judicial Branch, Department of Public Safety, Department of Corrections, and Division of Human Services) as well as representatives from the County Sheriff's Association, the Public Defender's Office and the District Attorneys' Council. The purpose of the Correctional Treatment Board is to ensure a fair and reasonable allocation of cash fund resources in accordance with statutory intent. Statutorily authorized uses of the money include:

- Alcohol and drug screening, assessment, and evaluation;
- Alcohol and drug testing;
- Substance abuse education and training;
- Treatment for assessed substance abuse and co-occurring disorders;
- Recovery support services;
- An annual statewide conference regarding substance abuse treatment; and
- Administrative support for the board.

The Correctional Treatment Board is pleased to present its FY2025 Funding Plan that allocates \$28,035,449.00 (subject to adjustment during figure setting) in state resources. This plan reflects the continuing work and programmatic priorities of the Board through the various appropriations to four state agencies as outlined in this report.

Statutory Cites: 18-19-103 (3.5)(b) and 18-19-103 (5)

Correctional Treatment Cash Fund Overview

Money in the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund is targeted only for justice-involved individuals with substance abuse and/or co-occurring behavioral health disorders. All funding is appropriated into the Judicial Department's budget where it is then re-appropriated to the other three state agencies according to the funding plan as developed by the Correctional Treatment Board. Beginning in FY2015, the Board separated administrative and overhead funding that is housed in the Judicial Branch budget but isn't specific to Judicial programming. These costs include cash fund indirect costs, conference and board staff funding, and the overhead amount that funds research/data collection and one-time projects. The chart below reflects the historical funding allocation across the four agencies.

Correctional Treatment Summary of Annual Appropriations									
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24 *	FY25			
Department of Corrections	3,551,498	3,529,400	3,612,135	3,867,592	3,882,643	3,882,643			
Department of Human Services	10,697,223	10,610,251	10,787,878	9,510,251	8,844,533	11,316,933			
Department of Public Safety	5,419,635	5,396,755	5,461,491	5,602,074	5,299,696	5,299,696			
Denver County	0	0	200,000	200,000	232,500	250,000			
Judicial	3,065,891	3,326,141	3,279,043	3,885,687	3,781,279	3,781,279			
Non-Agency Specific	1,511,470	1,885,496	1,406,647	1,934,396	2,763,898	3,504,898			
Total	24,245,717	24,748,043	24,747,194	25,000,000	24,804,549	28,035,449			
Change over prior year		502,326	(849)	252,806	(195,451)	3,230,900			

*reduction from FY23 to FY24 appropration due to reallocation of funds for HB22-1326 Fentynal Accountability

Department of Corrections (DOC):

The Colorado Department of Corrections, Division of Adult Parole uses correctional treatment funds for the Client Choice Model. The Model focuses on ensuring treatment enrollment/intake appointments within fourteen days of release for all individuals with substance abuse and/or behavioral health needs. The Client Choice Model helps to identify and make available appropriate treatment programs for offender needs for Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, mental health, sex offender, and/or substance abuse treatment, regardless of the offender's location. The Client Choice Model utilizes several providers to provide services to inmates and parolees in communities throughout the State of Colorado. Many of the Client Choice Model providers provide only a very limited number of services due to specialization, geographic location, and personal choice. Treatment services should be evidence-based and cognitive behavior treatment modalities or demonstrate best practices and must comply with the offender's parole plan/conditions of parole. Correctional treatment dollars are used specifically for substance abuse and mental health treatment and the assessment/referral of DOC offenders being supervised in the community.

Department of Human Services, Behavioral Health Administration (BHA):

OBH uses its funding for three main programs and services. The Jail-Based Behavioral Services (JBBS) program provides substance abuse and mental health services for clients in county jails and transitional case management services. Funds are distributed via contracts with Sheriff's departments to subcontract with local treatment providers. For FY2016, HB15-1367 was enacted, which transferred \$1.55M from the marijuana cash fund into the correctional treatment cash fund specifically for use in the JBBS program. Each JBBS program reports quarterly to the statewide program manager at OBH. OBH also uses its Correctional Treatment funds to support outpatient

treatment services which are managed through contracts with Managed Service Organizations (MSO), and for the Strategic Individualized Remediation Treatment (STIRT) program, which is a three-week residential program with continuing care for 8+ months once clients complete the in-patient portion of treatment. The third funding allocation supports the operational costs for the co-occurring Circle Program. The Colorado Circle Program provides intensive residential substance use treatment services that are targeted to the offender population.

Judicial Branch:

The Judicial Branch uses its correctional treatment resources for substance use testing and mental health/substance abuse treatment for probation clients as well as outpatient treatment and recovery support for the state's problem-solving court clients. An adult diversion program was created through the passage of HB13-1156 and in FY2015, the Board established a funding stream to help support outpatient treatment for this program. The adult diversion program is managed on a cost-reimbursement basis with counties whose diversion programs meet state guidelines. Outpatient treatment funds for probation and problem-solving courts are allocated to all the probation and problem-solving courts within the 22 judicial districts and are managed locally. Aggregated expenses are tracked and monitored centrally at the State Court Administrator's Office and reported to the Correctional Treatment Board monthly.

Department of Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ):

DCJ receives funding to help cover the cost of specialized intensive residential treatment and therapeutic community beds; to pay for outpatient treatment vouchers for clients in community corrections facilities; and to fund 1.0 research/training FTE within the Division of Criminal Justice. Funds are also used to support classroom training costs for substance abuse and risk/need assessments. Residential and outpatient treatment funds are allocated to local community corrections boards across the state and managed by the boards for the treatment of community corrections clients. Each board must report guarterly on spending levels.

Non-Agency Specific:

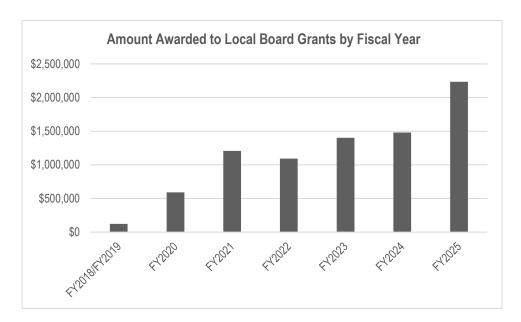
The Non-Agency Specific resources are utilized for three separate purposes. The Board uses Administrative Overhead for all operating costs, travel expenses for Board Staff, and short-term projects. Examples of these projects have been the Colorado Assessment Match (CAM) evaluation project in 2017, the Problem-Solving Courts Evaluation (partial funding), and the Jail-Based Behavioral Services (JBBS) Evaluation (both in 2018).

The Board has unanimously decided to co-sponsor the annual Colorado Collaborative Justice Conference for 2025 allowable per statute CRS 18-19-103 (5)(c)(IV). The Board is committed to the education, latest research, and practices that are proven to effectively support clients in the criminal justice system and educate case managers, treatment providers, and criminal justice professionals. This conference brings together criminal justice professionals and practitioners to promote collaborative, multi-disciplinary approaches to treating those involved in the criminal justice system with substance use and co-occurring treatment needs. This is an invaluable opportunity to reach beyond specific disciplines and engage the criminal justice community from all ends of the spectrum.

Pots and Personal Services fund the salary and benefits for the Board staff person. Indirects are resources that contribute toward the management of the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund.

Local Board Funding Applications:

In FY2018, the Board invested time and resources in facilitating a closer connection with the Judicial District Drug Offender Treatments Boards (Local Boards). The re-establishment of the Local Boards has continued to grow each year. A Funding Application, whereby the active Local Boards could apply directly to the Board to fund district-specific projects that filled gaps in services or enhanced services for justice-involved individuals eligible for CTCF resources. The Board continues its dedication to collaborate with the Local Boards to provide resources and financial support to address areas of need. The FY2025 Funding Applications were due on June 1, 2023, and the Board voted to fully fund fifteen applications for a total of \$2,234,853.00. To improve the application and data reporting process for the Local Board funding applications the CTB is utilizing a new grant management system.



HB22-1326 Fentanyl Accountability and Prevention

The HB22-1326 apportions a total of \$1,133,889 from the correctional treatment cash fund. \$252,963 will be allocated for a study on the health effects of criminal penalties related to substance use treatment and prevention services. This amount assumes that the administration will require an additional 0.5 FTE; \$150,000 for a fentanyl education program related to substance use treatment and prevention services; and \$730,926 for offender treatment and services.

Correctional Treatment Cash Fund Revenue

The Correctional Treatment Cash Fund (CTCF) receives general fund money, direct cash revenue from the drug offender surcharge (a surcharge assessed on offenders convicted of drug crimes), and as of FY2016, a transfer of funds from the Marijuana Cash Fund. These funds are annually appropriated to the Judicial Branch, transferred or deposited into the cash fund, and managed by the Correctional Treatment Board.

Cash Fund Expenditures

In FY2023, expenditures were projected to be \$25,000,000 as outlined in the chart below.

Correctional Treatment FY2023 Spending by Agency							
	FY23 Appropriation	Spent	Surplus/(Deficit)				
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	3,867,592	3,234,183	633,409				
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	5,602,074	5,602,074	0				
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES	9,510,251	8,356,706	1,153,545				
DENVER COUNTY	200,000	183,614	16,386				
JUDICIAL	3,885,687	3,776,052	109,635				
NON-AGENCY SPECIFIC							
CTCF Board Administration							
CTB Administrative OH	414,372	641	413,731				
Local Board Projects	1,400,671	1,247,470	153,201				
CTCF Board Staff							
Personal Services	119,353	119,004	349				
NON-AGENCY SPECIFIC TOTAL	1,934,396	1,367,115	567,281				
GRAND TOTAL	25,000,000	22,519,744	2,480,256				

FY2024 and FY2025

The Board has continued to evaluate overall priorities and projects and has completed or will continue a focus on the following work in FY2025:

- The Board members have committed to improving data compliance from each agency that receives CTCF funding and has allocated funds for an evaluation. The evaluation of the impact of the CTB funds will use qualitative information to identify access and availability to treatment services, which will include treatment gaps for individuals in the criminal justice system and identify what barriers there are to collecting statutorily required quantitative data. The funding impact evaluation began in FY2023.
- The Board members continue to make annual adjustments to the annual request process to enhance the understanding of the agencies and their use of Correctional Treatment Board Funds.
- The Board approves this funding plan contingent upon State and Local Agencies reporting the
 requirements in CRS 18-19-103 (5)(f). State and local agencies receiving funding and unable to do so
 shall provide a written explanation of progress in meeting statutorily required reporting requirements
 and when compliance will be achieved.
- The Board will sponsor the Colorado Collaborative Justice Conference (CCJC) in 2025. This is one of the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund expenditures specifically allowed by statute CRS 18-19-103 (5)(c)(IV). This conference is the principal training event for Colorado's criminal justice and treatment staff statewide. The annual conference hosts nationally and internationally renowned speakers and experts in the fields of criminal justice interventions and effective treatment of substance use and co-occurring disorders. All 22 judicial districts are represented, including professionals from the fields of law enforcement, parole, probation, treatment, prosecutors, defense attorneys, diversion, community corrections, judicial officers, and system policymakers. The Board is committed to supporting the latest research and practices that are proven to effectively support clients in the criminal justice system.
- The Board is looking forward to the ongoing collaboration and support of the Judicial District Drug Offender Treatment Boards (Local Boards) that each jurisdiction is required to maintain. Members of these local boards are the experts concerning service needs and gaps within their respective communities, and the Correctional Treatment Board will invest in the continued development of working relationships and effective communication with the local boards to better identify how to utilize the Correctional Treatment Cash Funds most efficiently.

FY2025 Funding Requests

The Board approved increases to the funding allocations in FY2025. The Department of Human Services requested additional funds for the JBBS programs in anticipation of the medication-assisted treatment needs and increased needs of overall behavioral health services in jails. The decision was made to maximize the allocation to the Local Board Funding requests to address treatment gaps and needs at a local level. The Board also decided to reconvene the Colorado Collaborative Justice Conference.

Several figures listed below will be adjusted during figure-setting in the spring.

Correctional Treatment FY2024-25 Request By Agency						
	EV2E Agency Beguest	FY25 Board	Variance			
	FY25 Agency Request	Approved Allocation	Variance			
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS						
Parole Subprogram	3,882,643	3,882,643	-			
Total DOC	3,882,643	3,882,643	-			
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION						
Substance Use Treatment and Prevention						
Offender Services	1,105,173	1,105,173	-			
Integrated Behavioral Health Services			-			
Jail-Based Behavioral Health	11,005,078	9,507,478	1,497,600			
Community Based Circle Program	704,282	704,282	-			
Total DHS	12,814,533	11,316,933	1,497,600			
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY						
DCJ Administration						
Personal Svc/Operating/POTS	104,552	104,552	-			
Community Corrections						
Community Corrections Placement	2,956,500	2,956,500	-			
Treatment For Substance Abuse and Co-occuring Disorders	2,238,644	2,238,644				
Total DPS	5,299,696	5,299,696	-			
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT						
Probation & Related Services						
Offender Treatment & Services	3,612,279	3,612,279	_			
Adult Pre-Trial Diversion	169,000	169,000				
Total Judicial	3,781,279	3,781,279	_			
Denver County	5,752,275	3,702,273				
Denver Probation	250,000	250,000	_			
Total Denver County	250,000	250,000	_			
NON-AGENCY SPECIFIC	250,000	230,000				
CTCF Board Administration						
CTCF Board Overhead	320,482	320,482	_			
Colorado Collaborative Justice Conference	600,000	600,000				
Local Board Funding requests	2,234,853	2,234,853				
Data and Research	220,482	220,482	_			
CTB Staff Personal Services/POTS	129,081	129,081	_			
Total CTCF Board	3,504,898	3,504,898				
GRAND TOTAL	29,533,049	28,035,449	1,497,600			

Next Steps

The Correctional Treatment Board is looking forward to the implementation of the evaluation on the impact of the CTB funds in FY2024. The Board will continue to focus on enhancing the collaboration and engagement with Judicial District Drug Offender Treatment Boards (Local Boards) by exploring opportunities to expand on current programming by utilizing the local community experts to identify needs and gaps of the state and commissioning ongoing data and research of treatment outcomes. The Board is pleased to be reconvening the Colorado Collaborative Justice Conference.

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