

CORONERS - 1185

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Albany County Coroners is to investigate deaths which occur in a non-medical setting or which are suspicious in nature. The Coroners expeditiously investigate and record fatalities and assist survivors who are grieving or experiencing trauma as a result of the death of a loved one.

WHO WE SERVE

Residents of Albany County and in some circumstances people from other locations that die in our jurisdiction.

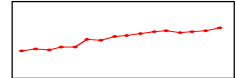
ABOUT OUR DEPARTMENT

The four elected Coroners investigate all deaths which are suspicious in nature or occur in a non-medical setting. They must maintain complete and accurate records of all cases and provide timely information and copies of reports to next of kin. In addition, the Coroners provide reports to appropriate agencies in cases involving children, prisoners and mental health patients. Services are provided 24-hours per day, seven days a week, year round.

2012 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- All deaths were investigated by our Albany County Coroner's professionally and were performed in a timely manner.
 - * To date 390 cases have been handled by the Department.
 - * 257 did not include a postmortem component
 - * 133 did include a postmortem component.
- Our office provided next of kin, police, and government agencies with professional and reliable service.
- Our Pathologists are highly educated and are recognized throughout Albany County and the surrounding region.

APPROPRIATION HISTORY



1998:	\$330,362
1999:	\$353,262
2000:	\$339,911
2001:	\$373,891
2002:	\$379,938
2003:	\$486,310
2004:	\$471,064
2005:	\$524,577
2006:	\$538,663
2007:	\$575,819
2008:	\$594,527
2009:	\$615,693
2010:	\$585,823
2011:	\$602,687
2012:	\$603,397
2013:	\$647,109

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2013 GOALS AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

- Our office cannot predict the number of cases we will have in any given year. Enhancing revenues for 2013 through increasing the current cost of Inmate Autopsies from \$1,699 to \$2,000 is an option this office is investigating. The last increase for inmate autopsies was 2009. Also, when requests come in from Attorneys, our office will consider charging for copies of our reports. Increasing the level of services with existing resources will remain a priority.

Recently the Albany County Coroner's Office responded to an extremely difficult call. When arriving on the scene the coroner was confronted by numerous neighbors stating to the Coroner, that he was not moving his body and that they had to take the body into the house to perform a ceremony. According to the local Police Department, our Coroner handled this case with professionalism and kept his composure during the confrontation. This is just one example of many difficult calls that are handled in this manner.

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Account	2011 Expended	2012 Adjusted	2013 Proposed	2012-13 Change	2012-13 Percent Change
Appropriations					
Coroner - (1185)					
Personal Services	\$128,268	\$128,841	\$128,841	\$0	0.00%
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	-100.00%
Contractual Expenses	\$445,001	\$369,932	\$403,643	\$33,711	9.11%
Fringe Benefits	\$66,842	\$104,624	\$114,625	\$10,001	9.56%
Appropriations Total	\$640,111	\$603,397	\$647,109	\$43,712	7.2%
Revenue	(\$35,779)	(\$18,689)	(\$22,087)	(\$3,398)	18.18%
Revenue Total	(\$35,779)	(\$18,689)	(\$22,087)	(\$3,398)	18.2%
Total County Share	\$604,332	\$584,708	\$625,022	\$40,314	106.89%

			2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	2013	2013		
A 1185 Coroner			Count	Count	Expended	Adjusted	Requested	Proposed	Adopted		
Personnel Services Individual											
A	1185	10120 001	160001	Coroner	1	1	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	-
A	1185	10120 002	160002	Coroner	1	1	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	-
A	1185	10120 003	160003	Coroner	1	1	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	-
A	1185	10120 004	160004	Coroner	1	1	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	\$19,263	-
A	1185	16207 001	160005	Clerk I P/T	1	1	\$11,905	\$11,902	\$11,902	\$11,902	-
A	1185	16401 001	160006	Confidential Secretary	1	1	\$35,949	\$37,387	\$37,387	\$37,387	-
<i>Personnel Services Individual Subtotal</i>					6	6	\$124,905	\$126,341	\$126,341	\$126,341	\$0
Personnel Non-Individual											
A	1185	19951	Health Insurance Buyout				\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
<i>Personnel Non-Individual Subtotal</i>							\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
Equipment											
Contractual Expenses											
A	1185	44020	Office Supplies				\$162	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$0
A	1185	44035	Postage				\$357	\$325	\$325	\$325	\$0
A	1185	44036	Telephone				\$5,999	\$5,400	\$5,400	\$5,400	\$0
A	1185	44037	Insurance				\$601	\$704	\$804	\$804	\$0
A	1185	44038	Travel, Mileage, Freight				\$11,150	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0
A	1185	44039	Conferences, Training, Tuition				\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
A	1185	44042	Printing And Advertising				\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$0
A	1185	44046	Fees For Services				\$45,236	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0
A	1185	44048	Laboratory Fees And Services				\$194,909	\$150,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$0
A	1185	44065	Photocopier Lease				\$0	\$112	\$112	\$112	\$0
A	1185	44070	Equipment Repair And Rental				\$110	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$0
A	1185	44252	Medical Services/Therapy				\$171,550	\$150,000	\$170,000	\$170,000	\$0
A	1185	44300	Association Dues				\$330	\$0	\$440	\$440	\$0
A	1185	44903	DGS Shared Services Charges				\$11,597	\$11,641	\$11,812	\$11,812	\$0
<i>Contractual Expenses Subtotal</i>							\$445,001	\$369,932	\$403,643	\$403,643	\$0
Fringe Benefits											
A	1185	89010	State Retirement				\$11,108	\$25,425	\$29,215	\$29,215	\$0
A	1185	89030	Social Security				\$9,583	\$9,856	\$9,856	\$9,856	\$0
A	1185	89060	Hospital and Medical Insurance				\$46,151	\$69,343	\$75,554	\$75,554	\$0
<i>Fringe Benefits Subtotal</i>							\$66,842	\$104,624	\$114,625	\$114,625	\$0
Total Appropriations							\$639,248	\$603,397	\$647,109	\$647,109	\$0
Revenue											
A	1185	03036	Reimbursement Coroners Exp.				(\$35,779)	(\$18,689)	(\$22,087)	(\$22,087)	\$0
Total Revenue							(\$35,779)	(\$18,689)	(\$22,087)	(\$22,087)	\$0
County Share							\$603,469	\$584,708	\$625,022	\$625,022	\$0