

Budgets For Criminal Justice At The Local, State, And Federal Levels

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⁶The budgets for criminal justice or security organizations at the local, state, and federal levels.

Budgetary allocations are ^{the} driving forces integral to all annual budget plans of every organization in operation. In regards to the Department of Justice, budgetary allocations enable all security agencies to meet their law enforcement goals as well as defending the interests of the USA. The American budget plays a core role in strengthening the Criminal Justice System (through the Department of Justice) in offering Federal leadership in countering crime while ensuring fair and impartial administrations of justice to all Americans. According to Whitehouse (2018), “in the Financial Year 2019, Budget was geared towards strengthening the DOJ to react to the national security threats, conduct investigation in regards violence, as well as drug-associated crimes among others”.

In regards to the Federal Law Enforcement, the FY 2019 Budget gave the DOJ about \$14 billion which was an increment of 2.4% from the budget enacted in 2018t, to finance its key agencies and investments (Whitehouse 2018). These encompasses; ⁵the ^{Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the U.S} Marshal Services (USMS), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), among others.

The FY 2019 Budget provides financial support for the most crucial state and local programs in support of the State and Local Law Enforcement (Whitehouse 2018). These include ⁴\$230 million for State and local Juvenile Justice Programs, ³\$140 million for the ^{Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction} as well as ^{Project Safe Neighborhoods program}, \$402 million for the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants Program and \$ 5 million for the National Public Safety

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Partnership program. In addition to this, the FY 2019 Budget proposes \$1.9 billion to support both State and Local assistance. These budgetary allocations are deemed sufficient to support all components of the DOJ in ensuring proper justice administration in varied settings.

The differences between federal and local government budget.

The U.S. Federal, State, and Local governments are obliged for different law enforcement at different levels. There exists a more significant distinction amid the Federal, State and Local government in terms of annual budgets. ²The Federal government is authorized to run a deficit as well as borrow funds to cater to its obligations. This implies that the government can spend more than it earns. On the other hand, ²State and Local governments are required by the law to maintain a balance of their budgets, as such, they do not have to spend more than they earn.

Another distinction comes as a result of economic influence. As such, ²the federal government plays a core role in the nation's economy, and this carries necessary budgetary implications. When the U.S federal government is encountering tough fiscal conditions, it is authorized to print additional money; despite the fact that such a complementary action fuels inflation. State and Local ²governments do not have the autonomy to print money to cater for their budgetary deficits.

Message.

According to my findings, in FY 2019 Budget records to be the highest enacted level with an increment of 2.4% over the FY 2017 enacted level. The Federal government's budget serves the whole nation, as opposed to state and local government budgets which is mandated to support minor programs at the state level. More on this, the Federal government is authorized to

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cater to its budget deficit through borrowing or printing extra money unlike the case with the
State and Local governments.

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