

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Justice Management Division, Budget Staff is pleased to provide a summary of the FY 2006 performance-informed budget submission for the U.S. Department of Justice (Department, DOJ).

Similar to last year, no large-scale content changes have been made to the information provided in prior DOJ Budget Summaries. We have, however, continued to improve the appearance of certain charts and tables and eliminated duplicative information in an effort to provide the necessary performance-related information, while keeping the size of the document relatively the same.

### **OVERVIEW OF FY 2006 BUDGET SUMMARY CONTENT:**

#### **PART I:**

Part I provides a summary of the Department's requested items by each of our four strategic goals. Revised in FY 2003, these strategic goals outline our critical mission areas and highlight funding requests necessary to achieve further results in FY 2006.

As required by the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Circular A-11, this budget summary also serves as the Department's consolidated annual performance planning document. The FY 2005 Revised Final/FY 2006 Performance Plan, provides the FY 2005 and FY 2006 targeted levels of performance we plan to achieve for key performance indicators. This plan aligns resources (FTE and \$) to each strategic goal. Where resources are overarching or administrative in nature, costs have been allocated among our four strategic goals.

Additionally, Part I contains an overview of external evaluations of performance under the (PMA) and OMB's Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART) process. The Department has been working diligently to integrate budget and performance, one of the five government-wide PMA items. Part I also includes results from OMB's PART assessments conducted during the last fiscal year.

#### **PART II:**

In past Budget Summary documents, much of the information presented in our summary tables was repeated in subsequent tables. The Department has continued to reduce redundancy and minimize the possibility of error without sacrificing the information or core exhibits that Congressional staff have found useful in the past. The following tables have been included:

- Organizational Chart
- Appropriation Language - and Analysis of any changes
- Summary of Requirements
- Crosswalk of Prior Year Availability
- Crosswalk to Current Year
- Financial Analysis of Program Improvements and/or Offsets
- Status of Congressionally Requested Studies, Reports, and Evaluations (where appropriate)
- Authorization of Appropriations

#### **PART III:**

The final section provides component request information. Similar to past Budget Summary documents, component order of appearance parallels the structure of the Department's appropriation bills.