



# Canyon County Prosecutor's Office

## *FY2027 Budget Proposal*

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*Protecting the People of Idaho*

Fiscal Year 2027 | Budget Narrative



# Mission Statement

*Protect the people of Idaho by vigorously and effectively enforcing the law and pursuing justice for all without fear, favor, or affection.*

*Protect the innocent, convict and appropriately punish the guilty, and protect the rights of victims.*

*Whenever possible, deter criminals from reoffending and rehabilitate offenders to be contributing members of society.*



# **Accomplishments**

# FY2026 Accomplishments

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## Civil Litigation Brought In-House

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Reduced expenditures on outside counsel

Meaningful cost savings for Canyon County taxpayers

# FY2026 Accomplishments

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## **Strengthened Attorney Recruitment & Retention**

Brought salaries up to wages paid by State PD and other county and statewide prosecutor offices

Short term - improved numbers of qualified applications

Long term - working toward better retention of skilled attorneys

# FY2026 Accomplishments

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## Maintained High-Quality Prosecution Services

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2024-2025 –increased guilty verdicts by 30 percent

Intensive training for prosecutors

# Strategic Goals & Objectives

# FY2027 Strategic Goals & Objectives

## Implement Support Staff Salary Adjustments

Comprehensive salary review – Ada County, Kootenai County, Attorney General, State Public Defender

Our support staff lag below our fellow government agencies

Affects recruitment and retention

# FY2027 Strategic Goals & Objectives

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## Expand Civil Division Capacity

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Growing volume of public records requests, RLAs, contract analysis, and in-house litigation

# FY2027 Strategic Goals & Objectives

## Address Facility & Workspace Limitations

CCPA has outgrown its current office space even after returning positions during the prior budget cycle

Attorneys doubled up in offices – untenable long term

# Budget Request Preview

# "A" Budget — Requests

## 4.5% Budget Pool — Targeted Approach

Focus: Lower-Paid Support Staff

**NOTE: This is NOT a uniform 4.5% raise for all employees.**

*New Position Request*

DPA — Civil Attorney

Grades 16–18 | Midrange Salary (Loaded): \$160,180

*New Position Request*

DPA — Public Affairs

Grade 15 | Midrange Salary (Loaded): \$120,449

# "B" Budget — Operating Expenditures

Line Item	FY26	FY27 Request	Notes
Major Litigation Fund	—	<b>\$50,000</b>	Complex/high-stakes cases
Witness Travel (Mileage & Airfare)	+50%	+50%	+50% for fuel/airfare volatility
Legal Research (Westlaw)	\$48,000	<b>\$56,172</b>	Subscription cost increase
Staff Training Budget	\$20,000	<b>\$30,000</b>	Expanded to cover all staff
Computer Equipment	—	<b>\$86,000</b>	Replace outdated deputy equipment (IT rec.)
<b>Software*</b> (Karpel onboarding complete)	\$280,000	<b>\$216,700</b>	Decrease — onboarding costs resolved
<b>Software*</b> (Jury Selection Software)	\$30,000	<b>\$30,000</b>	Carryover from last year*

# "C" Budget — Capital Requests

## PRIORITY I — IMPERATIVE

Third Floor Courthouse Buildout | Cost: TBD

CCPA has outgrown its current space — attorneys are already doubled up in offices. Meetings, Zoom court appearances, and focused legal work all require uninterrupted private workspace. Office-sharing risks harming both operations and attorney retention.

## PRIORITY II — ESSENTIAL

Office Improvements (Carried Over from FY26) | Est. Cost: \$17,000

Training room tables  
Civil Division workspace improvements

# Revenue Outlook

## City Misdemeanor Prosecution Contracts

NAMPA

FY26: \$900,000

**FY27 Est: \$947,250 (+5.25%)**

CALDWELL

FY26: Negotiations Ongoing

**FY27 Est: Substantial Increase Expected**

# Highlights - Criminal

# Criminal Division — Major Cases



## State v. Brian Moreno

Chris Boyd & AJ Gourley

Secured conviction at jury trial for the 2022 gang-related murder of an innocent bystander at a Nampa restaurant.

# Criminal Division — Major Cases



## State v. Delbert Cornish

Ingrid Batey & Stephanie Morse

Secured life without parole for a Caldwell man who murdered his 18-year-old daughter and attempted to murder his 15-year-old son.

# Criminal Division — Major Cases

State v. Melissa Calumpit & State v. Rosealie Morris | Karson Vitto & Patrick Miller



**Melissa Calumpit**

Life in prison · 27 years fixed



**Rosealie Morris**

Life in prison · 18 years fixed

Mother and daughter convicted for the murder of Travis Calumpit.

Melissa Calumpit — sentenced to life in prison with 27 years fixed.

Rosealie Morris — sentenced to life in prison with 18 years fixed.

# Criminal Division — Major Cases



## State v. Daniel Colon

**Tracy Stoff & Matt Dyal**

Nampa man convicted at trial of 11 felony and misdemeanor counts including attempted murder, aggravated arson, and injury to a child. Sentenced to life in prison with 25 years fixed.

# Criminal Division — Major Cases



## State v. Michael Shane Ingles

**Kyra Venecia**

Child molester who abused three young children aged 5–8 sentenced to life in prison with 18 years fixed.

# Criminal Division — Major Cases

State v. Hidalgo, Ribiaux & Arencibia | Patrick Miller & Austin Hayes



Hidalgo



Ribiaux



Arencibia

Secured conviction at multi-defendant trial for coordinated group raid/theft of a local store.

# Performance & Accomplishments — Criminal

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**30%**

Increase in guilty verdicts during calendar year 2025 over 2024.

**#1**

Provides more in-house training to deputies than any prosecutor's office in the state.

# Highlights - Civil

# Performance & Accomplishments – Civil

**1,282**

Public Records Requests  
Processed

**258**

Requests for Legal Advice (RLAs)  
Processed

**81**

Contracts Reviewed

**58**

Tort Claims

**50**

U Visas

**16**

Cases in Civil Litigation

**14**

Forfeitures

# Cost Savings — Taking Civil Litigation In-House

*Canyon County cases with outside counsel — just five cases sampled:*

**\$86,500**

*Spent across just five outside-counsel cases*

*These five cases represent a small sample of the county's total outside counsel expenditures.*

# Cost Savings — Taking Civil Litigation In-House

*Canyon County cases retained in-house:*

**\$0**

*Cost to the county across 10 fully retained cases + a significant partial share of another major case*

Canyon County has retained ten cases in full and a partial share of another significant case — at zero cost to the county.



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