

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

2023 Budget Presentation



PUBLIC SAFETY - OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	317,753	317,753	292,782.56	291,380
Seasonal	13,000	13,000	9,800.00	13,000
Other Expenses	4,000	4,000	3,030.14	1,000
Total	334,753	334,753	305,612.70	305,380



2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS WEIGHTS & MEASURES

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- Received and responded to 269 complaints filed, both electronically and telephonically, saving consumers \$92,471 in cash refunds and \$83,293 in additional value
- Continued to monitor businesses for price gouging to make sure they were in compliance with State laws. Generated \$82,800 in fines against car dealerships.
- Tested 10,250 devices for accuracy. During this testing we inspected 1,331 businesses, also performed 26,978 scanner and commodity audits to ensure compliance with state and federal regulations, and generated \$95,550.00 in revenue with the completion of daily inspections and collecting fines.



2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

WEIGHTS & MEASURES

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- Will continue to partner with retailers to increase customer service to consumers by providing them with more information about products and services; inform retailers of their responsibilities under laws spelled out in the N.J. Consumer Fraud Act.
- Continue to implement new policies and inform businesses about the Notice of Investigation Findings, especially those using unfair business practices.
- Continue to conduct inspections on commercial businesses to ensure accuracy of the devices.
- Will conduct scanner and commodity audits to make certain consumers are being treated fairly, businesses are compliant with state and federal regulations, and all required protocols are being met. The Division will pay the Weights and Measures Apprentice Salary to help offset the County Budget.

WEIGHTS & MEASURES				
Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	364,415	374,415	368,748.55	381,417
Overtime	1,350	1,350	1,131.74	1,350
Other Expenses	5,320	5,320	3,618.45	4,100
Total	371,085	381,085	373,498.74	386,867



2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MEDICAL EXAMINER

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- The UCMEEO Standard Operating Procedures has been updated and is available for review.
- This office has fully investigated 1330 deaths and performed 336 autopsies and 69 external examinations.
- Investigation data shows that, when compared to pre-pandemic numbers, there has been a substantial increase across the board for reported deaths (13.38%), autopsies (12.00%), external examinations (21.05%), and overdoses (25.37%).



2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

MEDICAL EXAMINER

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- Continue process of obtaining provisional accreditation with the International Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners
- Maintain the nationwide average of true turnaround time, which for most forensic cases, is within three months
- Staff continues to implement mass disaster training exercises and drills for investigators provided by the state
- Provide bereaved families appropriate interaction and assistance towards achieving closure.





MEDICAL EXAMINER

Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	615,683	615,683	605,716.77	630,634
Overtime	55,000	155,000	106,372.69	55,000
Seasonal	25,000	25,000	23,205.00	25,000
Other Expenses	560,224	738,224	610,113.37	640,924
Total	1,255,907	1,533,907	1,345,407.83	1,351,558

2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/EMS

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- Continued to provide countywide EMS mutual aid coverage throughout Union County.
- Created a new in-service training program at the Union County Fire/EMS Academy.
- Managed improvements to the new Fire/EMS Academy to support additional training needs for fire and EMS providers.
- Completed Phase 1 of the upgrade to the current PSIC radio system to expand coverage into the western portion of Union County.



2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/EMS

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- Work with all municipalities to support their EMS needs.
- Increase the staffing of our EMS unit to satisfy the growing needs of pre-hospital care throughout Union County.
- Implementation of a Basic EMT training program at the academy.

2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/EMS

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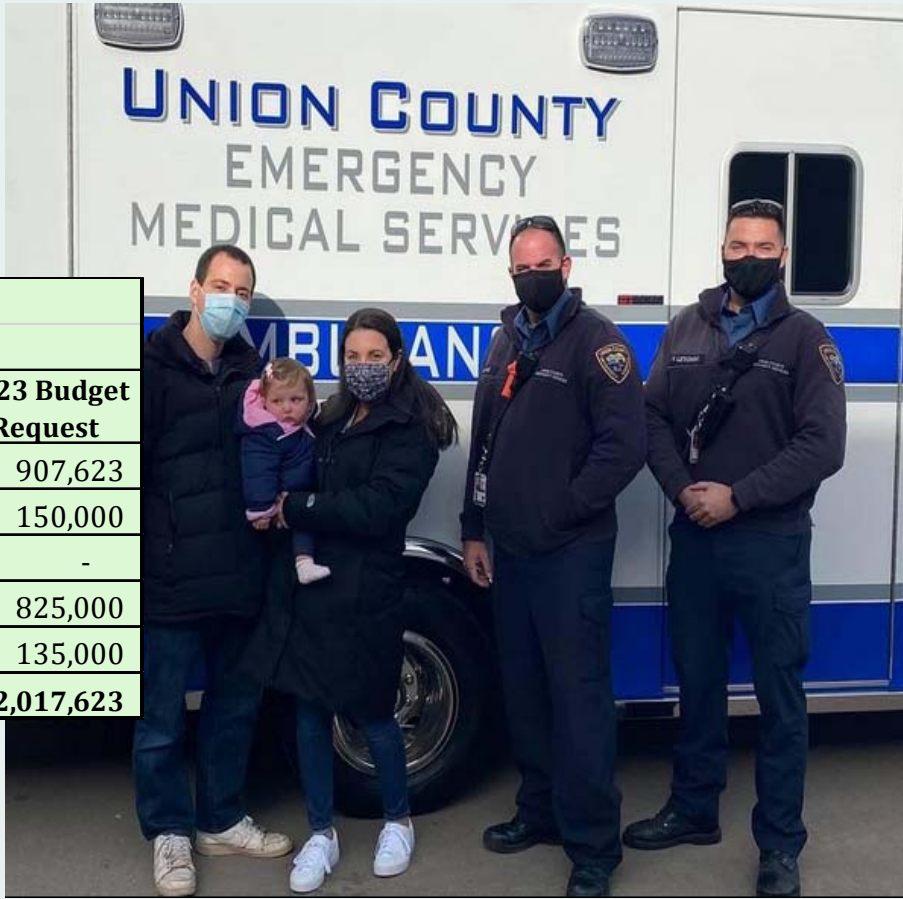
- Work with all municipalities to support their EMS needs.
- Increase the staffing of our EMS unit to satisfy the growing needs of pre-hospital care throughout Union County.
- Finalize the upgrade of the Public Safety Radio System to increase coverage and capacity.
- Pursue capital improvements to both the Main Campus and Drill Grounds
- Implementation of a Basic EMT training program at the academy.
- Develop a flood mitigation strategy for the Ralph Froehlich Public Safety Building.





EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	1,131,260	1,131,260	974,772.00	1,065,187
Overtime	85,000	85,000	54,706.61	70,000
Seasonal	-	-	-	10,000
Per Diems	292,000	292,000	285,404.12	267,000
Other Expenses	379,600	379,600	379,600.00	377,100
Total	1,887,860	1,887,860	1,694,482.73	1,789,287



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	956,677	801,677	587,503.61	907,623
Overtime	150,000	150,000	175,663.69	150,000
Seasonal	15,000	15,000	8,808.80	-
Per Diems	600,000	600,000	611,640.58	825,000
Other Expenses	100,000	110,000	109,434.60	135,000
Total	1,821,677	1,676,677	1,493,051.28	2,017,623

2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

COUNTY POLICE

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- Entered into agreements with local law enforcement agencies to provide additional assistance with specialized training in handling an active shooter situation, suspicious package recognition and assisting with using less lethal devices when confronting Emotionally Disturbed Persons.
- Continue to share services with local and regional law enforcement agencies to assist in policing, traffic enforcement, and specialized investigations, including additional training programs protecting officers responding to the mentally ill and combative individuals.



2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

COUNTY POLICE

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- Complete the expansion project for the Regional Dispatch System and create a secure Public Safety Network to minimize cyber-attacks and sustain 24/7 operability.
- Upgrading its IT infrastructure to protect against specialized threats, and to aid in the enhancement of protections and efficiency for expanding the Regional Dispatch Center.



2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

COUNTY POLICE

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- Re-accredited the Regional Communications center as meeting all national standards of training in Calltaking, Fire Dispatch, EMS Dispatch and Police Dispatch (ANS 3.103.1-2010), with Union County one of less than 100 agencies nationwide to meet these stringent requirements



COUNTY POLICE				
Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	10,336,233	10,836,233	9,959,382.04	10,855,916
Overtime	565,000	565,000	755,120.92	565,000
Seasonal	15,000	15,000	15,296.40	15,000
PD/Dispatchers	130,000	130,000	143,460.15	135,000
Other Expenses	344,500	344,500	324,511.33	306,000
Total	11,390,733	11,890,733	11,197,770.84	11,876,916



2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

HEALTH MANAGEMENT

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- Continued to provide local health services as per shared service agreements with Berkeley Heights, Hillside, Roselle, and Scotch Plains.
- Coordinated a Monkeypox mass vaccination campaign with New Jersey Department of Health and New Jersey State Police.
- Continued to provide Monkeypox vaccinations at Warinanco Sports Center (154 Monkeypox Vaccination doses administered 1/1/2022-12/7/2022)

2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

HEALTH MANAGEMENT

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UCOHM/LINCS: Continued to represent county-level public health and Local Information Network Communications Systems (LINCS) in the Healthcare & Public Health Coalition Advisory Panel to assist in the coordination of efforts in the event of an emergency to share information and resources that will be necessary during public health emergencies.

Other entities include but are not limited to members from county and state-wide workgroups such as

- New Jersey Department of Health,
- New Jersey State Police - Office of Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
- New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness
- New Jersey Department of Human Services
- Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- New Jersey Hospital Association (Third-Party Fiduciary)
- Healthcare Association of New Jersey
- Home Care and Hospice Association of New Jersey



2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS HEALTH MANAGEMENT

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UCOHM/LINCS continued)

Continued to offer COVID-19 Vaccinations and Testing at Warinanco Skate Park, Plainfield High School, and Mobile Clinics throughout Union County.

- 24,953 COVID-19 tests performed
1/1/2022-12/7/2022
- 8,590 COVID-19 doses administered
1/1/2022-12/7/2022



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HEALTH MANAGEMENT

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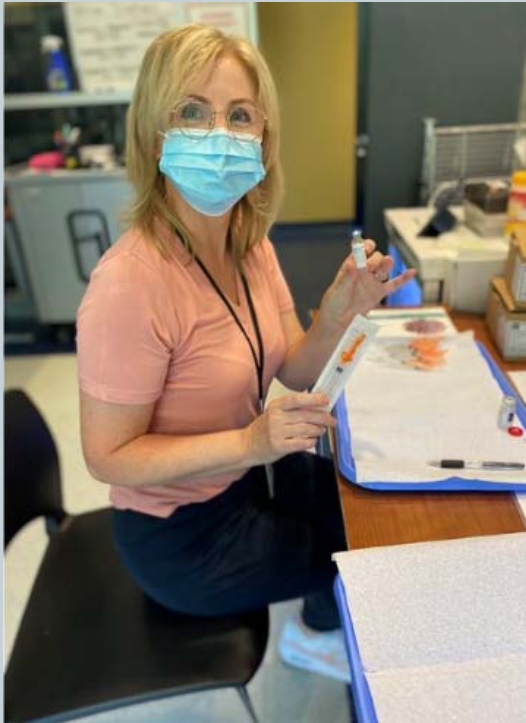
UCOHM/CEHA:

- Enforced environmental regulations as documented by the annual audit performed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) in accordance with the County's grant agreements.
- Conducted compliance and enforcement investigations and inspections including Air Pollution Program, Solid Waste Program, Pesticides Program, Noise Program, DEP Right to Know Program and the Water Program.

2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

HEALTH MANAGEMENT

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- Continue to work with the eight local health departments (representing all 21 Union County municipalities) to identify health areas of improvement and assist their capacity to respond.
- Continue to provide monthly blood pressure screening clinics in Roselle and Scotch Plains, and as requested in the community.
- Continue to assist local health departments in contact tracing/disease investigation, testing and vaccination to control the spread of COVID-19.

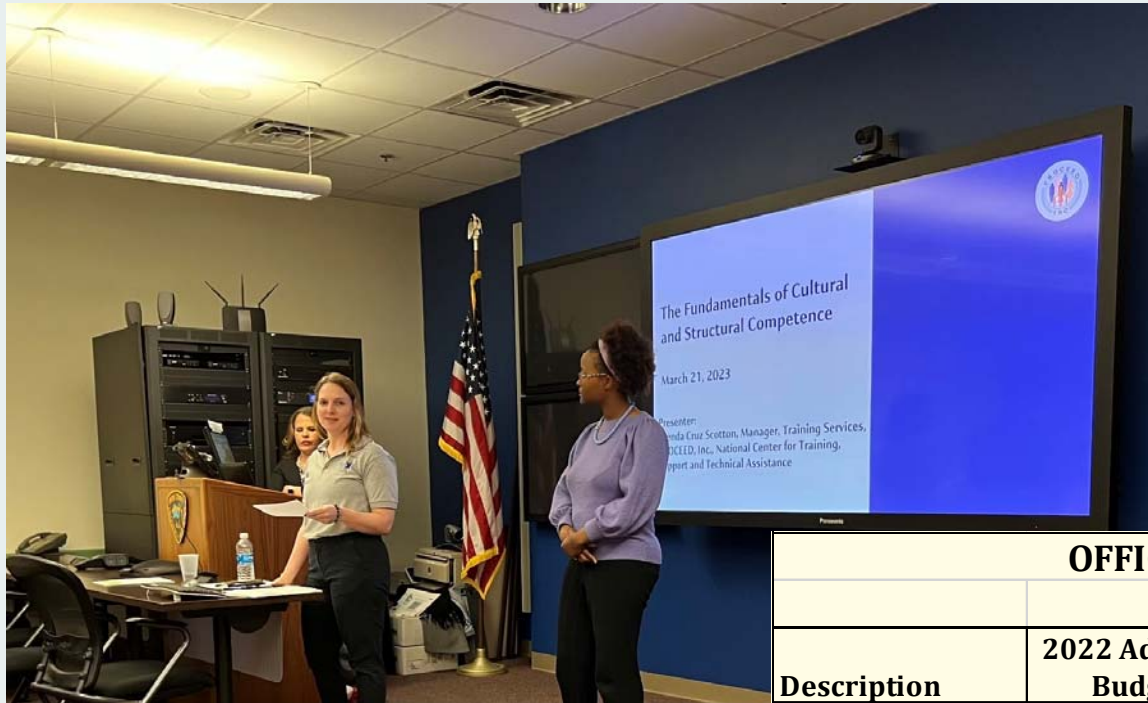
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HEALTH MANAGEMENT

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- Continue to provide programs via the Chronic Disease Coalition by implementing evidence-based strategies and instituting Policy, Environmental, and System change strategies that support and reinforce healthful behaviors and lower the risk for chronic diseases.
- Continue to conduct inspections of retail food establishments located within county owned facilities, including temporary ones at events.
- Continue to expand the Union County Health Alert Network (HAN) to provide rapid distribution of public health information. This network is continuously maintained and updated to provide accurate information to appropriate recipients.





OFFICE OF HEALTH MANAGEMENT				
Description	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Modified Budget	2022 Expenditures	2023 Budget Request
Salaries & Wages	485,254	357,254	294,420.76	451,396
Overtime	65,000	65,000	46,527.75	45,000
Per Diems	5,756	5,756	-	10,000
Other Expenses	140,200	140,200	139,422.27	217,683
Total	696,210	568,210	480,370.78	724,079

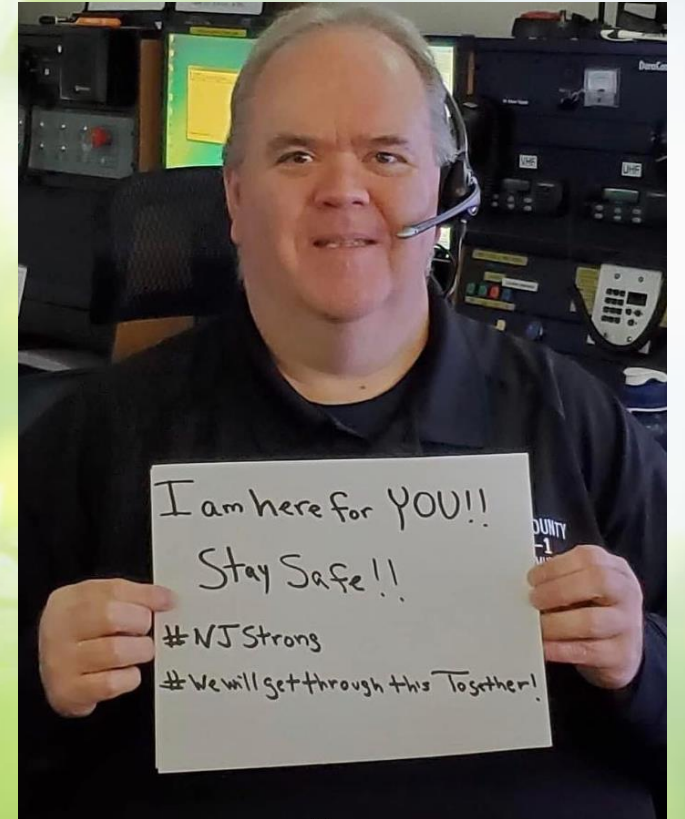
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