

**OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS - PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS BENEFITS**

(Dollars in thousands)

	Pos.	FTE	Amount
2003 Obligations.....	0	0	\$56,553
2004 Appropriation Enacted (without Rescission).....	0	0	52,054
2004 Rescission -- Reductions applied to DOJ (0.465%).....	0	0	-14
2004 Rescission -- Government-wide Reduction (0.59%).....	0	0	-18
2004 Appropriation Enacted (with Rescission).....	0	0	52,022
2005 Total Request.....	0	0	0
Change 2005 from 2004.....	0	0	-52,022
<b>Adjustments-to-base:</b>			
Transfer to the Justice Assistance Appropriation.....	0	0	-52,022
Net, Adjustments to Base.....	0	0	-52,022
2005 Current Services.....	0	0	0
2005 Total Request.....	0	0	0
Change 2005 from 2004.....	0	0	-52,022

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Comparison by activity and program	2004 Appropriation Enacted (w/ Rescission)			2005 Current Services			2005 Request			Program Improvements/Offsets		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
1. Public Safety Officers Death Benefits Program.....	0	0	\$49,054	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Disability Benefits Program .... <sup>1/</sup>	0	0	2,968	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	52,022	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>1/</sup> This program is classified by the Administration as a discretionary account.

The PSOB Program's mission is to provide financial assistance to the eligible survivors of federal, state, and local public safety officers who have died as the result of traumatic injury or who are permanently and totally disabled as the direct result of a catastrophic injury sustained in the line of duty, and to provide educational assistance to the spouse and children of slain or totally disabled public safety officers.

Consistent with the Government Performance and Results Act, the 2005 budget proposes to streamline the decision unit structure of DOJ components to align more closely with the mission and strategic objectives contained in the DOJ Strategic Plan (FY 2003-2008). In addition, the budget has been realigned to reflect each component's outputs and full costs by major program activity, including the costs of management and administration, so that a more accurate picture of total activity costs is reflected in the budget. In this way, budget and performance are more closely linked, and provide a better basis on which to make budget decisions. Over time, agencies will be expected to identify effective outcome measures, monitor their progress, and accurately present the associated costs.

As part of its effort to realign resources to the DOJ strategic plan, the 2005 budget proposes to move funding for this program under the Justice Assistance account. In 2005, \$57,888,000 is requested for this in the Justice Assistance appropriation under the Services for Victims of Crime Decision Unit.