

U.S. Parole Commission (USPC)

FY 2018 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2017 Continuing Resolution: \$13.3 million (85 positions; 7 attorneys)

Current Services Adjustments: +\$0

Program Changes: +\$0

FY 2018 Budget Request: \$13.3 million (53 positions; 7 attorneys)

Change From FY 2017 Continuing +\$0 (-32 positions)

Resolution:

Mission:

The mission of the USPC is to promote public safety and strive for justice and fairness in the exercise of its authority to release, revoke, and supervise offenders under its jurisdiction. USPC has jurisdiction over federal offenders who committed offenses before November 1, 1987; all District of Columbia offenders; Uniform Code of Military Justice offenders who are in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons; Transfer Treaty cases (United States citizens convicted in foreign countries, who have elected to serve their sentence in this country); and state probationers and parolees in the Federal Witness Protection Program. USPC renders decisions on National Appeals Board cases and decides action on supervision, parole, or return to custody cases under its jurisdiction. Unless reauthorized, USPC authorities will sunset on November 1, 2018.

Resources:

The FY 2018 budget request for USPC totals \$13.3 million, which is the same as 2017 Continuing Resolution.

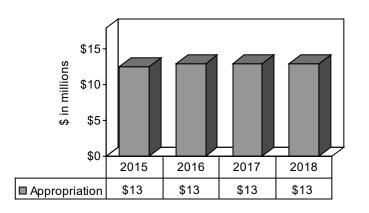
Organization:

USPC is managed by the USPC Chairman who, along with four other commissioners, is appointed by the President with the advice of the Senate. All USPC offices and staff are located in the District of Columbia. The staff carries out the USPC's operations and support functions.

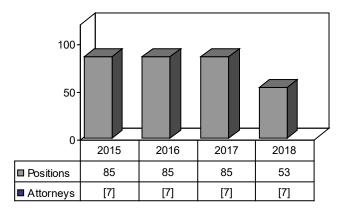
Personnel:

The USPC's direct positions for FY 2018 total 53 positions. USPC's FY 2018 request includes a decrease of -32 positions from the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution of 85 direct positions.

Funding (FY 2015 - 2018)



Personnel (FY 2015 - FY 2018)



FY 2018 Strategy:

The FY 2018 strategy maintains the USPC's focus on returning low-risk non-violent offenders to parole or supervised release rather than prison when possible. However, USPC will continue to issue warrants for those that willfully violate the conditions of their release and for those with the most egregious behavior (typically tied to violence, child abuse, sex offenses, etc.). This approach keeps communities safe while returning low-risk offenders back to the community in a timely and cost efficient manner.

The USPC will continue supporting initiatives dealing with alternatives to re-incarceration for low-risk offenders. These alternatives include increasing the number of offenders referred to the Secured Residential Treatment Program and the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program in D.C. Other alternatives include expanding the Reprimand Sanction Hearings Program to increase the number of offenders referred to the USPC for violating the administrative conditions of their release. Frequent and early intervention by the USPC through the Reprimand Sanction Hearing process has improved offender compliance in the community and reduced the need for re-incarceration. Furthermore, the expansion of the mental health dockets will increase the treatment engagement of mentally ill offenders to reduce their risk in the community, and reduce the cost of re-incarceration.

The USPC also plans to extend its Short-Term Intervention for Success pilot program, which is designed to provide for shorter periods of imprisonment for technical violations, such as lying to a parole officer, in exchange for potentially longer periods of incarceration for more serious infractions. The pilot has been successful in lowering the recidivism rates for those participating.

The USPC FY 2018 strategy also includes improvements to the records and file management systems and processes, which are critical to the mission of the USPC. This will allow USPC to modernize its records management and meet DOJ systems security requirements.

FY 2018 Program Changes:

The budget proposal includes funds for current services for USPC. No program changes are requested.

U.S. Parole Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	U.S	U.S. Parole Commission			
	Pos	FTE	Amount		
2016 Appropriation	85	68	13,308		
2017 Continuing Resolution	85	68	13,308		
2017 Rescission - 0.1901%	0	0	-25		
2017 Continuing Resolution	85	68	13,283		
2018 Request	53	53	13,283		
Change 2018 from 2017 Continuing Resolution	-32	-15	0		
Technical Adjustments					
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	0		
Base Adjustments					
Pay & Benefits	-32	-15	-55		
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	50		
Other Adjustments	0	0	5		
Total Base Adjustments	-32	-15	0		
2018 Current Services	53	53	13,283		
Program Changes					
Increases:					
Subtotal, Program Increases	0	0	0		
Decreases:					
Subtotal, Program Decreases	0	0	0		
Total Program Changes	0	0	0		
2018 Request	53	53	13,283		

U.S. Parole Commission (Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2017 Continuing Resolution			2018 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
United States Parole Commission	85	68	13,283	53	53	13,283
Total	85	68	13,283	53	53	13,283
Grand Total	85	68	13,283	53	53	13,283

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Tot	2018 Total Program Changes			2018 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount	
United States Parole Commission	0	0	0	53	53	13,283	
Total	0	0	0	53	53	13,283	
Grand Total	0	0	0	53	53	13,283	