

2021 USDA Explanatory Notes – Office of Safety, Security and Protection

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AGENCY-WIDE

PURPOSE STATEMENT

On October 13, 2019, the Office of Safety, Security and Protection (OSSP) was established to improve facility security, emergency management and response. OSSP provides Department-wide leadership, policy, and management in the safeguarding of property and personnel. OSSP is committed to identifying and addressing all security risks that may affect USDA personnel, infrastructure, and facilities. Funding is currently in Agriculture Buildings and Facilities, Departmental Administration and Office of Homeland Security. Inter-agency agreements will be used during FY 2020, as consolidation and transition efforts are implemented.

The OSSP has no open GAO or OIG Audits.

AVAILABLE FUNDS AND STAFF YEARS

Table OSSP-1. Available Funds and Staff Years (thousands of dollars, staff years (SY))

Item	2018		2019		2020		2021	
	Actual	SY	Actual	SY	Enacted	SY	Budget	SY
Salaries and Expenses:								
Discretionary Appropriations..	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$24,978	36
Total Available.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,978	36
Lapsing Balances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal Obligations, OSSP	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,978	36
Obligations under other USDA Appropriations:								
Security Detail.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,277	16
Physical Security.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,426	7
Total, Other USDA							9,703	23
Total, OSSP	-	-	-	-	-	-	34,681	59

PERMANENT POSITIONS BY GRADE AND STAFF YEARS

Table OSSP-2. Permanent Positions by Grade and Staff Years

Item	2018			2019			2020			2021		
	D.C.	Field	Actual Total	D.C.	Field	Actual Total	D.C.	Field	Estimate Total	D.C.	Field	Budget Total
SES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
GS-15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5
GS-14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	7
GS-13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	-	17
GS-12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	6
GS-11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5
GS-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	14
GS-8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
GS-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total Perm. FT EOY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	1	59
Staff Year Est	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	1	59

ACCOUNT 1: SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Lead-Off Tabular Statement

Table OSSP-3. Lead-Off Tabular Statement

Item	Amount
2020, Enacted.....	\$0
Change in Appropriation	+24,978,000
2021, Budget Estimate	<u>24,978,000</u>

Appropriations Language:

The appropriations language follows (new language underscored; deleted matter enclosed in brackets):

Office of Safety, Security and Protection

For necessary expenses of the Office of Safety, Security and Protection, \$24,978,000.

PROJECT STATEMENT

Table OSSP-4. Project Statement (thousands of dollars, staff years (SY))

Item	2018		2019		2020		Inc. or Dec.	Chg Key	SY	2021		
	Actual	SY	Actual	SY	Estimate	SY				Budget	SY	
Discretionary Appropriations:												
Office of Safety, Security and Protection.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	+24,978	(1)	+36	24,978	36	
Total Available.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	+24,978	(1)	+36	24,978	36	
Lapsing Balances.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Obligations	-	-	-	-	-	-	+24,978	(1)	+36	24,978	36	

JUSTIFICATION

OSSP provides Department-wide leadership, policy, and management in the safeguarding of property and personnel. OSSP is committed to identifying and addressing all security risks that may affect USDA personnel, infrastructure, and facilities.

The realignment of appropriations will provide a dedicated source of funding for OSSP. OSSP will enhance the security posture for USDA facilities and improve protection for USDA employees and visitors. By consolidating functions in OSSP, USDA aims to create a modern security and personnel safety structure that prevents unauthorized access to facilities, protects property, and protects human life

The numbers and letters of the following listing relates to values in the Chg Key column of the Project Statement:

- (1) An increase of \$24,978,000 and 36 staff years (\$0 available in 2020).

The funding change is requested for the following items:

A) An increase of \$20,236,000 and 18 staff years from Agriculture Building and Facilities for Security Services, Executive Protection, and Facility Protection programs.

These functions were previously funded within the Agriculture Building and Facilities appropriation. As part of the consolidation and realignment efforts, the following programs have been transitioned to OSSP from AgBF:

- Security Services: This program provides a USDA-led security force of officers, on-site police and/or guards to secure designated areas and access points. This division is responsible for designing, directing and implementing 24/7 on-site physical control and security of designated access points and other secured areas.
- Executive Protection Operations: Provides protection to the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, and other senior officials designated by the Secretary.
- Facility Protection: Manages the physical protection operations, security equipment (e.g., cameras, etc.) and other measures taken to secure USDA, including access controls, fire detection and suppression and emergency response. This division directs operations relating to the credentialing/badging of personnel, contractors and visitors, including implementation of HSPD 12. This division will also develop and implement facility assessments, risk mitigation, security plans and countermeasures.

B) An increase of \$4,425,000 and 17 staff years for the operational support of Office of Safety, Security and Protection (OSSP).

This increase will provide funding for personnel to provide leadership, policy, and management support in the safeguarding of property and personnel and emergency management for the USDA. Funding would support federal personnel to provide oversight to the contracted security guard services. In addition, funding will be used to create a modern Emergency Control Center Dispatch that is staffed 24 hours a day by professionally trained communications specialists who respond to all emergency and non-emergency requests for security, police, fire, and EMS assistance. OSSP will also enhance processes and address findings from USDA's Enterprise Physical Access Control System Physical Security Assessments.

C) An increase of \$185,000 from the Office of Homeland Security.

This increase is to realign Executive Protection operation functions from the Office of Homeland Security. Consolidating functions within one organization will improve the functionality, efficiency, and effectiveness of the services provided.

D) An increase of \$132,000 and 1 staff year from Departmental Administration.

This increase is to realign security operation functions from the Departmental Administration. Consolidating functions within one organization will improve the functionality, efficiency, and effectiveness of the services provided.

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN OF OBLIGATIONS AND STAFF YEARS

Table OSSP-5. Geographic Breakdown of Obligations and Staff Years (thousands of dollars, staff years (SY))

State/Territory/Country	2018 Actual	SY	2019 Actual	SY	2020 Estimate	SY	2021 Budget	SY
District of Columbia	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,825	35
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-	153	1
Obligations	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,978	36
Bal. Available, EOY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Available	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,978	36

CLASSIFICATION BY OBJECTS

Table OSSP-6 Classification by Objects (thousands of dollars)

Item No.	Item	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Estimate	2021 Budget
Personnel Compensation:					
	Washington D.C.	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$3,952
	Personnel Compensation, Field				153
11	Total personnel compensation	-	-	-	4,105
12	Personal benefits	-	-	-	1,315
	Total, personnel comp. and benefits.....	-	-	-	5,420
Other Objects:					
21.0	Travel and transportation of persons	-	-	-	51
22.0	Transportation of things	-	-	-	1
23.3	Communications, utilities, and misc. charges.....				163
24.0	Printing and reproduction				32
25.2	Other services from non-Federal sources	-	-	-	496
25.3	Other goods and services from Federal sources...	-	-	-	64
25.4	Operations and maintenance of facilities.....				18,657
26.0	Supplies and materials.....	-	-	-	57
31.0	Equipment	-	-	-	38
	Total, Other Objects.....	-	-	-	19,558
99.9	Total, new obligations.....	-	-	-	24,978
	DHS Building Security Payments (included in 25.3)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Position Data:					
	Average Salary (dollars), ES Position	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$185,000
	Average Salary (dollars), GS Position.....	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$110,000
	Average Grade, GS Position.....	-	-	-	13.3