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Budget 2023 - Key Messages

Issue Summary:

- The overall budget for the ministry is \$1,028.213 million, which represents a \$115.527 million increase, or 12.7 percent, from 2022/23 (restated). Reconciliation of budget changes is detailed in section 4, page 4. Details on each initiative are included in section 5.
- The overall increase against 2022/23 (restated) includes in the following *Budget 2023* increases:
 - \$32.240 million for Core Policing, which will over the next three years close the gap between existing (1820) and funded members (2325), and further increase members to the authorized strength of 2602
 - \$27.717 million for Wage Mandate
 - \$15.400 million for Corrections Critical Staffing
 - \$11.974 million for Court Injunction Policing costs
 - \$7.095 million for Cannabis Licensing
 - \$5.162 million for Police Modernization
 - \$1.271 million for Decriminalization
 - \$0.883 million for Community Social Services Agencies wage mandate
 - (\$0.052) million for Minister's Office Reallocation
- In addition to the base budget increases in *Budget 2023*, contingencies of \$26.322 million were approved for 2023/24:
 - \$3.396 million for Repeat Offending
 - \$3.610 million for Nanaimo Correctional Center Replacement Project
 - \$10.478 million for Provincial Police Services
 - \$5.410 million for Specialized Investigation and Targeted Enforcement Program
 - \$2.493 million for Police Modernization

- \$0.395 million for Cannabis Licensing
- As detailed in sections 2, 5 and 9, the ministry also received Contingency funding of \$136 million over the 3 years.

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1. Three Year Service Plan Comparison

(\$ millions)	2022/23*	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
2022/23 Plan*	912.686	928.468	928.398	928.398
2023/24 Plan	912.686	1,028.213	1,033.837	1,033.392
Plan over Plan Change		\$99.745	\$105.439	\$104.994
Plan over Plan % Change		10.74%	11.36%	11.31%
Year over Year Change		\$115.527	\$5.624	(\$0.445)
Year over Year % Change		12.66%	0.55%	(0.04%)

*2022/23 restated

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2. Plan-over-Plan Changes

Plan over Plan Changes	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
<u>Budget 2023 Decisions</u>	(\$ millions)		
Native Court Worker	(1.674)	(1.674)	(1.674)
Corrections Critical Staffing	15.400	15.400	15.400
SRM Allocations	27.717	33.304	33.304
Core Policing	32.240	32.240	32.240
Court Injunction	11.974	11.974	11.974
Decriminalization	1.271	1.233	0.758
Police Modernization	5.162	5.294	5.294
Cannabis Licensing	7.095	7.095	7.095
One Time Service Requests (OTSR)	(0.271)	(0.271)	(0.271)
CSS Wage Mandate Related Decision	0.883	0.896	0.926
Ministers Office Adjustment	(0.052)	(0.052)	(0.052)
Net Change	99.745	105.439	104.994

Contingencies

Plan over Plan Changes	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
<u>Budget 2023 Decisions</u>	(\$ millions)		
Repeat Offending	3.936	3.974	0.000
Nanaimo Correctional Center Replacement Project	3.610	0.000	0.000
Core Policing	10.478	35.304	51.669
Specialized Investigation and Targeted Enforcement	5.410	5.410	5.410
Police Modernization	2.493	3.531	3.531
Cannabis Licensing	0.395	0.395	0.000
Net Change	26.322	48.614	60.610

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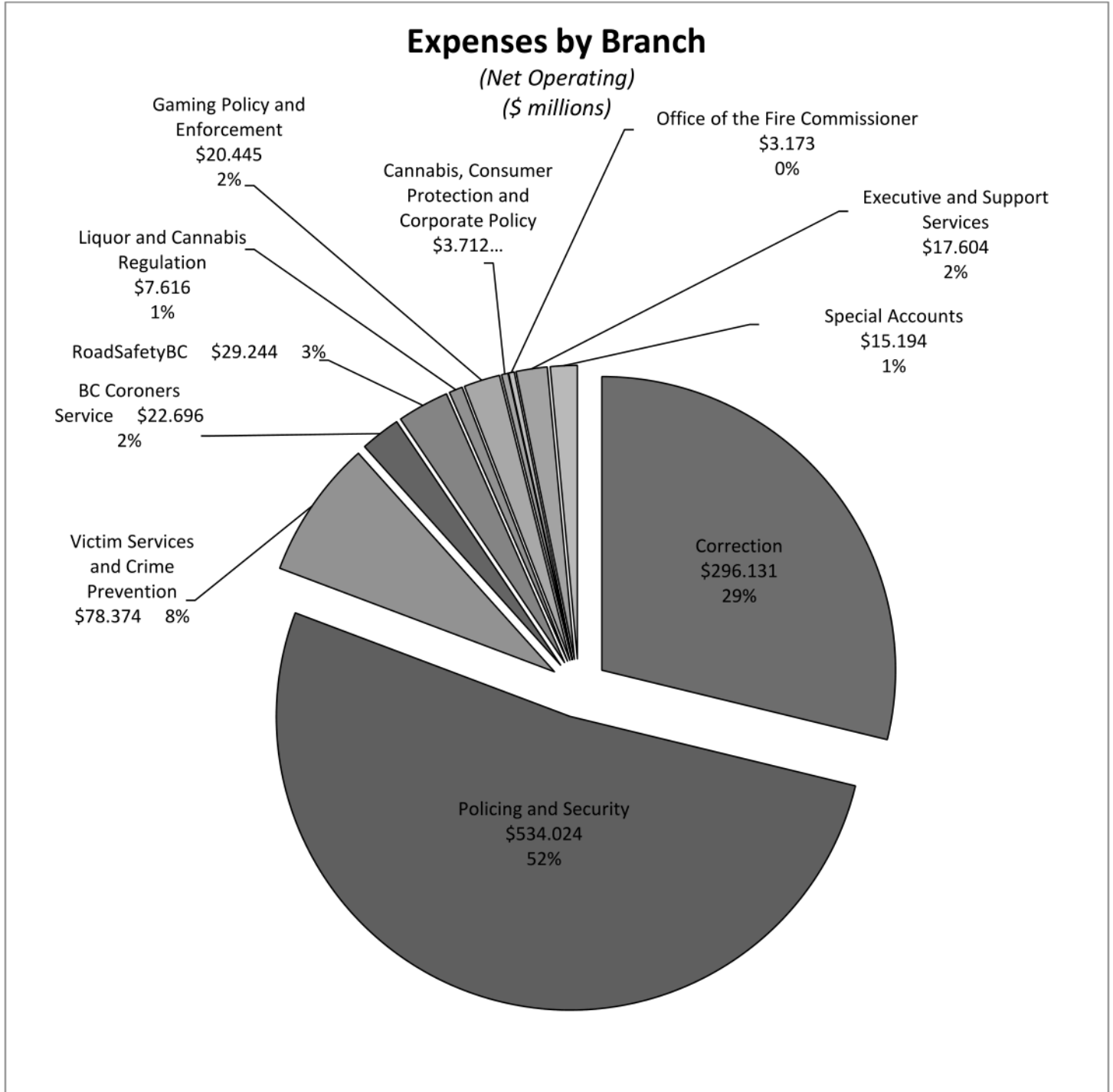
3. Year-over-Year Changes

Year over Year Changes	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
<u>Budget 2023 Decisions</u>	(\$ millions)		
Corrections Critical Staffing	15.400		
Wage Mandate	27.717	5.587	
Core Policing	32.240		
Court Injunction Policing costs	11.974		
Decriminalization	1.271	(0.038)	(0.475)
Police Modernization	5.162	0.132	
Cannabis Licensing	7.095		
Community Social Services Wage Mandate	0.883	0.013	0.030
Minister's Office Adjustment	(0.052)		
Sub-Total	101.690	5.694	(0.445)
<u>Prior Years Funding Decisions</u>			
<u>Budget 2022:</u>			
RCMP Leasing Pressures	2.633		
Sexual Assault Centres	10.212		
Victim Services Medical Forensic	0.015	0.018	
BC Coroners Service Caseload Pressures	0.645	(0.028)	
Road Safety Initiative	0.000		
Driver Medical Fitness Transformation	(0.090)	(0.060)	
Office of the Fire Commissioner Base Funding	0.316		
<u>Budget 2021:</u>			
Post-Mortem Diagnostic Suites	0.044		
First Nations Policing Program	0.050		
Minister's Office Adjustment	0.012		
Sub-Total	13.837	(0.070)	0.000
Net Change	115.527	5.624	(0.445)

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4. Ministry Budget by Branch

Expenses by branch, as a share of total expenses (\$ millions)



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Expense by branch, table of changes from 2022/23 restated

(\$ Millions)	2022/23	2023/24	Change	Change
	Restated Estimates	Estimates	(\$)	(%)
Voted Appropriations				
Corrections	260.07	296.131	36.061	13.87%
Policing and Security	479.217	534.024	54.807	11.44%
Victim Services and Crime Prevention	66.239	78.374	12.135	18.32%
BC Coroners Service	21.464	22.696	1.232	5.74%
RoadSafetyBC	27.814	29.244	1.430	5.14%
Liquor and Cannabis Regulation	0.001	7.616	7.615	Advice/Recommendations
Gaming Policy and Enforcement	19.567	20.445	0.878	4.49%
Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy	3.538	3.712	0.174	4.92%
Office of the Fire Commissioner	2.719	3.173	0.454	16.70%
Executive and Support Services	17.002	17.604	0.602	3.54%
Total Voted Appropriations	897.631	1,013.019	115.388	Advice/Recommendations
Statutory Appropriations				
Civil Forfeiture Account	0.270	0.409	0.139	51.48%
Correction Work Program Account	1.281	1.281	0.000	0.00%
Victim Surcharge Special Account	13.504	13.504	0.000	0.00%
Total Statutory Appropriations	15.055	15.194	0.139	0.92%
Total Appropriations	912.686	1,028.213	115.527	12.66%

5. Summary of Changes by Branch

Corrections

- \$36.061 million increase:
 - \$20.661 million Wage Mandate
 - \$15.400 million Critical Staffing

Policing and Security

- \$54.807 million increase:
 - \$32.240 million Core Policing
 - \$11.974 million Court Injunction Policing
 - \$5.162 million Police Modernization
 - \$1.477 million Wage Mandate
 - \$1.271 million Decriminalization
 - \$2.633 million from *Budget 2021* for RCMP Leasing Pressures

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- \$0.050 million from *Budget 2021* for First Nations Policing Program

Victim Services and Crime Prevention

- \$12.135 million increase:
 - \$1.025 million Wage Mandate
 - \$0.883 million Community Social Services Sector
 - \$10.212 million from *Budget 2022* for Sexual Assault Centers
 - \$0.015 million from *Budget 2022* for Victim Services Medical Forensic Examinations

BC Coroners Service

- \$1.232 million increase:
 - \$0.543 million Wage Mandate
 - \$0.645 million from *Budget 2022* for Caseload Pressures
 - \$0.044 million from *Budget 2022* for Post-Mortem Diagnostic Suites

RoadSafetyBC

- \$1.430 million increase:
 - \$1.520 million Wage Mandate
 - (\$0.090) million from *Budget 2022* for Driver Medical Fitness Transformation

Liquor and Cannabis Regulation

- \$7.615 million increase:
 - \$7.095 million Cannabis Licensing
 - \$0.520 million Wage Mandate

Gaming Policy and Enforcement

- \$0.878 million increase for the Wage Mandate.

Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy

- \$0.174 million increase for the Wage Mandate.

Office of the Fire Commissioner

- \$0.454 million increase:
 - \$0.316 million base funding lift from *Budget 2022*
 - \$0.138 million Wage Mandate

Executive and Support Services

- \$0.602 million increase:
 - \$0.642 million Wage Mandate
 - (\$0.040) million Minister's Office adjustment

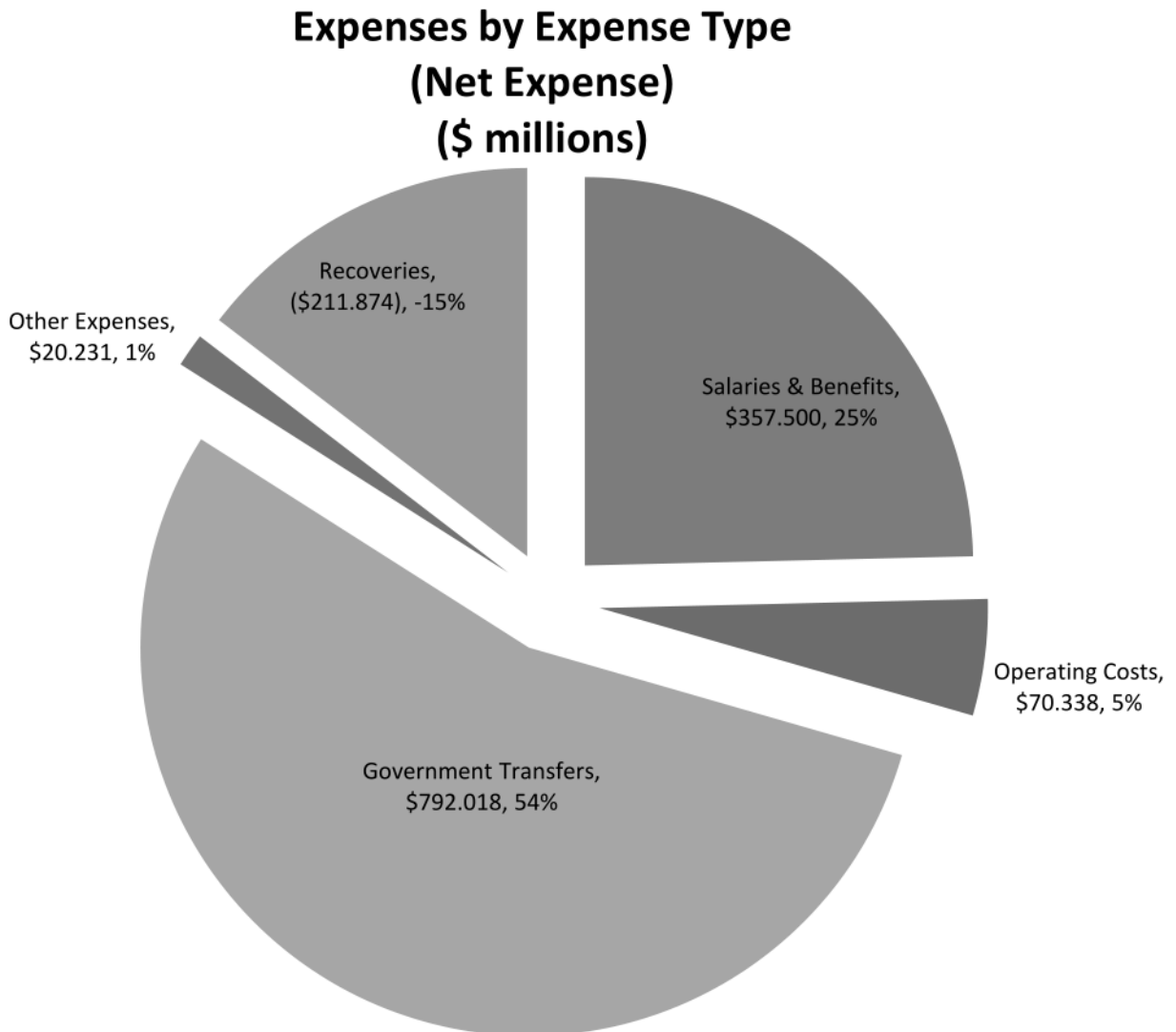
Civil Forfeiture Office

- \$0.139 million increase for the Wage Mandate.

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6. Ministry Budget by Expense Type

Expenses by expense type, as a share of total expenses (\$ millions)



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Expenses by expense type, table of changes from 2022/23 restated¹

(\$ millions)	2022/23	2023/24	Change	Change
	Restated Estimates	Estimates	(\$)	(%)
Salaries & Benefits	306.288	357.500	51.212	16.72%
Operating Costs	66.488	70.338	3.850	5.79%
Government Transfers	719.271	792.018	72.747	10.11%
Other Expenses ¹	20.053	20.231	0.178	0.89%
Recoveries	(17.175)	(17.175)	0.000	0.00%
Recoveries External ¹	(182.239)	(194.699)	(12.460)	6.84%
Total	912.686	1,028.213	115.527	12.66%

¹Does not include Allowances for Doubtful Accounts and Commissions on Collection of Public Funds, or the offsetting recoveries.

Summary of Changes:

Salaries & Benefits

- \$51.212 million increase:
 - \$28.525 million Wage Mandate
 - \$15.400 million Corrections Critical Staffing
 - \$5.312 million Cannabis Licensing
 - \$1.198 million Police Modernization
 - \$0.237 million Decriminalization
 - \$0.212 million Court Injunction Policing
 - (\$0.055) million Minister's Office adjustment
 - \$0.316 million from *Budget 2022* for Office of the Fire Commissioner base lift
 - \$0.032 million from *Budget 2022* for BC Coroners Service Caseload Pressures
 - \$0.023 million from *Budget 2022* for Sexual Assault Centres
 - \$0.012 million from *Budget 2022* for Minister's Office adjustment

Operating Costs

- \$3.850 million increase:
 - \$2.560 million Cannabis Licensing
 - \$0.533 million Decriminalization
 - \$0.490 million Police Modernization
 - \$0.003 million Minister's Office adjustment
 - \$0.613 million from *Budget 2022* for BC Coroners Services Caseload Pressures
 - \$0.044 million from *Budget 2021* for Post-Mortem Diagnostic Suites
 - (\$0.303) million from *Budget 2022* for Road Safety Initiative
 - (\$0.090) million from *Budget 2022* for Driver Medical Fitness Transformation

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Government Transfers

- \$72.747 million increase:
 - \$32.240 million Core Policing
 - \$11.762 million Court Injunction
 - \$3.474 million Police Modernization
 - \$3.000 million Distribution of Gaming Proceeds adjustment
 - \$0.883 million Community Social Services Sector
 - \$0.501 million Decriminalization
 - \$10.189 million from *Budget 2022* for Sexual Assault Centers
 - \$8.000 million from *Budget 2022* for Distribution of Gaming Proceeds adjustment
 - \$2.633 million from *Budget 2022* for RCMP Collective Agreement Wage increase
 - \$0.015 million from *Budget 2022* for Victim Services Medical Forensic Examinations
 - \$0.050 million from *Budget 2021* for the First Nations Policing Program

Other Expenses

- \$0.178 million increase:
 - \$0.325 million Cannabis Licensing
 - (\$0.147) million from *Budget 2022* for the Road Safety Initiative

Internal Recoveries

No Change.

External Recoveries

- (\$12.460) million increase:
 - (\$3.000) million Distribution of Gaming Proceeds adjustments
 - (\$1.100) million Cannabis Licensing
 - (\$0.810) million Wage Mandate
 - (\$8.000) million from *Budget 2022* for Distribution of Gaming Proceeds adjustments
 - \$0.450 million from *Budget 2022* for Road Safety Initiative.

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External recoveries in PSSG total \$194.699 million:

External Recoveries	
(\$ millions)	2023/24
	Estimates
Corrections	2.281
Policing and Security	52.251
Victim Services and Crime Prevention	0.300
BC Coroners Service	0.002
RoadSafetyBC	4.139
Liquor and Cannabis Regulation	14.449
Gaming Policy and Enforcement	113.772
Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy	0.002
Executive and Support Services	0.002
Civil Forfeiture Account	7.501
Total	194.699

7. Capital Budget

Asset Type (\$ millions)	2022/23	Estimates 2023/24	Budget Change
Specialized Equipment	1.109	1.074	(0.035)
Office Furniture and Equipment	0.039	0.017	(0.022)
Vehicles	1.619	1.497	(0.122)
Information Systems	0.014	0.000	(0.014)
Tenant Improvements	0.388	0.000	(0.388)
Total	3.169	2.588	(0.581)

- (\$0.581) million decrease primarily due to one-time budget in 2022/23 for the Office of the Fire Commissioner Tenant Improvements and a reduced vehicle budget.
- In addition to the capital budget items above, the Repeat Violent Offending Program received \$0.687 million in contingencies access to purchase vehicles for operations.

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3 Year Resource Summary**

ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN						
Core Business Area	2022/23 Restated Budget	2023/24 Estimate	2024/25 Plan	2024/25 Plan	2023/24 Changes	2023/24 Changes
	In \$ Millions				In \$ Millions	%
Corrections	260.070	296.131	300.467	300.467	36.061	13.9%
Policing and Security	479.217	534.024	534.398	533.923	54.807	11.4%
Victim Services and Crime Prevention	66.239	78.374	78.614	78.644	12.135	18.3%
BC Coroners Service	21.464	22.696	22.733	22.733	1.232	5.7%
RoadSafetyBC	27.814	29.244	29.494	29.494	1.430	5.1%
Liquor and Cannabis Regulation	0.001	7.616	7.719	7.719	7.615	Advice/Recommen
Gaming Policy and Enforcement	19.567	20.445	20.554	20.554	0.878	4.5%
Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy	3.538	3.712	3.736	3.736	0.174	4.9%
Office of the Fire Commissioner	2.719	3.173	3.200	3.200	0.454	16.7%
Executive and Support Services	17.002	17.604	17.700	17.700	0.602	3.5%
Special Accounts	15.055	15.194	15.222	15.222	0.139	0.9%
TOTAL	912.686	1,028.213	1,033.837	1,033.392	115.527	12.7%

Budget 2023 Decisions:

- Core Policing - \$32.240 million.*
- Wage Mandate - \$27.717 million.
- Corrections Critical Staffing - \$15.400 million.
- Court Injunction Policing costs - \$11.974 million.*
- Cannabis Licensing - \$7.095 million.
- Police Modernization - \$5.162 million.
- Decriminalization - \$1.271 million.
- Community Social Services Agencies increase - \$0.883 million.
- Minister's Office Adjustment - (\$0.052) million.

Prior Years' Decisions:

Budget 2022:

- RCMP Collective Agreement Wage Increase - \$2.633 million.
- Sexual Assault Centres - \$10.212 million.
- Victim Services Medical Forensic Examinations - \$0.015 million.
- BC Coroners Service Caseload Pressures - \$0.645 million.
- Driver Medical Fitness Transformation - (\$0.090) million.
- Office of the Fire Commissioner - \$0.316 million.

Budget 2021:

- Post-Mortem Diagnostic Suites - \$0.044 million.
- First Nations Policing Program - \$0.050 million.
- Minister's Office Adjustment - \$0.012 million.

Contingencies (In \$ Millions)^					
Core Business Area	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	Total over 3 year plan
	Repeat Offending	0.175	3.936	3.974	0.000
Nanaimo Correctional Center Replacement Project	0.000	3.610	0.000	0.000	3.610
Core Policing	0.000	10.478	35.304	51.669	97.451
Specialized Investigation and Targeted Enforcement Program	0.000	5.410	5.410	5.410	16.230
Police Modernization	0.000	2.493	3.531	3.531	9.555
Cannabis Licensing	0.000	0.395	0.395	0.000	0.790
TOTAL	0.175	26.322	48.614	60.610	135.546

^The amounts in this table are in addition to the Budget 2023 base budget lifts mentioned above.

*The \$230 million that was announced for Rural and Specialized Policing is a combination of Core Policing (base and contingencies) plus Court Injunction Policing costs, see more information and reconciliation in section 5

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Budget 2023 Decisions
(in \$ millions)

Base Budget

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	Total	
Core Policing	32.240	32.240	32.240	96.720	*
Wage Mandate	27.717	33.304	33.304	94.325	
Corrections Critical Staffing	15.400	15.400	15.400	46.200	
Court Injunction Policing costs	11.974	11.974	11.974	35.922	*
Cannabis Licensing	7.095	7.095	7.095	21.285	
Police Modernization	5.162	5.294	5.294	15.750	
Decriminalization	1.271	1.233	0.758	3.262	
Community Social Services Sector	0.883	0.896	0.926	2.705	
Minister's Office Adjustment	(0.052)	(0.052)	(0.052)	(0.156)	
Total	101.690	107.384	106.939	316.013	

As detailed on page 4 of section 4, there are also prior years funding decisions that impact the 2023/24 budget

Contingencies

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	Total	
Core Policing	10.478	35.304	51.669	97.451	*
Repeat Offending	3.936	3.974	-	7.910	
Special Investigation and Targeted Enforcement Program	5.410	5.410	5.410	16.230	
Nanaimo Correctional Centre Replacement Project	3.610	-	-	3.610	
Police Modernization	2.493	3.531	3.531	9.555	
Cannabis Licensing	0.395	0.395	-	0.790	
Contingencies	26.322	48.614	60.610	135.546	

Total Funding (Base plus Contingencies)

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	Total	
Core Policing	42.718	67.544	83.909	194.171	*
Police Modernization	7.655	8.825	8.825	25.305	
Cannabis Licensing	7.490	7.490	7.095	22.075	

Initiatives are detailed in section 5

*The \$230 million that was announced for Rural and Specialized Policing is a combination of Core Policing (base and contingencies) plus Court Injunction Policing costs, see more information and reconciliation in section 5

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

The mission of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General is to deliver public safety services and programs, to administer regulations for the liquor and cannabis industries, and to ensure that the public has confidence in British Columbia's gaming sector.

MINISTRY SUMMARY

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	Estimates 2022/23 ¹	Estimates 2023/24
VOTED APPROPRIATION		
Vote 42 — Ministry Operations.....	897,631	1,013,019
STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS		
Civil Forfeiture Account Special Account.....	270	409
Corrections Work Program Account Special Account.....	1,281	1,281
Criminal Asset Management Fund Special Account.....	—	—
Victim Surcharge Special Account.....	13,504	13,504
OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>912,686</u>	<u>1,028,213</u>
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ²	3,169	2,588
LOANS, INVESTMENTS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS ³	—	—
REVENUE COLLECTED FOR, AND TRANSFERRED TO, OTHER ENTITIES ⁴	—	—

NOTES

¹ For comparative purposes, figures shown for the 2022/23 operating expenses; capital expenditures; loans, investments and other requirements; and revenue collected for, and transferred to, other entities are restated to be consistent with the presentation of the 2023/24 *Estimates*. A reconciliation of restated operating expenses and capital expenditures is presented in Schedule A.

² A listing of estimated capital expenditures by ministry is presented in Schedule C.

³ A summary of loans, investments and other requirements by ministry is presented in Schedule D.

⁴ A summary of revenue collected for, and transferred to, other entities by ministry is presented in Schedule E.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

SUMMARY BY CORE BUSINESS

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OPERATING EXPENSES	2022/23	2023/24 ESTIMATES		
	Net	Gross	External Recoveries	Net
Core Business				
Corrections.....	260,070	298,412	(2,281)	296,131
Policing and Security.....	479,217	586,275	(52,251)	534,024
Victim Services and Crime Prevention.....	66,239	78,674	(300)	78,374
BC Coroners Service.....	21,464	22,698	(2)	22,696
RoadSafetyBC.....	27,814	33,383	(4,139)	29,244
Liquor and Cannabis Regulation.....	1	22,065	(14,449)	7,616
Gaming Policy and Enforcement.....	19,567	134,217	(113,772)	20,445
Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy.....	3,538	3,714	(2)	3,712
Office of the Fire Commissioner.....	2,719	3,173	—	3,173
Executive and Support Services.....	17,002	17,606	(2)	17,604
Civil Forfeiture Account Special Account.....	270	7,910	(7,501)	409
Corrections Work Program Account Special Account.....	1,281	1,281	—	1,281
Criminal Asset Management Fund Special Account.....	—	—	—	—
Victim Surcharge Special Account.....	13,504	13,504	—	13,504
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	912,686	1,222,912	(194,699)	1,028,213
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES				
	Capital Expenditures	Capital Expenditures	Receipts and P3 Liabilities	Net
Core Business				
Corrections.....	1,062	1,062	—	1,062
BC Coroners Service.....	47	12	—	12
Office of the Fire Commissioner.....	744	—	—	—
Executive and Support Services.....	1,316	1,514	—	1,514
TOTAL	3,169	2,588	—	2,588

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

VOTE DESCRIPTIONS
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VOTE 42 — MINISTRY OPERATIONS

This vote provides for the programs, operations, and other activities described in the voted appropriations under the following core businesses: Corrections; Policing and Security; Victim Services and Crime Prevention; BC Coroners Service; RoadSafetyBC; Liquor and Cannabis Regulation; Gaming Policy and Enforcement; Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy; Office of the Fire Commissioner; and Executive and Support Services.

CORRECTIONS

Voted Appropriation

Corrections.....	260,070	<u>296,131</u>
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Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides for the management of remanded and sentenced adult offenders in custody and in the community, immigration detainees, and for the planning and management of correctional programs. Costs may be recovered from ministries, Crown agencies, boards and commissions, other levels of governments, and other parties both internal and external to government for activities described within this sub-vote.

POLICING AND SECURITY

Voted Appropriation

Policing and Security.....	479,217	<u>534,024</u>
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Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides for superintending policing and law enforcement in the province; management of contract policing; development and administration of policy and legislation regarding cannabis enforcement, including stakeholder consultation and public engagement; and developing and delivering initiatives to maintain safe and secure communities. This sub-vote also provides for security industry regulations and other protective programs. Costs may be recovered from ministries, Crown agencies, boards and commissions, other levels of government, and other parties both internal and external to government for activities described within this sub-vote.

VICTIM SERVICES AND CRIME PREVENTION

Voted Appropriation

Victim Services and Crime Prevention.....	66,239	<u>78,374</u>
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Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides for direct services to support victims of crime, counselling and outreach services for women and children impacted by violence, and financial assistance and benefits to assist victims in their recovery from the impacts of violent crime. This sub-vote also provides for facilitating restitution to victims and support to communities to prevent crime, violence, and victimization. Costs may be recovered from the Victim Surcharge Special Account for victim service programs, from ministries for special public safety initiatives, and from other levels of government for activities described within this sub-vote.

BC CORONERS SERVICE

Voted Appropriation

BC Coroners Service.....	21,464	<u>22,696</u>
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Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides for the operation of the BC Coroners Service and the administration of the *Coroners Act*, including investigating unnatural, sudden, and unexpected deaths; investigating and reviewing children's deaths; identifying, and publicly reporting on relevant facts about, deceased persons; advancing recommendations aimed at the prevention of death; holding inquests and Death Review Panels; and reporting on issues affecting public health and safety. Costs may be recovered from ministries, Crown agencies, and other levels of government for activities described within this sub-vote.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

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	Estimates 2022/23	Estimates 2023/24
ROADSAFETYBC		
Voted Appropriation		
RoadSafetyBC.....	27,814	29,244

Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides for programs and activities of RoadSafetyBC, including leading and supporting government traffic safety initiatives, administration of driver regulatory and traffic safety programs, setting driver licensing policies, monitoring and regulating unfit drivers, conducting appeals of driving prohibitions and conducting hearings and reviews of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia's decisions respecting driver licence sanctions, driver training schools, driver trainer licences, and other driver-related programs. This sub-vote also provides for expenses related to participation in national organizations and reimbursements for programs administered by RoadSafetyBC. Costs may be recovered from ministries, Crown agencies, boards and commissions, other levels of government, organizations, and from appeal fees and program fees for activities described within this sub-vote.

LIQUOR AND CANNABIS REGULATION**Voted Appropriations**

Liquor Regulation.....	1	1
Cannabis Regulation.....	—	7,615
	<u>1</u>	<u>7,616</u>

Voted Appropriations Description: This sub-vote provides for the overall policy development, administration, licensing, and enforcement of cannabis and liquor in support of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and regulations, and the *Cannabis Control and Licensing Act* and regulations to establish and operate ongoing programs to reduce the incidence of underage consumption and increase public awareness about responsible consumption. Costs may be recovered from ministries, organizations within the government reporting entity, and parties both internal and external to government for activities described within this sub-vote.

GAMING POLICY AND ENFORCEMENT**Voted Appropriations**

Gaming Policy and Enforcement Operations.....	19,566	20,444
Distribution of Gaming Proceeds.....	1	1
	<u>19,567</u>	<u>20,445</u>

Voted Appropriations Description: This sub-vote provides for the administration of gaming in the province, including horse racing and lotteries, and includes development and administration of legislation, policy, standards, and regulations; licensing gaming events; oversight of horse racing events and teletheatres; registration; equipment and product certification; auditing all forms of gambling activities for compliance, investigation, and enforcement activities concerning legal gaming venues and illegal gaming; the management of the Province's gaming initiatives; the Province's responsible gambling strategy and problem gambling program; and the distribution of gaming proceeds. This sub-vote also provides for the activities of the cross-government Compliance and Enforcement Secretariat. Costs related to the Secretariat's activities may be recovered from ministries and Crown agencies. Costs may be recovered from revenues paid into the General Fund of the Consolidated Revenue Fund by the British Columbia Lottery Corporation, from processing fees for gaming event licence applications, from the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency for horse race testing, from external entities for horse race betting, and from gaming registrants for direct costs incurred in the processing of registration applications for activities described within this sub-vote. Costs may also be recovered from ministries for activities described within this sub-vote.

CANNABIS, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND CORPORATE POLICY**Voted Appropriation**

Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy.....	3,538	3,712
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Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides service planning for the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, development of policy and legislation regarding consumer protection, oversight of delegated consumer protection authorities, and the development of policy and legislation regarding cannabis, as well as stakeholder consultation and public engagement. Costs may be recovered from ministries, Crown agencies, boards and commissions, other levels of government, and other parties both internal and external to government for activities described within this sub-vote.

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VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

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	Estimates 2022/23	Estimates 2023/24
OFFICE OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONER		
Voted Appropriation		
Office of the Fire Commissioner.....	2,719	3,173
	<u>2,719</u>	<u>3,173</u>
Voted Appropriation Description: This sub-vote provides for the Office of the Fire Commissioner, which implements fire safety regulations and activities, promotes fire safety, and assists major fire investigations and the response to major wildland urban interface fire emergencies. Costs may be recovered from ministries for activities described within this sub-vote.		
EXECUTIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICES		
Voted Appropriations		
Minister's Office.....	824	784
Corporate Services.....	16,178	16,820
	<u>17,002</u>	<u>17,604</u>
Voted Appropriations Description: This sub-vote provides for the office of the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General; executive direction of the ministry, including the Deputy Solicitor General's office; general services to support program delivery; policy development; and management services for the ministry, including oversight of Crown corporations, and for the Ministries of Attorney General, Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, and Housing, including financial administration, facilities management, and organizational development. Costs may also be recovered from ministries, Crown agencies, boards and commissions, other levels of government, organizations, and individuals for activities described within this sub-vote.		
VOTE 42 — MINISTRY OPERATIONS	897,631	1,013,019

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

STATUTORY DESCRIPTIONS

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STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS

These statutory appropriations provide for the programs, operations, and other activities of the following special accounts: Civil Forfeiture Account, Corrections Work Program Account, Criminal Asset Management Fund, and Victim Surcharge Special Account.

CIVIL FORFEITURE ACCOUNT

Statutory Appropriation

Civil Forfeiture Account.....	270	409
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Statutory Appropriation Description: This statutory appropriation provides for the Civil Forfeiture Account which is governed under the *Civil Forfeiture Act*.

CORRECTIONS WORK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

Statutory Appropriation

Corrections Work Program Account.....	1,281	1,281
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Statutory Appropriation Description: This statutory appropriation provides for the Corrections Work Program Account which is governed under the *Correction Act*.

CRIMINAL ASSET MANAGEMENT FUND

Statutory Appropriation

Criminal Asset Management Fund.....	—	—
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Statutory Appropriation Description: This statutory appropriation provides for the Criminal Asset Management Fund which is governed under the *Criminal Asset Management Act*.

VICTIM SURCHARGE SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Statutory Appropriation

Victim Surcharge Special Account.....	13,504	13,504
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Statutory Appropriation Description: This statutory appropriation provides for the Victim Surcharge Special Account which is governed under the *Victims of Crime Act*.

MINISTRY GROUP ACCOUNT CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY

GROUP ACCOUNT CLASSIFICATION

Salaries and Benefits	306,288	357,500
Operating Costs	66,488	70,339
Government Transfers	719,271	792,018
Other Expenses	20,053	20,231
Internal Recoveries	(17,175)	(17,176)
External Recoveries	(182,239)	(194,699)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES.....	912,686	1,028,213

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS¹
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	Estimates 2022/23	Estimates 2023/24
CIVIL FORFEITURE ACCOUNT		
This account was established by the <i>Civil Forfeiture Act</i> in 2005. The purpose of the Act is to suppress unlawful activities by removing the associated economic incentive and to fund crime prevention, crime remediation, and victim compensation initiatives. The account is established to receive the liquidated value of forfeited assets and to distribute the net revenue in the form of grants. The net revenue represents the excess of recoveries over expenses in a given fiscal year. Expenses are limited to those permitted within the scope of the Act and include administration of the Act. Costs may be recovered from proceeds from judgments or settlements of concluded legal proceedings.		
SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	6,279	6,009
OPERATING TRANSACTIONS		
Revenue.....	—	—
Expense.....	(7,771)	(7,910)
Internal and External Recoveries.....	7,501	7,501
Net Revenue (Expense).....	(270)	(409)
FINANCING TRANSACTIONS		
Receipts.....	—	—
Disbursements.....	—	—
Capital Expenditures.....	—	—
Net Cash Source (Requirement).....	—	—
PROJECTED SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	6,009	5,600

NOTES

¹ A Special Account is an account in the General Fund where the authorization to spend money from the account is located in an Act other than the *Supply Act*.

² The Spending Authority Available at the Beginning of the Fiscal Year 2022/23 is based on the 2021/22 *Public Accounts*. The Projected Spending Authority Available at the End of the Fiscal Year represents the cash and temporary investments projected to be available at the end of each fiscal year.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS¹

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	Estimates 2022/23	Estimates 2023/24
CORRECTIONS WORK PROGRAM ACCOUNT		
This account was established by the <i>Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No.2)</i> in 1987 and is governed under the <i>Correction Act</i> . The purpose of the account is to assist inmates in acquiring skills and to encourage them to develop good work habits. Revenue represents proceeds from the sale of goods and services produced by inmates. Expenses are for supplies and costs related to the Corrections Work Program. Administration costs are funded through the ministry's voted appropriations.		
SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	1,939	2,068
OPERATING TRANSACTIONS		
Revenue.....	650	650
Expense.....	(1,281)	(1,281)
Transfer from Ministry Operations Vote.....	700	700
Net Revenue (Expense).....	<u>69</u>	<u>69</u>
FINANCING TRANSACTIONS		
Receipts.....	—	—
Disbursements.....	—	—
Capital Expenditures.....	—	—
Net Cash Source (Requirement).....	—	—
Working Capital Adjustments and Other Spending Authority Committed ³	<u>60</u>	<u>60</u>
PROJECTED SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	<u>2,068</u>	<u>2,197</u>

NOTES

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³ The Working Capital Adjustments and Other Spending Authority Committed includes those adjustments that would change the cash balance of the Special Account. This may include amortization expense, changes in accounts receivable and payable, and the recognition of deferred revenues.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS¹
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	Estimates 2022/23	Estimates 2023/24
CRIMINAL ASSET MANAGEMENT FUND		
The Forfeited Crime Proceeds Fund account was established by the <i>Special Accounts Appropriation and Control Act</i> in 1988, as amended by the <i>Attorney General Amendment Act</i> in 1989. This account was continued in 2012, under the name Criminal Asset Management Fund, by the <i>Criminal Asset Management Act</i> . The purpose of this account is to use the proceeds that government obtains from criminal forfeitures and certain fines for certain criminal justice purposes. Revenue represents money received by government from proceeds of crime provided by certain other governments, money paid as a fine under a provision of the <i>Criminal Code</i> of Canada or under similar legislation, and money forfeited under certain sections of the <i>Criminal Code</i> of Canada. Revenue also represents money realized from the disposition of forfeited property governed by the Act and other money, interest, and income provided for in the Act. Expenses are for compensation of eligible victims, crime prevention and remediation, administration of the Act, and other prescribed purposes. Administrative costs may be funded through the ministry's voted appropriations.		
SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	2,426	2,426
OPERATING TRANSACTIONS		
Revenue.....	—	—
Expense.....	—	—
Net Revenue (Expense).....	—	—
FINANCING TRANSACTIONS		
Receipts.....	—	—
Disbursements.....	—	—
Capital Expenditures.....	—	—
Net Cash Source (Requirement).....	—	—
PROJECTED SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	2,426	2,426

NOTES

¹ A Special Account is an account in the General Fund where the authorization to spend money from the account is located in an Act other than the *Supply Act*.

² The Spending Authority Available at the Beginning of the Fiscal Year 2022/23 is based on the 2021/22 *Public Accounts*. The Projected Spending Authority Available at the End of the Fiscal Year represents the cash and temporary investments projected to be available at the end of each fiscal year.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS¹
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	Estimates 2022/23	Estimates 2023/24
VICTIM SURCHARGE SPECIAL ACCOUNT		
This account was established by the <i>Victims of Crime Act</i> in 1996. The purpose of the account is to fund services to victims of crime as provided for in the Act. Revenue represents proceeds from a victim surcharge levy on fines from all provincial offences, both court-imposed fines and those which result in a violation ticket. Revenue also includes proceeds from the federal victim surcharge levy on offences imposed by the court under the <i>Criminal Code</i> of Canada, fines issued under the <i>Controlled Drugs and Substances Act</i> , the <i>Cannabis Act</i> , and interest earned on the balance of the fund. Expenses are for justice system obligations to victims of crime under the Act, including administration costs for both the Ministry of Attorney General and the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General. Any remaining funds may be expended on initiatives which may benefit victims of crime. Administration costs are funded through the ministry's voted appropriations.		
SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	29,279	27,775
OPERATING TRANSACTIONS		
Revenue.....	12,000	12,000
Expense.....	(13,504)	(13,504)
Net Revenue (Expense).....	(1,504)	(1,504)
FINANCING TRANSACTIONS		
Receipts.....	—	—
Disbursements.....	—	—
Capital Expenditures.....	—	—
Net Cash Source (Requirement).....	—	—
PROJECTED SPENDING AUTHORITY AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR ².....	27,775	26,271

NOTES

¹ A Special Account is an account in the General Fund where the authorization to spend money from the account is located in an Act other than the *Supply Act*.

² The Spending Authority Available at the Beginning of the Fiscal Year 2022/23 is based on the 2021/22 *Public Accounts*. The Projected Spending Authority Available at the End of the Fiscal Year represents the cash and temporary investments projected to be available at the end of each fiscal year.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL
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VOTE 42 Ministry Operations

Description	Total 2022/23 Operating Expenses	50	51	52	54	Total Salaries and Benefits	55	57	59	60	63	65	67	68	69
Corrections	260,070	192,726	4,751	49,072	—	246,549	—	835	2,504	3,298	806	2,065	—	—	7,763
Policing and Security	479,217	16,483	25	4,187	—	20,695	—	212	642	2,137	446	809	—	—	449
Victim Services and Crime Prevention	66,239	7,846	76	1,993	—	9,915	—	69	91	429	480	191	—	—	—
BC Coroners Service	21,464	9,692	76	2,462	—	12,230	55	317	201	8,443	491	241	—	—	108
RoadSafetyBC	27,814	15,759	51	4,003	—	19,813	—	86	2,599	1,482	540	271	—	—	—
Liquor and Cannabis Regulation	1	13,115	40	3,331	—	16,486	—	321	472	417	1,515	518	—	—	19
Liquor Regulation	1	8,482	20	2,154	—	10,656	—	221	147	300	525	300	—	—	5
Cannabis Regulation	—	4,633	20	1,177	—	5,830	—	100	325	117	990	218	—	—	14
Gaming Policy and Enforcement	19,567	12,132	72	3,082	—	15,286	—	472	358	572	507	641	—	40	2
Gaming Policy and Enforcement Operations	19,566	12,132	72	3,082	—	15,286	—	472	358	572	507	641	—	40	2
Distribution of Gaming Proceeds	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy	3,538	2,650	—	672	—	3,322	—	44	109	100	3	35	—	—	—
Office of the Fire Commissioner	2,719	2,175	—	552	—	2,727	—	40	—	70	110	100	—	—	14
Executive and Support Services	17,002	7,479	27	1,933	58	9,497	—	156	166	111	4,473	252	—	—	5
Minister's Office	824	476	—	145	58	679	—	65	—	—	10	22	—	—	3
Corporate Services	16,178	7,003	27	1,788	—	8,818	—	91	166	111	4,463	230	—	—	2
Total	897,631	280,057	5,118	71,287	58	356,520	55	2,552	7,142	17,059	9,371	5,123	—	40	8,360

Statutory Appropriations

Description	Total 2022/23 Operating Expenses	50	51	52	54	Total Salaries and Benefits	55	57	59	60	63	65	67	68	69
Civil Forfeiture Account	270	782	—	198	—	980	—	30	3,229	—	25	55	—	90	—
Corrections Work Program Account	1,281	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	41	—	—	475
Criminal Asset Management Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Victim Surcharge Special Account	13,504	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	15,055	782	—	198	—	980	—	30	3,229	—	39	96	—	90	475

70	72	73	75	Total Operating Costs	77	79	80	Total Govt Transfers	81	83	85	Total Other Expenses	86	88	Total Internal Recoveries	89	90	Total External Recoveries	Total 2023/24 Operating Expenses
944	—	3,777	3,047	25,039	—	4,300	21,697	25,997	—	—	1,212	1,212	—	(385)	(385)	(1)	(2,280)	(2,281)	296,131
208	—	121	329	5,353	2,061	—	559,602	561,663	—	—	149	149	—	(1,585)	(1,585)	(1)	(52,250)	(52,251)	534,024
—	—	94	3	1,357	175	18,188	58,813	77,176	—	—	44	44	(9,816)	(2)	(9,818)	—	(300)	(300)	78,374
77	—	98	510	10,541	—	—	—	—	—	—	28	28	—	(101)	(101)	(1)	(1)	(2)	22,696
15	—	13	8	5,014	—	—	5,770	5,770	—	—	2,787	2,787	—	(1)	(1)	(1)	(4,138)	(4,139)	29,244
248	—	49	1,467	5,026	—	—	—	—	—	—	554	554	—	(1)	(1)	(1)	(14,448)	(14,449)	7,616
170	—	49	749	2,466	—	—	—	—	—	—	229	229	—	(1)	(1)	(1)	(13,348)	(13,349)	1
78	—	—	718	2,560	—	—	—	—	—	—	325	325	—	—	—	—	(1,100)	(1,100)	7,615
8	—	444	3	3,047	10,000	—	105,836	115,836	—	—	49	49	—	(1)	(1)	—	(113,772)	(113,772)	20,445
8	—	444	3	3,047	—	—	5,836	5,836	—	—	49	49	—	(1)	(1)	—	(3,773)	(3,773)	20,444
—	—	—	—	—	10,000	—	100,000	110,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(109,999)	(109,999)	1
—	—	—	—	291	100	—	—	100	—	—	2	2	—	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(2)	3,712
50	—	53	10	447	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1)	(1)	—	—	—	3,173
153	—	2,452	2,321	10,089	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,302	3,302	—	(5,282)	(5,282)	(1)	(1)	(2)	17,604
—	—	5	—	105	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	784
153	—	2,447	2,321	9,984	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,302	3,302	—	(5,282)	(5,282)	(1)	(1)	(2)	16,820
1,703	—	7,101	7,698	66,204	12,336	22,488	751,718	786,542	—	—	8,127	8,127	(9,816)	(7,360)	(17,176)	(7)	(187,191)	(187,198)	1,013,019

70	72	73	75	Total Operating Costs	77	79	80	Total Govt Transfers	81	83	85	Total Other Expenses	86	88	Total Internal Recoveries	89	90	Total External Recoveries	Total 2023/24 Operating Expenses
—	—	—	1	3,430	3,000	—	—	3,000	—	—	500	500	—	—	—	—	(7,501)	(7,501)	409
115	—	60	—	705	—	—	476	476	—	—	100	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,281
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	2,000	—	—	2,000	11,504	—	—	11,504	—	—	—	—	—	—	13,504
115	—	60	1	4,135	5,000	—	476	5,476	11,504	—	600	12,104	—	—	—	—	(7,501)	(7,501)	15,194

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POLICING AND SECURITY BRANCH

TOPIC: Provincial Police Service Resources (as of April 1, 2023)

DESCRIPTION: The figures below represent the Provincial Police Service numbers included in the Annex A. They are a point in time calculation, based on RCMP E Division Executive Report (April 1, 2022) with the addition of the sworn members from other police agencies¹.

Question	Response
<p><u>Authorized Strength</u>² for RCMP Provincial Policing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorized Strength is inclusive of Regular, Civilian, and Special Constable Member positions and 200 Sworn Officer positions from other police agencies. 	2, 602 Member positions
<p><u>Established Strength</u>³ for Provincial Police Service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established Strength including the 200 Sworn Officer positions from other police agencies, identified above. 	2,512 Member positions
<p><u>Actual Strength</u>⁴ for Provincial Police Service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusive of Surplus to Establishment positions and the 200 Sworn Officer position. 	1,987.5 Member position
Number of provincial policing positions currently where incumbents are on leave, e.g. off-duty sick, on parental leave, suspended, leave with out pay or other administrative leave related reasons.	312 Member positions
Number of provincial policing positions currently vacant.	212.5 Member positions
The Authorized Strength of 2,602 was agreed to at the time of signing the 2012 to 2023 Provincial Police Service Agreement.	

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¹ The 200 Sworn Officer Positions were identified in the Annex A Reconciliation, based on April 1, 2022 data.

² Authorized Strength is the number of Member positions the RCMP is authorized by contract, to fill.

³ Established Strength is the number of Member positions created in RCMP human resources system plus the 200 sworn officer positions from other police agencies, comprising the Provincial Police Service.

⁴ Actual Strength is a point in time calculation of the number of Member positions occupied by an employee (inclusive of Surplus to Establishment positions and the 200 Sworn Officer positions).

TOPIC: Federal Policing

DESCRIPTION: Federal Policing is paid for at 100% by the federal government.

Question	Response
Dedicated federal positions in B.C.	725 established positions 516 regular members 209 civilian positions
Federal positions filled in B.C.	451 operational positions 312 Regular Member Positions 135 Civilian Positions 4 Surplus to Establishment (RMs)

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TOPIC: Community Safety Unit Resources and Enforcement of Illicit Cannabis

Question	Response
Unit inspections conducted since enforcement started	320
Notices for administrative penalties issued since the unit's enforcement started	58
Illegal cannabis stores that have been closed or shut down since the unit's enforcement started	189
Unit's positions authorized within the province	41
Unit's positions currently filled	27
Location of unit's resources within the province	4 Regional Offices (Surrey, Victoria, Kelowna, Prince George)

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TOPIC: First Nations and Inuit Police Resourcing

DESCRIPTION: Under the First Nations and Inuit Policing Program, B.C. currently has 59 Community Tripartite Agreements, serving 132 communities, one self-administered agreement serving ten communities and one quadripartite agreement serving one First Nation.

RCMP Indigenous Policing Services has an authorized strength of 117.5 FTEs. For 2020/21, the FTE utilization was 96.7 FTEs. The self-administered agreement with Stl’at’imx Tribal Police Service includes 14 FTEs and the quadripartite agreement serving Tsawwassen First Nations includes one FTE.

This resource summary reflects the RCMP “E” Division Executive Report (April 1, 2022). These figures reflect a point in time.

Question	Response
Government Financial Information; Intergovernmental Communications	
Actual Strength for RCMP Indigenous Policing Services CTAs	94 FTEs
Indigenous Policing Services positions where incumbents are currently off-duty sick, on parental leave, or other administrative leave-related reasons	15.5
Indigenous Policing Services positions currently vacant	8

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TOPIC: Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit

DESCRIPTION: The unit’s mandate is to target, investigate, prosecute, disrupt, and dismantle the organized crime groups and individuals that pose the highest risk to public safety due to their involvement in gang violence.

Question	Response
Positions within the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit*	465 (incl. support staff)
Total filled positions (Operational Capacity)	361 (78%)
Position Breakdowns:	
OCABC RM positions	52
Vacancies	3 (6%)
OCABC Civilian positions	115
Vacancies	9 (8%)
RCMP established RM positions	168
Vacancies	41 (24%)
RCMP established Civilian positions	39
Vacancies	6 (15%)
Number of Investigative and Enforcement Teams within CFSEU-BC (This includes general and specialized Investigative Teams and Uniform Enforcement Teams across all districts. Does not include operational support or intelligence teams/units)	20 teams
Provincial funding for the unit (Paid under the 70/30 cost share under the Provincial Police Service Agreement.)	\$90.8M (at 100%) Provincial share: \$63.6M

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BC CORONERS SERVICE

TOPIC: BC Coroners Service Statistics

Question	Response
Total number of deaths reported to the BC Coroners Service in 2022/2023	13,733
Total number of deaths preliminarily investigated and deemed not to meet the criteria for a coroner’s investigation in 2022/2023	6,849
Total number of deaths accepted for investigation in 2022/2023	6,884
Total number of coroner’s reports issued in 2022/2023	5,656
Total number of coroner’s inquests held in 2022/2023	5
Total number of death review panels convened in 2022/2023	1
Total FTE employed by BCCS in fiscal year 2022/2023	112.1

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