CORONER Fund 080-042



Coroner positions: 6 FTE

The position and duties of the Coroner are statutorily defined in the Illinois Counties Code (55 ILCS 5/3-3).

MISSION STATEMENT

To investigate the cause and manner of death of anyone who falls under the jurisdiction of the Coroner as prescribed by law. The Coroner's Office sustains teamwork in medico-legal death investigations, delivered with compassion and respect, for the health and well-being of the people of Champaign County.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The coroner's office has done an excellent job of responding to the large number of deaths resulting from drug abuse over the past few years. Working with local law enforcement partners, several death investigations have been pursued beyond the autopsy and toxicology testing process to potential criminal charges being filed against the drug suppliers. Overall, the total number of death investigations handled by the coroner's office in the first half of 2018 has remained consistent with fiscal year 2017.

Revenue from statutory fees and morgue use fees has remained consistent with fiscal year 2017 totals. Revenue sources include statutory fees paid for copies of reports and issuing cremation permits. Nonstatutory fees collected from other counties, hospitals, and private citizens for providing private autopsy services through the coroner's office make up the bulk of other fees collected.

The Coroner's Office utilized grant funds totaling \$4477 administered by the Illinois Department of Public Health to upgrade coroner facility security features and access in fiscal year 2018. Electronic key card/fob proximity readers were installed on the exterior doors and storage vault at the coroner's office. The new security upgrades provide the ability to determine who is entering different locations in the coroner's office and when these locations are accessed.

The coroner's office assisted the University of Illinois Medical School and the new Carle Illinois Medical College by transporting scientific cadavers for use in training new physicians beginning in 2018/2019.

FINANCIAL

		Fund 080 Dept 042	2017 Actual	2018 Original	2018 Projected	2019 Budget
334	42	IL DP PUB HLTH-GEN RV GRT	\$4,454	\$4,800	\$4,477	\$4,800
335	71	STATE REV-SALARY STIPENDS	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500
		FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL SHARED REVENUE	\$10,954	\$11,300	\$10,977	\$11,300
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341	41	CORONER STATUTORY FEES	\$56,785	\$51,000	\$49,000	\$49,000
341	42	REIMB OF CORONER COSTS	\$54,906	\$55,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
		FEES AND FINES	\$111,691	\$106,000	\$99,000	\$99,000
369	90	OTHER MISC. REVENUE	\$157	\$0	\$0	\$0
		MISCELLANEOUS	\$157	\$0	\$0	\$0
		REVENUE TOTALS	\$122,802	\$117,300	\$109,977	\$110,300
511	1	ELECTED OFFICIAL SALARY	\$89,954	\$91,612	\$91,612	\$91,612
511	3	REG. FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES	\$208,741	\$214,223	\$216,551	\$215,684
511	5	TEMP. SALARIES & WAGES	\$27,220	\$33,963	\$33,963	\$33,963
511	9	OVERTIME	\$9,790	\$6,450	\$6,450	\$6,450
511	40	STATE-PAID SALARY STIPEND	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500
513	21	EMPLOYEE PHYSICALS/LAB	\$1,699	\$1,200	\$553	\$1,200
		PERSONNEL	\$343,904	\$353,948	\$355,629	\$355,409
522	1	STATIONERY & PRINTING	\$234	\$200	\$200	\$200
522	2	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$553	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
522	3	BOOKS, PERIODICALS & MAN.	\$603	\$600	\$670	\$600
522	6	POSTAGE, UPS, FED EXPRESS	\$795	\$500	\$750	\$500
522	15	GASOLINE & OIL	\$4,459	\$5,535	\$5,535	\$5,535
522	19	UNIFORMS	\$462	\$120	\$120	\$120
522	44	EQUIPMENT LESS THAN \$5000	\$10,585	\$4,700	\$1,500	\$4,700
522	45	VEH EQUIP LESS THAN \$5000	\$473	\$0	\$580	\$0
522	90	ARSENAL & POLICE SUPPLIES	\$1,075	\$500	\$0	\$500
522	93	OPERATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$8,792	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000
		COMMODITIES	\$28,031	\$26,355	\$23,555	\$26,355
533	6	MEDICAL/DENTAL/MENTL HLTH	\$135,306	\$123,200	\$129,202	\$129,202
533	22	LABORATORY FEES	\$49,269	\$45,000	\$45,000	\$45,000
533	29	COMPUTER/INF TCH SERVICES	\$1,779	\$1,780	\$1,780	\$1,780
533	33	TELEPHONE SERVICE	\$4,274	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
533	36	WASTE DISPOSAL & RECYCLNG	\$4,446	\$4,732	\$4,732	\$4,732
533	40	AUTOMOBILE MAINTENANCE	\$1,022	\$975	\$975	\$975
533	42	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$2,320	\$1,213	\$1,531	\$1,531
533	52	OTHER SERVICE BY CONTRACT	\$2,928	\$2,928	\$2,928	\$2,928
533	67	202 BARTELL BDG RPR-MAINT	\$0	\$0	\$4,936	\$0
533	93	DUES AND LICENSES	\$720	\$775	\$675	\$775
533	94	INVESTIGATION EXPENSE	\$0	\$0	\$750	\$0
533	95	CONFERENCES & TRAINING	\$1,564	\$4,000	\$1,600	\$4,000
534	37	FINANCE CHARGES, BANK FEES	\$179	\$200	\$200	\$200
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534	63	INDIGENT BURIAL SERVICES	\$814 \$204,621	\$1,500 \$190,803	\$2,000 \$200,809	\$2,000 \$197,623
		EXPENDITURE TOTALS	\$576,556	\$571,106	\$579,993	\$579,387

EXPENSE PER CAPITA and **FULL TIME EMPLOYEE HISTORY** information is included in the General Corporate Fund Budget Summary.

ALIGNMENT to STRATEGIC PLAN

County Board Goal 1 – Champaign County is committed to being a high performing, open and transparent local government organization

• The coroner's office will strive to provide complete and full transparency of all coroner operations subject only to state and federal statutory restrictions.

County Board Goal 2 – Champaign County maintains high quality public facilities and highways and provides a safe rural transportation system and infrastructure

• The coroner's office will continue to be recognized as a premier morgue facility in Illinois for conducting post mortem examinations required by state statute.

County Board Goal 3 – Champaign County promotes a safe, just and healthy community

• The coroner's office will continue to be involved in disaster planning/response with county and state agencies.

DESCRIPTION

The coroner investigates and determines the cause and manner of death for every person in his county whose death is suspected of being: a sudden or violent death; a death where the circumstances are suspicious, obscure, mysterious or otherwise unexplained; a death where addiction to alcohol or any drug may have been a contributing factor; and deaths unattended by a licensed physician. The coroner may conduct inquests into deaths falling under his jurisdiction. The role of the coroner in a mass fatality incident is expanded to include recovery and identification of remains.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To provide comprehensive investigations into deaths falling under the coroner's authority
- 2. To conduct inquests on unnatural and questionable deaths when necessary
- 3. To act in the public interest whenever death occurs
- 4. To review and investigate all deaths prior to issuing cremation permits
- 5. To issue temporary and permanent death certificates in a timely manner
- 6. To assist the public with information relating to organ and tissue donation; SIDS; Do Not Resuscitate Orders (DNR's); and Health Care Power of Attorney (HCPOA)
- 7. To continuously update training, education, and preparedness for mass fatality incidents

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Indicator	FY2017 Actual	FY2018 Projected	FY2019 Budgeted
Unnatural/questionable deaths investigated	193	195	197
Natural deaths investigated and/or reviewed	1,637	1,800	1,850
Deaths requiring autopsy	152	148	150
Deaths requiring toxicology testing	238	244	240
Cremation permits issued	986	992	1002
Hours spent on emergency preparedness	16	24	16