



New Mexico Adult Parole Board (NMAPB)

Budget Hearing

Date: November 18, 2024

Adult Parole Board

- 15-member non-salaried board
- Conducts hearings for 10 statewide prison facilities
- Current membership: 14 members + 1 opening (expected to fill in 2025)
- Supported by 6 FTEs (Full-Time Equivalents)
- Staff responsibilities include:
 - Victim notification
 - Parole certifications
 - Managing 20,000 inmate/parolee files
 - Reviewing and Preparing case files for board member review
 - Prep and Conduct Board Hearings
 - Budget management (appropriation request, operating budget)
 - Per diem management for board members
 - Legal and risk assessment support

Salary Increase Request Overview

- **Requested Salary Increase: \$161,700**
- **Reason for increase:**
 - Mandated increases from General Services Division (GSD)
 - Board uses RMD for Attorney needs on board litigation
 - Underpaid staff retention and reclassification
- **Purpose:**
 - Management support positions
 - Year-round part-time college intern (instead of summer intern)
 - Additional FTE to assist with OMNI data system implementation to become fully electronic

Breakdown of Requested Salary Increase

- **FY26 Additional Request for Salaries:**

Category	Without Increase	With Increase	Increase
Salaries	\$462,300	\$525,400	\$63,100
Benefits (Minus Mandatory)	\$161,100	\$259,700	\$98,600
Mandatory Increases	\$36,700	\$36,700	\$36,700
Total	\$660,100	\$785,100	\$161,700

Requested Increase for Other Expenditures

- **Request for Other Expenditures: \$105,900**
- **\$97,000:** Compensation for board members' time reviewing case files before hearings
 - Case review and victim meeting time ranges from 30 minutes to 1.5 hours per case
 - Currently only per diem and mileage are reimbursed
- **\$8,900:** Increased costs for:
 - DoIT services
 - \$.19 mileage increase (effective mid-FY24)

Breakdown of Requested Increase for Other Expenditures

Category	Without Increase	With Increase	Increase
Board Member Per Diem and Mileage	\$150,100	\$247,100	\$97,000
DoIT and Other Increases	\$8,900	\$8,900	\$8,900
Total	\$159,000	\$256,000	\$105,900

Total Budget Request

Overall FY26 Budget Request:

- **Requested Increase:** \$267,600
- **Total Budget Request:** \$1,056,800
- This includes salary and other expenditure increases



Focus on Crime and Recidivism Reduction

NMAPB's Role in Crime Reduction:

- Monitoring statewide crime trends
 - Partnering with stakeholders to reduce recidivism
 - Ensuring that parole decisions align with public safety goals
 - APB's dedication to addressing the challenges posed by rising crime rates.
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Conclusion

- **Total Budget Request for FY26: \$1,056,800**
 - **Increased funding will support:**
 - Adequate staffing and salary adjustments
 - Case review compensation for board members
 - Expansion of capacity to implement OMNI data system
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Thank you for your consideration of this request

