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Dept. of Justice Law Enforcement
Academy Interim Study

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Agenda Topics

- Architecture and Engineering Study
Recommendations

- Academy Funding Around The
Country

- Growth Opportunities



Architecture and Engineering Study

- Conducted by DOA Architecture & Engineering Division staff. Stakeholder survey comments were also taken into consideration.
- Began in October with meetings with Academy staff to discuss infrastructure and training requirements.
- Goal was to create a prioritized LRBP template.



Problems Continue

March 3, 2016





Problems Continue



Architecture and Engineering Study

- A & E and Academy staff were sensitive to the structural (mostly exterior) upgrades that have been made over the years. Repurposing existing buildings and finishing what was started became the theme.
- One exception was the Cottonwood dorm building. No improvements have been made, foundation continues to settle.





Architecture and Engineering Study

- Top 3 priorities identified were;
- Complete dorm improvements (HVAC), add dorm rooms to Maple, Aspen, Spruce and Clinic buildings to total 106 beds **\$5,023,470.00**
- Improve cafeteria capacity **\$1,431,730.00**
- Build a 10,200 SQ FT indoor training facility on site to accommodate outdoor training in in-climate weather. **\$3,241,709.00**



Architecture and Engineering Study

- Addition of 12 offices to Ohs Building. This would create efficiency in locating MLEA and POST staff in one building. **\$594,063.00**
- Return Administration Building main floor to classrooms. This would allow for increased training capacity on campus. **\$1,619,408.00**
- Increase maintenance shop capacity to accommodate vehicle repairs. **\$370,673.00**



Architecture and Engineering Study

- Cottonwood dormitory demolition. The foundation continues to settle causing cracking in many of the cinder block walls. Other than plumbing upgrades, no money has been spent structurally. **\$314,004.00**
- New dormitory building TBD
- Total cost of master plan **\$12,595,057.00**



Architecture and Engineering Study

- DOJ recommendations – fund all phases at once and in their entirety.
- All phases support HJ008 directives in reviewing current and future campus needs.
- Improvements would meet current and future life support and training needs for students.





Funding Around The Country

- Academy's in other states were asked how they are funded.
- Kansas, Michigan, Oklahoma and Nebraska collect surcharge revenues. All report it is insufficient to meet needs.
- Vermont was special revenue until 2010, funds not reliable and now general funded.



Funding Around The Country

- Kentucky - 1.8% surcharge on at risk insurance policies (homes, businesses etc.). Revenue collected is shared with firefighters.
- Ohio - 2% casino tax.
- New Mexico – 10% of all money received from fees, licenses, penalties, and taxes from life, general casualty and title insurance businesses.



Funding Around The Country

- 18 responded, of those 8 are fully or partially funded by general fund revenue.
- 5 agencies reported revenue shortfalls.
- Common theme is special revenue instability.



Revenue Growth Opportunities

- On-line learning
- Increased professional programs
- Increased class sizes (linked to increased staffing and room availability)
- Conferences
- Increasing customer base;
 - Federal agencies (U.S. Forest Service)
 - Other state agencies



Questions

