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**VOTE 08
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

MINISTER

Hon. T. McPhee

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- The Department of Justice promotes a high quality and cost effective justice system where the Yukon's laws are fair, accessible and impartially administered. We build relationships to support good governance; to reduce, resolve and mitigate conflict; to foster safe communities; and to support culturally relevant services.

SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts to be Appropriated				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)	101,400	102,878	91,650	90,739
Capital (Vote 08-2)	5,328	4,160	4,276	4,011
Total Appropriations	106,728	107,038	95,926	94,750

Note: Restated 2023-24 Forecast, 2023-24 Estimate and 2022-23 Actual to be consistent with the 2024-25 Estimate presentation.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts to be Appropriated				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)				
Corporate Services	9,039	8,599	7,130	6,801
Court Services	9,132	9,431	8,374	7,606
Legal Services	11,026	11,229	10,744	11,062
Regulatory Services	5,077	5,820	4,826	4,732
Community Justice and Public Safety	66,115	66,893	59,820	59,782
Human Rights	1,011	906	756	728
COVID-19 Response	0	0	0	28
Total Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)	101,400	102,878	91,650	90,739
Capital (Vote 08-2)				
Corporate Services	478	395	511	585
Court Services	65	80	80	78
Community Justice and Public Safety	4,785	3,685	3,685	3,348
Total Capital (Vote 08-2)	5,328	4,160	4,276	4,011
Total Appropriations	106,728	107,038	95,926	94,750
Adjustments for Reconciliation of Expenses				
Amortization Expense	2,771	3,063	3,063	1,986
Accretion Expense	52	50	31	49
Tangible Capital Assets	(1,644)	(620)	(715)	(625)
Total Expenses	107,907	109,531	98,305	96,160
Summary of Expenses by Category				
Personnel	43,948	41,910	38,562	39,422
Other	51,006	54,259	47,568	46,966
Government Transfers	10,130	10,249	9,081	7,737
Amortization Expense	2,771	3,063	3,063	1,986
Accretion Expense	52	50	31	49
Total Expenses	107,907	109,531	98,305	96,160

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Revenues				
Taxes and General Revenues	1,193	1,193	1,193	1,228
Third-Party Recoveries				
Operation and Maintenance	641	1,228	599	740
Capital	0	0	0	6
Subtotal Third-Party	641	1,228	599	746
Recoveries from Canada				
Operation and Maintenance	10,196	10,238	6,514	7,364
Capital	40	31	31	8
Subtotal from Canada	10,236	10,269	6,545	7,372
Total Revenues	12,070	12,690	8,337	9,346

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CORPORATE SERVICES

- To assist and support departmental policy and program delivery through the provision of planning, analysis, information and communications, as well as financial, human, and physical resource management to program branches.
- To provide Administration of Justice Agreement and justice-related negotiations.

PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts included in the Appropriation				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)				
Corporate Services	9,039	8,599	7,130	6,801
	9,039	8,599	7,130	6,801
Capital (Vote 08-2)				
Office Furniture and Equipment	178	105	120	117
Building Maintenance, Renovations and Space	50	85	91	91
Coroner's Office and Morgue	250	205	300	377
	478	395	511	585
Total included in the Appropriation	9,517	8,994	7,641	7,386
Summary of Appropriation by Allotment				
Personnel	6,577	6,151	5,600	5,565
Other	956	854	698	591
Government Transfers	1,734	1,769	1,028	771
Tangible Capital Assets	250	220	315	459
Total included in the Appropriation	9,517	8,994	7,641	7,386

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COURT SERVICES

- To ensure the effective operation of the court system in the Yukon by supporting the delivery of judicial services by an independent judiciary and providing court services that enhance public confidence in and access to the courts, including therapeutic court models.
- To provide civil enforcement services.
- To provide law library services on a range of civil and criminal issues to the public, the legal profession and the judiciary.

PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts included in the Appropriation				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)				
Court Administration	656	648	636	501
Court Operations	7,462	7,767	6,920	6,290
Sheriff	840	843	653	672
Yukon Review Board	174	173	165	143
	9,132	9,431	8,374	7,606
Capital (Vote 08-2)				
Furniture and Equipment	65	80	80	78
	65	80	80	78
Total included in the Appropriation	9,197	9,511	8,454	7,684
Summary of Appropriation by Allotment				
Personnel	7,946	7,428	7,200	5,789
Other	1,251	2,083	1,254	1,895
Government Transfers	0	0	0	0
Tangible Capital Assets	0	0	0	0
Total included in the Appropriation	9,197	9,511	8,454	7,684

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LEGAL SERVICES

- To ensure that the Minister of Justice and Cabinet receive legal advice in accordance with the *Department of Justice Act*.
- To ensure that a comprehensive range of legal services is provided to government departments and crown corporations, including representation before all courts and tribunals in civil and criminal matters, legislative drafting in both official languages and advice on a wide variety of matters.
- To provide community legal support through funding to the Yukon Legal Services Society, the Indigenous Court Worker Program and the Yukon Public Legal Education Association.

PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts included in the Appropriation				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)				
Assistant Deputy Minister's Office	907	894	880	1,136
Solicitors' Group	1,520	1,516	1,511	1,168
Natural Resources and Environmental Law Group	871	867	862	966
Legislative Counsel	1,379	1,363	1,339	1,356
Litigation Group	1,184	1,181	1,164	1,291
Aboriginal Law Group	643	644	634	801
Litigation Costs/Judgements	6	6	6	43
Outside Counsel	74	334	74	253
Community Legal Support	4,442	4,424	4,274	4,048
Total included in the Appropriation	11,026	11,229	10,744	11,062
Summary of Appropriation by Allotment				
Personnel	6,315	6,275	6,200	6,377
Other	269	530	270	614
Government Transfers	4,442	4,424	4,274	4,071
Total included in the Appropriation	11,026	11,229	10,744	11,062

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REGULATORY SERVICES

- To maintain and support the Worker Advocate program in accordance with the *Workers' Safety and Compensation Act*.
- To maintain and support the work of the Coroner's Office.
- To enforce family support orders, provide family law information and mediation services and recalculate child support payments.
- To provide funds to the Yukon Workers' Safety and Compensation Board to support the provision of mine safety services.
- To administer the estates of deceased and missing persons when there is no one else to do so.
- To act as the Official Guardian, to retain a Child's Lawyer as necessary and to provide trust management services for the estates of minor children.
- To act, pursuant to court appointment, as the guardian of incapable adults and to investigate allegations of financial abuse of vulnerable adults.
- To maintain the land titles system in the Yukon.
- To operate the Investigations and Standards Office to provide independent oversight to the corrections branch.
- To provide funds for the operation of the Yukon Utilities Board as provided for in the *Public Utilities Act*.

PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts included in the Appropriation				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)				
Worker Advocate	497	490	467	392
Coroner's Office	620	832	616	481
Family Law Support Programs	860	854	817	708
Director's Office	298	291	285	303
Occupational Health and Safety	330	330	330	330
Public Guardian and Trustee	735	708	681	565
Land Titles	1,308	1,298	1,238	1,343
Investigations and Standards Office	159	127	122	143
Yukon Utilities Board	270	890	270	467
Total included in the Appropriation	5,077	5,820	4,826	4,732

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**REGULATORY SERVICES
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PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Summary of Appropriation by Allotment				
Personnel	3,707	3,649	3,452	3,205
Other	1,040	1,841	1,044	1,197
Government Transfers	330	330	330	330
Total included in the Appropriation	5,077	5,820	4,826	4,732

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COMMUNITY JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

- To provide safe and humane custody, supervision, and support in compliance with court orders while holding offenders accountable.
- To work in partnership with the RCMP to provide a safe and secure unit for the Arrest Processing Unit, which houses police prisoners of any age that have been lawfully detained by the RCMP, but who have not been remanded or committed to custody by a court.
- To work in partnership with First Nations governments and stakeholders to deliver services that are evidence-based, client-focused, and reflective of best practices to facilitate healing, rehabilitation, and reintegration of clients.
- To manage the RCMP Territorial Police Service Agreement to achieve the priorities set out by the Minister of Justice.
- To address public concerns and increase public trust by responding to complaints of illegal activity and taking appropriate actions under the *Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act*.
- To support community based restorative justice approaches, practices and processes.
- To build capacity in communities to prevent crime and foster healthy and safe communities.
- To offer information and support for victims of crime and families in a manner consistent with the *Victims of Crime Act* and the *Canadian Victims Bill of Rights*.

PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL

Amounts included in the Appropriation

Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)

Assistant Deputy Minister's Office	1,723	2,039	1,925	1,452
Correctional Services	18,506	18,322	16,356	18,162
Victim Services	4,267	3,879	3,060	2,997
Public Safety and Investigations	41,619	42,653	38,479	37,171
	66,115	66,893	59,820	59,782

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**COMMUNITY JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY
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PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Capital (Vote 08-2)				
Operational Equipment	1,596	505	505	191
Federal Victims Fund	40	31	31	8
RCMP Detachments	3,149	3,149	3,149	3,149
	4,785	3,685	3,685	3,348
Total included in the Appropriation	70,900	70,578	63,505	63,130
Summary of Appropriation by Allotment				
Personnel	19,403	18,407	16,110	18,459
Other	47,392	48,853	44,204	42,598
Government Transfers	2,711	2,918	2,791	1,907
Tangible Capital Assets	1,394	400	400	166
Total included in the Appropriation	70,900	70,578	63,505	63,130

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HUMAN RIGHTS

- To provide funds for the operation of the Yukon Human Rights Commission and the Panel of Adjudicators as provided for in the *Human Rights Act*.

PROGRAM SUMMARY (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Amounts included in the Appropriation				
Operation and Maintenance (Vote 08-1)				
Human Rights Commission	913	808	658	658
Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators	98	98	98	70
Total included in the Appropriation	1,011	906	756	728
Summary of Appropriation by Allotment				
Personnel	0	0	0	0
Other	98	98	98	70
Government Transfers	913	808	658	658
Total included in the Appropriation	1,011	906	756	728

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REVENUES (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
TAXES AND GENERAL REVENUES				
Court Services				
Court Fees	500	500	500	524
Sheriff's Office	58	58	58	56
Regulatory Services				
Public Guardian and Trustee Fees	35	35	35	63
Land Titles Fees	600	600	600	585
Total Taxes and General Revenues	1,193	1,193	1,193	1,228
THIRD-PARTY RECOVERIES				
Operation and Maintenance				
Regulatory Services				
Public Utilities Board Hearings	100	720	100	331
Worker Advocate	497	455	455	363
Community Justice and Public Safety				
Outreach Worker - Province of British Columbia	44	53	44	46
	641	1,228	599	740
Capital				
Corporate Service				
Prior Years' Recoveries	0	0	0	6
	0	0	0	6
Total Third-Party Recoveries	641	1,228	599	746

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REVENUES (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
RECOVERIES FROM CANADA				
Operation and Maintenance				
Corporate Services				
Community Safety Officer Program	902	919	534	374
Women and Gender Equality Canada - National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence	275	224	0	0
Negotiations of Administration of Justice Agreements	469	469	469	0
Court Services				
Judiciary French Language Training	12	5	0	4
Legal Services				
Legal Aid	1,051	1,617	1,066	1,356
Gladue Project	223	175	175	175
Indigenous Courtworker Program	458	458	308	308
Yukon Public Legal Education Association	163	163	163	163
Regulatory Services				
Family Justice Activities	208	208	208	202
Prior Years' Recoveries	0	0	0	12
Community Justice and Public Safety				
Cannabis and Impaired Driving	459	472	415	412
Exchange of Service Agreement	30	30	30	24
Arrest Processing Unit	1,913	1,913	1,913	1,969
Federal Victims Fund	965	914	914	665
Domestic Violence Treatment Option	150	150	150	143

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REVENUES (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
RECOVERIES FROM CANADA (cont'd)				
Operation and Maintenance (cont'd)				
Community Justice and Public Safety (cont'd)				
Women and Gender Equality Canada				
- National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence	1,323	590	0	0
Drug Treatment Court Funding Program	510	510	0	321
Family Information Liaison Unit	285	285	0	285
Guns and Gang Violence Action Fund	800	800	0	867
Prior Years' Recoveries	0	336	169	84
	10,196	10,238	6,514	7,364
Capital				
Community Justice and Public Safety				
Federal Victims Fund	40	31	31	8
	40	31	31	8
Total Recoveries From Canada	10,236	10,269	6,545	7,372
TOTAL REVENUES	12,070	12,690	8,337	9,346

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GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	Comparable		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
OTHER TRANSFER PAYMENTS				
Operation and Maintenance				
Corporate Services				
Community Safety Officer Program	1,734	1,769	1,028	719
Prior Years' Other Transfer Payments	0	0	0	52
Legal Services				
Yukon Legal Services Society - Legal Aid	3,258	3,288	3,288	3,058
Indigenous Courtworker Program	798	798	823	550
Yukon Public Legal Education Association	163	163	163	263
Gladue Project	223	175	0	175
Prior Years' Other Transfer Payments	0	0	0	25
Regulatory Services				
Yukon Workers' Safety and Compensation Board	330	330	330	330
Community Justice and Public Safety				
Yukon Community Crime Stoppers Association	10	10	10	10
Community Residential Centre	1,178	1,548	1,548	1,181
Yukon Legal Services Society - Legal Aid	35	35	35	35
Community Justice Projects	307	307	307	249
Community Safety Planning	700	700	700	0
RCMP Biology Caseworks	136	136	136	141
Police Board Funding	5	5	5	0
Community Consultative Groups	50	50	50	5
Gender-Based Violence Criminal-Family Law Navigator Project	50	0	0	0
Gender-Based Violence Transportation - Sexualized Assault Response Team	170	0	0	0
Yukon Aboriginal Women's Council - Family Information Liaison	70	70	0	70
Prior Years' Other Transfer Payments	0	57	0	216

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GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
OTHER TRANSFER PAYMENTS (cont'd)				
Operation and Maintenance (cont'd)				
Human Rights				
Human Rights Commission	913	808	658	658
TOTAL GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS	10,130	10,249	9,081	7,737

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CHANGES IN TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS AND AMORTIZATION (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Beginning of the Year				
Cost of Tangible Capital Assets in Service	102,715	102,550	102,545	102,859
Accumulated Amortization	(42,909)	(39,846)	(40,758)	(37,860)
Work-in-Progress	3,445	2,990	3,995	2,410
Net Book Value	63,251	65,694	65,782	67,409
Changes during the Year				
Cost of Tangible Capital Assets				
Capital Acquisitions	40	165	165	45
ARO ⁽¹⁾ Asset change in Estimate	0	0	0	(354)
Accumulated Amortization				
Amortization Expense	(2,771)	(3,063)	(3,063)	(1,986)
Work-in-Progress				
Capital Acquisitions	1,604	455	550	580
Transfers between Departments	2,284	0	0	0
End of the Year				
Cost of Tangible Capital Assets in Service	102,755	102,715	102,710	102,550
Accumulated Amortization	(45,680)	(42,909)	(43,821)	(39,846)
Net Book Value	57,075	59,806	58,889	62,704
Work-in-Progress	7,333	3,445	4,545	2,990
Total Net Book Value and Work-in-Progress	64,408	63,251	63,434	65,694

⁽¹⁾ Asset Retirement Obligation

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**ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION
LIABILITIES AND EXPENSES**

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION LIABILITY AND EXPENSES (\$000s)	2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
		2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Asset Retirement Obligation Liability, beginning of the year	1,722	1,672	1,214	1,977
Increase in Liabilities Accretion	52	50	31	49
Less:				
Asset Retirement Activities Performed	0	0	0	0
Change in Estimate	0	0	0	354
Asset Retirement Obligation Liability, end of the year	<u>1,774</u>	<u>1,722</u>	<u>1,245</u>	<u>1,672</u>

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Restricted Funds

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RESTRICTED FUNDS

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$000s)	Assurance	Corrections	TOTAL 2024-25 ESTIMATE	<i>Comparable</i>		
				2023-24 FORECAST	2023-24 ESTIMATE	2022-23 ACTUAL
Revenues	202	148	350	350	350	465
Expenses	4	130	134	134	134	112
Net Profit/(Loss) for the Year	198	18	216	216	216	353
Balance at Beginning of Year	6,776	106	6,882	6,666	6,529	6,313
Balance at End of Year	6,974	124	7,098	6,882	6,745	6,666
Increase/(Decrease) in Restricted Funds	198	18	216	216	216	353