

## Justice, Public Safety and Drug Control

- \$1.5 million in total funds in fiscal year 2005 is designated for the newly created **Office of Drug Control Policy**.
- An additional \$2 million in total funds in fiscal year 2006 will establish **regional drug courts** in coal-producing counties.
- **Other anti-drug initiatives** include \$1 million in fiscal year 2006 to fund treatment programs for non-violent offenders in county jails and \$500,000 for education programs for Eastern Kentucky school children.
- A new **Corrections** estimate of 19,069 inmates for fiscal 2005 exceeds last year's estimates by more than 1,600 prisoners. It is expected to rise to 20,200 in fiscal year 2006. To address that need, additional General Fund resources will go to:
  - **Local jails**, \$9.5 million in fiscal year 2005 and \$8.3 million in fiscal year 2006 at the current per diem rate of \$27.31;
  - **State-owned correctional facilities**, \$3,701,000 in fiscal year 2005 and \$13,639,000 million in fiscal year 2006; and
  - **Regional Juvenile Detention Centers**, \$1.9 million in fiscal year 2005 and \$2.8 million in fiscal year 2006.
- The **Office of Homeland Security** will receive \$30 million in federal funds in fiscal year 2005 and \$40 million in federal funds in fiscal year 2006 as well as \$350,000 in General Funds and \$350,000 in Road Funds in each year to support operations.
- An additional \$1,909,800 in General Fund resources will be provided in calendar year 2006 to initiate a \$3,100 annual **training incentive stipend for state troopers**. Vehicle enforcement officers also will be eligible for a \$3,100 stipend for calendar year 2006 through \$348,200 in additional Road Fund resources.
- **County and Commonwealth attorneys** will each receive an additional \$450,000 in general funds in fiscal year 2006 to provide assistance in handling increased caseloads; and **public advocacy offices** will receive \$990,000 in fiscal year 2006.
- Two important capital investments also will lead to increased safety in Kentucky:
  - The **Kentucky Emergency Warning System**, a safety communication system used by law enforcement and emergency personnel across the state, will be upgraded with a \$26,768,000 bond; and
  - The **Unified Criminal Justice Information System** will be modernized through a \$5.5 million bond to create a streamlined process for the issuance, tracking and clearance of warrants, summons and related documents across Kentucky.