



Department of Public Safety

VPSO Budget Overview

Finance Subcommittee
Commissioner Joseph Masters
Presentation
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VPSO Grantees

- Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association
- Association of Village Council Presidents
- Bristol Bay Native Association
- Central Council of Tlingit & Haida
- Chugachmiut
- Copper River Native Association
- Kawerak, Inc.
- Kodiak Area Native Association
- Northwest Arctic Borough
- Tanana Chiefs Conference

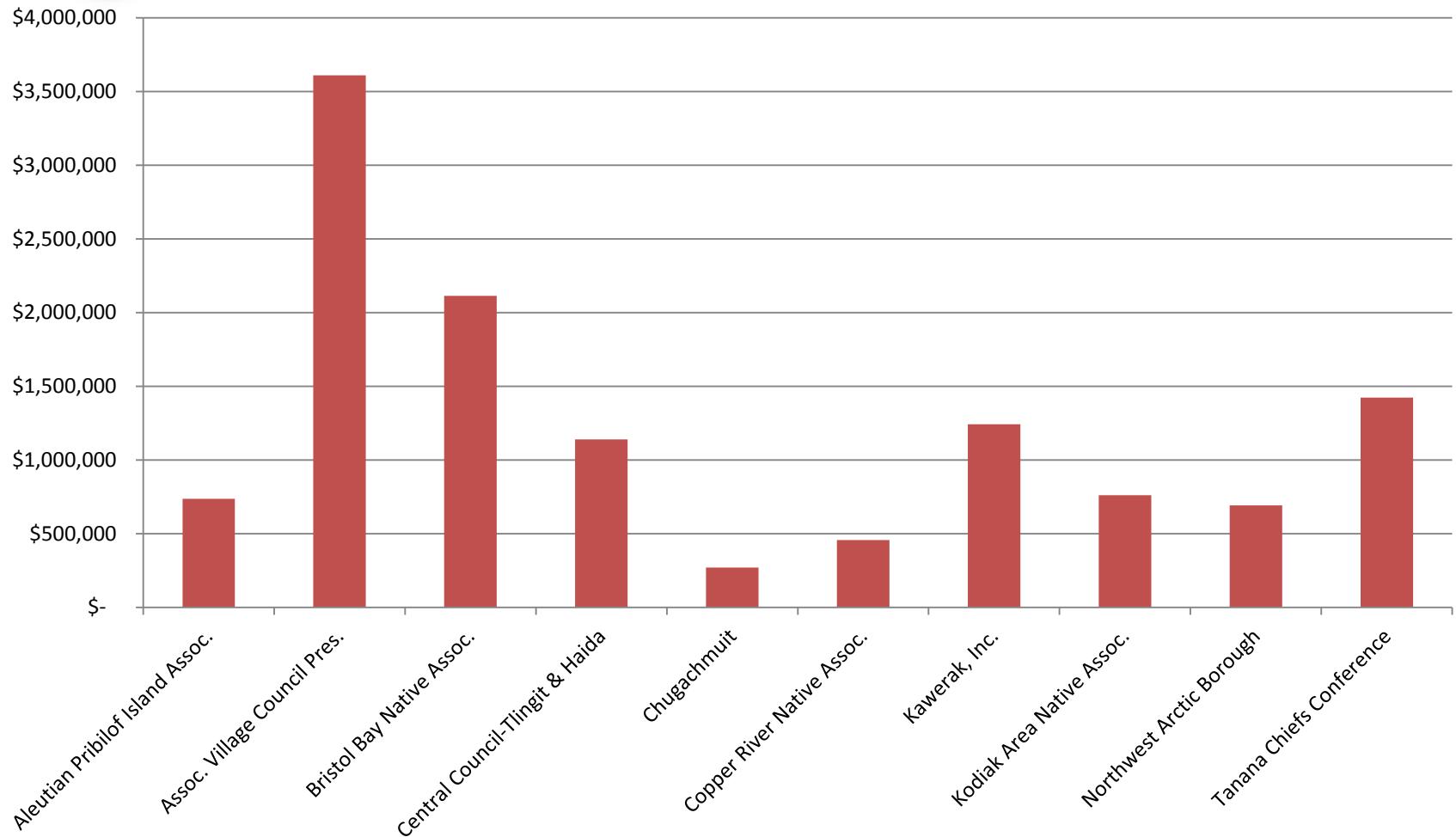


VPSO communities

- 116 authorized VPSOs
- 92 filled positions in 80 communities
- VPSOs in 13 Boroughs and Census Areas
- 67 communities of over 50 people without any law enforcement

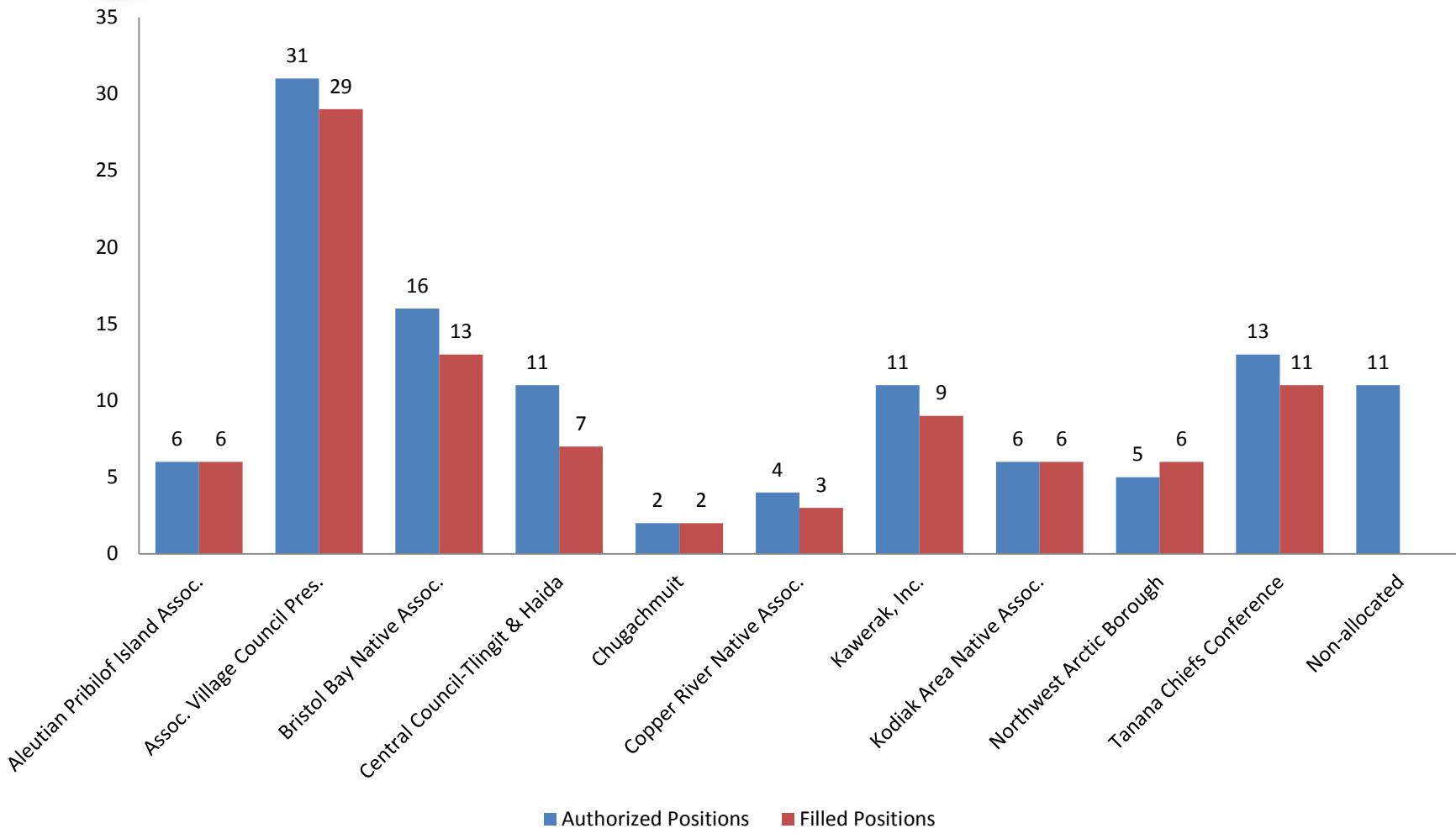


FY2013 VPSO Grantees



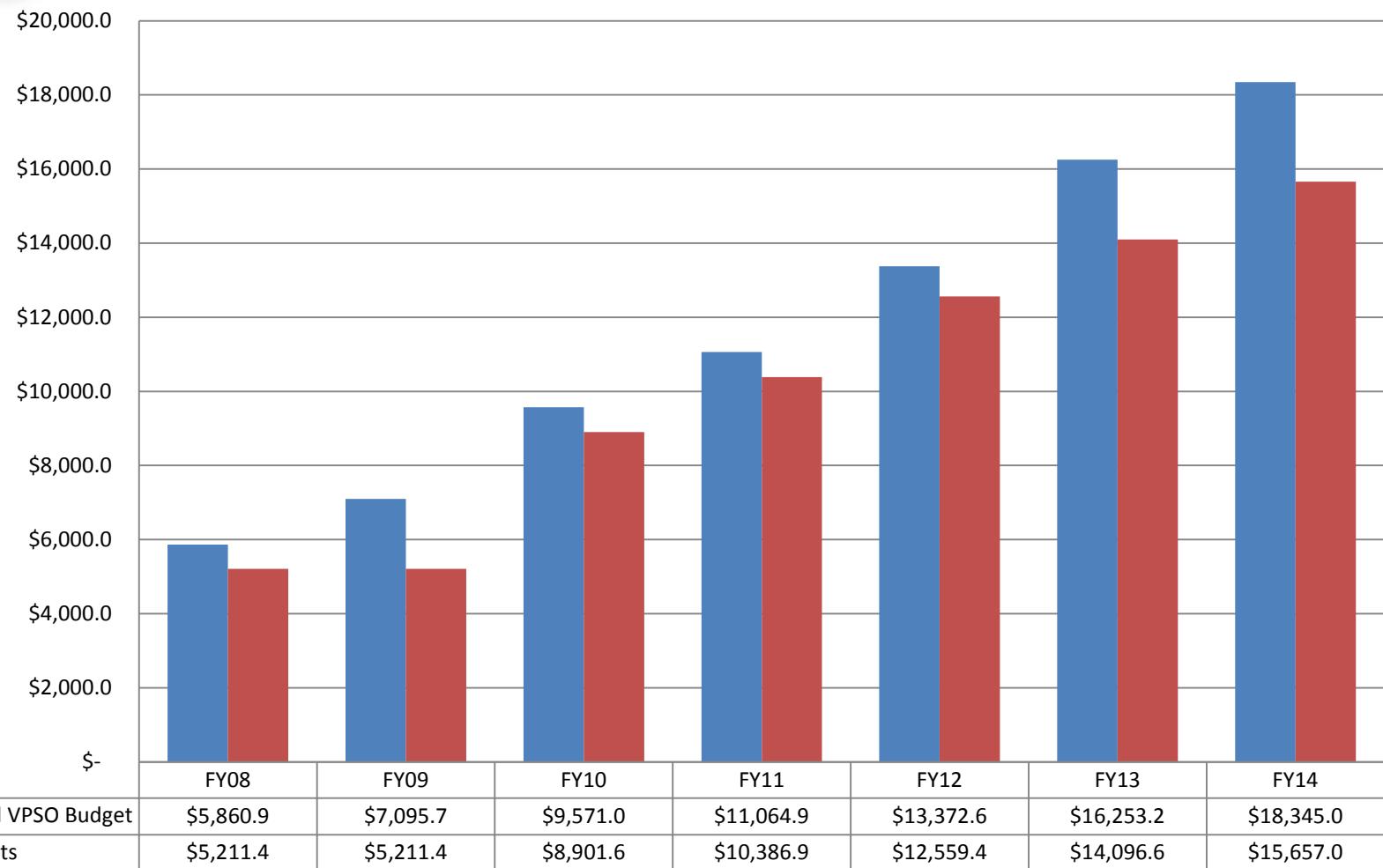


FY2013 VPSO Positions by Grantee



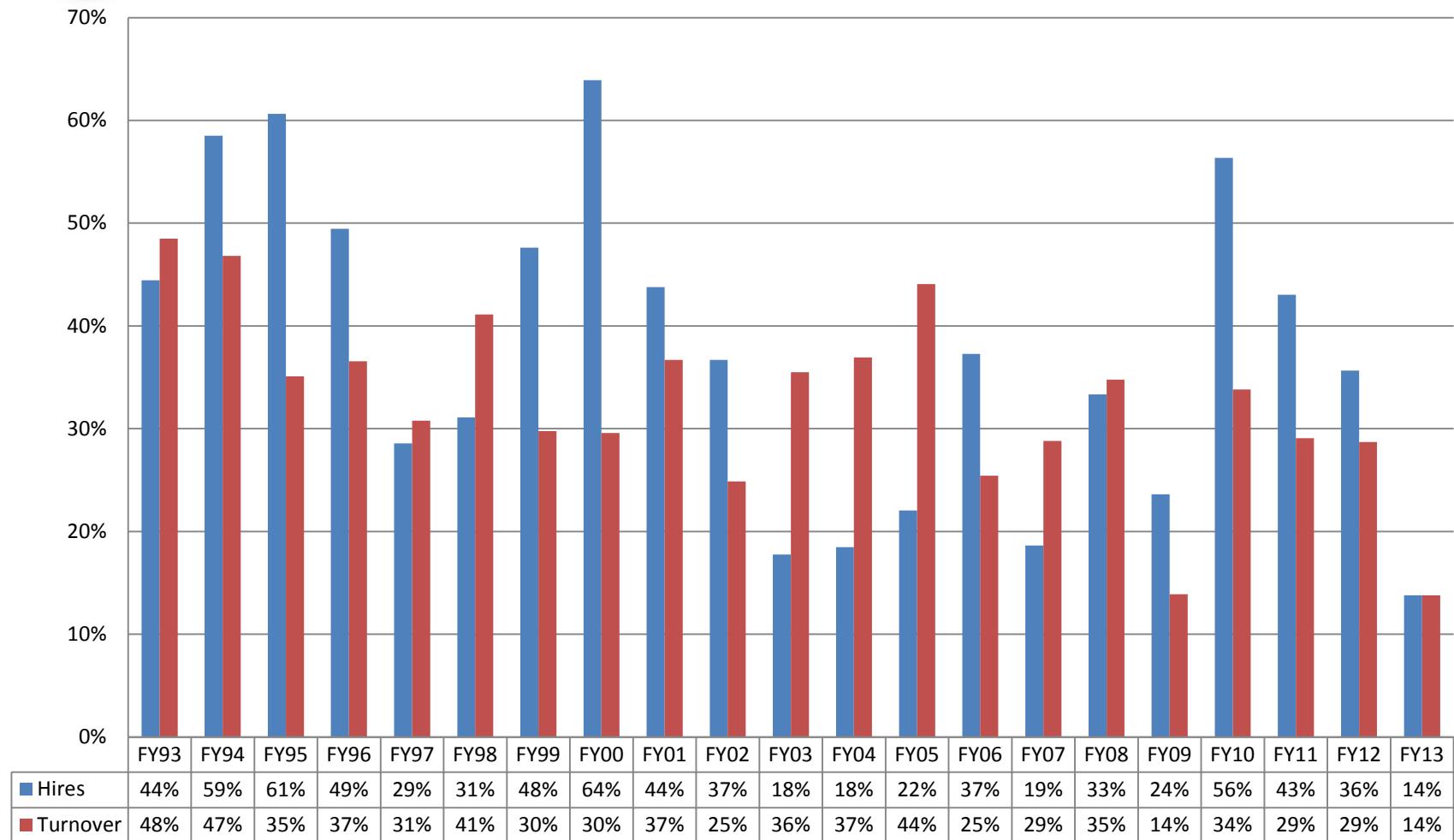


Historical VPSO Budget





VPSO Hires & Turnover





VPSO Recruitment Efforts

- Appearance at events- AFN, State Fair, Job Fairs, Military Out-processing events
- School Presentations – Statewide by VPSO and Troopers
- Publications - Four (4) different professionally produced brochures on VPSO program for communities to consider or applicants
- DPS Website – Links to a VPSO site with professional Video showing life as a VPSO and Academy environment, recruitment and qualifications
<http://www.dps.alaska.gov/ast/vpso>
- Alaska Youth Academy (AYA) /Law Enforcement Cadet Corp (LECC) - Programs directed at Alaska youth promoting careers in public safety
- Contracting Non-profits and NWAB have websites for job postings
- Bureau of Indian Affairs relationship developed sharing training and career opportunities
- Ongoing recruitment by VPSOs and Troopers statewide
- Commander and Support Troopers go on radio talk shows in rural whenever possible to speak on the VPSO program.



New Concepts for Growing the VPSO Program

- Rover Positions in Hub rural communities
- Two-week on -two week off Shifts
- Part-Time (Seasonal) officers
- Job Sharing
- Funding LECC and Summer Camps for Youth



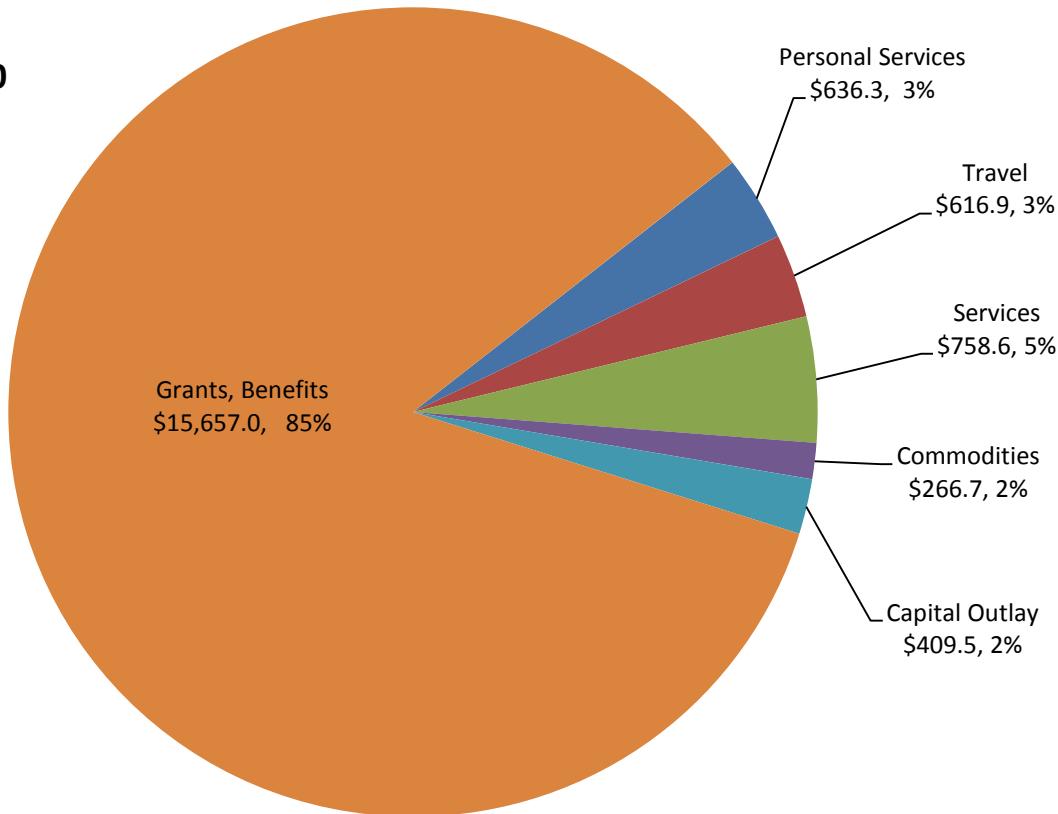
VPSO Funding Flexibility

- Many communities have little infrastructure to offer to law enforcement
- Program funds are needed to find suitable office and prisoner housing
- DPS works with Grantees to re-program funds for infrastructure needs
- Expand Training and learning opportunities with ARLET and Distance Learning



FY2014 VPSO Budget By Line Item

Total VPSO Budget \$18,345.0





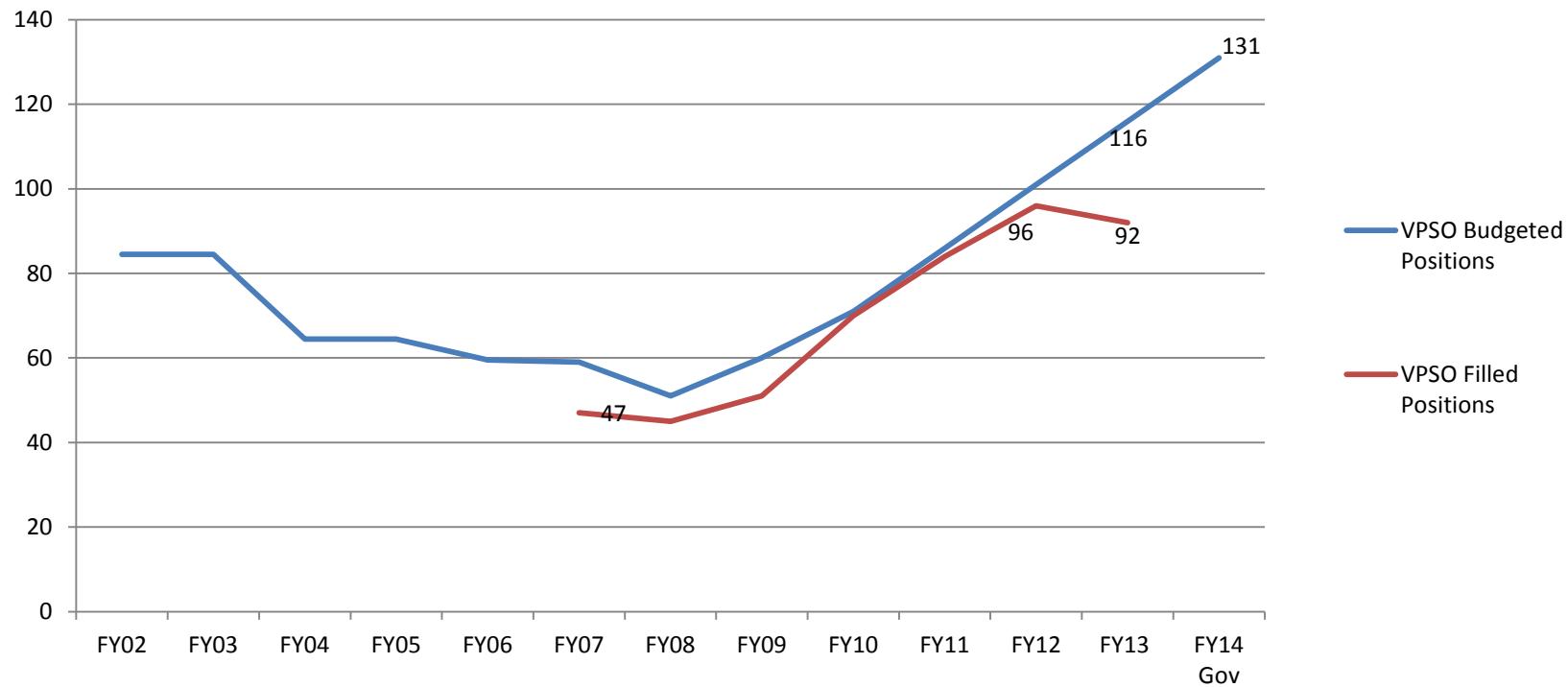
FY14 Significant Operating Changes - VPSO

- Initiative for Increasing the Number of Village Public Safety Officers in Rural Areas, \$2,679.3 GF
 - Includes one time training and equipment cost of \$409.5 plus ongoing costs of \$2,269.8
 - 15 VPSO positions spread across 10 non-profit grantees
- Combine VPSO Support and the VPSO Contracts components into a new VPSO component



VPSO

Budgeted and Filled Positions



VPSO position data is derived from grant agreements with regional corporations and non-profits that hire the VPSO employees. Budgeted position count is the level to which DPS could contract. Filled positions are based on data reported to DPS as of 01/15/2013.

Questions?



Thank You