Department of Public Safety
FY2021 Operating Budget – VPSO Program Appropriation

Senate Finance Subcommittee

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VPSO Program Overview

- Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program developed in 1979

- Vision Statement: Public Safety through Public Service

- Mission Statement: VPSOs partnering with rural Alaskans to improve safety and quality of life.
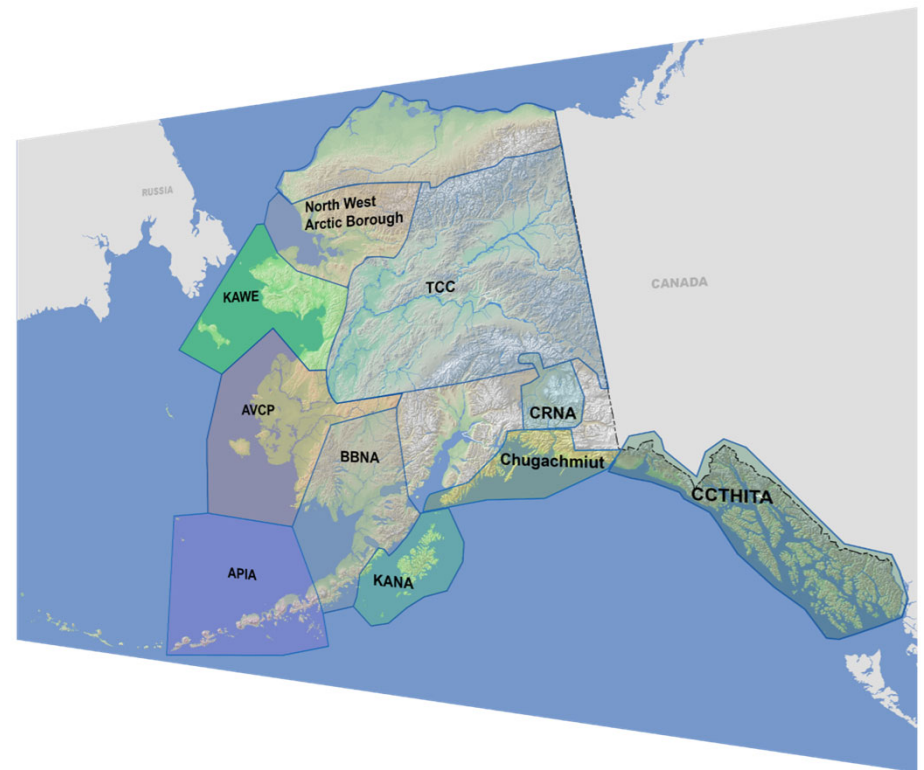
VPSO Grantees

- 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
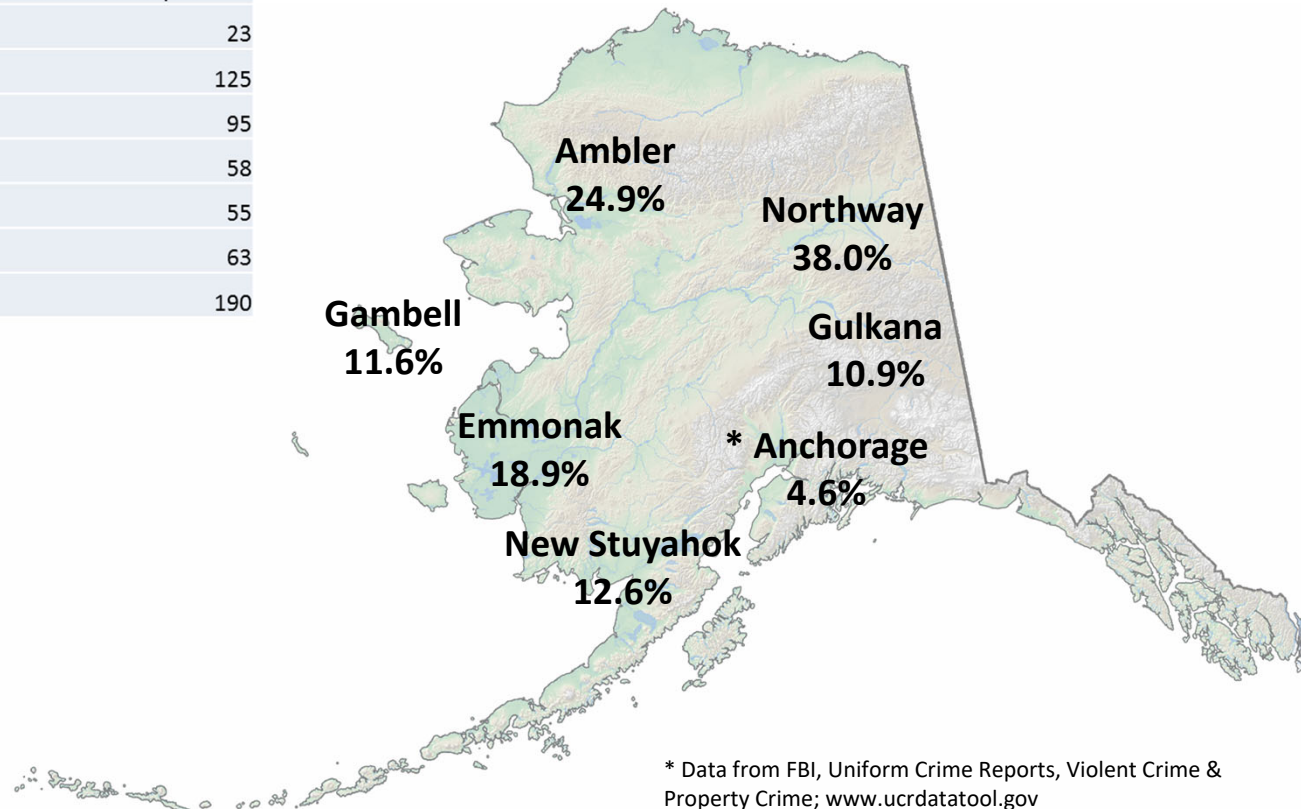- Tanana Chiefs Conference

Location	Crime Per 500 People
Anchorage	23
Ambler	125
Emmonak	95
Gambell	58
Gulkana	55
New Stuyahok	63
Northway	190

Crime Rates Per Capita

Ambler
24.9%

Northway
38.0%

Gambell
11.6%

Gulkana
10.9%

Emmonak
18.9%

* Anchorage
4.6%

New Stuyahok
12.6%

* Data from FBI, Uniform Crime Reports, Violent Crime &
Property Crime; www.ucrdatatool.gov

Current Program Status

- 43 VPSO positions filled & 5 positions vacant
- 8 scheduled to attend the academy
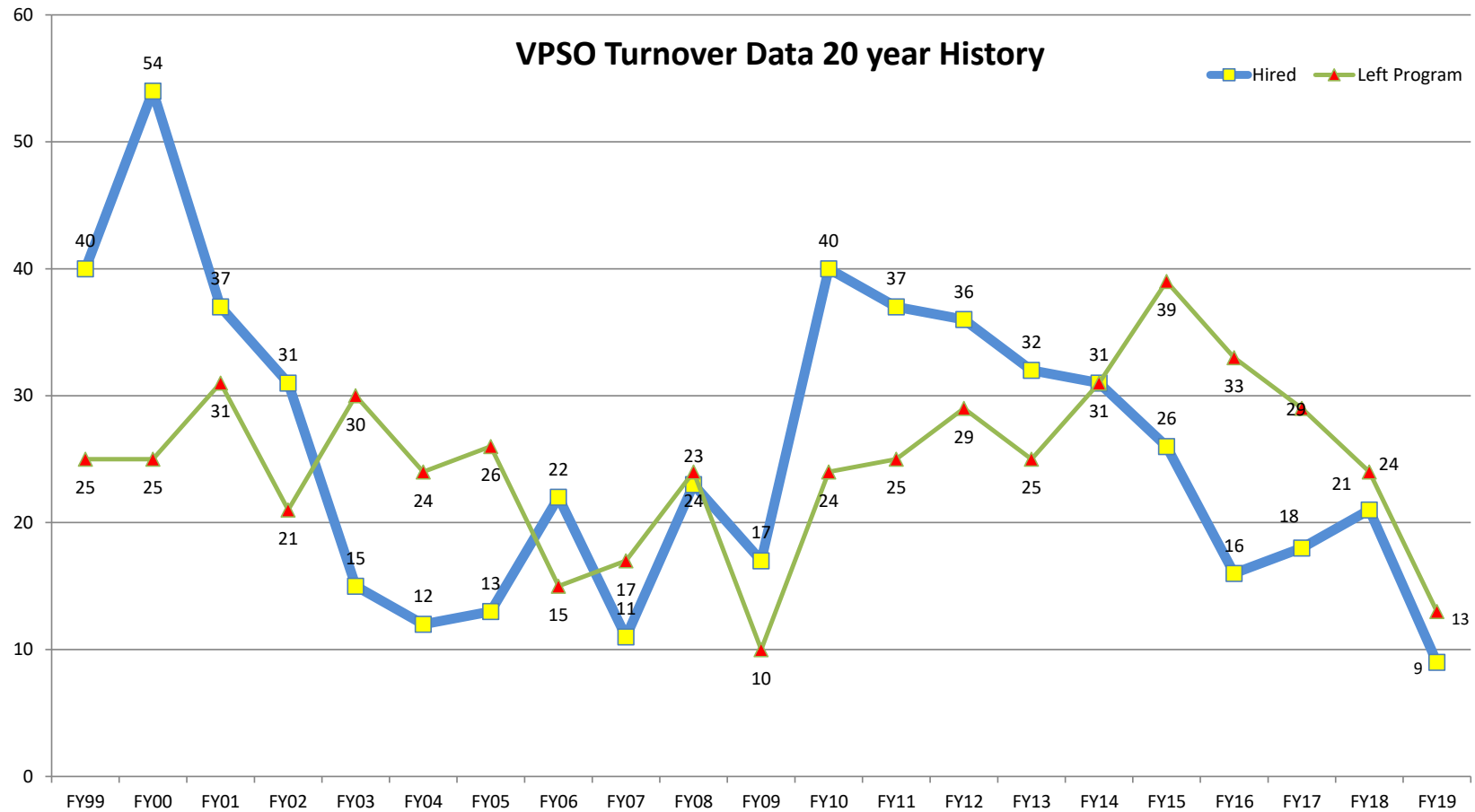- 34 VPSOs currently operational in Alaskan communities

VPSO Academy Training

Training Session	Length	Attendees	Dropped	Graduated	Graduation Rate	Still Employed
ALET 15-01	16 weeks	10	3	7	70.0%	0
ALET 15-02	16 weeks	4	2	2	50.0%	1
ALET 16-01	16 weeks	8	1	6	75.0%	2
ALET 16-02	16 weeks	5	3	2	40.0%	1
ALET 17-01	16 weeks	7	2	5	71.4%	3
ALET 17-02	16 weeks	7	5	2	28.6%	0
ALET 18-01	16 weeks	10	4	6	60.0%	1
ALET 18-02	16 weeks	4	2	2	50.0%	2
ALET 19-01	16 weeks	6	2	4	66.7%	4
VPSO 19-02	8 weeks	7	5	2	28.6%	2

Village Public Safety Officer Program — Alaska State Troopers

VPSO Turnover Data 20 year History

Hired / Left Program

Fiscal Year	Hired	Left Program
FY99	40	25
FY00	54	25
FY01	37	31
FY02	31	21
FY03	15	30
FY04	12	24
FY05	13	26
FY06	22	15
FY07	11	17
FY08	24	23
FY09	17	10
FY10	40	24
FY11	37	25
FY12	36	29
FY13	32	25
FY14	31	31
FY15	26	39
FY16	16	33
FY17	18	29
FY18	21	24
FY19	9	13

Village Public Safety Officer Program

Grantee Awards

Grantee	Grant Award Amount	Grant Payments Issued	Grant Award Balance
APIA	$ 1,226,759	$ 613,380	$ 613,379
AVCP	$ 1,721,807	$ 860,904	$ 860,903
BBNA	$ 716,806	$ 358,404	$ 358,402
CCTH	$ 873,947	$ 436,974	$ 436,973
CHUG	$ 339,962	$ 169,981	$ 169,981
CRNA	$ 725,063	$ 362,532	$ 362,531
KANA	$ 680,359	$ 340,180	$ 340,179
KAWE	$ 1,122,444	$ 561,122	$ 561,222
NWAB	$ 353,377	$ 179,689	$ 173,688
TCC	$ 1,187,674	$ 593,838	$ 593,836
Total	**$ 8,948,197**	**$ 4,477,104**	**$ 4,471,093**

Grantee Indirect Rates

Grantee		INDIRECT CALCULATIONS								
	FY16 Indirect		**FY17 Indirect**		**FY18 Indirect**		**FY19 Indirect**	
APIA	45%	$ 292,615.93	45.00%	$ 337,647.04	36.70%	$ 271,877.18	33.30%	$ 315,473.17
AVCP	23%	$ 533,997.79	22.82%	$ 391,276.94	46.50%	$ 557,769.79	41.70%	$ 369,589.76
BBNA	15%	$ 148,328.91	17.66%	$ 143,836.72	20.90%	$ 144,358.69	21.23%	$ 173,508.39
CCTH	33%	$ 236,103.50	34.17%	$ 227,216.50	29.46%	$ 191,626.00	21.8%	$ 165,495.00
CHUG	31%	$ 97,599.99	32.20%	$ 133,856.28	31.00%	$ 128,100.09	31.0%	$ 78,092.84
CRNA	42%	$ 192,322.26	42.00%	$ 204,652.43	42.30%	$ 143,846.78	39.6%	$ 91,872.94
KANA	30%	$ 280,417.06	24.50%	$ 133,974.22	25.50%	$ 133,133.70	23.9%	$ 107,906.47
KAWE	24%	$ 157,702.62	30.02%	$ 357,498.60	30.17%	$ 264,170.76	29.25%	$ 229,859.21
NWAB	15%	$ 156,535.14	16.00%	$ 151,218.03	9.00%	$ 90,563.06	9.00%	$ 74,534.20
TCC	25%	$ 420,654.24	25.90%	$ 510,965.57	25.90%	$ 250,044.85	25.40%	$ 212,720.86

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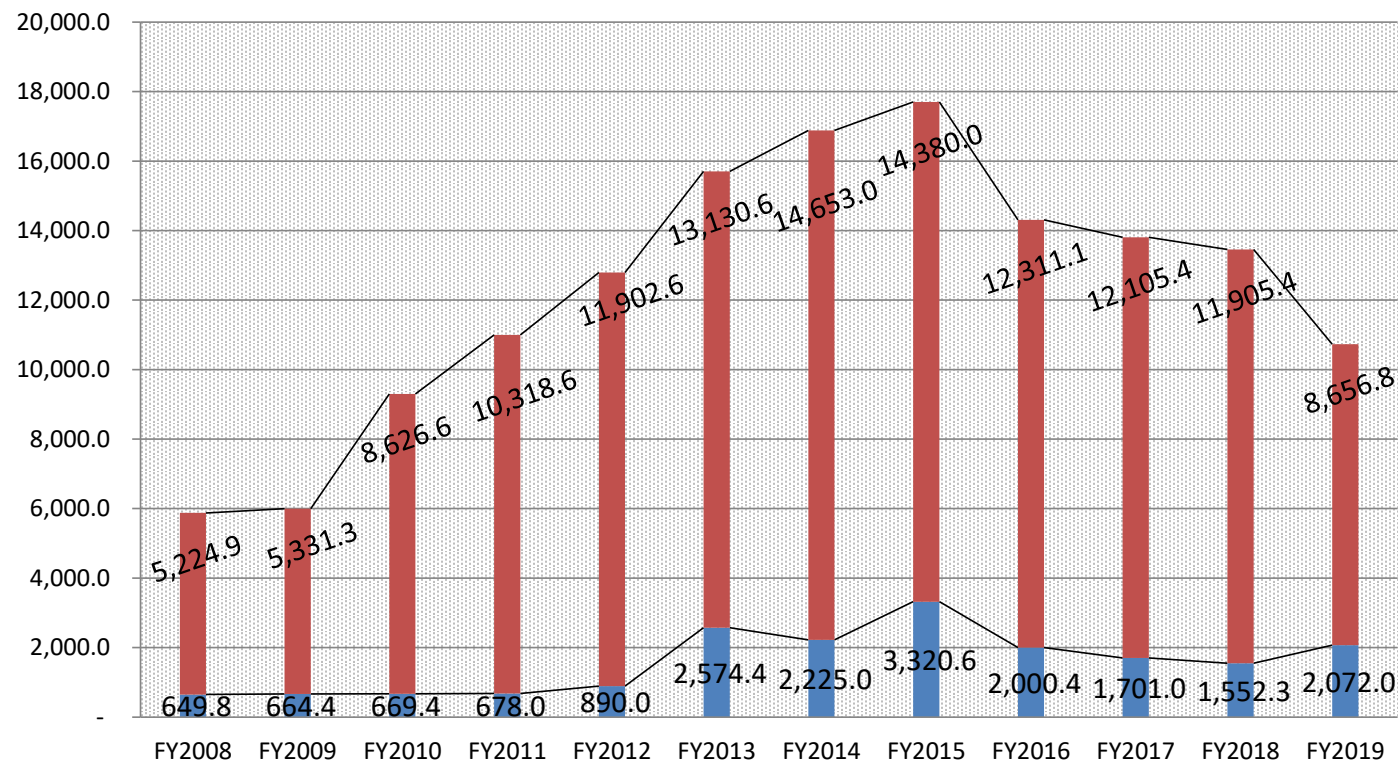
Recruitment and Retention Efforts

- Background checks now completed by employer

- Return to shortened 8-week academy

- 4-week field training implemented

- Strategic plan developed in partnership with grantees including marketing plan and priorities

- Increases added to salary schedules

- Hiring bonuses added

Quarterly Grantee Meetings

- Purpose:
  - Grant administration questions & concerns
  - Oversight & training needs/ feedback
  - Address any additional programmatic needs

- **<u>FY19 Coordinator Meeting Dates</u>**
  - August 7 – 10, 2018
  - September 26 – 28, 2018
  - November 6 – 8, 2018
  - January 15 – 17, 2019
  - April 23 – 25, 2019

- **<u>FY20 Coordinator Meeting Dates</u>**
  - October 1-4, 2020
  - January 13-16, 2020
  - Tentative date of April 6-10, 2020

Thank you

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