

Denver District Attorney's Office

Salary Request Presentation

Safety, Housing, Education, and Homelessness Committee
Denver City Council



Wednesday, December 4th, 2024

Role of the Denver District Attorney

The Denver District Attorney is the District Attorney for Colorado's 2nd Judicial District, a state elected position.

- Prosecutes state crimes for the 2nd Judicial District, which has the same boundaries as the City and County of Denver
- Protects the rights and interests of victims of crime
- Seeks to provide equal justice for all involved in the criminal justice system
- Develops new and innovative programs
- Works in and with the citizens of the 2nd Judicial District to educate citizens and prevent crime.



OFFICE OVERVIEW

Largest of 23 Colorado DA's Offices

- 330 Employees:
 - 126 Attorneys
 - 204 Support Staff*
- Files an average of 6,126 felonies/yr.**
- Files an average of 7,983 misdemeanor cases/yr.**

* Investigators, Victim Advocates, Paralegals and other Staff

** Five-year average



CUMULATIVE CPI vs. DENVER DA SALARY SINCE 2016

Consumer Price Index (CPI) Values for Denver-Aurora-Lakewood

- 2024: (Projected) 2.6% change
- 2023: 320.300, 5.215% change
- 2022: 304.424, 8.011% change
- 2021: 281.845, 3.541% change
- 2020: 272.207, 1.951% change
- 2019: 266.999, 1.924% change
- 2018: 261.958, 2.731% change
- 2017: 254.995, 3.386% change
- 2016: 246.643, 2.772% change

32.1% Cumulative Increase

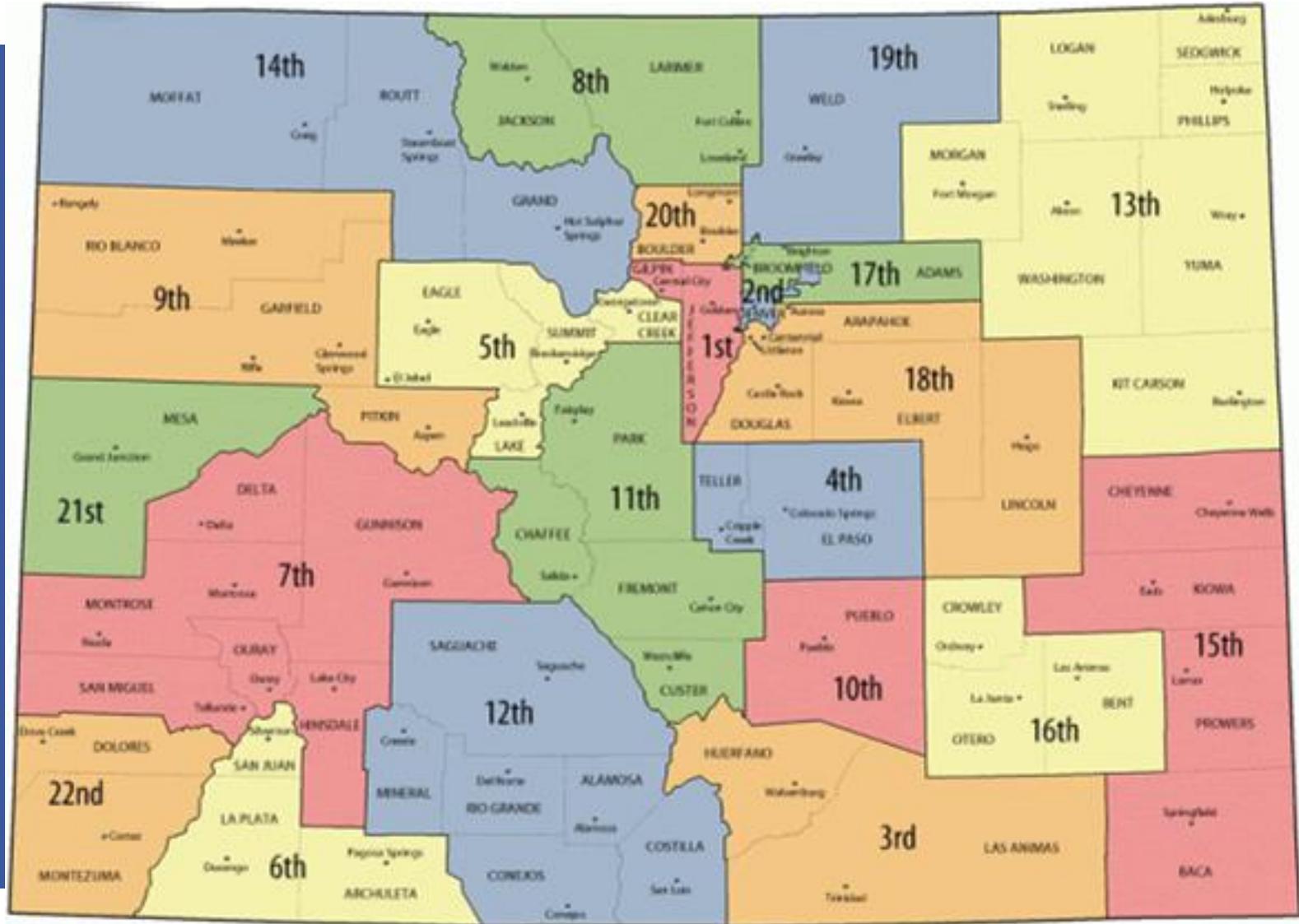
Denver District Attorney's Salary 2016 - 2024

- 2024: \$244,816
- 2023: \$237,686
- 2022: \$230,763
- 2021: \$228,478
- 2020: \$228,478
- 2019: \$223,998
- 2018: \$219,606
- 2017: \$219,606
- 2016: \$219,606

11.4% Cumulative Increase



COLORADO JUDICIAL DISTRICTS



COMPARISON OF SALARIES (METRO & STATEWIDE)

1st Judicial District (Jefferson County, Pop. 576,921) - \$235,278: Anticipating a request for a substantial increase

- 77 Attorneys, 114 support staff = 191 employees

2nd Judicial District (Denver City and County, Pop. 719,701) - \$244, 816: Requesting a 4% annual increase, \$254,609, \$264,793, \$275,385, \$286,400

- 126 Attorneys, 204 support staff = 330 employees

4th Judicial District (El Paso County, Pop. 747,834) - \$265,000 set for new term

- 92 Attorneys, 165 support staff = 257 employees

17th Judicial District (Adams County, Pop. 539,221) - \$295,000 set for new term

- 95 Attorneys, 140 support staff = 235 employees

18th Judicial District (Arapahoe County, Pop. 655,853) - \$236,000: Requesting \$250,000 and a 4% increase for each year of the term, \$260,000, \$270,400 and \$281,216

- 71 Attorneys, 178.5 support staff = 249.50

20th Judicial District (Boulder, Pop. 326,831) - \$255,739: Requesting a 4% annual increase - \$265,969, \$276,608, \$287,672, \$299,179.

- 39 Attorneys, 69 support staff = 108 employees



DISTRICT ATTORNEY SALARY REQUEST

In each of the next four years,
a 4% salary increase
to address higher costs of living.



CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER

SALARY COST ANALYSIS

Year	Salary	State Mandated Minimum	State Contribution	City Contribution	Annual Salary Increase	% Increase - Salary
Current	\$244,816	\$130,000	\$104,000	\$140,816		
1/1/2025	\$254,609	\$130,000	\$104,000	\$150,609	\$9,793	4.00%
1/1/2026	\$264,793	\$130,000	\$104,000	\$160,793	\$10,184	4.00%
1/1/2027	\$275,385	\$130,000	\$104,000	\$171,385	\$10,592	4.00%
1/1/2028	\$286,400	\$130,000	\$104,000	\$182,400	\$11,015	4.00%
				TOTAL*	\$41,584	16.99%



QUESTIONS?



THANK YOU



Denver District Attorney's Office

Second Judicial District

370 Seventeenth Street

Suite 5300

Denver, CO 80202

720-913-9000

info@denverda.org

www.denverda.org



@denverDAsOffice



@denverDAsOffice