

Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security



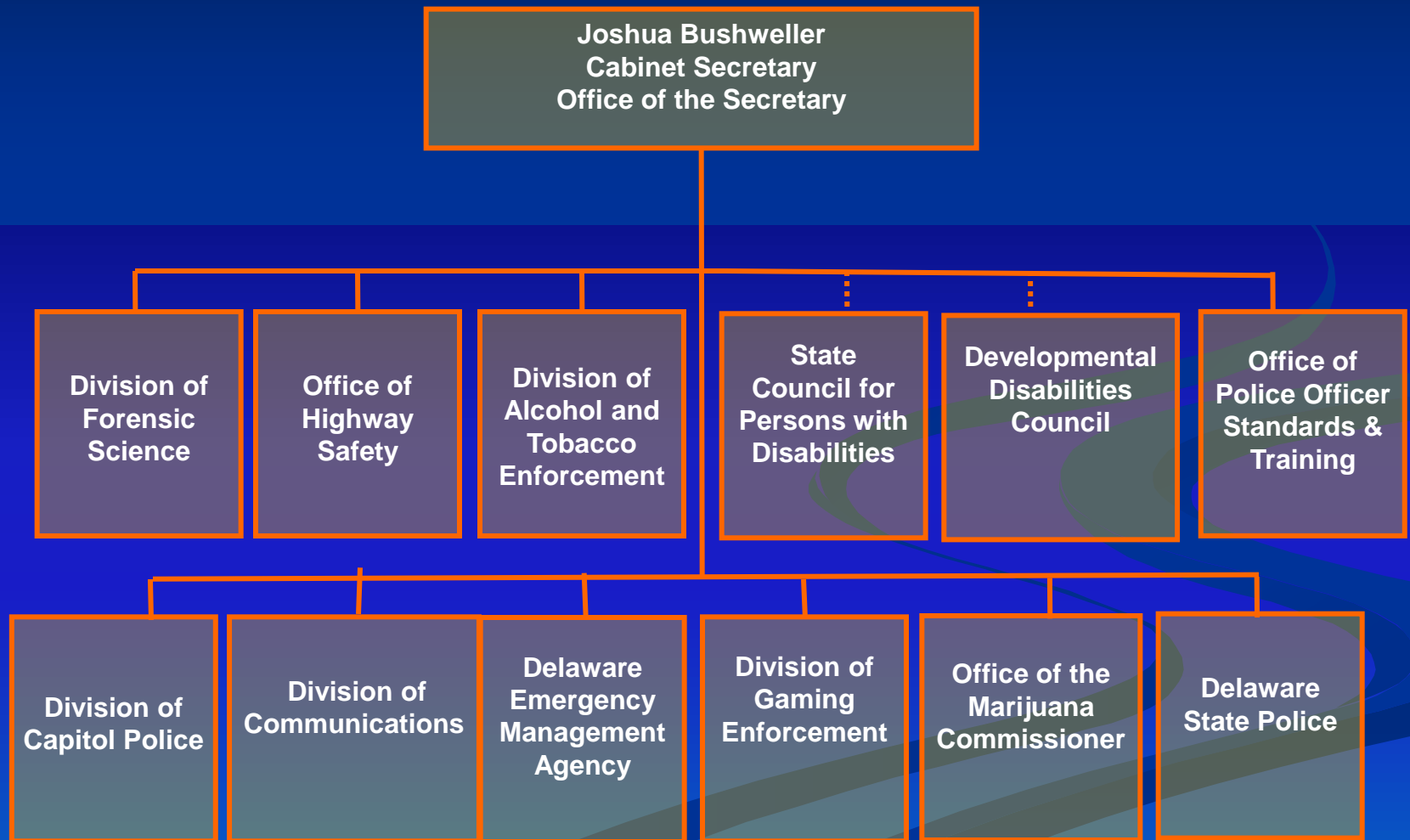
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

"TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT THE SAFETY OF PEOPLE AND PROPERTY IN DELAWARE"

FY 2026 BUDGET REQUEST PRESENTATION

Secretary Joshua Bushweller

Department of Safety and Homeland Security



Department of Safety and Homeland Security Mission



“To promote and protect the safety of people and property in Delaware”

Accomplishments

2024 Presidential Security Mission

- 20,043 hours



Accomplishments

**Troop 6 Facility
Projected to be operational June 2025**



Accomplishments

Delaware State Police took ownership of two new Bell 429 Helicopters



Accomplishments

DSP received funding to upgrade it's Cradle Point equipment. Deployment is underway and expected to be completed this year



cradlepoint



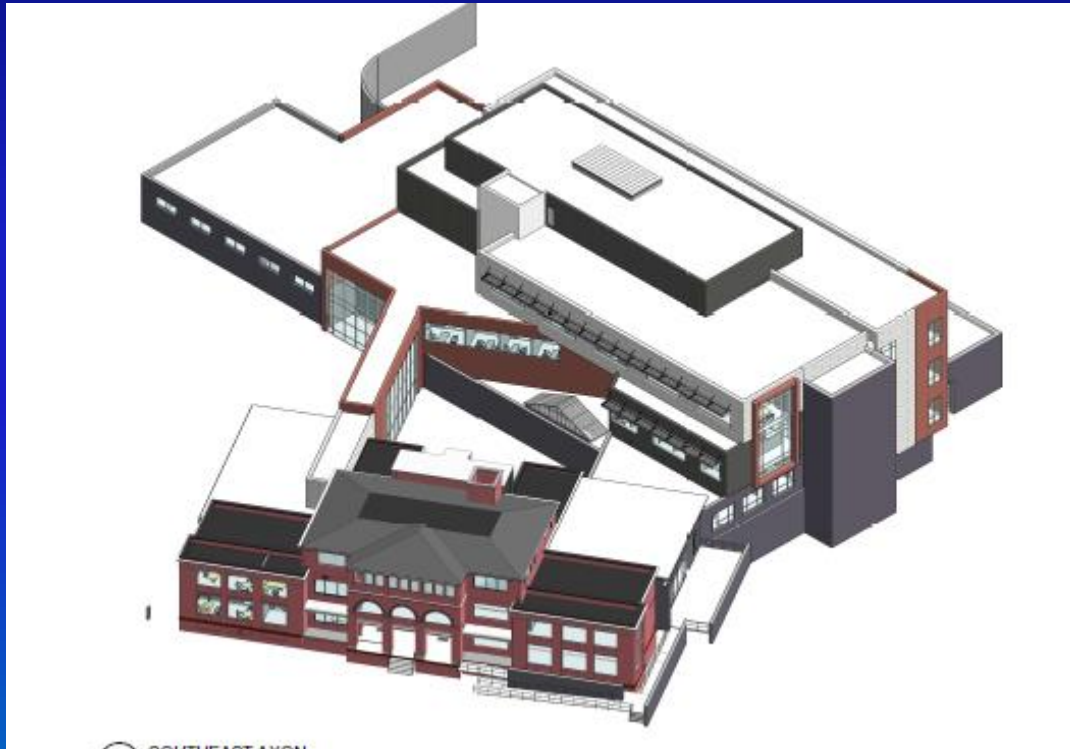
Accomplishments

**DSP Troop 4 held the
groundbreaking in 2024 and is
progressing to the construction
phase**



Accomplishments

**Division of Forensic Science
Obtained funding for a feasibility study
and design work for a new Forensic
Science Center**



Accomplishments

Div. Of Communications 800 MHz Radio System



Accomplishments

- POST has assisted in the creation of 25 Police Accountability Committees
- DPAC has successfully facilitated 4 accreditations and 4 re-accreditations

Accredited through DPAC

- Alcohol & Tobacco Enforcement
- Elsmere Police
- Georgetown Police
- Greenwood Police
- Laurel Police
- Lewes Police
- New Castle City Police
- Newport Police
- Ocean View Police
- Seaford Police
- Smyrna Police

Accredited through Reciprocity with CALEA

- Bethany Beach Police
- Capitol Police
- Delaware Bay Authority
- Delaware State Police
- Dover Police
- Middletown Police
- Millsboro Police
- New Castle County Police
- Newark Police
- University of Delaware Police
- Wilmington Police

Accomplishments



FY 2026 Door Opener #1

- Division of Communications
- \$1,435.5 K – Support services contract for 800 MHz Radio System



FY 2026 Door Opener #2

Senate Bill 221

\$1.2 K – Delaware Flag for Next of Kin



FY 2026 Door Opener #3

House Bill 287:

**\$36.0 K – Medical reimbursement for retired
Canine's**



FY 2026 Annualizations

**8 FTEs for Capitol Police at Kent County
Courthouse**

16 FTEs for DSP Permit to Purchase Unit



1% Discretionary Growth Recommend #1

\$107.0 K Switch funding for DDC



1% Discretionary Growth Recommend #2

**\$198.0 K Switch Fund to offset EMPG Grant
reduction**



1% Discretionary Growth Recommend #3

**\$534.0 K for DFS increase in contracts and
Materials for testing**



FY 26 One Time Items #1

- Division of Communications
- \$350.0 K – Repair/Maintenance for 800 MHz Bidirectional Amplifiers



FY 26 One Time Items #2

**Capitol Police \$200.0 K – Cost to equip 8 FTEs
for Kent County Courthouse**



FY 26 One Time Items #3

DSP \$858.4 K – Cost to equip 16 FTEs for
Permit to Purchase Unit





Meyer Administration Values

INTEGRITY

Actions speak louder than words - actions build trust. We will lead with transparency and accountability to ensure every decision serves the public good.

EFFICIENCY

Government should work smarter, not harder. We will eliminate waste, streamline services, and prioritize execution over excuses.

COLLABORATION

Lasting change requires teamwork. We will break down silos, build strong partnerships, and deliver solutions that work.