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**Report on the Fiscal 2026 Preliminary for  
the Committee on Criminal Justice**

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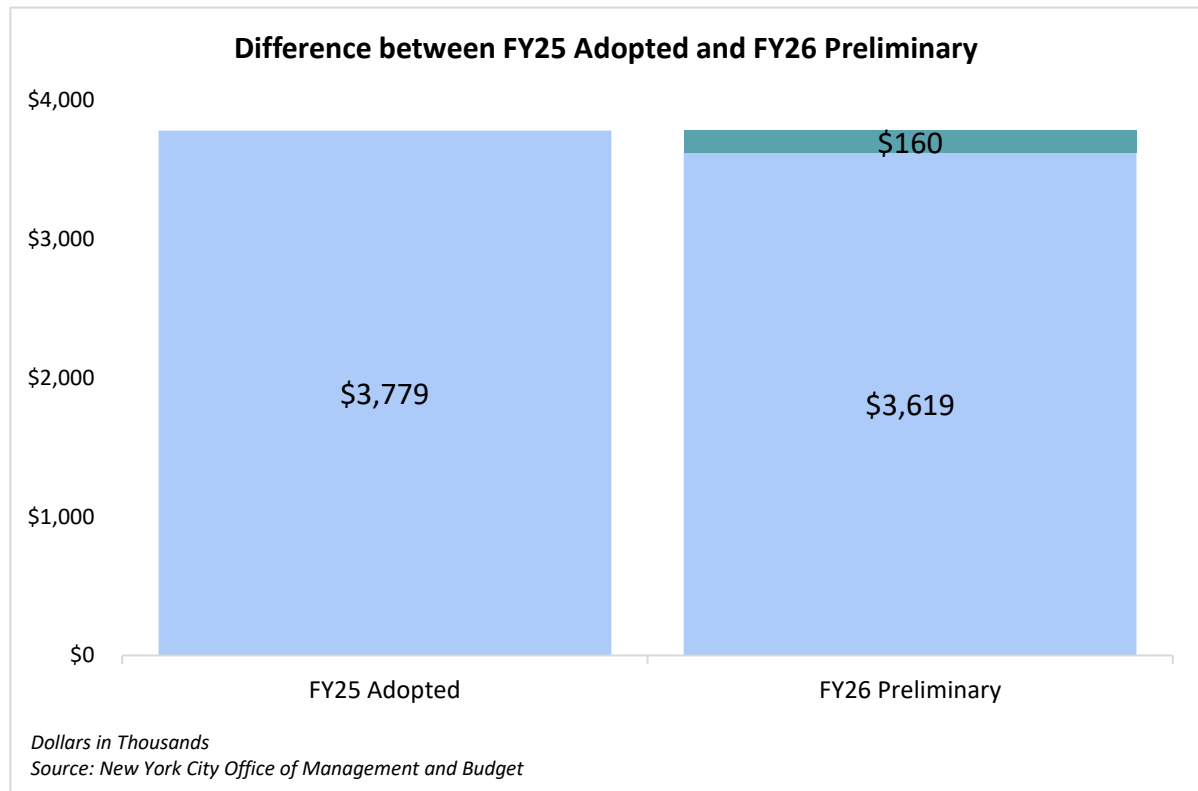
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**Fiscal 2026 Preliminary Plan**

**Board of Correction Budget Overview**

The Preliminary Financial Plan for Fiscal 2025-2029 (Preliminary Plan), includes a proposed Fiscal 2026 budget of \$3.6 million for the Board of Correction (BOC or the Board). BOC's Fiscal 2026 budget in the Preliminary Plan is \$87,763 (2.5 percent) greater than its \$3.5 million Fiscal 2026 budget in the November Financial Plan. The Fiscal 2026 Preliminary Budget is \$160,026 less than the Fiscal 2025 Adopted Budget, as shown in the table.

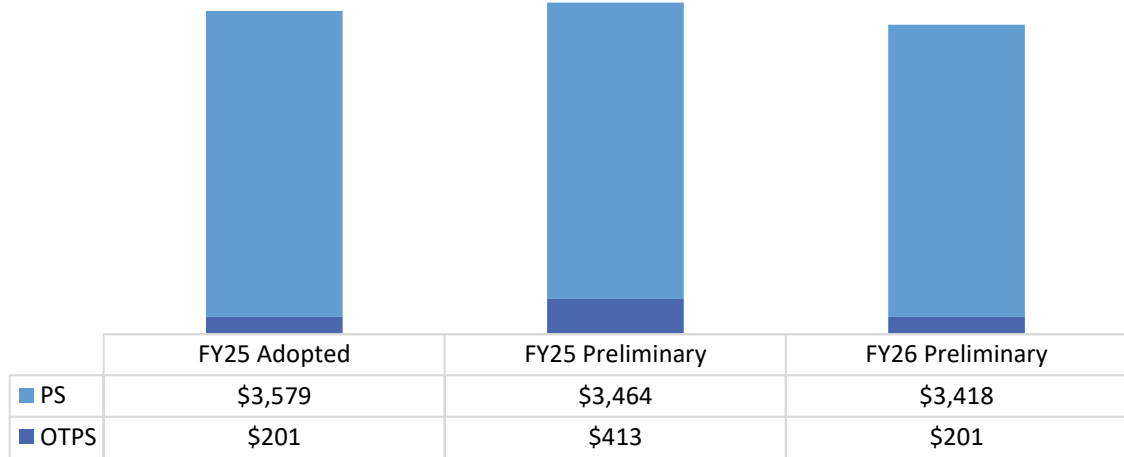
FY25	FY26
\$98,087 since Adopt.	\$87,763 since Adopt.
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\$47,695 since Nov.	\$87,763 since Nov.
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**PS and  
OTPS:**

**PS:  
\$3.4 Million**

**OTPS:  
\$200,959**



*Dollars in Thousands*

*Source: New York City Office of Management and Budget*

**BOC  
Financial  
Summary**

<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>	FY23	FY24	FY25	Preliminary Plan		*Difference
	Actual	Actual	Adopted	FY25	FY26	FY26 - FY25
<b>Budget by Program Area</b>						
Personal Services	\$2,825	\$2,801	\$3,579	\$3,464	\$3,418	(\$160)
Other Than Personal Services	190	220	201	413	201	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,016</b>	<b>\$3,021</b>	<b>\$3,779</b>	<b>\$3,878</b>	<b>\$3,619</b>	<b>(\$160)</b>
<b>Funding</b>						
City Funds			\$3,779	\$3,827	\$3,619	(\$160)
State			0	50	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,016</b>	<b>\$3,021</b>	<b>\$3,779</b>	<b>\$3,878</b>	<b>\$3,619</b>	<b>(\$160)</b>
<b>Budgeted Headcount</b>						
Full-Time Positions - Civilian	28	24	32	33	30	(2)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>(2)</b>

*\*The difference of Fiscal 2026 Preliminary Budget compared to Fiscal 2025 Adopted Budget.*

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**BOC  
Contract  
Budget:**

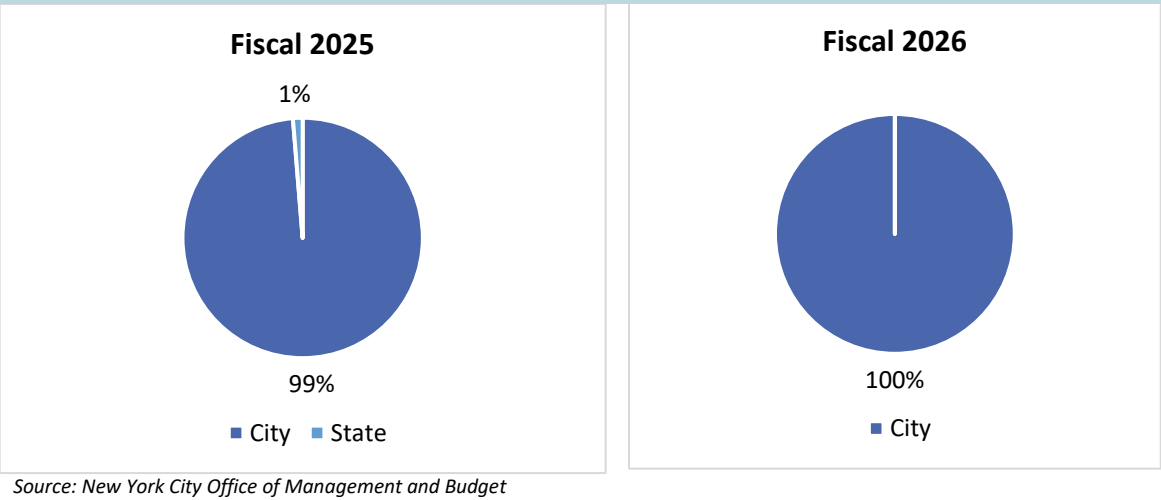
**FY26 Contract  
Budget:  
\$57,350**

**Number of  
Contracts in  
FY26: 2**

<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>				
Category	FY25 Adopted	Number of Contracts	FY26 Preliminary	Number of Contracts
Prof. Services - Direct Educational Services to Students	\$0.6	1	\$0.6	1
Prof. Services - Other	56.8	1	56.8	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$57.4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>\$57.4</b>	<b>2</b>

*Source: New York City Office of Management and Budget*

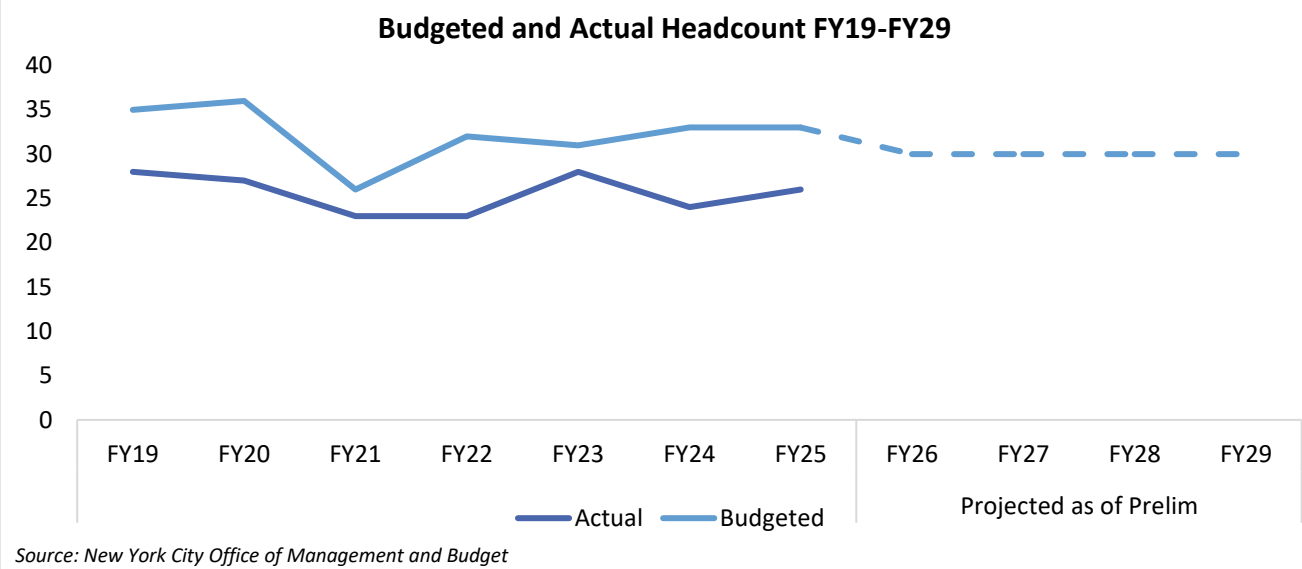
**Agency  
Budget by  
Funding  
Source**



**FY26  
Budgeted  
Headcount:**  
  
FY26 full-time  
positions: 30  
  
FY25 full-time  
positions: 33

**Actual  
Headcount as  
of January: 26**

**Vacancies as  
of December:**  
  
7



*Note: Budgeted and actual headcounts are as of the end of the fiscal year, except for FY26 where budgeted headcount is as of the Preliminary Plan and actual headcount is as of January 2025.*

**Preliminary  
Plan  
Changes**

<u>FY25 = \$47,695</u>	<u>FY26 = \$87,763</u>	<u>FY27 = \$87,763</u>	<u>FY28 = \$87,763</u>	<u>FY29 = \$87,763</u>
New Needs = \$47,695	New Needs = \$87,763	New Needs = \$87,763	New Needs = \$87,763	New Needs = \$87,763
Other Adjustments = \$0	Other Adjustments = \$0	Other Adjustments = \$0	Other Adjustments = \$0	Other Adjustments = \$0
Savings = \$0	Savings = \$0	Savings = \$0	Savings = \$0	Savings = \$0

<p><b>FY26</b></p> <p><b>Changes in Preliminary Plan:</b></p> <p><b>Total: \$87,763</b></p> <p><b>New Needs: \$87,763</b></p> <p><b>Other Adjustments: \$0</b></p>	<p><b>Significant Preliminary Plan Changes</b></p> <p><b>New Needs</b></p> <p><b>EEO Officer.</b> The Preliminary Plan includes an additional \$87,763 in baselined funding beginning in Fiscal 2026 to hire an Equal Employment Opportunity Officer. The EEO Officer will be responsible for assisting the Executive Director with the implementation of the City’s and the agency’s EEO policy, standards, and procedures.</p> <p><b>Other Adjustments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no Other Adjustments reflected in this Plan.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Budget Issues and Concerns</b></p>	<p><b>Headcount, Staffing, and Resources</b></p> <p>The Board continues to face several challenges related to its charter mandated oversight role of the City’s jails. To provide appropriate oversight the Board requires adequate funding and staffing. The BOC has been unable to fill their budgeted headcount due to retention issues, resulting in high vacancy rates. This vacancy level is likely due to the nature of the job, as it requires working long hours on Rikers Island, observing the conditions within the facilities, and handling very sensitive subject matter. In Fiscal 2024, the Board had 33 budgeted positions with a 27 percent vacancy rate, which is a 170 percent increase from Fiscal 2023, when they had 31 budgeted positions.</p> <p>Without sufficient staff, the Board cannot appropriately perform its mandated functions. This is partly why incident reports, investigations, and reports on the deaths of people in custody are often delayed and released several months after the incident occurred. The Board is authorized to designate personnel to conduct hearings to investigate incidents within the Department of Correction’s facilities in order to make recommendations and submit reports to the appropriate authorities. Staff are also required to monitor the City’s transition to borough-based jails. The Board of Correction lacks sufficient headcount to complete these tasks promptly.</p>

**Budget  
Actions in  
the  
November  
and  
Preliminary  
Plans**

<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>	FY25			FY26		
	City	Non-City	Total	City	Non-City	Total
<b>BOC Budget as of the Adopted FY25 Plan</b>	<b>\$3,779</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,779</b>	<b>\$3,532</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,532</b>
<b>Changes Introduced in the November 2024 Plan</b>						
<b>New Needs</b>						
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal, New Needs</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Other Adjustments</b>						
FY25 LGRMIF Grant	\$0	\$50	\$50	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal, Other Adjustments</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Savings</b>						
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal, Savings</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL, All Changes in November 2024 Plan</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>BOC Budget as of the November 2024 Plan</b>	<b>\$3,779</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$3,830</b>	<b>\$3,532</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,532</b>
<b>Changes Introduced in the FY26 Preliminary Plan</b>						
<b>New Needs</b>	FY25			FY26		
	City	Non-City	Total	City	Non-City	Total
EEO Officer	\$48	\$0	\$48	\$88	\$0	\$88
<b>Subtotal, New Needs</b>	<b>\$48</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$48</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Other Adjustments</b>						
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal, Other Adjustments</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Savings</b>						
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal, Savings</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL, All Changes in the FY26 Preliminary Plan</b>	<b>\$48</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$48</b>	<b>\$88</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$88</b>
<b>BOC Budget as of the FY26 Preliminary Plan</b>	<b>\$3,828</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$3,878</b>	<b>\$3,619</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,619</b>
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## Budget by Units of Appropriation

Unit of Appropriation (PS/OTPS)						
<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>						
	FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25 Adopted	Preliminary Plan		*Difference
				FY25	FY26	FY26-FY25
<b>Spending</b>						
<b>Personal Services</b>						
Full-Time Salaried - Civilian	\$2,676	\$2,737	\$3,450	\$3,335	\$3,370	(\$6,820)
Other Salaried	0	0	33	33	0	(33)
Unsalaries	0	0	48	48	0	(48)
Additional Gross Pay	101	34	11	11	11	(21)
Additional Gross Pay - Labor Reserve	48	30	0	0	0	0
Overtime - Civilian	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amounts to be Scheduled	0	0	38	38	38	(75)
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$2,825</b>	<b>\$2,801</b>	<b>\$3,579</b>	<b>\$3,464</b>	<b>\$3,418</b>	<b>(\$6,997)</b>
<b>Other Than Personal Services</b>						
Contractual Services	\$0	\$19	\$0	\$78	\$0	\$0
Contractual Services - Professional Services	48	55	57	104	57	0
Supplies & Materials	14	12	33	106	33	0
Fixed & Misc. Charges	8	5	0	0	0	0
Property & Equipment	26	4	11	19	11	0
Other Services & Charges	95	125	100	107	100	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$190</b>	<b>\$220</b>	<b>\$201</b>	<b>\$413</b>	<b>\$201</b>	<b>\$0</b>
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## Miscellaneous Revenue

- The Preliminary Plan includes \$50,392 of miscellaneous revenue in Fiscal 2025.
- This revenue is a grant from the State Archives and Records Administration (SARA). The Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) provides grants to local governments to establish records management programs or develop new program components.

<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>						
Revenue Sources	FY23 Actual	FY24 Actual	FY25 Adopted	Preliminary Plan		*Difference
				FY25	FY26	FY26-FY25
SARA Grant - LGRMIF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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