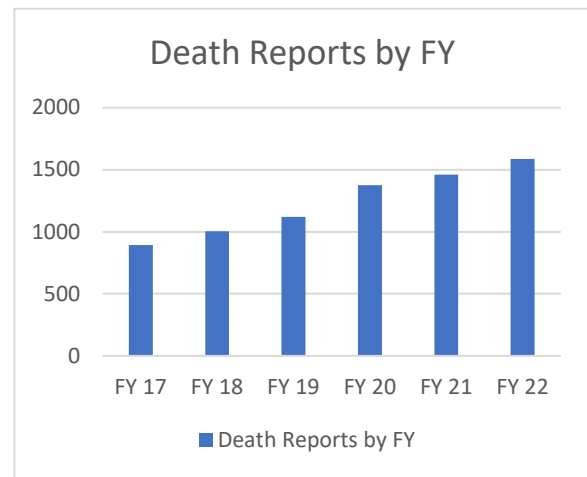
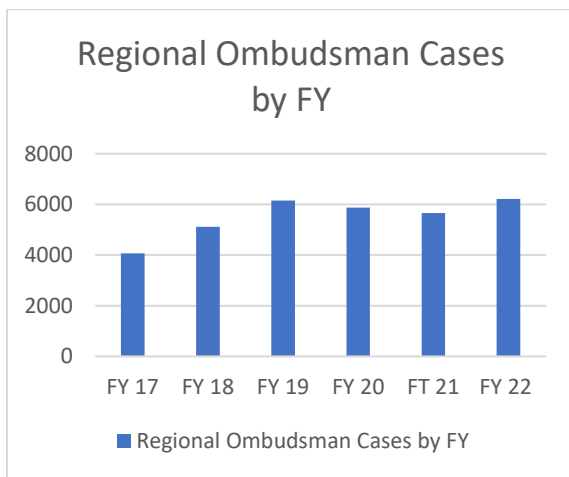


OMHDD 2023 Legislative Funding Request

The Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities (OMHDD) has a statutory mission to promote the highest attainable standards of treatment, competence, efficiency, and justice for persons receiving services for mental illness, developmental disabilities, chemical dependency, or emotional disturbance. We advocate for clients’ rights, health, and well-being; monitor service delivery systems; provide recommendations for systemic improvements, and more, with fewer than 19 FTE.



621
 CASES PER RO FTE IN FY 22

794
 CASES PER DEATH REVIEWER FTE IN FY 22

Legislative Request:

OMHDD seeks both to address a budget deficit and to expand service capacity significantly in response to the ever-increasing demand for, and broadening scope of, our critical services. Staff capacity would increase in several departments and include:

- Four (4) additional Regional Ombudsman FTE
- One (1) new Assistant Regional Ombudsman Supervisor FTE
- Two (2) additional Nurse Reviewer FTE for Death Reports
- One (1) new Outreach and Training FTE
- Upgrade current case management system for improved data reporting and efficiency

FY 24: \$1,164,000 increase to base appropriation

FY 25: \$1,481,000 increase to base appropriation

Biennium Total: \$2,645,000 increase to base appropriation