



Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

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TCOLE Mission

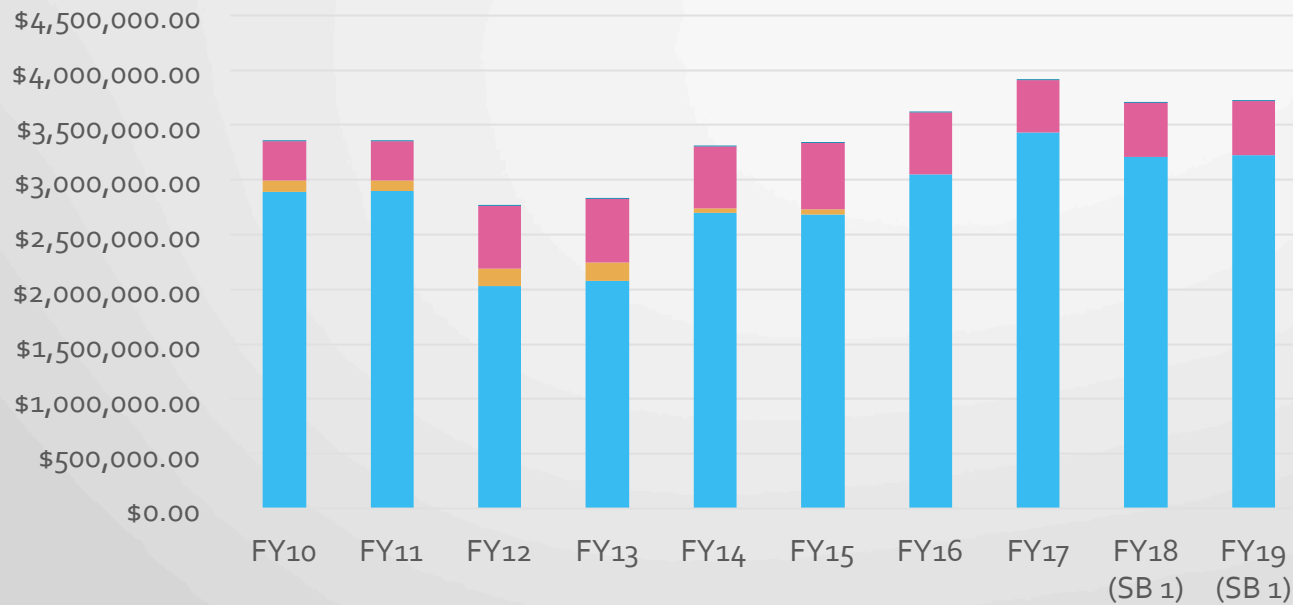


The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) is a state agency charged with five primary responsibilities:

- Establishing minimum standards to obtain and maintain a peace officer, county jailer, telecommunicator, or school marshal license, and issuing licenses to qualified applicants;
- Overseeing basic training and continuing education requirements to maintain an active license;
- Taking enforcement action against licenses in the event of criminal or administrative violations;
- Auditing law enforcement agencies and training providers for compliance with hiring standards and providing technical assistance; and
- Approving the creation of new law enforcement agencies that meet minimum standards established by the Legislature.



TCOLE Funding



■ Fund 116 - Appropriations

■ Fund 001 - Appropriations

■ Appropriated Receipts

■ Fund 5059 - Donations

Current Statistics



Currently appointed

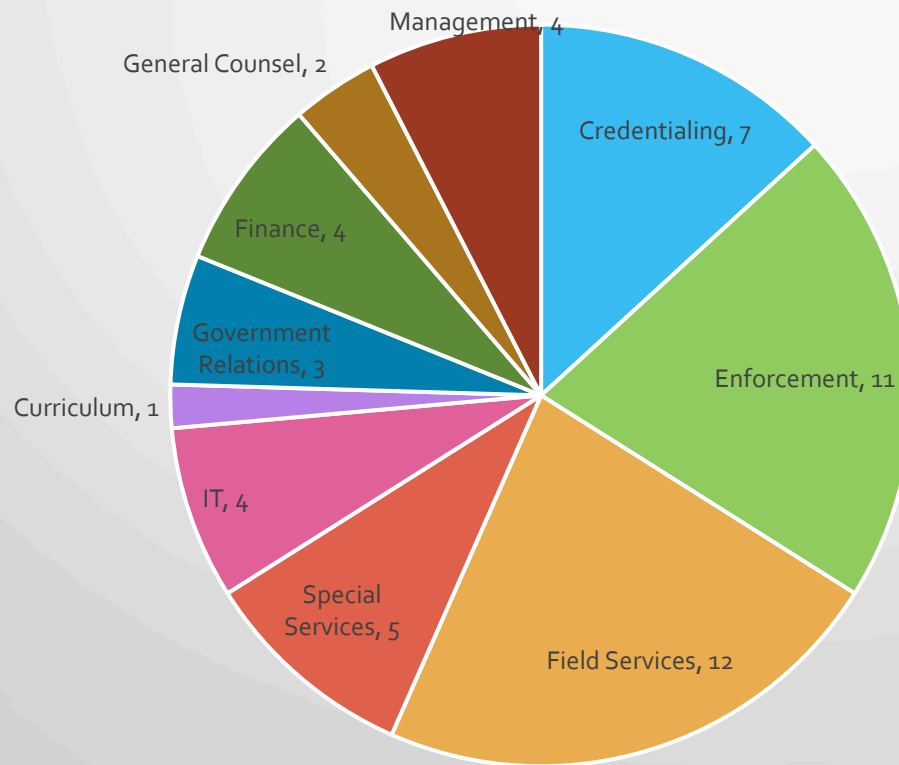
76,849	Peace Officer Licensees
156	Reserve Officer Licensees
22,996	Jailer Licensees
2,546	Temporary Jailer Licensees
9,371	Telecommunications Operator Licensees
1,020	Temporary Telecommunications Operator Licensees

Active TCOLE Agencies and Training Providers

2,654	Agencies
106	Training Academies
183	Contract Training Providers
3	Academic Alternative Providers

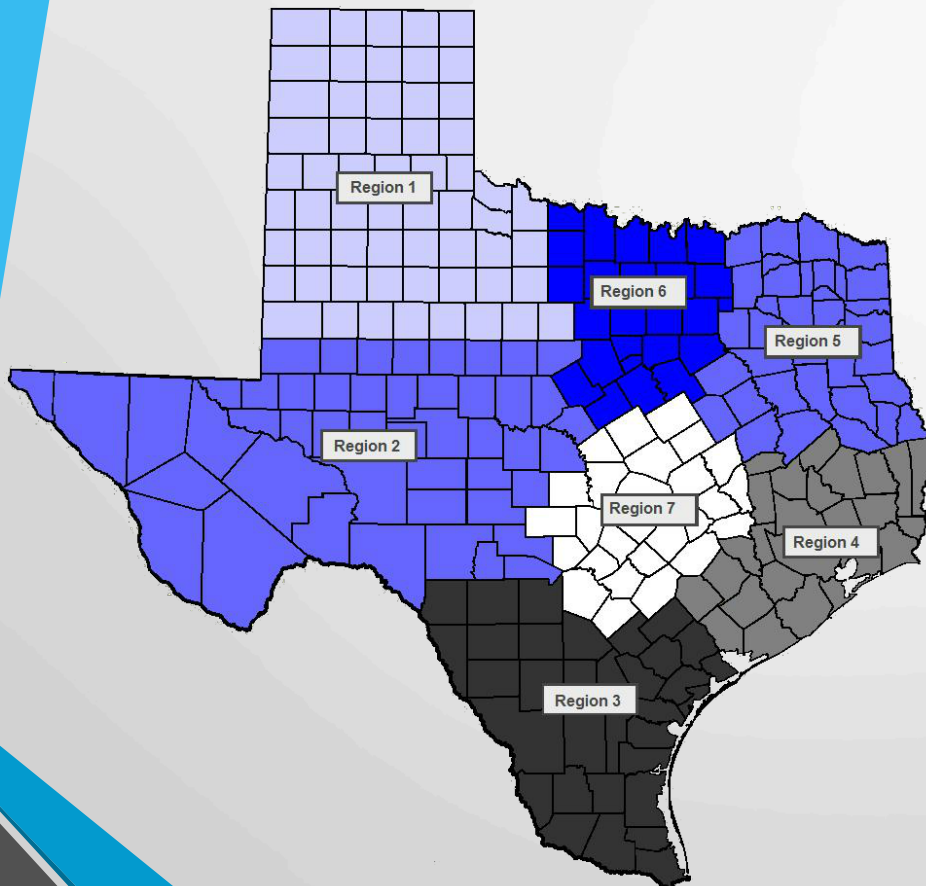


Current Staff Breakdown





Field Services



- TCOLE Field Service Agents provide on-site audits of all 2,654 law enforcement agencies, as well as valuable technical assistance.
- Field Services audited:
 - 848 agencies and academies in FY 15
 - 942 agencies and academies in FY 16

Enforcement

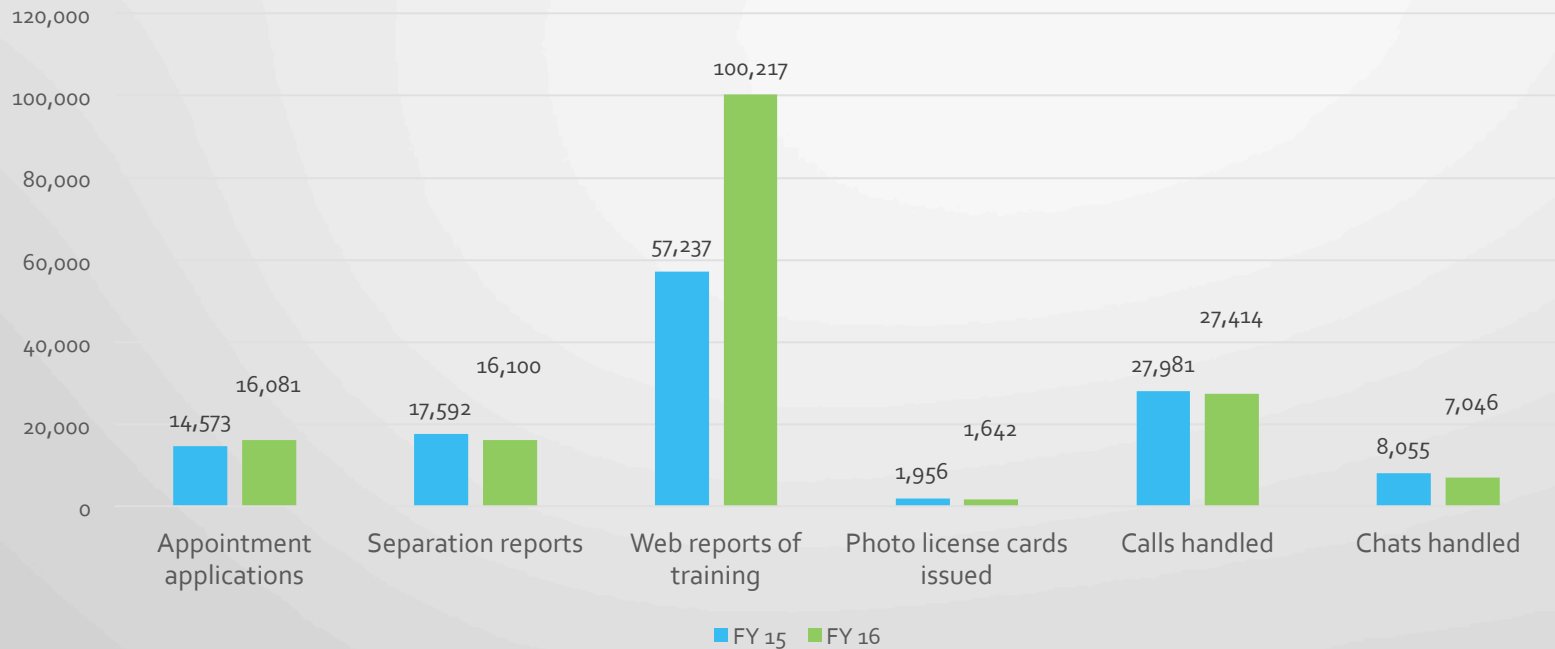


- The TCOLE Enforcement Division conducts both criminal and administrative investigations.
- Since last session:
 - 758 cases opened in FY 15
 - 550 cases closed in FY 15
 - 1,291 cases opened in FY 16
 - 713 cases closed in FY 16

Credentialing



Responsibilities



Special Services



MYTCOLE 2.0



Statutory Courses Maintained



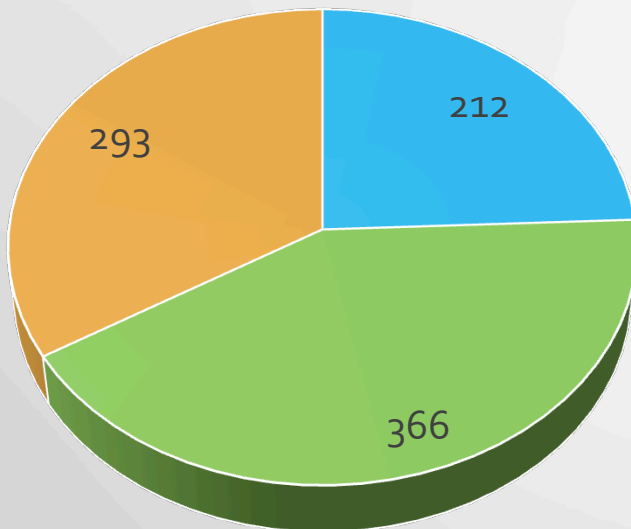
The TCOLE Special Services Division serves several functions:

- Maintenance of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Data Distribution System (TCLEDDS)
- Managing and maintaining TCOLE's network and website
- Overseeing curriculum and mandated course material
- Managing online training courses through MyTCOLE site:
 - FY 15: 49,256 courses taken
 - FY 16: 42,890 courses taken
- Criminal history checks for academy applicants and license reinstatement
- New agency creation and inspection
 - FY 15: 32
 - FY 16: 23



General Counsel

FY 2016 General Counsel Case Intake



■ Criminal Violation Cases ■ Administrative Violation Cases ■ F-5 Appeal Cases

- Advises the Commission and Executive Director on legal matters
- Works closely with the Office of the Attorney General on administrative prosecution of licensees