



Supreme Court of the United States
Salaries and Expenses

	FY 2021 Request					
	Mandatory		Discretionary		Total	
	FTE	(\$000)	FTE	(\$000)	FTE	(\$000)
FY 2020 Enacted Appropriation	9	2,680	513	87,699	522	90,379
Adjustments to Base	-	49	-	2,455	-	2,504
Program Increases	-	-	2	3,476	2	3,476
FY 2021 Appropriation Request	9	2,729	515	93,630	524	96,359

The U.S. Supreme Court requests \$96.4 million (\$2.7 million for mandatory expenses and \$93.6 million for discretionary expenses) in FY 2021 for the Salaries and Expenses account.

The \$93.6 million request for discretionary appropriations represents a \$5.9 million increase over the FY 2020 enacted discretionary appropriation. This request reflects the necessary adjustments to base to maintain current services. Additionally, the Court requests program increases for telecommunications upgrades and security improvements for FY 2021.

I. Mandatory Adjustments to Base

The FY 2021 request includes \$49,000 for standard pay increases and changes in benefits for the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices.

II. Discretionary Adjustments to Base

The Supreme Court requests a \$2.5 million increase for discretionary expenses in FY 2021 for standard pay and other inflationary adjustments.

III. Program Changes

The FY 2021 request for the Court includes \$3.5 million for program increases.

1. Telecommunications and network upgrades: \$0.5 million

This request will fund anticipated hardware and software maintenance/licensing costs, replacement of end-of-life data and voice communications management systems, replacement of end-of-life cyber security monitoring components, and additional costs associated with implementing new communication services.

2. Security program administration: \$2.9 million and 2 FTE

This request will fund four administrative positions (2 FTE), hardware and software system upgrades, specialized services, and other costs associated with administrative improvements to enhance the Supreme Court’s security programs.

IV. Appropriations Language

**Supreme Court of the United States
Salaries and Expenses**

For expenses necessary for the operation of the Supreme Court, as required by law, excluding care of the building and grounds, including hire of passenger motor vehicles as authorized by 31 U.S.C. 1343 and 1344; not to exceed \$10,000 for official reception and representation expenses; and for miscellaneous expenses, to be expended as the Chief Justice may approve, [\$87,699,000] \$93,630,000, of which \$1,500,000 shall remain available until expended.

In addition, there are appropriated such sums as may be necessary under current law for salaries of the chief justice and associate justices of the court.

(P.L. 116-93 - Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2020)

V. Summary of Obligations

U.S. Supreme Court - Salaries and Expenses Comparative Summary of Obligations by Category (\$000)			
Category	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Assumed	FY 2021 Request
Compensation and Benefits	65,959	70,105	73,866
Rent, Communications and Utilities	1,242	1,257	1,282
Travel	1,101	1,365	1,392
Other	17,794	17,652	19,819
Total Obligations	86,096	90,379	96,359
Other Adjustments	1,270	-	-
Available Appropriation	87,366	90,379	96,359
Mandatory Appropriation	2,663	2,680	2,729
Discretionary Appropriation	84,703	87,699	93,630



Supreme Court of the United States
Care of the Building and Grounds

FY 2021 Request		
	Discretionary	
	FTE	(\$000)
FY 2020 Enacted Appropriation	54	15,590
Adjustments to Base	-	(3,912)
Program Increases	-	-
FY 2021 Appropriation Request	54	11,678

The U.S. Supreme Court requests \$11.7 million for its Care of the Building and Grounds account in FY 2021, a decrease of 25.1 percent from the FY 2020 enacted appropriation.

The Architect of the Capitol provides for the structural and mechanical care of the U.S. Supreme Court Building and Grounds, including maintenance and operation of mechanical, electrical, and electronic equipment. This request includes the necessary adjustments to base to maintain current services. The Court requests no program increases for FY 2021.

I. Discretionary Adjustments to Base

The Supreme Court requests a net decrease of \$3.9 million. The request consists of a net increase of \$0.3 million for standard pay and other inflationary adjustments as well as a decrease of \$4.2 million for non-recurring costs associated with the electrical systems and critical infrastructure project.

II. Appropriations Language

Supreme Court of the United States
Care of the Building and Grounds

For such expenditures as may be necessary to enable the Architect of the Capitol to carry out the duties imposed upon the Architect by 40 U.S.C. 6111 and 6112, [\$15,590,000]~~\$11,678,000~~, to remain available until expended.

(P.L. 116-93 - Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2020)

III. Summary of Obligations

U.S. Supreme Court - Care of the Building and Grounds			
Comparative Summary of Obligations by Category			
(\$000)			
Category	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Assumed	FY 2021 Request
Compensation and Benefits	5,513	5,600	5,825
Rent, Communications and Utilities	2,584	2,600	2,650
Other	5,642	13,754	10,085
Total Direct Obligations	13,739	21,954	18,560
Other Adjustments	2,260	(6,364)	(6,882)
Available Appropriation	15,999	15,590	11,678