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Overview

The Colorado Department of Local Affairs is providing this 2022 Seizure and Forfeiture Activity Report to the Governor, the Attorney General, and the Judiciary Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives pursuant to 16-13-701(8) C.R.S. The Civil Forfeiture Reform Act, HB17-1313, was enacted on August 9, 2017 and requires State and local agencies authorized to effect civil forfeitures to biannually report:

- The type, approximate value, and disposition of all property seized;
- The amount of any forfeiture proceeds received by the state and any subdivision of the state; and
- A categorized accounting of all forfeiture proceeds expended by the state and any subdivision of the state.

The reporting process is online with public access to all reported information available on the Department's website. Although C.R.S 16-13-701 (8)(a) calls for the summary of seizure and forfeiture activity throughout the state for the prior fiscal year, this report summarizes seizure and forfeiture activity throughout the state for the prior calendar year due to the fact that the fiscal year ends during an active reporting period for reporting agencies. This method of reporting seizure and forfeiture activity has been followed for prior reports to ensure the contents of each report are both secure and accurate.

Confidential Reporting

The Act does not require law enforcement agencies to report any information that

"is likely to disclose the identity of a confidential source; disclose confidential investigative or prosecution material that could endanger the life or physical safety of any person; disclose the existence of a confidential surveillance or investigation; or disclose techniques or procedures for law enforcement procedures, investigation, or prosecutions..."

Therefore, agency information reported as confidential may not be included in this report.

Summary of Reporting

State and local agencies authorized to effect Civil Seizure and Forfeiture are required to report forfeiture information for the reporting period in which the disposition of the case and associated assets is completed and a federal, state, or local forfeiture is awarded.

Below in Table (I) is a summary of the reports received, the number of cases disposed, the value of assets forfeited, and the forfeiture proceeds received by reporting period in the prior year. For the fiscal year, 380 agencies filed a report, approximately 19% of agencies reported forfeiture information and approximately 81% of agencies reported no proceeds, expenditures, or retained balances of proceeds in the fiscal year. For further detail by agency, see Exhibit A.

Table (I): Number of reports and cases; type, approximate value, and disposition of all property seized for the prior fiscal year; and the amount of forfeiture proceeds received.*			
Agency Reporting Period	01/01/2021 through 06/30/2021	07/01/2021 through 12/31/2021	Calendar Year
Report Due Date	12/01/2021	06/01/2022	
Number of Reports Received	380	380	760
Reports by agencies with no proceeds, no expenditures, and no retained proceeds	307	312	619
Forfeiture Cases Reported:	01/01/2021 through 06/30/2021	07/01/2021 through 12/31/2021	Calendar Year
Federal Cases:	55	48	103
State Cases:	143	93	236
Local Cases:	11	7	18
Unknown:	1	2	3
None:	1	0	1
Type of Assets Forfeited			
Currency Assets:	\$6,095,644.01	\$5,013,600.28	\$11,109,244.29
Non-Currency Assets:	\$1,702,147.59	\$3,283,243.56	\$4,985,391.15
Value of Assets:	\$7,797,791.60	\$8,296,843.84	\$16,094,635.44
Totals Forfeiture Proceeds Received:	\$2,622,549.63	\$1,344,730.58	\$3,967,280.21

* Per C.R.S. 16-13-701 (7)(b) data has been deemed confidential and not included in this report.

State and local agencies are also required to report a categorized accounting of all forfeiture proceeds expended for the prior fiscal year and total balance of retained forfeiture proceeds. For further detail by agency, see Exhibit B.

Table II: Categorized accounting of all forfeiture proceeds expended by the state and any subdivision of the state for the prior fiscal year and total balance of retained forfeiture proceeds.*			
Agency Reporting Period	01/01/2021 through 06/30/2021	07/01/2021 through 12/31/2021	Fiscal Year Totals
Category of Expenditure			
(A) Prevention Programs	\$37,389.02	\$160,185.46	\$197,574.48
(B) Victim Services:	\$ -	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
(C) Informant / Controlled Buys:	\$ -	\$10,000.01	\$10,000.01
(D) Employee Compensation:	\$4,290.90	\$3,194.87	\$7,485.77
(E) Professional Services:	\$60,861.83	\$217,162.20	\$278,024.03
(F) Travel and Training:	\$112,281.24	\$319,892.98	\$432,174.22
(G) Operating Expenses:	\$392,708.05	\$456,722.32	\$849,430.37
(H) Capital, Vehicles, Equipment:	\$453,169.97	\$480,099.85	\$933,269.82
(I) Other Expenditure:	\$118,112.48	\$225,792.59	\$343,905.07
Transfers/Disbursements to Partner Agencies:	\$203,235.24	\$337,699.19	\$540,934.43
Total Expenditures Reported	\$1,382,048.73	\$2,225,749.47	\$3,607,798.20
Total Retained Proceeds - End of Fiscal Year Balance	\$31,962,163.06		

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Recommendations to improve statute and reporting compliance

No Recommendations for this report.

Exhibit A - Agency details for number cases; type, approximate value, and disposition of all property seized for the prior fiscal year; and the amount of forfeiture proceeds received*

Row Labels	Case Count	Asset Count	Asset Type (Currency)	Asset Type (Property Other than Currency)	Total Asset Value	Forfeiture Proceeds Received
18th Judicial District Attorney's Office	8	8	\$294,392.70	\$895.70	\$295,288.40	\$21,709.06
1st Judicial District Attorney's Office	16	17	\$135,199.54	\$3,670.00	\$138,869.54	\$13,618.53
2nd Judicial District Attorney's Office	113	59	\$343,246.99	-	\$343,246.99	\$151,958.74
4th Judicial District Attorney's Office	8	8	\$76,329.70	\$3,500.00	\$79,829.70	\$1,954.47
8th Judicial District Attorney's Office	16	16	\$184,983.78	\$27,675.00	\$212,658.78	\$4,896.78
Adams County	5	5	\$82,199.12	-	\$82,199.12	\$19,562.84
Arapahoe County	1	1	-	\$3,957.00	\$3,957.00	\$1,760.87
Arvada, City of	2	2	\$6,347.48	-	\$6,347.48	\$6,347.48
Aurora, City of	8	8	-	\$975.15	\$975.15	\$975.15
Avon, Town of	2	2	\$101.00		\$101.00	\$101.00
Boulder County	13	13	\$67,272.00	\$15,450.00	\$82,722.00	\$41,150.10
Broomfield, City and County of	7	7	\$4,586.00	\$16,425.00	\$21,011.00	\$16,613.38
Colorado Parks and Wildlife	3	4	-	\$3,830.00	\$3,830.00	\$1,200.00
Colorado Springs Metro Vice, Narcotics	7	23	\$85,798.79	-	\$85,798.79	\$134,276.34

and Intelligence Division Taskforce							
Colorado Springs, City of	6	8	\$465,584.46	\$57,335.00	\$522,919.46	\$136,302.05	
Colorado State Patrol	12	12	\$629,289.67	\$84,250.00	\$713,539.67	\$70,353.49	
Commerce City, City of	1	1	\$1,371.00	-	\$1,371.00	\$339.33	
Cortez, City of	10	10	-	\$2,630.00	\$2,630.00	\$2,630.00	
Delta, City of	1	1	\$6,803.00	-	\$6,803.00	\$6,308.00	
Denver, City And County of	30	30	\$1,844,275.94	\$284,733.84	\$2,129,009.78	\$605,511.62	
Douglas County	9	17	\$298,515.70	\$1,344,762.09	\$1,643,277.79	\$307,063.93	
El Paso County	6	8	\$465,584.46	\$57,335.00	\$522,919.46	\$22,544.35	
Englewood, City of	9	19	\$312,947.40	\$1,344,762.09	\$1,657,709.49	\$174,274.20	
Evans, City of	1	1	\$4,381.26	-	\$4,381.26	\$4,381.26	
Federal Heights, City of	3	3	\$150,000.00	-	\$150,000.00	\$8,818.64	
Gilpin County	1	1	-	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	
Greeley, City of	2	2	\$0.00	-	\$0.00	\$48,193.86	
Littleton, City of	1	1	\$12,460.00	-	\$12,460.00	\$12,460.00	
Mesa County	1	1	\$4,783.55	-	\$4,783.55	\$4,783.55	
Metro Gang Task Force	8	8	-	\$975.15	\$975.15	\$975.15	
Montezuma County	9	67	-	-	-	\$9,800.00	
North Metro Task Force	23	23	\$169,832.00	\$16,000.00	\$185,832.00	\$90,111.07	

Northern Colorado Drug Task Force (NCDTF)	9	12	\$171,699.43	\$169,000.00	\$340,699.43	\$1,199,882.64
Northglenn, City of	4	4	\$12,089.97	-	\$12,089.97	\$12,089.97
Parker, Town of	1	1	\$747,019.00	-	\$747,019.00	\$27,963.74
Phillips County	2	6	-	\$2,785.00	\$2,785.00	\$11,985.00
Pueblo County	6	7	\$365,659.46	\$37,250.00	\$402,909.46	\$42,170.72
Pueblo, City of	8	8	\$285,482.37	\$127,602.09	\$413,084.46	\$60,879.88
Teller County	3	5	\$77,405.26	\$47,600.00	\$125,005.26	\$7,910.96
Thornton, City of	1	1	\$810.32	-	\$810.32	\$810.32
Weld County	1	1	\$224,680.00	-	\$224,680.00	\$13,143.78
West Metro Drug Task Force	40	40	\$2,142,718.94	\$951,583.04	\$3,094,301.98	\$433,916.30
Westminster, City of	12	24	\$1,435,394.00	\$373,510.00	\$1,808,904.00	\$228,151.66
Yuma County	3	3	-	\$4,100.00	\$4,100.00	\$4,600.00
Grand Total	432	498	\$11,109,244.29	\$4,985,391.15	\$16,094,635.44	\$3,967,280.21

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Exhibit B: Detailed categorized accounting of all forfeiture proceeds expended by the state and any subdivision of the state for the prior fiscal year*

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	Ia	Ib	
Agency	Prevention Programs	Victim Services	Informants/ Controlled Buys	Employee Compensation	Professional Services	Travel and Training	Operating Expenses	Capital, Vehicles, Equipment	Other Expenditure	Transfers to Partner Agencies	Totals
18th Judicial District Attorney's Office	-	-	-	-	\$20,962.18	\$8,250.00	\$4,565.20	-	-	-	\$33,777.38
1st Judicial District Attorney's Office	-	\$15,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$15,000.00
2nd Judicial District Attorney's Office	\$197,574.48	-	-	-	-	\$26,981.47	\$43,241.65	-	\$35,648.75	\$197,573.99	\$501,020.34
4th Judicial District Attorney's Office	-	-	-	\$2,588.99	-	-	-	-	-	\$42,959.80	\$45,548.79
8th Judicial District Attorney's Office	-	-	-	\$4,896.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$4,896.78
Aurora, City of	-	-	-	-	-	\$12,405.18	\$28,305.74	-	-	-	\$40,710.92
Boulder County	-	-	\$10,000.00	-	\$7,827.00	\$4,576.20	\$35,802.57	-	-	-	\$58,205.77
Brighton, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$7,004.06	-	-	\$7,004.06
Broomfield, City and County of	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$6,900.00	\$50,137.09	-	-	\$57,037.09
Colorado Department of Law,	-	-	-	-	-	\$8,969.76	-	\$14,925.65	-	-	\$23,895.41

Colorado Springs Metro Vice, Narcotics and Intelligence Division Taskforce	-	-	-	-	-	\$6,013.26	-	-	\$31,404.20	-	\$37,417.46
Colorado Springs, City of	-	-	-	-	\$155,560.00	-	\$46,070.00	\$190,702.40	-	-	\$392,332.40
Colorado State Patrol	-	-	-	-	\$24,500.00	-	-	\$78,622.33	\$171,854.83	-	\$274,977.16
Commerce City, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$339.33	\$339.33
Crested Butte, Town of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$2,250.00	-	-	\$2,250.00
Delta County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$43.13	-	\$43.13
Denver, City And County of	-	-	-	-	-	\$287,793.91	\$88,354.82	\$55,733.40	-	-	\$431,882.13
Douglas County	-	-	-	-	\$1,100.00	-	-	\$83,711.00	-	-	\$84,811.00
Eagle County	-	-	-	-	-	\$12,895.00	-	-	\$12,895.00	-	\$25,790.00
El Paso County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$30.28	-	\$30.28
Englewood, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$83,684.33	\$83,684.33
Evans, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$4,390.00	-	-	\$4,390.00
Gilpin County	-	-	-	-	\$5,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	\$5,000.00
Greeley, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$88,076.85	\$125,262.16	\$213,339.01
Jefferson County	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$4,396.08	-	-	-	\$4,396.08

La Plata County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$20,206.60	-	-	\$20,206.60
Lakewood, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$414.15	-	-	\$414.15
Longmont, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$428.88	-	-	-	\$428.88
Mesa County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$6,835.00	-	-	\$6,835.00
Metro Gang Task Force	-	-	-	-	-	\$1,595.00	\$4,719.22	\$27,459.00	\$786.25	-	\$34,559.47
Mountain View, Town of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$1,597.98	-	\$903.75	\$2,501.73
North Metro Task Force	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$90,111.07	\$90,111.07
Northern Colorado Drug Task Force (NCDTF)	-	-	-	-	-	\$21,759.62	\$184,250.19	-	-	-	\$206,009.81
Northglenn, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$50,755.75	-	-	\$50,755.75
Parker, Town of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$104,665.40	-	-	\$104,665.40
Pueblo County	-	-	-	-	-	\$23,719.27	-	-	-	-	\$23,719.27
Pueblo, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$32,807.10	\$170,610.94	\$715.78	-	\$204,133.82
San Luis, Town of	-	-	\$0.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$0.01
Southwest Drug Task Force	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$2,290.40	-	-	\$2,290.40
Sterling, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$2,043.51	-	-	\$2,043.51
Teller County	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$4,002.32	\$26,909.40	-	-	\$30,911.72
Vail, Town of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$30,000.00	-	-	\$30,000.00

West Metro Drug Task Force	-	-	-	-	\$63,074.85	\$17,215.55	\$365,586.60	-	-	-	\$445,877.00
Westminster, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$2,450.00	-	\$2,450.00
Wheat Ridge, City of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$100.00	\$100.00
Yuma County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$2,005.76	-	-	\$2,005.76
Grand Total	\$197,574.48	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.01	\$7,485.77	\$278,024.03	\$432,174.22	\$849,430.37	\$933,269.82	\$343,905.07	\$540,934.43	\$3,607,798.20

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