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Overview

The Colorado Department of Local Affairs is providing this 2023 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 statute 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 reported, 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 12% of agencies reported forfeiture information and approximately 88% of agencies reported no proceeds, expenditures, or retained balances of proceeds in the fiscal year. The number of total agencies decreased from 380 to 378 because two agencies dissolved at an earlier date and have no further dollar amounts, cases, or assets to report. 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	01/01/2022 through 06/30/2022	07/01/2022 through 12/31/2022	Calendar Year
Report Due Date	12/01/2022	06/01/2023	
Number of Reports Received	380	378	758
Reports by agencies with no proceeds, no expenditures, and no retained proceeds	337	333	670
Forfeiture Cases Reported:	01/01/2022 through 06/30/2022	07/01/2022 through 12/31/2022	Calendar Year
Federal Cases:	105	90	195
State Cases:	174	166	340
Local Cases:	9	3	12
Unknown:	4	7	11
None:	10	3	13
Type of Assets Forfeited			

Currency Assets:	\$6,022,124.10	\$8,497,794.78	\$14,519,918.88
Non-Currency Assets:	\$1,707,140.73	\$783,621.84	\$2,490,762.57
Value of Assets:	\$7,729,264.83	\$9,281,416.62	\$17,010,681.45
Totals Forfeiture Proceeds Received:	\$2,225,275.13	\$2,109,830.33	\$4,335,105.46

* Per C.R.S. 16-13-701 (7)(b) some reported data has been deemed confidential and cannot be 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	01/01/2022 through 06/30/2022	07/01/2022 through 12/31/2022	Fiscal Year Totals
Category of Expenditure			
(A) Prevention Programs	\$132,862.09	\$84,873.71	\$217,735.80
(B) Victim Services:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
(C) Informant / Controlled Buys:	\$11,500.00	\$0.00	\$11,500.00
(D) Employee Compensation:	\$8,125.31	\$8,086.57	\$16,211.88
(E) Professional Services:	\$204,851.53	\$213,952.06	\$418,803.59
(F) Travel and Training:	\$321,762.96	\$346,742.49	\$668,505.45
(G) Operating Expenses:	\$275,906.46	\$437,546.27	\$713,452.73
(H) Capital, Vehicles, Equipment:	\$585,454.46	\$857,781.18	\$1,443,235.64
(I) Other Expenditure:	\$115,124.66	\$566,335.14	\$681,459.80
Transfers/Disbursements to Partner Agencies:	\$555,494.31	\$180,728.73	\$736,223.04
Total Expenditures Reported	\$2,211,081.78	\$2,696,046.15	\$4,907,127.93
Total Retained Proceeds - End of Fiscal Year Balance	\$30,740,769.60		

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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	20	20	\$571,196.00	\$356,275.20	\$927,471.20	\$70,954.13
1st Judicial District Attorney's Office	9	13	\$30,997.00	\$18,885.00	\$49,882.00	\$5,907.84
2nd Judicial District Attorney's Office	145	135	\$1,019,464.72	\$6,485.00	\$1,025,949.72	\$624,895.96
4th Judicial District Attorney's Office	15	15	\$165,720.00	\$9,600.09	\$175,320.09	\$5,628.24
8th Judicial District Attorney's Office	18	17	\$25,302.40	\$120,696.71	\$145,999.11	\$2,179.74
Adams County	14	14	\$157,564.07	\$43,425.00	\$200,989.07	\$26,368.59
Arapahoe County	13	16	\$332,761.61		\$332,761.61	\$70,103.95
Arvada, City of	1	2			\$0.00	\$454.03
Boulder County	3	4	\$9,050.00		\$9,050.00	\$6,662.68
Brighton, City of	5	5	\$11,465.28	\$10,738.95	\$22,204.23	\$6,084.64
Broomfield, City and County of	9	3	\$306,819.00		\$306,819.00	\$2,999.46
Colorado Bureau of Investigation	7	8	\$46,247.11		\$46,247.11	\$13,143.82
Colorado Parks and Wildlife	8	2		\$60.00	\$60.00	\$2,263.00

Colorado Springs Metro Vice, Narcotics and Intelligence Division Taskforce	18	53	\$233,888.25	\$500.00	\$234,388.25	\$129,595.44
Colorado Springs, City of	7	9	\$91,230.00	\$43,625.00	\$134,855.00	\$38,656.51
Colorado State Patrol	38	38	\$2,175,449.00	\$12,837.50	\$2,188,286.50	\$1,403,998.02
Delta, City of	15	15	\$5,492.00		\$5,492.00	\$12,264.19
Denver, City And County of	17	18	\$1,789,058.86	\$654,372.43	\$2,443,431.29	\$395,106.28
Douglas County	31	31	\$670,621.00	\$43,113.00	\$713,734.00	\$130,983.08
Englewood, City of	10	10	\$200,200.00	\$51,981.25	\$252,181.25	\$71,808.34
Firestone, Town of	7	7	\$563,900.00	\$72,000.00	\$635,900.00	\$151,194.08
Gilpin County	1	2			\$0.00	\$767.26
Greeley, City of	9	8	\$306,828.79		\$306,828.79	\$142,811.88
Jefferson County	29	27	\$283,133.00	\$151,436.00	\$434,569.00	\$111,522.95
Lakewood, City of	2	3	\$5,379.00	\$27,000.00	\$32,379.00	\$9,643.10
Mesa County	10	10	\$472,025.00		\$472,025.00	\$296,424.63
Mountain View, Town of	15	16	\$82,084.63	\$1,339.47	\$83,424.10	\$91,740.50
Northern Colorado Drug Task Force (NCDTF)	27	26	\$227,612.00	\$269,475.00	\$497,087.00	\$121,053.37
Northglenn, City of	6	6	\$3,092.12		\$3,092.12	\$2,698.98
Parker, Town of	1	2			\$0.00	\$17,407.56

Pueblo County	6	6			\$0.00	\$12,013.32
Pueblo, City of	10	10	\$79,270.73		\$79,270.73	\$50,617.90
Rio Grande County	1	2			\$0.00	\$500.00
Teller County	1	2	\$4,280.89		\$4,280.89	\$4,280.89
Thornton, City of	3	3	\$1,825.53		\$1,825.53	\$2,161.88
Weld County	10	7	\$222,308.50		\$222,308.50	\$105,756.94
West Metro Drug Task Force	7	7	\$31,218.00	\$467,059.00	\$498,277.00	\$21,681.67
Westminster, City of	17	17	\$345,487.00	\$129,857.97	\$475,344.97	\$172,770.61
Grand Total	565	589	\$10,470,971.49	\$2,490,762.57	\$12,961,734.06	\$4,335,105.46

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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	Total Forfeiture Proceeds Expended
18th Judicial District Attorney's Office	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,633.00	\$0.00	\$2,472.60	\$6,970.00	\$12,498.75	\$0.00	\$42,574.35
2nd Judicial District Attorney's Office	\$197,735.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$101,537.75	\$6,147.26	\$90,292.61	\$23,987.61	\$197,735.13	\$617,436.14
4th Judicial District Attorney's Office	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,628.24	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$52,330.30	\$181,036.18	\$238,994.72
8th Judicial District Attorney's Office	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,944.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,913.51	\$4,858.07
Adams County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$43,870.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$43,870.00
Arapahoe County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$83,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$83,000.00
Aurora, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$9,326.16	\$24,747.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$34,223.66
Boulder County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$22,016.43	\$8,517.35	\$18,576.80	\$109.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$56,220.48
Boulder, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,603.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,603.01
Colorado Department of Law,	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,175.27	\$0.00	\$7,565.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,740.92

Colorado Attorney General's Office											
Colorado Springs Metro Vice, Narcotics and Intelligence Division Taskforce	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,360.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$63,493.52	\$0.00	\$64,853.64
Colorado Springs, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$234,903.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$249,231.15	\$121,955.00	\$0.00	\$606,089.15
Colorado State Patrol	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,000.00	\$0.00	\$28,703.00	\$23,600.00	\$341,466.75	\$0.00	\$414,769.75
Conejos County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.03	\$0.00	\$0.03
Denver, City And County of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$465,986.86	\$0.00	\$256,908.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$722,895.76
Douglas County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,500.00	\$0.00	\$43,918.50	\$53,009.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$105,428.35
El Paso County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$135,123.48	\$63,320.00	\$0.00	\$198,443.48
Englewood, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,998.25	\$0.00	\$324,860.24	\$342,858.49
Greeley, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32,809.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30,262.48	\$63,071.99
Huerfano County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.02	\$0.02
Jefferson County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$61,751.16	\$14,190.31	\$360,058.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$436,000.43

La Plata County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,843.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,343.08
Mesa County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$18,213.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68,213.52
Montezuma County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,923.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,923.00
Mountain View, Town of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00
Northern Colorado Drug Task Force (NCDTF)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,613.56	\$151,021.85	\$209,831.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$373,467.08
Northglenn, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,193.60	\$1,724.17	\$0.00	\$12,917.77
Otis, Town of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Pueblo County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$31,760.70	\$5,956.77	\$98,863.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$136,581.35
Pueblo, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$44,491.54	\$5,747.50	\$683.67	\$0.00	\$50,922.71
Red Rocks Community College Police Department	\$0.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.02
Southwest Drug Task Force	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,802.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,802.54
Teller County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,909.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,909.78
Vail, Town of	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00

Victor, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.07
Vona, Town of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
Walsenburg, City of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$415.48	\$415.48
Wiley, Town of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.01
Williamsburg, Town of	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$139.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$199.08
Total	\$217,735.80	\$0.00	\$11,500.00	\$16,211.88	\$418,803.59	\$668,505.45	\$713,452.73	\$1,443,235.64	\$681,459.80	\$736,223.04	\$4,907,127.93

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