

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE
State Forensic Laboratory Fund
Fiscal Year 2021**

The Forensic Lab Funding Act, 1994 PA 35, MCL 12.201 et seq., created the State Forensic Laboratory Fund (Lab Fund) to support the forensic laboratory costs incurred by the state and local units of government. Section 10 (MCL 12.210) requires the department to annually report to the Governor and the House and Senate Appropriations Committees the amount received and appropriated in the fiscal year (FY) pursuant to this act, the amount expended pursuant to appropriations, and the balance in the Lab Fund.

Under the Revised Judicature Act (MCL 600.181), the Lab Fund receives 5.35% of the Justice System Fund's balance each month.

The amount received under the Act is distributed as provided under MCL 12.207:

- 45% is distributed to the Michigan State Police to defray the cost of complying with the DNA Identification Profiling System Act, 1990 PA 250, MCL 28.171 et seq. These funds are credited to the Forensic Science Reimbursement Fees fund source appropriated in the Biometrics and Identification line item.
- 55% is distributed to the Michigan State Police (MSP) and local municipalities that maintain a forensic laboratory and incurred expenses in conducting forensic tests by a forensic laboratory. The MSP's share is held in the Lab Fund. Forensic test is defined in statute (MCL 12.202) as "a drug analysis, toxicology analysis, or other forensic analysis or examination in areas including, but not limited to latent prints, micro chemistry, serology, firearms, toolmarks, or questioned documents. Forensic test does not include an analysis of the alcohol content of an individual's breath." This share of funds, based on calendar year 2020 revenue collections, was distributed as follows for FY 2021:

Calendar Year 2020 Collections	\$ 903,253.06
FY 2021 55% Distribution	
-- Oakland County Sheriff's Office	\$225,959.63
-- Battle Creek Police Department	\$2,935.65
-- Wyoming Department of Public Safety	\$4,877.36
-- Michigan State Police	\$669,480.42
	\$ 903,253.06
MSP Lab Fund Revenue	
-- FY 2020 Beginning Balance	\$638,514.21
-- Justice System Distribution	\$669,480.42
-- Interest Earned	\$1,026.25
-- Civil Service Assessment	\$(9.00)
	\$ 1,309,011.88
MSP Lab Fund Expenditures	
Payroll	
-- Regular Salary and Benefits	\$100.00
Non-Payroll	
-- Operating Supplies, Equipment and Training	\$311,868.64
-- Information Technology	\$56,139.21
-- Auditor General Fees	\$706.00
-- Treasury Fees	\$200.00
	\$369,013.85
FY 2021 State Forensic Lab Fund Ending Balance	\$939,998.03

Statute (MCL 12.207) provides that funds distributed to the MSP and municipal forensic laboratories are to be used for forensic science services including, but not limited to:

- Costs incurred in providing forensic tests in connection with criminal investigations conducted within the state.
- Purchasing or maintaining equipment used in performing forensic tests.
- Providing for the continuing education, training, and professional development of regularly employed laboratory personnel.