

### Office of the Attorney General

**2023 Budget Presentation** 



## FY 2022 By the Numbers

- Revenue returned:
  - To the General Fund: \$192,461,592
  - To consumers and businesses: \$770,241,177
- Completed:
  - 8,370 Trial court cases
  - 336 Appeals
  - 897 Administrative proceedings
  - 87 Antitrust/Fraud investigations
  - 73 Consumer protection investigations
  - 1,612 Privacy investigations
  - 3,038 Legal documents examined
  - 2,531 Consumer protection public inquiries



# 2019-2022 Highlights

- Opioids: \$600 million to Connecticut (\$50 billion to the states) for treatment and prevention
- JUUL: \$16.2 million to CT (\$438.5 million to the states) and a commitment to stop preying on kids
- Google location tracking: \$6.5 million to CT (\$391.5 million to the states)
- Recovered nearly \$10 million in Medicaid fraud.
- Taking on robocallers and scammers who deceive consumers
- Resolving consumer complaints: M&T Bank, healthcare, and utility bills.
- Investigating Big Tech, price gougers, generic drug price fixing, scammers
- Holding energy, cable and internet providers accountable
- \$2 million+ recovered for consumers related to pandemic travel disruptions



Representing Connecticut's agencies, Defending statutes and pandemic response

- Advising on and defending the Governor's pandemic-related executive orders
  - Public health and safety measures: business closures, virtual court hearings, masks
- Child protection
- Enforcing tax warrants, child support, and other agency orders related to environment, health, consumer safety
- Statutory challenges
- Contract review and enforcement
- Defending litigation related to employment, construction, real estate, state services, administrative appeals



#### Return on Investment

Fiscal Year	General Fund Appropriation	Returned to General Fund*	Return on Investment	Protected/Returned to Consumers and Businesses**	Total Revenue Generated
2021-2022	\$33,432,121	\$192,461,592	5x (576%)	\$770,241,177	\$973,376,747
2020-2021	\$32,580,161	\$216,537,350	6x (665%)	\$333,205,863	\$557,830,530
2019-2020	\$30,827,038	\$166,957,658	5x (542%)	\$1,111,758,331	\$1,282,532,102
2018-2019	\$29,005,031	\$183,538,052	6x (633%)	\$550,074,282	\$773,612,334

\*Includes tobacco settlement revenue; child support collections, and other collections, settlements, fees, penalties and reimbursement of costs related to our work in privacy, antitrust, state agency representation, etc.

\*\*Includes child support payments, restitution, charitable funds, healthcare and utility costs.



### Safeguarding Tobacco Settlement Funds

Year	Payment	Cessation/Prevention Spending
1999	\$85,765,906.70	
2000	\$100,153,574.09	
2001	\$112,503,906.85	
2002	\$132,747,716.83	
2003	\$109,290,293.44	\$800,000.00
2004	\$116,707,598.15	\$587,100.00
2005	\$118,354,526.61	
2006	\$108,285,996.31	
2007	\$112,694,820.14	\$100,000.00
2008	\$141,347,315.43	\$800,000.00
2009	\$153,818,652.64	\$6,862,456.00
2010	\$128,977,356.83	\$6,377,745.00
2011	\$121,421,994.56	

Year	Payment	Cessation/Prevention Spending
2012	\$123,798,920.50	combined with 2013
2013	\$224,919,151.25	\$6,015,000.00
2014	\$95,965,553.79	\$3,000,000.00
2015	\$118,987,704.06	\$5,111,833.00
2016	\$120,448,144.58	\$1,188,355.00
2017	\$123,360,385.19	
2018	\$116,850,107.51	
2019	\$124,507,709.65	
2020	\$118,761,009.33	
2021	\$133,121,333.00	
2022	\$136,584,724.00	\$12,000,000.00
2023*	\$124,000,000.00	\$6,000,000.00
2024*	\$124,000,000.00	\$6,000,000.00
TOTAL Payments	\$2,709,668,344.44	

\*Average annual MSA payment; disbursement as currently proposed.

Source for spending figures: Reports of the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund Board



# **Risks & Opportunities**

- Continuing to fund tobacco enforcement positions using Master Settlement Agreement funds
- Doubling down on pandemic and other government fraud by state contractors by expanding CT False Claims Act
- Special Counsel for Civil and Reproductive Rights
- Enforcing gaming/sports wagering expansion
- Outreach and enforcement of Connecticut Data Privacy Act (PA 22-15)