

Fact Sheet

Asset Forfeiture

2024

- ▶ The Department of Justice (DOJ) Asset Forfeiture Program’s (the Program) mission is to use asset forfeiture as a tool to deter, disrupt and dismantle criminal enterprises by depriving criminals of the instruments of illicit activity, including terrorist financiers, cyber criminals, fraudsters, human traffickers and transnational drug cartels.
- ▶ The U.S. Marshals Service (USMS) serves as the primary custodian of seized property for the Program. The Marshals identify and evaluate assets, as well as manage and dispose of the majority of property seized for forfeiture.

<i>Fiscal Year 2023 Key Statistics</i>	
Number of assets received in fiscal 2023	12,117
Number of assets disposed of in fiscal 2023	12,988
Number of assets on hand as of Sept. 30, 2023	25,793
Value of assets on hand as of Sept. 30, 2023	\$5.99 billion
Amount distributed to victims of crime and claimants in fiscal 2023	\$278.34 million
Amount shared with participating state and local law enforcement agencies in fiscal 2023	\$606.80 million

- ▶ The Marshals manage a wide array of assets, including real estate, cash, financial instruments, cryptocurrency, vehicles, jewelry, art, antiques, collectibles, vessels and aircraft.
- ▶ USMS employs best practices from private industry to ensure that assets are managed and sold in an efficient and cost-effective manner.
- ▶ Forfeited proceeds are used to operate the Program, compensate victims and support various law enforcement efforts.
- ▶ In coordination with U.S. Attorneys’ Offices and DOJ litigating divisions, the Marshals manage the distribution of forfeited assets, payments to victims of crime connected with those assets, and equitable sharing with state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies that directly participate in the law enforcement efforts leading to the seizure and forfeiture of assets.

For additional information, please visit:

- [USMS Asset Forfeiture Division](#) (Includes current asset sales, public auctions, and property listings)
- [DOJ Asset Forfeiture Program](#)