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Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark's statement on the city budget announced today, June 8, which allocates \$11.5 million requested by the DA:

“There will be a new day in the Bronx with these resources. This money will help us turn the corner on the backlog by financing the vertical prosecution model, and will enable us to put an office on Rikers Island to do real-time prosecutions of crimes committed there. It also will fund a new Domestic Violence space in the Family Justice Center, so victims have a more conducive environment to receive services and be interviewed. We will enhance prosecutions with an updated Computer Crime Lab and Crime Strategies Unit, and improve the credibility of our prosecutions with the Conviction Integrity Unit. I want to thank Mayor de Blasio, the City Council, its Public Safety and Finance Committees, and Councilwomen Vanessa Gibson and Julissa Ferreras-Copeland for giving the people of the Bronx their fair share.”