

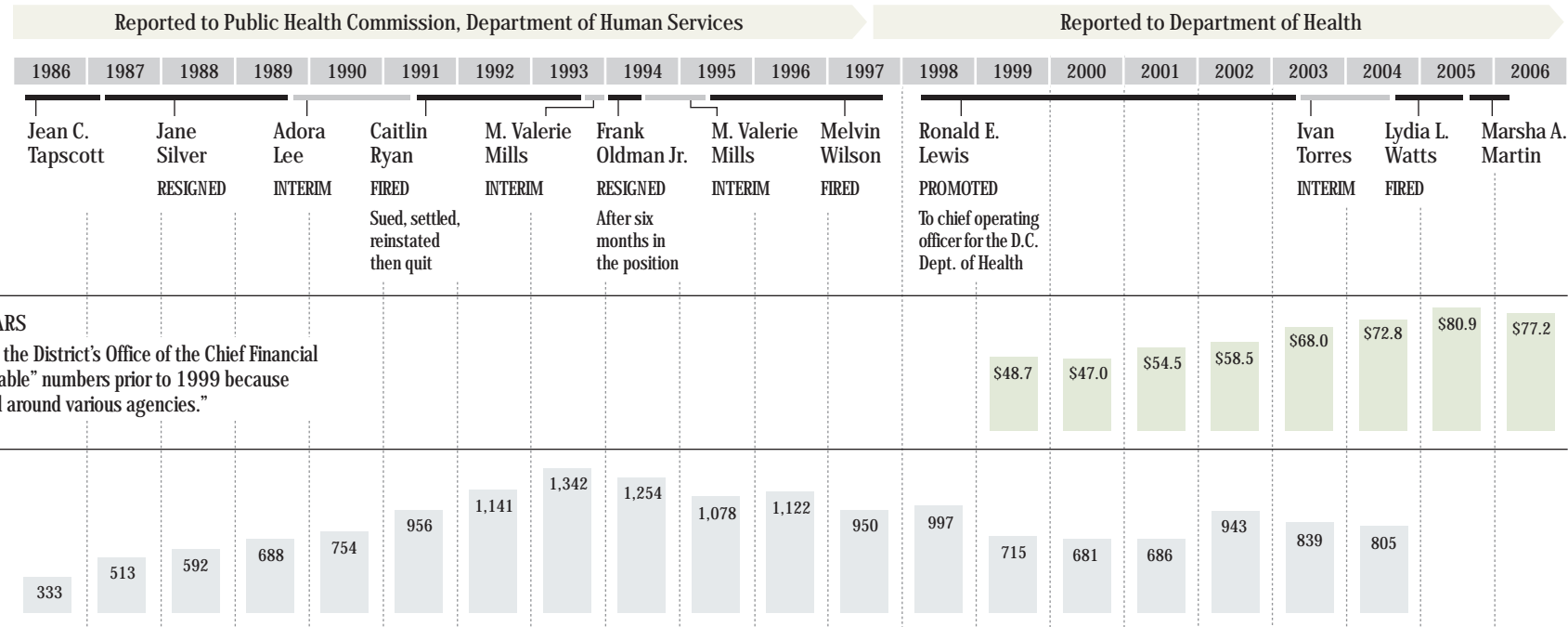
A Struggling AIDS Agency

The District was one of the first cities in the country to create an AIDS office, known as the Administration for HIV Policy and Programs (AHPP). The agency has had a troubled and unstable history, despite being well funded, mostly by federal grants.

AIDS DIRECTORS
AHPP has had 11 directors in the past 20 years, more leadership turnover than any other agency within the Department of Health.

BUDGET, IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
AHPP's yearly budget according to the District's Office of the Chief Financial Officer, which says it has "less reliable" numbers prior to 1999 because spending for HIV/AIDS was "spread around various agencies."

NEW CASES IN THE DISTRICT
The city reports the number of District residents with AIDS but has not released data for residents with HIV, which would provide a more comprehensive representation.



SOURCES: Washington Post reporting, D.C. Department of Health, AHPP