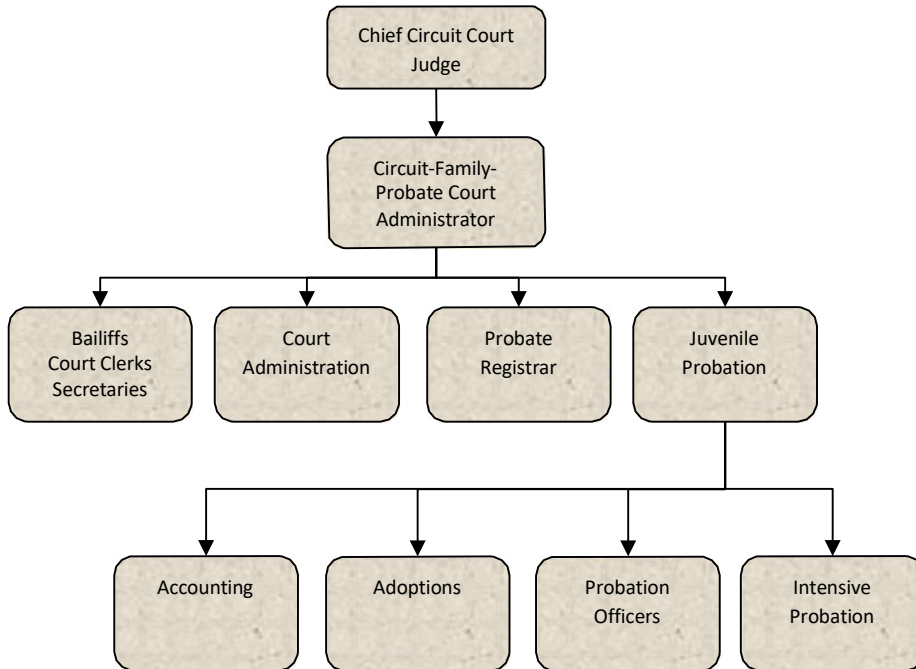


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Activities

Circuit –Family-Probate Court Services as trial court of general jurisdiction for Jackson County – felonies, major civil cases, domestic relations, appeals from lower jurisdiction/agencies courts.

Probate, Estate Division has exclusive legal and equitable jurisdiction in matters relating to settlement of estate of deceased persons, proceedings concerning trusts, guardianships, conservatorships, and proceedings to review and settle the account of a fiduciary

Family Court has jurisdiction in juvenile delinquency, neglect, abuse, adoption proceedings and juvenile traffic offenses

Circuit-Family-Probate Courts are responsible for operation of other branches of the court: Friend of the Court, Youth Detention Center, ADR, Jury Commission and the Law Library



Mission Statement

Jackson County Circuit-Family-Probate Court provides fair, accessible, effective, and responsive forums for the resolution of civil and criminal matters.

Programs

[Circuit, Family, and Probate Court](#)

[Circuit Court Probation](#)

Circuit Court

Strategic Plan Impact

✓ **Safe Community**

The Circuit Court is the trial court of general jurisdiction for Jackson County. It has jurisdiction over felonies, major civil cases, domestic relations, appeals from courts of lower jurisdiction and agencies. The Probate Court has exclusive legal jurisdiction in matters relating to settlement of estates related to deceased persons, proceedings concerning trusts, guardianships, conservatorships; and proceedings to review and settle the account of a fiduciary. The Family Court has jurisdiction in juvenile delinquency, neglect, abuse, adoptions, and juvenile traffic proceedings.

Accomplishments

- ✓ The Adult Treatment Court Team was successful in securing continued federal grant funding for the Adult Treatment Court Program from the Bureau of Justice Grant in the amount of approximately \$600,000 over four years. They also received continued grant awards from the State Court Administration Office in the amount of \$120,000 . The program is able to

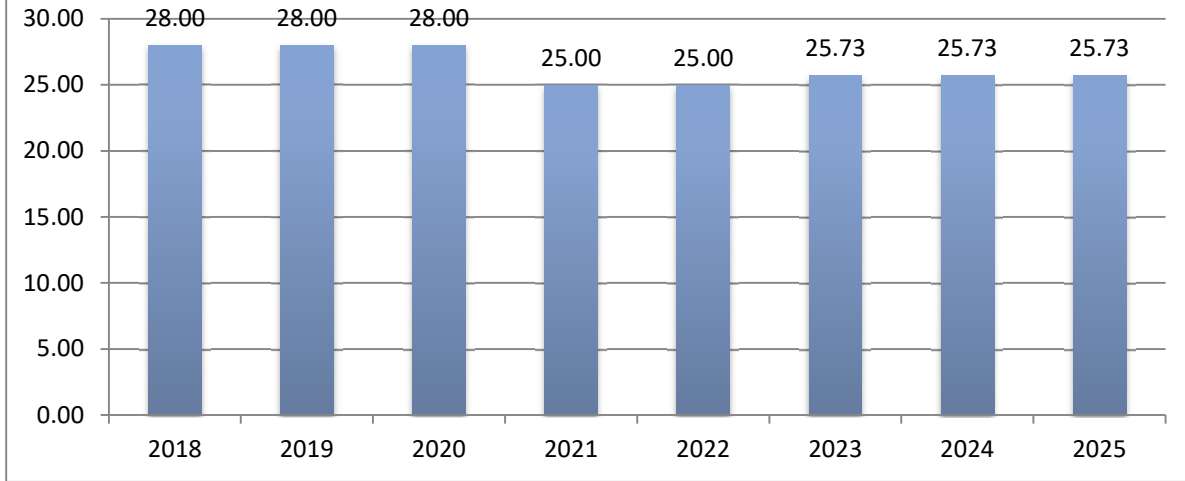
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serve up to 120 participants. The Adult Treatment Court Team continues to look for additional grants to expand current Treatment Court Services.

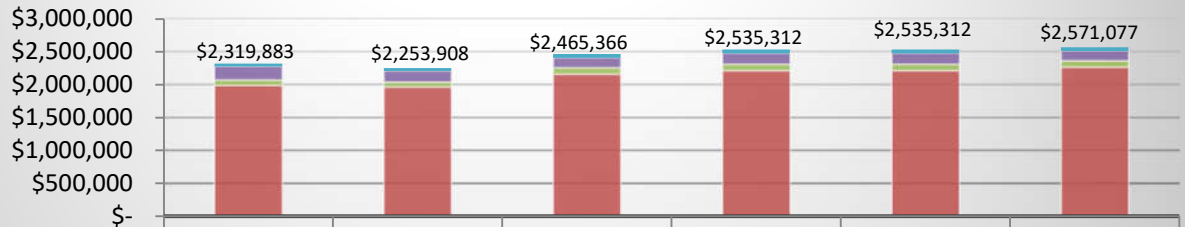
- ✓ The Alternatives to Act 150 State Placement Committee has continued to work with the Judges, DHS, and other community partners to explore and research less expensive placement options for our delinquent juvenile population under court jurisdiction. These efforts continue to be challenging because of reduced state funding for some of these alternative programs, and the closure of others. These efforts have resulted in great savings for the Child Care Fund, especially now with the addition of 17 year olds as a result of Raise The Age.
- ✓ We are currently looking to update the current video conferencing technology that is installed in all C-F-P courtrooms and FOC hearing rooms, and also at the Youth Center Detention Facility. The Board of Commissioners have approved funding for the courtroom video upgrades and the new video systems will be purchased and installed in 2023.
- ✓ The Community Corrections Office operation is currently overseeing several programs with the assistance of the MDOC Probation Department, providing services to several hundred Adult Probation Clients.
- ✓ The Court Public Satisfaction Survey that was developed by the Supreme Court Administrative Office and given annually to court house customers has yielded some positive results, including:
 - 93% indicated that they were able to complete their court business in a reasonable time.
 - 94% indicated that they were treated with courtesy and respect by court staff.
 - 90% indicated that they were treated with courtesy and respect by the judge/referee/magistrate.

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Circuit Court FTE History



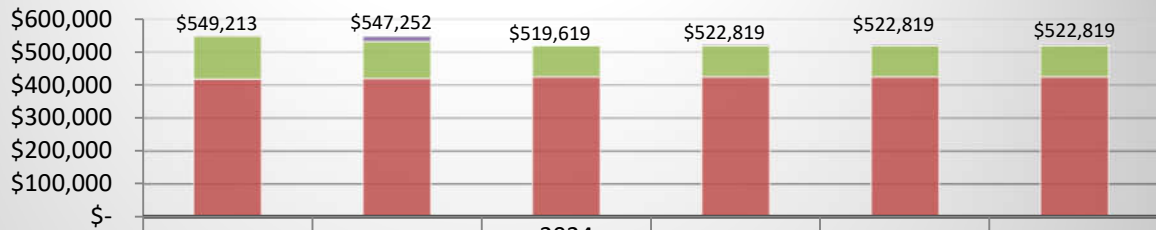
Circuit Court Expenditures



	2022 ACTUAL	2023 ACTUAL	2024 AMENDED BUDGET	2025 DEPT REQUESTED	2025 BUDGET	Draft 2026 BUDGET
OTHER EXPENSES	\$42,801	\$43,730	\$58,430	\$59,630	\$59,630	\$58,430
CONTRACT SERVICES	\$207,743	\$176,047	\$154,430	\$169,430	\$169,430	\$154,430
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	\$85,452	\$72,114	\$96,000	\$96,000	\$96,000	\$96,000
PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$1,983,887	\$1,962,017	\$2,156,506	\$2,210,252	\$2,210,252	\$2,262,217
TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS	\$2,319,883	\$2,253,908	\$2,465,366	\$2,535,312	\$2,535,312	\$2,571,077

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Circuit Court REVENUES



	2022 ACTUAL	2023 ACTUAL	2024 AMENDED BUDGET	2025 DEPT REQUESTED	2025 BUDGET	Draft 2026 BUDGET
OTHER REVENUE	\$1,022	\$15,246	\$1,000	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200
CHARGES FOR SERVICE	\$130,097	\$112,279	\$94,000	\$94,000	\$94,000	\$94,000
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$418,094	\$419,727	\$424,619	\$424,619	\$424,619	\$424,619
TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS	\$549,213	\$547,252	\$519,619	\$522,819	\$522,819	\$522,819

Other Key Indicators

Indicator	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Actual
Appeals, Admin. Reviews, Writs Filed	129	130	97	92	96	93	82
Criminal Case Filings	1030	1113	1384	1190	1308	971	1055
Civil Case Filings	317	298	285	319	299	324	346
Family Case Filings	3545	3623	4031	3587	2822	2978	3063
Probate Case Filings	1537	1504	1625	1575	1342	1464	1380
Total Full Time Employees	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
Total Part-Time Employees	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

Circuit Court Probation

Activities

The Circuit Court supervises offenders using the most appropriate least restrictive and cost effective means. The Court imposes sanctions including removal from the community when appropriate to deter criminal behavior; provides investigative support and information to the Courts, Parole Board, and the Department of Corrections including accurate and timely sentencing recommendations for the courts; and develops and maintains credible and cost effective community sanctions.

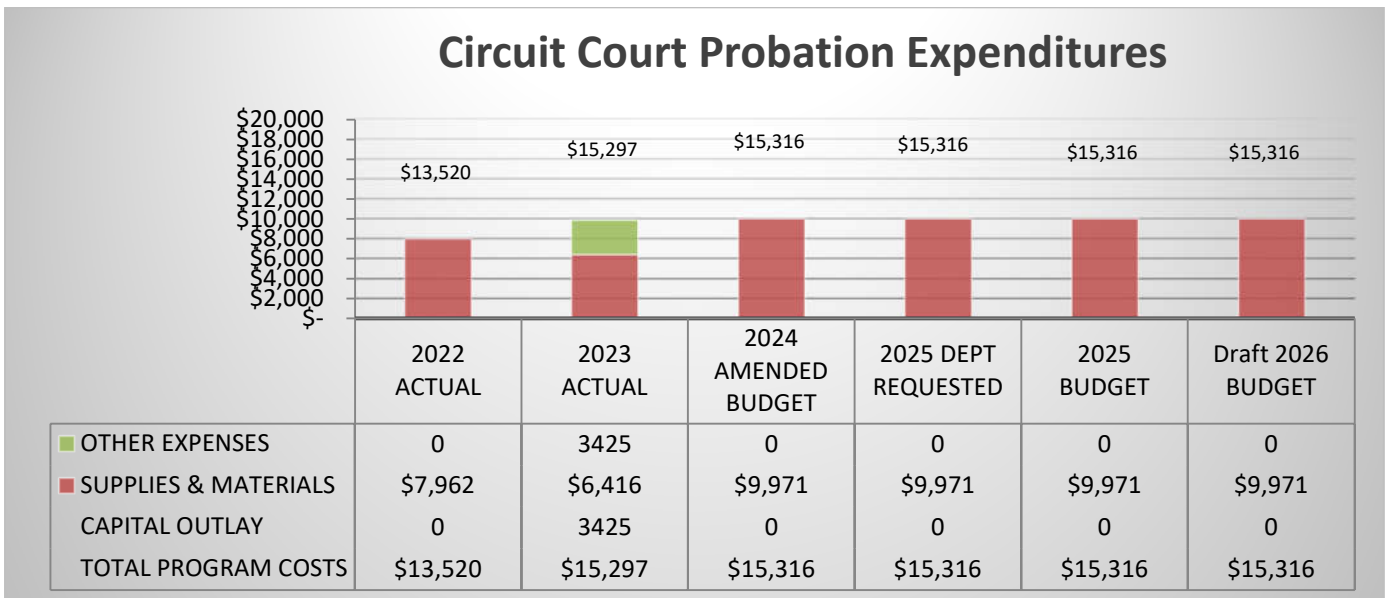
Strategic Plan Impact

- ✓ Safe Community

Accomplishments

Budget Adjustments

No significant budget adjustments



See Circuit Court for Performance Data



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