JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT

Court Services

Description

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court exercises original jurisdiction over cases involving persons less than 18 years of age and all members of their families regardless of age. This court also holds jurisdiction over other cases involving adults related by blood or marriage to persons under the age of 18, including spousal abuse, custody, visitation, and support.

The Juvenile Court differs from other courts in their commitment to rehabilitate those who come before the court, in addition to protecting the public and holding juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior.

The Judges of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court are elected by the General Assembly for a term of six years. The Judges, Clerk, and Deputy Clerks are paid directly by the Commonwealth. The County provides space, furniture, and support for the court.

Objectives

- To continue making enhancements to the customer service area of the Clerk's office to provide more efficient service delivery to the public.
- To evaluate and implement innovative technology available for the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court.
- To continue to provide training opportunities to staff to improve services to the public.
- To ensure the efficient and effective operation of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court for the citizens of Henrico County.

Budget Highlights

The Juvenile Court's FY2013-14 proposed budget is $194,701, and represents a decrease of $7,500 or 3.7 percent. The reduction is due to efficiencies achieved within the operating budget. There are no personnel expenditures in this budget since personnel expenses are paid directly by the State.

Currently, five full-time judges preside over the Henrico County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court.

Annual Fiscal Plan

Description	FY12 Actual	FY13 Original	FY14 Proposed	Change 13 to 14
Personnel	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	0.0%
Operation	110,927	197,900	190,400	(3.8%)
Capital	4,264	4,301	4,301	0.0%
Total	$ 115,191	$ 202,201	$ 194,701	(3.7%)
Personnel Complement*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*Personnel expenses are paid by the Commonwealth of Virginia

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Performance Measures

	FY12	FY13	FY14	Change 13 to 14
Workload Measures				
Cases filed in Juvenile Court	20,894	21,938	21,938	0
Court Hearings	52,236	54,847	54,847	0
Efficiency Measures				
Caseload per Judge (5)	4,178	4,388	4,388	0

*Note: These estimates are prepared by State Supreme Court Personnel.

Henrico County, Virginia
Operating Line Item Budget By Cost Center

Cost Center		Prior Year	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget	Dollar Inc/Dec	Percent Change
07001	**Juvenile Court Services**					
50201	Legal Services	240	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%
50209	Other Professional Services	1,462	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%
50210	Maintenance and Repairs	211	500	500	0	0.0%
50220	Lease/Rent of Equipment	14,571	13,500	13,500	0	0.0%
50240	Printing and Binding	371	300	300	0	0.0%
50250	Advertising	0	100	100	0	0.0%
50270	Other Contractual Services	59,850	150,000	142,500	-7,500	-5.0%
50410	Postal Services	0	100	100	0	0.0%
50412	Telecommunications	15,048	17,000	17,000	0	0.0%
50431	Travel	2,560	0	0	0	0.0%
50450	Dues And Association Memberships	1,840	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%
50500	Office Supplies	7,074	7,000	7,000	0	0.0%
50501	Food Supplies and Food Service Supplies	2,000	600	600	0	0.0%
50503	Medical and Laboratory Supplies	5,300	4,000	4,000	0	0.0%
50506	Repair and Maintenance Supplies	20	0	0	0	0.0%
50511	Uniforms/Wearing Apparel/Items	380	800	800	0	0.0%
50832	Furniture and Fixtures-Replacement Less Than $5000	3,394	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
50833	Telecommunications Equipment-Replacement Less Tha	200	0	0	0	0.0%
50835	Computer Equipment-Replacement Less Than $5000	670	1,301	1,301	0	0.0%
Total Cost Center		**115,191**	**202,201**	**194,701**	**-7,500**	**-3.7%**