

# 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. Currently, five full-time judges preside over the Henrico County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District 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 FY2016-17 budget for the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court is \$201,025. These funds support the operational needs of the five judges and their staff, whose salaries are funded by the State. The increase in FY2016-17 is reflective of education, training, and tuition costs being reallocated to department budgets. These costs were previously reflected in a central reserve.

### Annual Fiscal Plan

Description	FY15 Actual	FY16 Original	FY17 Proposed	Change 16 to 17
Personnel	\$ 22,396	\$ 0	\$ 0	0.0%
Operation	151,443	188,775	197,275	4.5%
Capital	8,349	3,750	3,750	0.0%
Total	\$ 182,188	\$ 192,525	\$ 201,025	4.4%
Personnel Complement*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

\*Personnel expenses are paid by the Commonwealth of Virginia.

*Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court (cont'd)*

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	<b>Performance Measures</b>			<b>Change</b>
	<b>FY15</b>	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>16 to 17</b>
<b>Workload Measures</b>				
Cases filed in Juvenile Court	19,043	18,944	18,599	(345)
Court Hearings	49,475	49,446	49,214	(232)
<b>Efficiency Measures</b>				
Caseload per Judge*	3,808	3,788	3,719	(69)

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

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**Department Operating Budget  
Henrico County, Virginia  
FY2016-17  
JUVENILE COURT SERVICES**

Account Description	Prior Year Actual	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget	Dollar Inc/Dec	Percent Inc/Dec
50104 Temporary Salaries and Wages - Regular	20,804	0	0	0	0.0%
50110 FICA	1,592	0	0	0	0.0%
50201 Legal Services	303	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%
50209 Other Professional Services	0	525	525	0	0.0%
50210 Maintenance and Repairs	297	500	500	0	0.0%
50220 Lease/Rent Of Equipment	11,168	13,500	13,500	0	0.0%
50240 Printing and Binding	579	300	300	0	0.0%
50250 Advertising	0	100	100	0	0.0%
50270 Other Contractual Services	101,959	140,000	140,000	0	0.0%
50410 Postal Services	0	50	50	0	0.0%
50412 Telecommunications	17,571	17,000	17,000	0	0.0%
50431 Education and Training	2,962	0	8,500	8,500	100.0%
50450 Dues And Association Memberships	2,415	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%
50500 Office Supplies	5,842	6,000	6,000	0	0.0%
50501 Food Supplies and Food Service Supplies	939	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%
50503 Medical and Laboratory Supplies	6,863	7,000	7,000	0	0.0%
50511 Uniforms/Wearing Apparel/ITEMS	545	800	800	0	0.0%
50813 Telecommunications Equipment-New Less Than \$5000	100	0	0	0	0.0%
50832 Furniture and Fixtures-Replacement Less Than \$5000	8,172	2,500	2,500	0	0.0%
50835 Computer Equipment-Replacement Less Than \$5000	77	1,250	1,250	0	0.0%
<b>Total Department</b>	<b>182,188</b>	<b>192,525</b>	<b>201,025</b>	<b>8,500</b>	<b>4.4%</b>