

Budget & Appropriations Committee

June 14, 2024

Brandon E. Riley Court Executive Officer

Civil Grand Jury

- County function managed by the Court
- Staff the needs of the jury

- Fiscal agent for jury's expenses
- Budget: \$250K



Indigent Defense Administration

- The Court appoints conflicts counsel for indigent adults and juveniles whenever the Public Defender declares a conflict of interest or is otherwise unavailable
- Justice: all persons are innocent unless proven guilty
- The accused are entitled to representation
- Guaranteed right
 - U.S. Constitution, Amendment VI
 - California Penal Code, Section 987
- FY23-24 Budget: \$9.6 million



Year Over Year Comparison

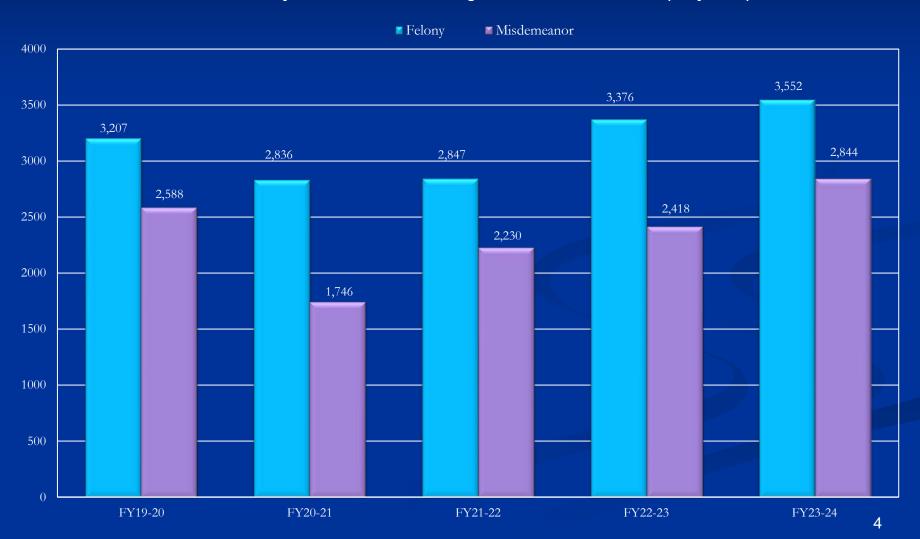
	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
Grand Jury	\$ 250,962	\$ 250,962	\$ 250,962
Indigent Defense	\$ 9,373,685	\$ 9,573,685	\$ 9,822,249
Total	\$ 9,624,647	\$ 9,824,647	\$10,073,211
Variance		200,000	248,564

- Costs for attorneys providing indigent defense are increasing due to increased case filings and jury trials
- Current year case filings particularly in felonies exceed pre-pandemic levels



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CHART. Felony & Misdemeanor Filings: FY 19-20 to FY23-24 (Projected)





Thank You

Any Questions?