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REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

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Title

Trial Court Budget: State Trial Court
Improvement and Modernization Fund
Allocations for 2022–23

Agenda Item Type

Action Required

Effective Date

July 15, 2022

Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Affected

None

Date of Report

July 15, 2022

Recommended by

Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
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Executive Summary

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends approving allocations for 2022–23 from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund in the amount of \$45.384 million. Assuming approval of the allocations, and with current revenue projections, the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund will end 2022–23 with a fund balance of \$16.448 million, of which approximately \$13.781 million will be unrestricted.

Recommendation

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 15, 2022, approve a total of \$45.384 million in allocations for 2022–23 from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund, as follows, relative to the 2021–22 allocations:

1. \$354,000 to Audit Services, a decrease of \$6,000;
2. \$169,000 to Branch Accounting and Procurement, an increase of \$12,000;
3. \$150,000 to Budget Services, a decrease of \$209,000;

4. \$9,000 to Business Management Services, a decrease of \$200,000;
5. \$6.429 million to Center for Families, Children & the Courts, a decrease of \$247,000;
6. \$1.705 million to Center for Judicial Education and Research, an increase of \$639,000
7. \$9,000 to Criminal Justice Services, an increase of \$9,000 (there was no 2021–22 allocation);
8. \$0 to Human Resources, a decrease of \$23,000;
9. \$33.877 million to Information Technology, a decrease of \$3.805 million;
10. \$1.812 million to Leadership Support Services, an increase of \$1.812 million (there was no 2021–22 allocation); and
11. \$870,000 to Legal Services, a decrease of \$7.6 million.

Recommendations 1 through 11 were presented to the Judicial Branch Budget Committee on June 1, 2022 and were approved for consideration by the Judicial Council. A list of the approved 2021–22 and proposed 2022–23 allocations is provided in Attachment A.

Relevant Previous Council Action

Since the inception of state trial court funding in 1996, every year the Judicial Council or the Executive and Planning Committee has allocated trial court–related funding from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund (IMF) or its predecessor fund, the Judicial Administration Efficiency and Modernization Fund.

Analysis/Rationale

Following are the proposed 2022–23¹ allocation requests. Additional details on each of the programs are included in Attachment B.

Audit Services—Conducts operational audits and risk assessments; recommends improvements to all judicial branch entities.

Approve an allocation of \$354,000, a decrease of \$6,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for conducting performance and compliance audits of the 58 trial courts.
- b. The decrease is the result of lower forecasted operational expenses, offset by increased staffing costs.

¹ All year spans represent fiscal years, unless otherwise indicated.

Branch Accounting and Procurement—Supports the trial courts’ financial and human resources Phoenix System.

Approve an allocation of \$169,000, an increase of \$12,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for one accounting staff and for providing contract-related services to produce statewide leveraged procurement agreements.
- b. The increase is the result of increased staffing costs.

Business Management Services—Supports judicial branch research, data, and analytic programs and manages the Temporary Assigned Judges Program.

Approve an allocation of \$9,000, a decrease of \$200,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for committee meeting expenses for court personnel and judges related to workload studies.
- b. The decrease is because of one-time funding of \$200,000 in 2021–22 for the Juror Source List Update program, as required by Senate Bill 592.

Budget Services—Supports meetings of various committees and subcommittees as they relate to trial court funding, policies, and other issues.

Approve an allocation of \$150,000, a decrease of \$209,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) and subcommittees meetings, two budget staff, and annual trainings for revenue distribution and the Collections Reporting Template.
- b. The decrease is because of a technical adjustment for the agency to use the ongoing General Fund backfill, in lieu of IMF, to cover the cost of the 5 percent general salary increase that all council positions received in July 2021.

Center for Families, Children & the Courts—Supports various programs within the courts for litigants.

Approve an allocation of \$6.429 million, a decrease of \$247,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for providing Domestic Violence forms in languages other than English to all courts; enabling all courts to use HotDocs document assembly applications while filing documents; providing court-based assistance to self-represented litigants; supporting the Beyond the Bench conference, Child and Family Focused Education conference, and Youth Court Summit; funding legal services agencies and their court partners to provide representation to indigent persons; updating the Self-Represented Litigants Statewide Support Program and expanding the online California Courts Online Self-Help Center on the judicial branch’s public website; and recruiting new interpreters.
- b. The decrease is for the specific use of funds for the Shriver Civil Counsel Program from *cy près* funds that are held in reserve in the fund and may be used only for this purpose. This statutorily provided funding was expected to be collected in 2019–20 only; however, some revenue has continued to come in after the planned sunset date. This request represents the use of the remaining available balance of that revenue.

- c. Provisional language in the budget requires unspent funds for services for self-represented litigants to revert to the General Fund.

Center for Judicial Education and Research—Provides education to judges, court leaders, court staff faculty, managers, supervisors, and lead staff.

Approve an allocation of \$1.705 million, an increase of \$639,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for faculty development participant expenses, training for court leaders, the Court Clerk Training Institute, and education programs for newly elected or appointed judges and subordinate judicial officers.
- b. The increase is the result of an additional mandatory, in-person training for judicial officers, which was postponed because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Criminal Justice Services—Supports the Judicial Council’s Criminal Jury Instructions Advisory Committee.

Approve an allocation of \$9,000, an increase of \$9,000 because there was no 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for the criminal portion of the Jury Instructions and is self-funded by royalties generated from their sales.
- b. The increase is because a portion of the Jury System Improvement Project was transferred to Criminal Justice Services from Legal Services.

Human Resources—Supports the Trial Court Labor Relations Academy to assist trial court staff in addressing various labor issues (not mandated).

Approve \$0; a decrease of \$23,000 from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for the Labor Relations Academy and Forums to provide court management staff with comprehensive labor relations knowledge to assist the courts in addressing their labor needs.
- b. The decrease is because the Trial Court Labor Relations Academy and Forum is held every other year; therefore, funding is not needed for 2022–23.

Information Technology—Supports information technology systems for the 58 trial courts.

Approve an allocation of \$33.877 million, a reduction of \$3.805 million from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for the Data Center and Cloud Service to host services for the 58 California trial courts, the appellate courts, and the Supreme Court; the distribution and mandated reporting of uniform civil fees collected by all 58 trial courts; the California Courts Protective Order Registry; development and support of a standardized level of network infrastructure for the trial courts; the Enterprise Policy and Planning program, which provides a variety of Oracle products to the courts; Data Integration; the Jury Management System; and case management system replacement budget change proposal funding, which provides one-time funding to 10 courts to replace legacy systems.
- b. The reduction is primarily the result of the expiration of 2016–17 budget change proposal funding, one-time identified savings, and the phaseout of a software program.

Legal Services—Supports Judicial Council staff divisions and the courts, manages litigation, and is responsible for rules and projects, including the California Rules of Court and Judicial Council forms, as well as the Judicial Council’s Civil Jury Instructions Advisory Committee.

Approve an allocation of \$870,000, a decrease of \$7.6 million from the 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for the Regional Office Assistance Group of Legal Services to provide direct services to the trial courts; the Litigation Management Program of Legal Services to pay settlements, judgments, and litigation costs; and the civil portion of the Jury Instructions, which is self-funded by royalties generated from their sales.
- b. The reduction is the result of the transfer of \$9,000 of the Jury System Improvement Project to Criminal Justice Services; \$1.509 million in Insurance Program for Defense in Proceedings by the Commission on Judicial Performance costs transferred to Leadership Support Services; and \$6.119 million for one-time 2021–22 costs for litigation that resulted in an expense to the IMF. Of the \$6.119 million only \$3 million was used for expenditure from the IMF; \$3.119 million was returned to the IMF fund balance in 2021–22. The office is retaining \$100,000 as final litigation costs are confirmed.
- c. The reductions are offset by increased staffing costs of \$37,000.

Leadership Support Services—Supports the trial court judicial officers for the Commission on Judicial Performance defense master insurance policy.

Approve an allocation of \$1.812 million, an increase of \$1.812 million because there was no 2021–22 allocation.

- a. The allocation is for the Insurance Program for Defense in Proceedings by the Commission on Judicial Performance, which is used to pay the insurance premium for trial court judges and judicial officers for the Commission on Judicial Performance defense master insurance policy.
- b. The increase is because the Insurance Program for Defense in Proceedings by the Commission on Judicial Performance, including increased premium costs, was transferred to Leadership Support Services from Legal Services.

The 2022–23 IMF allocation request of \$45.384 million is reflected in the IMF Fund Condition Statement (Attachment C). The fund condition statement includes revenue forecasts as provided by the Department of Finance for the May Revision. Over the last two fiscal years, the IMF was facing possible insolvency as early as 2022–23 because of estimated declining revenues. However, with a one-time influx of \$5 million from audit findings in 2021–22, insolvency is no longer a concern in 2022–23, regardless of whether revenues continue to decline. In addition, the Budget Bill Language included in the Governor’s 2022–23 Budget ensures that revenue declines would be backfilled in the amount necessary to support the fund.

As approved by the Judicial Council at its June 24, 2016 business meeting, the fund condition includes a reserve of \$2 million to protect against possible further declines in revenue and should be considered available for expenditure because the revenues in the fund have declined (Link A). This reserve is not expected to be needed to support the 2022–23 allocation recommendations included in Attachment A.

Policy implications

These recommendations are consistent with the annual process of allocating trial court–related funding from the IMF every fiscal year.

Comments

This item was not circulated for comment; however, meetings considering this allocation request were open to the public and written public comments were accepted. No written public comment was received for this item when it was considered during meetings by the TCBAC’s Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee on April 14, 2022, the TCBAC on May 5, 2022, and the Judicial Branch Budget Committee on June 1, 2022.

Alternatives considered

If the recommendations to allocate funds are not approved, programmatic support to the trial courts will be impacted. The recommendations are consistent with past practice or were thoroughly vetted through the committee process and deemed necessary and affordable, no other alternatives were considered.

Fiscal and Operational Impacts

There are no additional fiscal or operational costs to implement this recommendation.

Attachments and Links

1. Attachment A: Judicial Council–Approved 2021–22 and Proposed 2022–23 Allocations from the IMF
2. Attachment B: IMF Summary of Programs
3. Attachment C: IMF Fund Condition Statement
4. Link A: Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., *Trial Court Allocations: Fiscal Year 2016– 2017 Allocations From Trial Court Trust Fund and State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund* (June 13, 2016),
<https://jcc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4496693&GUID=FE6C1F1D-A68F-4CB8-B4E7-0596B5A59994>

Judicial Council of California
Approved 2021–22 and Proposed 2022–23 Allocations
State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund
State Operations and Local Assistance Appropriations

Attachment A

#	Program Name and Adjustments	Office	2021–22 Allocations	Recommended 2022–23 Allocations			\$ Change From 2021–22	% Change From 2021–22
			Judicial Council–Approved Allocations	State Operations	Local Assistance	Total		
A	B	C	D	E	F	G = (E + F)	H = (G – D)	I = (H/D)
1	Audit Services	AS	\$ 360,000	\$ 354,000		\$ 354,000	\$ (6,000)	-1.7%
2	Trial Court Master Agreements	BAP	157,000	169,000		169,000	12,000	7.6%
3	Workload Assessment Advisory Committee	BMS	9,000		9,000	9,000		0.0%
4	Juror Source List Update	BMS	200,000				(200,000)	100.0%
5	Budget-Focused Training and Meetings	BS	30,000		30,000	30,000		0.0%
6	Treasury Services—Cash Management	BS	319,000	110,000		110,000	(209,000)	-65.5%
7	Revenue Distribution Training	BS	10,000		10,000	10,000		0.0%
8	Domestic Violence Forms Translation	CFCC	17,000		17,000	17,000		0.0%
9	Interactive Software—Self-Rep. Electronic Forms	CFCC	60,000		60,000	60,000		0.0%
10	Self-Help Center	CFCC	5,000,000		5,000,000	5,000,000		0.0%
11	Statewide Multidisciplinary Education	CFCC	67,000		67,000	67,000		0.0%
12	Shriver Civil Counsel—Cy Prés Funding	CFCC	1,289,000		1,042,000	1,042,000	(247,000)	-19.2%
13	Statewide Support for Self-Help Programs	CFCC	100,000		100,000	100,000		0.0%
14	Court Interpreter Testing, etc.	CFCC	143,000		143,000	143,000		0.0%
15	CJER Faculty	CJER	48,000		48,000	48,000		0.0%
16	Essential Court Management Education ¹	CJER	40,000	40,000		40,000		0.0%
17	Essential Court Personnel Education	CJER	130,000		130,000	130,000		0.0%
18	Judicial Education	CJER	848,000		1,487,000	1,487,000	639,000	75.4%
19	Jury System Improvement Projects	CJS			9,000	9,000	9,000	100.0%
20	Trial Court Labor Relations Academies and Forums	HR	23,000				(23,000)	-100.0%
21	Data Center and Cloud Service	IT	8,582,000	2,139,000	4,957,000	7,096,000	(1,486,000)	-17.3%
22	Uniform Civil Filing Services	IT	437,000	429,000	3,000	432,000	(5,000)	-1.1%
23	California Courts Protective Order Registry (CCPOR)	IT	1,200,000	400,000	551,000	951,000	(249,000)	-20.8%
24	Telecommunications	IT	12,470,000		13,470,000	13,470,000	1,000,000	8.0%
25	Enterprise Policy & Planning (Statewide Planning and Dev. Support)	IT	3,887,000	1,035,000	2,870,000	3,905,000	18,000	0.5%
26	Data Integration	IT	1,879,000	791,000	992,000	1,783,000	(96,000)	-5.1%
27	Jury Management System	IT	665,000		665,000	665,000		0.0%
28	Case Management System Replacement	IT	3,053,000		66,000	66,000	(2,987,000)	-97.8%
29	Telecom	IT	5,509,000	1,125,000	4,384,000	5,509,000		0.0%
30	Jury System Improvement Projects	LS	19,000		10,000	10,000	(9,000)	-47.4%
31	Regional Office Assistance Group	LS	823,000	860,000		860,000	37,000	4.5%
32	Litigation Management Program	LS	6,119,000				(6,119,000)	-100.0%
33	Judicial Performance Defense Insurance	LS	1,509,000				(1,509,000)	-100.0%
34	Judicial Performance Defense Insurance	LSS			1,812,000	1,812,000	1,812,000	100.0%
35	Total		\$ 55,002,000	\$ 7,452,000	\$ 37,932,000	\$ 45,384,000	\$ (9,618,000)	-17.5%

Totals by Office		Office	Judicial Council–Approved Allocations	State Operations	Local Assistance	Total	\$ Change From 2021–22	% Change From 2021–22
Legend		C	D	E	F	G = (E + F)	H = (G – D)	I = (H/D)
36	Audit Services	AS	\$ 360,000	\$ 354,000		\$ 354,000	\$ (6,000)	-1.7%
37	Branch Accounting and Procurement	BAP	157,000	169,000		169,000	12,000	7.6%
38	Business Management Services	BMS	209,000		9,000	9,000	(200,000)	-95.7%
39	Budget Services	BS	359,000	110,000	40,000	150,000	(209,000)	-58.2%
40	Center for Families, Children & the Courts	CFCC	6,676,000		6,429,000	6,429,000	(247,000)	-3.7%
41	Center for Judicial Education and Research	CJER	1,066,000	40,000	1,665,000	1,705,000	639,000	59.9%
42	Criminal Justice Services	CJS			9,000	9,000	9,000	100.0%
43	Human Resources	HR	23,000				(23,000)	-100.0%
44	Information Technology	IT	37,682,000	5,919,000	27,958,000	33,877,000	(3,805,000)	-10.1%
45	Legal Services	LS	8,470,000	860,000	10,000	870,000	(7,600,000)	-89.7%
46	Leadership Support Services	LSS			1,812,000	1,812,000	1,812,000	100.0%
Total Allocations			\$ 55,002,000	\$ 7,452,000	\$ 37,932,000	\$ 45,384,000	\$ (9,618,000)	-17.5%

¹ Updated from Local Assistance to State Operations for council consideration.

State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund Summary of Programs

Row #	Program Name	Office	Program Description
A	B	C	D
1	Audit Services	AS	Conducts performance and compliance audits of the state's 58 trial courts per the annual audit plan.
2	Trial Court Procurement/ TCAS-MSA-IMF	BAP	Pays for personnel services, phone services, and rent allocation for one position in Branch Accounting and Procurement to provide contract-related services for the production of statewide leveraged procurement agreements.
3	Workload Assessment Advisory Committee (WAAC)	BMS	Pays for meeting expenses of the WAAC and travel expenses for court personnel and judges related to workload studies ¹ .
4	Juror Source List Update	BMS	Assists with the cost of updating the jury source lists of each county to include the Franchise Tax Board data, in response to the Senate Bill 592 mandate that, beginning on January 1, 2022, the list of resident state tax filers be added to the juror source list.
5	Budget-Focused Training and Meetings	BS	Supports meetings of the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee and associated subcommittees on the preparation, development, and implementation of the budget for trial courts; provides input to the Judicial Council on policy issues affecting trial court funding.
6	Treasury Services—Cash Management	BS	Funds the compensation, operating expenses, and equipment costs for two accounting staff.
7	Revenue Distribution Training	BS	Pays for annual training on revenue distribution to all the collection programs as well as annual CRT training.
8	Domestic Violence Forms Translation	CFCC	Funds the program that makes available to all courts translation of domestic violence protective order forms in languages other than English. Since 2000, these forms have been translated into Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Korean based on data from various language needs studies.
9	Interactive Software— Self-Rep. Electronic Forms	CFCC	Funds the program that enables all courts to use HotDocs document assembly applications, which present court users with a Q&A format that automatically populates fields across all filing documents.
10	Self-Help Center	CFCC	Provides court-based assistance to self-represented litigants.
11	Statewide Multidisciplinary Education	CFCC	Supports the biannual Beyond the Bench Conference, biannual Child & Family Focused Education conference, and annual Youth Summit.
12	Shriver Civil Counsel—Cy Près Funding	CFCC	Provides funding for legal services agencies and their court partners to provide representation to indigent persons in cases involving housing, child custody, guardianship, conservatorships, and domestic violence.

¹ At its March 11, 2022 business meeting, the Judicial Council approved a recommendation to repeal rule 10.66 of the California Rules of Court to retire the WAAC effective September 14, 2022. The council further approved a recommendation to adopt rule 10.68 of the California Rules of Court to establish the Data Analytics Advisory Committee (or 'DAAC'), effective March 11, 2022.

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A	B	C	D
13	Statewide Support for Self-Help Programs	CFCC	Updates the Self-represented Litigants Statewide Support Program, and expands the California Courts Online Self-Help Center on the judicial branch's public website; facilitates the translation of over 50 Judicial Council forms used regularly by self-represented litigants.
14	Court Interpreter Testing, etc.	CFCC	Pays for the testing, orientation, and recruitment of new interpreters.
15	Center for Judicial Education and Research Faculty	CJER	Funds lodging, meals, and travel for faculty development participants, primarily development of pro bono judge and court staff faculty who will teach all CJER programs for the trial courts.
16	Essential Court Management Education	CJER	Supports national and statewide training for court leaders, including Institute for Court Management courses, CJER Core 40 and Core 24 courses, and other local & regional courses for managers, supervisors, and lead staff.
17	Essential Court Personnel Education	CJER	Funds the Court Clerk Training Institute, courtroom and court legal process education in civil, traffic, criminal, probate, family, juvenile, appellate; regional and local court personnel courses; and the biennial Trial Court Judicial Attorney Institute.
18	Judicial Education	CJER	Pays for programs for all newly elected or appointed judges and subordinate judicial officers required by Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.462(c)(1), to complete the new judge education programs offered by CJER; Judicial Institutes, courses for experienced judges; and programs for presiding judges, court executive officers, and supervising judges.
19, 30	Jury System Improvement Projects	CJS/ LS	A "self-funding" public contract code, with funds in this account generated by royalties generated from sales of criminal and civil jury instructions. The funds are deposited under the Government Code.
20	Trial Court Labor Relations Academies and Forums	HR	Pays for the setup and operations of the Labor Relations Academy and Forums, held once per year in the spring (Academies) and fall (Forums), which provide court management staff with comprehensive labor relations knowledge that assists the courts in meeting their labor challenges. Typical expenses include reimbursement of travel expenses for trial court employees who participate as faculty; lodging for all trial court attendees (including those who serve as faculty); meeting room / conference room rental fees; books / reference materials, if needed; meals for trial court participants of the Labor Relations Forum; and participation and feedback reporting.

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Row #	Program Name	Office	Program Description
A	B	C	D
21	Data Center and Cloud Service (formerly, CCTC and/or CCTC Operations)	IT	Supports the Data Center and Cloud Service, which hosts services for the 58 superior courts, all the Courts of Appeal, and the Supreme Court and has over 10,000 supported users. Major installations in the CCTC include: • Appellate Court Case Management System (ACCMS); • California Court Protective Order Registry (CCPOR); • Phoenix System, for trial court financial and human resources; • Computer-Aided Facilities Management system; • Civil, Small Claims, Probate, and Mental Health Trial Court Case Management System (V3); and • Integration Services Backbone. This program provides consistent, cost-effective, and secure hosting services, including ongoing maintenance and operational support, data network management, desktop computing and local server support, tape backup and recovery, help desk services, email services, and a disaster recovery program.
22	Uniform Civil Filing Services (UCFS)	IT	Funds UCFS, which supports the distribution and mandated reporting of uniform civil fees collected by all 58 superior courts, with an average of \$43 million distributed per month. The system generates reports for the State Controller's Office and various entities that receive the distributed funds. Over 200 fee types are collected by each court, distributed to 23 different entities (e.g., Trial Court Trust Fund, County, Equal Access Fund, Law Library), requiring 65,502 corresponding distribution rules that are maintained by UCFS. UCFS benefits the public by minimizing the number of penalties paid to the state for incorrect or late distributions and ensuring that the entities entitled to a portion of the civil fees collected, as mandated by law, receive their correct distributions.
23	California Courts Protective Order Registry	IT	Pays for CCPOR, a statewide repository of protective orders containing both data and scanned images of orders that can be accessed by judges, court staff, and law enforcement officers. CCPOR allows judges and law enforcement officers to view orders issued by other court divisions and across county lines.
24, 29	Telecommunications Support	IT	Funds development and support of a standardized level of network infrastructure for the superior courts. This infrastructure provides a foundation for local systems (email, jury, CMS, VOIP, etc.) and enterprise system applications such as Phoenix, via shared services at the CCTC provides operational efficiencies, and secures valuable court information resources.
25	Enterprise Policy & Planning (Statewide Planning and Dev. Support)	IT	Provides the trial courts access to a variety of Oracle products (e.g., Oracle Enterprise Database, Real Application Clusters, Oracle Security Suite, Oracle Advanced Security, Diagnostic Packs, Oracle WebLogic Application Server) without cost to the courts.

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Row #	Program Name	Office	Program Description
A	B	C	D
26	Data Integration	IT	Supports system interfaces between Judicial Council systems and the computer systems of its justice partners, such as courts, law enforcement agencies, and the Department of Justice. Without the Integrated Services Backbone, the current systems for sharing protective orders, for example, would not function.
27	Jury Management System	IT	Pays to distribute funds to the trial courts in the form of grants to improve court jury management systems. All trial courts are eligible to apply for the jury funding. The number of courts receiving grants varies according to the amount of grant funding available and the number of jury grant requests received.
28	Case Management System (CMS) Replacement	IT	Via a budget change proposal, provides one-time funding to 10 courts to replace their legacy case management systems with a more modern CMS; funds two Sr. Business Systems Analysts to support the CMS Planning and Administration Unit with the oversight of the CMS deployments as well as administration of the Judicial Council's statewide CMS master service agreements.
31	Regional Office Assistance Group	LS	Pays for attorneys and support personnel to provide direct legal services to the trial courts in the areas of transactions / business operations, legal opinions, ethics, and labor and employment law.
32	Litigation Management Program	LS	Pays settlements, judgments (if any), and litigation costs, including attorney's fees, arising from claims and lawsuits brought against trial courts.
33,34	Judicial Performance Defense Insurance	LSS	Pays the insurance premium for trial court judges and judicial officers for the Commission on Judicial Performance (CJP) defense master insurance policy. The program covers defense costs in CJP proceedings related to CJP complaints, protects judicial officers from exposure to excessive financial risk for acts committed within the scope of their judicial duties, and lowers the risk of conduct that could lead to complaints through required ethics training for judicial officers.

State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund
Fund Condition Statement
June 2022

Updated: June 24, 2022

#	Description	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Estimated		
		(Year-end Financial Statement)	(Year-end Financial Statement)	(Year-end Financial Statement)	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
		A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Beginning Balance	14,796,514	15,864,292	21,152,288	16,886,263	19,416,426	16,448,426
2	Prior-Year Adjustments	-973,149	5,086,942	2,422,584	6,651,663	0	0
3	Adjusted Beginning Balance	13,823,364	20,951,234	23,574,872	23,537,926	19,416,426	16,448,426
4	REVENUES¹:						
5	Subtotal Revenues	25,761,957	19,653,661	17,262,862	14,169,000	12,303,000	12,146,000
6	Transfers and Other Adjustments						
7	To Trial Court Trust Fund (Gov. Code, § 77209(j))	-13,397,000	-13,397,000	-13,397,000	-13,397,000	-13,397,000	-13,397,000
8	To Trial Court Trust Fund (Budget Act)	-594,000	-594,000	-594,000	-594,000	-594,000	-594,000
9	Total Revenues, Transfers, and Other Adjustments	11,770,957	5,662,661	3,271,862	178,000	-1,688,000	-1,845,000
10	Total Resources	25,594,322	26,613,895	26,846,734	23,715,926	17,728,426	14,603,426
11	EXPENDITURES²:						
12	Judicial Branch Total State Operations	4,724,200	4,538,757	4,635,013	5,517,000	7,452,000	7,621,000
13	Judicial Branch Total Local Assistance	49,813,207	70,316,604	47,825,123	45,746,500	37,932,000	38,171,000
14	Total Expenditures	54,537,407	74,855,362	52,460,136	51,263,500	45,384,000	45,792,000
15	Expenditure Adjustments:						
16	Pro Rata and Other Adjustments	305,622	105,746	288,335	308,000	181,000	308,000
17	Less funding provided by General Fund (Local Assistance)	-45,114,000	-69,501,000	-42,788,000	-47,272,000	-44,285,000	-44,285,000
18	Total Expenditures and Adjustments	9,729,029	5,460,608	9,960,471	4,299,500	1,280,000	1,815,000
19	Fund Balance	15,864,292	21,152,288	16,886,263	19,416,426	16,448,426	12,788,426
20	Fund Balance - less restricted funds	9,860,057	16,261,964	12,592,172	15,735,335	13,781,335	10,253,789
21	Structural Balance	2,041,928	202,054	-6,688,609	-4,121,500	-2,968,000	-3,660,000

¹ Revenue estimates include actuals through February 2022. Approximately \$3 million of audit finding revenue is under appeal by the counties.

² Expenditures for 2021-22 reflect estimates as of April 2022. Expenditure data for 2022-23 ties to proposed allocations. Expenditure data for 2023-24 reflect estimates from the programs.