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Executive Summary

Pursuant to Government Code section 70371.8, the Judicial Council is required to report annually on the status of the judicial branch courthouse construction program to the Legislature. On or before March 1, 2022, the Judicial Council’s Budget Services staff submitted the *Judicial Branch Courthouse Construction Program Update for 2020–21*.

Relevant Previous Council Action

This report is submitted to the Legislature annually. Reports from previous fiscal years are available on the California Courts website “Legislative Reports” webpage at www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm.

Analysis/Rationale

The report includes information on the status of each project established by the State Public Works Board under Government Code section 70371.7 (Attachment A). The Budget Act of 2018 authorized the construction phase of the 10 projects which are funded through the General Fund.

- Three projects (Riverside Mid-County Civil, Stanislaus, and Riverside-Indio Juvenile and Family) are in the bid/award stage, with construction beginning immediately following contract award.
- Seven projects (Glenn, Sacramento, Sonoma, Imperial, Shasta, Siskiyou, and Tuolumne) were under construction as of the reporting period. Two projects (Siskiyou and Tuolumne) concluded the construction during the development of this report.

This report also includes a detailed accounting of the \$128.7 million in revenues and \$203.3 million in expenditures from the Immediate and Critical Needs Account (ICNA) in 2020–21 (Attachment B).

Revenues are collected from fines and fees to support the ICNA. The revenues are submitted to the State Controller’s Office by either courts or counties, depending on the entity that is responsible for collection. ICNA expenditures occur in four major areas: facility modifications, Los Angeles–Long Beach Service Fee, lease revenue debt service, and trial courts operations.

Fiscal Impact and Policy Implications

No costs to the Judicial Council are associated with this report.

Attachments and Links

1. Attachment A: *Status of Active Judicial Branch Courthouse Construction Program Projects (2020–21)*
2. Attachment B: *Accounting of Revenue and Expenditures of Judicial Branch Courthouse Construction Program for 2020–21*



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Re: Judicial Branch Courthouse Construction Program Update for 2020–21, as required under Government Code section 70371.8

Dear Senator Skinner and Assembly Member Ting:

Pursuant to Government Code section 70371.8, the Judicial Council is submitting the report on the status of active judicial branch courthouse construction projects in 2020–21.

The report includes information on the status of each project established by the State Public Works Board (SPWB) under Government Code section 70371.7 (Attachment A). The report also includes a detailed accounting of the \$128.7 million in revenues and \$203.3 million in expenditures from the Immediate and Critical Needs Account in 2020–21 (Attachment B).

The Budget Act of 2018 authorized the construction phase of the 10 projects which are funded through the General Fund. The status of the active capital projects established by the SPWB under Government Code section 70371.7 is as follows.

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If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Deputy Director, Judicial Council Budget Services, at 916-263-1397 or Zlatko.Theodorovic@jud.ca.gov.

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**Status of Active Judicial Branch Courthouse Construction Program Projects
2020-21**

Construction phase funded by 2018 Budget Act

	County	Capital Project Name	Capital Project Status	Project Overview
Bid and Award				
1.	Riverside	New Mid-County Civil Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in December 2021 and is estimated to complete in March 2024.	The new Menifee Justice Center will replace an existing five courtroom courthouse and provide space for four new judicial officers. Court services in the new building will support family, traffic and civil case calendars. The new building will include family law mediation, self-help and jury services; very minimal in-custody detention will be provided. This three-story court building, approximately 85,010 building gross square feet (BGSF) will be built the City of Menifee, Riverside County. The site is within a new 'town-center development', the building will have a cement plaster & glass exterior with on-site surface parking lots.
2.	Riverside	New Indio Juvenile and Family Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in December 2021 and is estimated to complete in February 2024.	The new Indio Juvenile and Family Courthouse will provide a new five-courtroom facility. The new courthouse will replace a two-courtroom function from the existing Juvenile Court, absorb two-courtrooms from family division at the existing Larson Justice Center, and provide one new judgeship. Spaces are included for court administration, the Court Clerk, court security operations, holding, and building support space. Site support will include surface parking for court staff and visitors and a secure sallyport for in-custody transport. The proposed building will be approximately 53,255 BGSF with surface parking for 150 cars and will have eight secure judges' parking spaces.
3.	Stanislaus	New Modesto Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in December 2021 and is estimated to complete in December 2024.	The new Modesto Courthouse, comprised of 27 courtrooms, is authorized for 308,964 BGSF. This new facility will replace the existing Modesto Courthouse, the adjacent Hall of Records Building, the Ceres Courthouse, the Turlock Courthouse, and three leased facilities. Ranked in the Immediate Need priority group in the Trial Court Five-Year Infrastructure Plan adopted by the Judicial Council of California in October 2008, it is one of the highest priority trial court capital-outlay projects for the judicial branch.
In Construction				
4.	Glenn	Renovate and Addition to Willows Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in December 2021 and is estimated to complete in December 2022.	The scope of this project is for the renovation and expansion of the existing 15,798 square foot Glenn County Historic Courthouse located in the City of Willows. This project will provide a modern, secure courthouse with three courtrooms for the residents of Glenn County. The project will improve the existing deficient Glenn County Court facilities by consolidating the Willows Historic Courthouse and Orland court facilities into a single Willows Courthouse to alleviate operational and service restrictions by adding 26,069 square feet of additional space. This project is ranked in the Critical Need priority group in the Trial Court Five-Year Infrastructure Plan adopted by the Judicial Council of California in October 2008, and consequently is one of the highest priority trial court capital outlay projects for the Judicial Branch.
5.	Imperial	New El Centro Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in December 2018 and is estimated to complete in June 2022.	The new El Centro Courthouse project provides a new four-courtroom courthouse, including support spaces and 132 surface parking spaces for the public, jurors, and court staff. The project consolidates court operations from two existing facilities and will relieve the current space shortfall, increase security, and replace inadequate and obsolete buildings in Imperial County. The site located in the City of El Centro is approximately 3.57 acres and the building is 46,810 BGSF.

**Status of Active Judicial Branch Courthouse Construction Program Projects
2020-21**

Construction phase funded by 2018 Budget Act

	County	Capital Project Name	Capital Project Status	Project Overview
6.	Sacramento	New Sacramento Criminal Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in November 2020 and is estimated to complete in November 2023.	The new Sacramento Courthouse building consists of 540,000 BGSF, 53 courtrooms, and 18 stories including a basement in downtown Sacramento. The new courthouse includes 72 secure parking spaces for the courts staff and eight secure parking spaces for the marshals adjacent to the sally port in the basement.
7.	Shasta	New Redding Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in December 2018 and is estimated to complete in June 2022.	The new Redding courthouse building consists of six stories above ground and a basement level with 14 courtrooms for a total of 166,887 BGSF in the city of Redding, County of Shasta. The new courthouse is being built on a 1.94 acre site in downtown Redding across from the existing main courthouse. The project includes 20 secure parking spaces for the court staff and six secure parking spaces for the marshals adjacent to the sallyport in the basement level.
8.	Siskiyou	New Yreka Courthouse	This project concluded the construction phase during the development of this report. Construction began in December 2018 and completed in June 2021.	The new Yreka courthouse is a five-courtroom, two-story building of 67,459 BGSF in the City of Yreka. The project site consisted of two lots, totaling approximately 2.4 acres across the street from the existing courthouse. It provides 109 public parking spaces on grade, including five accessible spaces and five underground secure spaces. This new facility replaced the existing space in the Siskiyou Superior Courthouse and the Eddy Building Annex and provides a modern and secure courthouse for Siskiyou County, replacing existing deficient court facilities and creating efficiencies through consolidation of court services.
9.	Sonoma	New Santa Rosa Criminal Courthouse	This project is currently in the construction phase. Construction began in June 2021 and is estimated to complete in December 2023.	The new courthouse project is authorized for 15 courtrooms for a total of 169,127 BGSF in the City of Santa Rosa. This new facility will replace the existing space in the Sonoma County Hall of Justice, in the attached Old Jail building, and in the attached Main Adult Detention Facility at the county administrative complex. This high-rise project of six stories above ground and a basement level will replace the existing deficient courthouse and create operational efficiencies and ongoing savings through consolidation of current court services with mediation services. It will provide centralized criminal, traffic, and juvenile dependency proceedings for the entire county. Project scope includes surface parking for 450 cars plus 20 enclosed secure parking spaces.
10.	Tuolumne	New Sonora Courthouse	This project concluded the construction phase during the development of this report. Construction began in December 2018 and completed in October 2021.	The new Sonora courthouse is a recently completed two-story, five-courtroom project of 61,537 BGSF with lower level parking and in-custody holding in Tuolumne County. The new courthouse replaced the existing Sonora court space in the Historic Courthouse, the Washington Street Branch and the Jury Assembly Room. This new facility provides a modern, secure, courthouse for the residents of Tuolumne County, replacing existing deficient court facilities and creating operational efficiencies and ongoing savings through consolidation of current court services. The new courthouse is located on a 4.3 acre parcel and is one of five new buildings located at the Tuolumne County Law and Justice Center. The new courthouse is adjacent to a new county jail.

**3138 Immediate and Critical Needs Account, State Court Facilities Construction Fund
Accounting of Revenues and Expenditures of Judicial Branch
Courthouse Construction Program (2020-21)**

Attachment B

		<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>
		2020-21
1	BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 176,015
2	<i>Prior Year Adjustments</i>	
3	Prior Year Adjustments (Total)	\$ (3,141)
4	ADJUSTED BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 172,874
5	<i>Revenues, Transfers and Other Adjustments</i>	
6	150300 Income From Surplus Money Investments	\$ 620
7	161400 Misc Revenue	\$ 9,780
8	164100 Traffic Violations	\$ 10,859
9	164300 Penalty Assessments (Parking Violations)	\$ 13,407
3	164700 Court Filing Fees and Surcharges	\$ 22,274
4	164800 Penalty Assess. on Criminal Fines	\$ 71,800
5	Subtotal - Revenue	\$ 128,739
6	<u>Transfers and Other Adjustments:</u>	
7	Transfer from Court Facilities Trust Fund	\$ 4,103
8	Transfer from State Court Facilities Construction Fund	\$ 10,969
9	Total Revenues, Transfers, and Other Adjustments	\$ 143,811
10	<i>Expenditures and Expenditure Adjustments</i>	
11	<u>Support Costs:</u>	
12	Facility Modifications	\$ 26,260
13	Los Angeles, Long Beach Service Fee	\$ 55,218
14	Debt Service	\$ 71,832
15	Subtotal Support Costs	\$ 153,310
16	Local Assistance - Operation of Trial Courts	\$ 50,000
17	<i>Capital Project Costs</i>	
18	Subtotal Capital Costs	\$ -
19	Total Expenditures and Expenditure Adjustments	\$ 203,310
20	Net Annual Rev., Trsf., & Other Adj. Less Total Expenditures	\$ (59,499)
21	TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 113,375