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2021–22

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Executive Summary

Each year, the Administrative Director approves the list of entrance screening equipment to be funded that year through the Screening Equipment Replacement Program, which provides funding from the Trial Court Trust Fund to replace outdated or malfunctioning screening equipment in the trial courts. This report updates the council on the equipment that was replaced in fiscal year (FY) 2021–22 using that funding.

Relevant Previous Council Action

At its meeting on July 9, 2021, the Judicial Council approved the allocation of \$2 million from the Trial Court Trust Fund for the Screening Equipment Replacement Program managed by the Judicial Council Emergency Planning and Security Coordination unit. This amount reflects a one-time deduction to the \$2.286 million that has been allocated to the program each year since FY 2006–07.

In December 2007, the Judicial Council delegated expenditure authority of the Screening Equipment Replacement Program funds to the Administrative Director. On October 25, 2013, in its review of appropriate delegations, the Judicial Council maintained the delegation authority for

the Administrative Director. It also required an annual report to the council on the screening equipment replaced each fiscal year.

Analysis/Rationale

Since FY 2006–07, the Emergency Planning and Security Coordination unit has managed the Screening Equipment Replacement Program to replace aged and malfunctioning entrance screening equipment in trial courts. The goal of the program is to replace approximately 50 magnetometers and 50 x-ray machines each year. To address variances in the number of machines due for replacement each year, some equipment has been replaced out of cycle.

In FY 2021–22, equipment was identified for replacement or transfer in 24 courts. A total of 54 magnetometers and 54 x-ray machines were replaced. In addition, funds were used to assist in transferring equipment from one court facility to another and to remove and dispose of decommissioned x-ray machines from storage in court facilities.

Table 1 details the expenditures from the Screening Equipment Replacement Program for FY 2021–22.

Table 1. Screening Equipment Replacement Program Expenditures for FY 2021–22*

County Name	Amount Expended	Purchase Type		
		Magnetometers	X-Ray Machines	Transfer/Removal/Disposal
Butte	\$ 72,973	2	2	
El Dorado	144,337	4	4	
Fresno	31,114		1	
Glenn	32,441		1	1
Humboldt	36,996	1	1	
Imperial	76,958	2	2	2
Lake	72,664	2	2	
Los Angeles	304,434	9	8	1
Madera	72,302	2	2	
Mendocino	30,629		1	
Merced	124,807	6	3	
Mono	35,432	1	1	
Monterey	156,970	6	4	
Orange	5,624	1		
Placer	11,248	2		
Riverside	123,187		4	
San Francisco	79,340	3	2	
San Joaquin	169,896	5	5	
San Luis Obispo	11,344	2		
San Mateo	90,643		3	
Shasta	104,287	2	3	1

County Name	Amount Expended	Purchase Type		
		Magnetometers	X-Ray Machines	Transfer/Removal/Disposal
Solano	43,927	2	1	1
Sutter	72,973	2	2	
Yolo	62,083		2	
Total Expended	\$1,966,609	54	54	6
Total Budget	\$2,000,000			
Unspent Funds	\$ 33,391			

* Costs and expenditure amounts are rounded.

Fiscal Impact and Policy Implications

Equipment is generally replaced on an eight-year cycle. Costs include delivery, installation, training, five years of onsite service coverage, and estimated sales tax. After the expiration of the initial five-year service coverage period, service agreements are renewed annually until the equipment is replaced. Effective FY 2015–16, the Screening Equipment Replacement Program has been unable to reimburse courts for the purchase of service agreement extensions because of funding limitations.

Attachments and Links

None