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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through the Screening Equipment Replacement Program, which provides funding from the Trial Court Trust Fund to replace outdated or malfunctioning screening equipment in the trial courts.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 2016–2017 using that funding.

Previous Council Action

On June 24, 2016, the Judicial Council approved the allocation of \$2.286 million from the Trial Court Trust Fund for the Screening Equipment Replacement Program managed by the Judicial Council Security Operations unit. This amount has been allocated to the program each year since fiscal year (FY) 2006–2007. In December 2007, the Judicial Council delegated to the Administrative Director the authority to approve the expenditures of these funds.

On October 25, 2013, in its review of appropriate delegations to the Administrative Director, the Judicial Council maintained this delegation but required an annual report to the council on the screening equipment replaced in that year.

Policy and Cost Implications

Since FY 2006–2007, the Security Operations unit has managed the Screening Equipment Replacement Program to replace aged and malfunctioning entrance screening equipment in trial courts. The program budget has not changed since the program began, but the amount of equipment and the cost of replacement and service agreements have increased, resulting in a budget shortfall.

Equipment is generally replaced on an eight-year cycle. The program spends approximately \$36,000 for each x-ray unit and \$5,600 for each magnetometer—including the delivery, installation, and training, as well as five years of on-site service coverage and estimated sales tax. After the expiration of the five-year service agreement, service agreements are renewed annually until the equipment is replaced. Effective FY 2015–2016, the Screening Equipment Replacement Program no longer reimburses the courts for the purchase of service agreement extensions.

In FY 2016–2017, equipment was identified for replacement in 23 courts. A total of 27 magnetometers and 61 x-ray machines were replaced. In addition, a small amount of funds was 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 fiscal year 2016–2017, including the name of each court that received equipment, the type(s) of equipment, and the actual expenditures. Total expenditures for the fiscal year were \$2,277,469, leaving an unspent balance of \$8,531, which reverts.

Table 1. Screening Equipment Replacement Program Expenditures for FY 2016–2017*

County Name	Purchase Type	No. of Items Purchased	Ave. Cost Per Item (\$)	Amount Expended (\$)
Alameda	Magnetometer	1	5,600	5,592
	X-ray	7	36,000	253,223
Contra Costa	Magnetometer	2	5,600	11,137
Del Norte	Final payment on equipment purchased in prior year	1		337
Fresno	Magnetometer	1	5,600	5,531
	X-ray	1	36,000	37,004
Kern	Magnetometer	3	5,600	16,491
	X-ray	5	36,000	170,007
Los Angeles	Magnetometer	10	5,600	55,709
	X-ray	14	36,000	494,096

County Name	Purchase Type	No. of Items Purchased	Ave. Cost Per Item (\$)	Amount Expended (\$)
Merced	Transfer	1		2,560
Napa	X-ray	2	36,000	68,885
Nevada	X-ray	2	36,000	68,992
Orange	X-ray	3	36,000	98,813
Placer	X-ray	1	36,000	32,835
Plumas	X-ray	1	36,000	32,530
Riverside	X-ray	7	36,000	245,068
Sacramento	Magnetometer	3	5,600	16,634
	X-ray	2	36,00	69,820
San Diego	X-ray	6	36,000	208,762
San Luis Obispo	X-ray	1	36,000	35,510
San Mateo	Magnetometer	1	5,600	5,568
	X-ray	1	36,000	34,021
Santa Barbara	X-ray	2	36,000	67,702
Santa Clara	X-ray	2	36,000	70,311
Siskiyou	Magnetometer	1	5,600	5,497
Sonoma	Magnetometer	2	5,600	11,113
Stanislaus	Magnetometer	3	5,600	16,509
	X-ray	3	36,000	103,482
Trinity	X-ray	1	36,000	33,730
		Total Expended		2,277,469
		Total Budget		2,286,000
		Unspent Funds		8,531

* Costs and expenditure amounts are rounded.

Attachments and Links

None