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Report to the Department of Finance | Equal Access Fund

Summary

The Budget Act of 2022 included appropriations to be distributed by the Judicial Council to the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission, which were then awarded by the commission as grants to legal services programs in these areas: (1) Interest on Lawyers' Trust Accounts Formula Grants, Partnership Grants, and Consumer Debt Grants; (2) Homelessness Prevention Grants funded by the federal Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund of 2021; and (3) Homelessness Prevention Grants funded by the state General Fund. The State Bar of California was also directed to provide to the Judicial Council an annual report on the allocations, expenditures, and outcomes of these programs, and the Judicial Council is required to provide that report to the California Department of Finance. The Judicial Council submitted this report to the Department of Finance on December 29, 2023, in the form of the three separate program reports.