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Summary
The Budget Act of 2018 (Stats. 2018, ch. 29) included $2.55 million in ongoing funding for language access signage and technology infrastructure support and equipment needs for the trial courts and the Judicial Council. The Judicial Council approved a grant program to disburse this funding to the trial courts on an annual basis (up to $1 million per year for language access signage grants, and up to $1.35 million per year for language access technology grants). For the grant program's third year (fiscal year 2021-22), 22 courts applied for signage and technology needs. The Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness and the Information Technology Advisory Committee recommend approving the proposed grant award recommendations to expand language access for court users.

Recommendation
The Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness and the Information Technology Advisory Committee recommend that the Judicial Council, effective November 19, 2021:

1. Approve the proposed allocations for the Signage and Technology Grant Program for fiscal year 2021-22; and
2. Direct Language Access Services staff to work with Branch Accounting and Procurement to draft and execute intra-branch agreements with each awarded court.