

PUBLIC DEFENDER

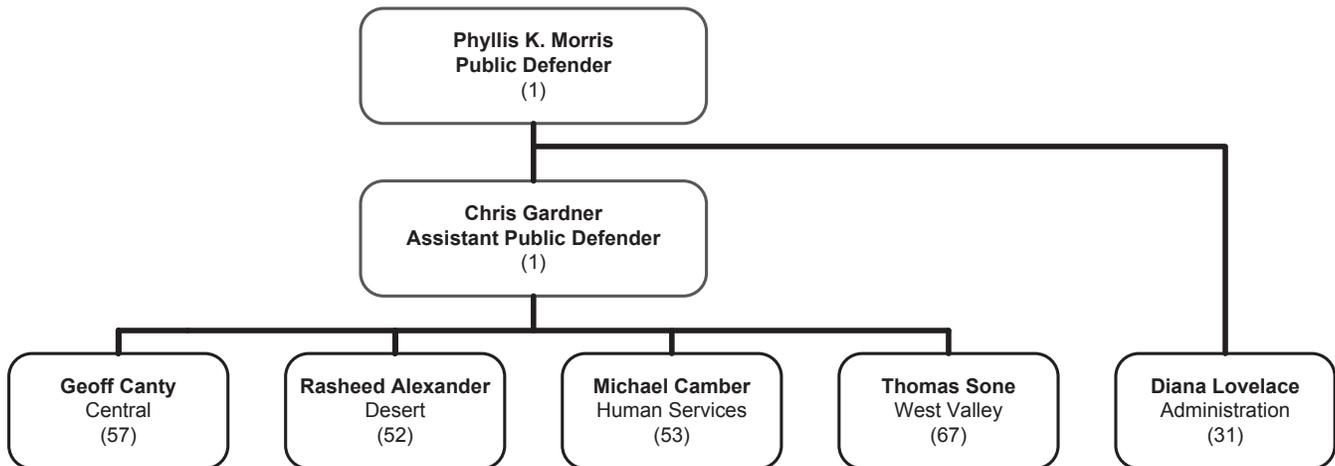
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DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

Promoting justice and protecting constitutional rights through effective representation.



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



2015-16 SUMMARY OF BUDGET UNITS

| | 2015-16 | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|---|---|----------|
| | Requirements | Sources | Net County Cost | Use of / (Contribution to) Fund Balance | Use of / (Contribution to) Net Position | Staffing |
| General Fund | | | | | | |
| Public Defender | 38,296,378 | 4,219,996 | 34,076,382 | | | 262 |
| Total General Fund | 38,296,378 | 4,219,996 | 34,076,382 | | | 262 |
| Total - All Funds | 38,296,378 | 4,219,996 | 34,076,382 | 0 | 0 | 262 |

2014-15 MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Established a Department Diversity Committee to improve cultural awareness among staff throughout the department.
- Awarded California Public Defender’s Association Program of the Year for REBAR (Re-moving Every Barrier and Rehabilitating), a program using social workers and attorney volunteers to provide post-conviction relief services to San Bernardino County residents.
- Formed a Public Defender Proposition 47 team to identify and assist individuals with reducing eligible felony convictions to misdemeanors.
- Awarded the California Endowment Grant for the innovative and effective approach to handling Proposition 47 cases.
- Collaborated with Information Services Department to implement a juvenile case management system.



DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

| COUNTY GOAL: IMPROVE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS | | Measure | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Target | 2014-15 Actual | 2015-16 Target |
|---|---|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| OBJECTIVE | Monitor and evaluate operations and implement strategies to continually improve efficiency, effectiveness, and collaboration. | Percentage of closed felony cases with a trial. | 1.5% | 2.0% | 2.6% | 2.0% |
| STRATEGY | Protecting constitutional rights and promoting justice through effective representation. | | | | | |
| COUNTY GOAL: IMPROVE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS | | Measure | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Target | 2014-15 Actual | 2015-16 Target |
| OBJECTIVE | Monitor and evaluate operations and implement strategies to continually improve efficiency, effectiveness, and collaboration. | Percentage of closed misdemeanor cases with a trial. | 0.40% | 0.50% | 0.70% | 0.50% |
| STRATEGY | Protecting constitutional rights and promoting justice through effective representation. | | | | | |
| COUNTY GOAL: IMPROVE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS | | Measure | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Target | 2014-15 Actual | 2015-16 Target |
| OBJECTIVE | Monitor and evaluate operations and implement strategies to continually improve efficiency, effectiveness, and collaboration. | Percentage of felony cases resolved within 270 days of appointment. | 80% | 82% | 91% | 65% |
| STRATEGY | Resolving cases in a timely manner. | | | | | |
| COUNTY GOAL: IMPROVE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS | | Measure | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Target | 2014-15 Actual | 2015-16 Target |
| OBJECTIVE | Monitor and evaluate operations and implement strategies to continually improve efficiency, effectiveness, and collaboration. | Percentage of misdemeanor cases resolved within 180 days of appointment. | 80% | 85% | 87% | 85% |
| STRATEGY | Resolving cases in a timely manner. | | | | | |
| COUNTY GOAL: PROVIDE FOR THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES NEEDS OF COUNTY RESIDENTS | | Measure | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Target | 2014-15 Actual | 2015-16 Target |
| OBJECTIVE | Partner with County and non-County agencies and maximize the use of Federal and State programs and funding to address the public health, safety and social service needs of County residents and move participants to self-sufficiency. | Percentage of Expungement (PC 1203.4) or Certificates of Rehabilitation requests granted. | 79% | 80% | 73% | 80% |
| STRATEGY | Providing relief from the consequences of criminal conviction. | | | | | |
| COUNTY GOAL: PROVIDE FOR THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES NEEDS OF COUNTY RESIDENTS | | Measure | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Target | 2014-15 Actual | 2015-16 Target |
| OBJECTIVE | Partner with County and non-County agencies and maximize the use of Federal and State programs and funding to address the public health, safety and social service needs of County residents and move participants to self-sufficiency. | Number of Social Service Practitioner referrals for adult cases. | N/A | 350 | 369 | 375 |
| STRATEGY | Providing social service referrals to further client treatment and/or stabilization. | | | | | |



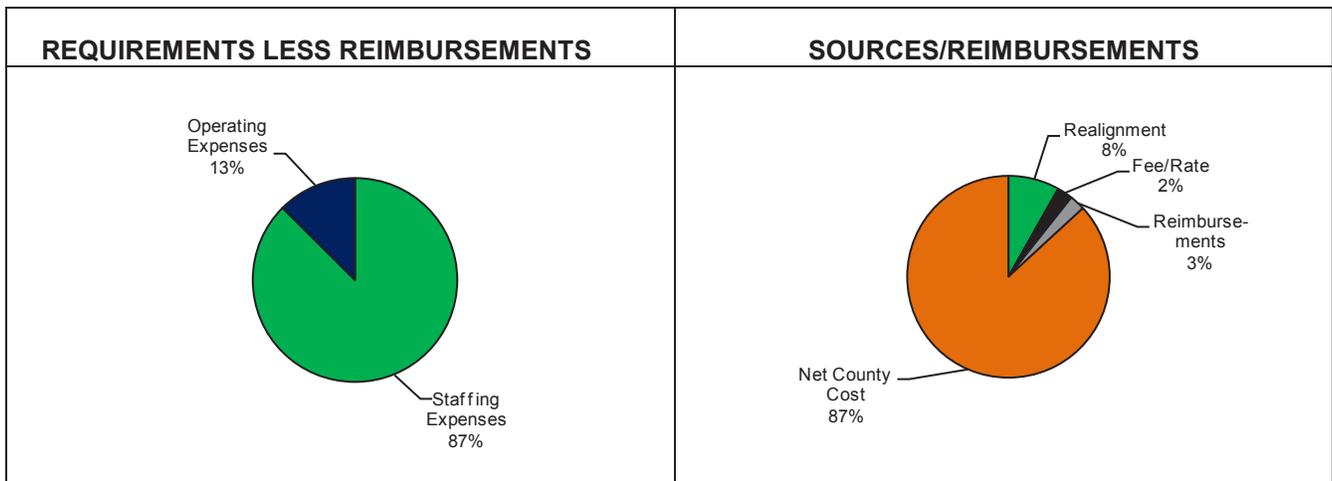
Public Defender

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES

The Public Defender promotes justice and protects constitutional rights by providing mandated representation to indigent adult clients in felony, misdemeanor, and mental health civil commitment cases, as well as to clients facing probation, parole, or post-community supervision release violations. The Public Defender also represents the County's children facing juvenile delinquency proceedings. Using a holistic approach, the Public Defender seeks to increase client opportunities for achieving self-sufficiency. The role the department plays in the criminal justice system reflects the checks and balances found in American democracy.

| Budget at a Glance | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Requirements Less Reimbursements | \$39,271,647 |
| Sources/Reimbursements | \$5,195,265 |
| Net County Cost | \$34,076,382 |
| Total Staff | 262 |
| Funded by Net County Cost | 87% |

2015-16 ADOPTED BUDGET



ANALYSIS OF 2015-16 ADOPTED BUDGET

GROUP: Law and Justice
DEPARTMENT: Public Defender
FUND: General

BUDGET UNIT: AAA PBD
FUNCTION: Public Protection
ACTIVITY: Judicial

| | 2011-12 Actual | 2012-13 Actual | 2013-14 Actual | 2014-15 Actual | 2014-15 Final Budget | 2015-16 Adopted Budget | Change From 2014-15 Final Budget |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Requirements | | | | | | | |
| Staffing Expenses | 28,656,046 | 29,184,304 | 30,253,485 | 30,225,131 | 32,173,209 | 34,277,403 | 2,104,194 |
| Operating Expenses | 4,160,083 | 4,274,830 | 4,063,431 | 4,666,753 | 4,765,148 | 4,903,244 | 138,096 |
| Capital Expenditures | 37,095 | 31,641 | (2,419) | 64,922 | 76,000 | 91,000 | 15,000 |
| Total Exp Authority | 32,853,224 | 33,490,775 | 34,314,497 | 34,956,806 | 37,014,357 | 39,271,647 | 2,257,290 |
| Reimbursements | (346,816) | (419,736) | (448,963) | (283,396) | (778,764) | (975,269) | (196,505) |
| Total Appropriation | 32,506,408 | 33,071,039 | 33,865,534 | 34,673,410 | 36,235,593 | 38,296,378 | 2,060,785 |
| Operating Transfers Out | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Requirements | 32,506,408 | 33,071,039 | 33,865,534 | 34,673,410 | 36,235,593 | 38,296,378 | 2,060,785 |
| Sources | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Realignment | 664,689 | 1,535,253 | 2,784,110 | 2,580,997 | 2,737,366 | 3,204,339 | 466,973 |
| State, Fed or Gov't Aid | 817,938 | 864,273 | 3,890 | 409,621 | 84,652 | 45,657 | (38,995) |
| Fee/Rate | 1,248,819 | 1,073,299 | 997,037 | 1,007,640 | 961,500 | 970,000 | 8,500 |
| Other Revenue | 0 | 655 | 3,550 | 45,415 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Revenue | 2,731,446 | 3,473,480 | 3,788,587 | 4,043,673 | 3,783,518 | 4,219,996 | 436,478 |
| Operating Transfers In | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Financing Sources | 2,731,446 | 3,473,480 | 3,788,587 | 4,043,673 | 3,783,518 | 4,219,996 | 436,478 |
| Net County Cost | 29,774,962 | 29,597,559 | 30,076,947 | 30,629,737 | 32,452,075 | 34,076,382 | 1,624,307 |
| Budgeted Staffing* | 246 | 237 | 243 | 247 | 247 | 262 | 15 |

*Data represents final budgeted staffing

MAJOR EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE IN 2015-16 ADOPTED BUDGET

Staffing expenses of \$34.3 million, operating expenses of \$4.9 million, and capital expenditures of \$91,000 support the department in achieving its mission of promoting justice and protecting constitutional rights. Sources include \$3.2 million of Realignment funds, legal services fees of \$970,000, and State Aid for the representation of state prison clients in the amount of \$45,657.

BUDGET CHANGES AND OPERATIONAL IMPACT

Requirements are increasing by \$2.0 million. This is primarily due to higher staffing expenses to support Proposition 47 implementation efforts requiring extensive case reviews and petitions to the Court to reduce felony drug charges to misdemeanors when appropriate. Additionally, two new Social Service Practitioners positions will provide services to juvenile clients at local school board attendance meetings. Sources are increasing by \$436,478 primarily due to higher Realignment funding. Recent changes in state law created new opportunities for the department to expand services, providing for the social service needs of County residents and helping them to become self-sufficient.



2015-16 POSITION SUMMARY*

| Division | 2014-15 Final Staffing | Adds | Deletes | Reorgs | 2015-16 Adopted | Limited | Regular |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------|---------|--------|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Administration | 30 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 33 | 19 | 14 |
| Central Division | 54 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 57 | 0 | 57 |
| Desert Division | 55 | 0 | 0 | -3 | 52 | 0 | 52 |
| Human Services Division | 35 | 14 | 0 | 4 | 53 | 12 | 41 |
| West Valley Division | 73 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 67 | 0 | 67 |
| Total | 247 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 262 | 31 | 231 |

*Detailed classification listing available in Appendix D

STAFFING CHANGES AND OPERATIONAL IMPACT

Staffing expenses of \$34.3 million fund 262 budgeted positions of which 231 are regular positions and 31 are limited-term. The department added the following 15 positions: 2 Social Service Practitioners, 4 limited-term Deputy Public Defenders, 2 limited-term Office Assistant IIIs, 3 Contract Deputy Public Defenders, 3 Contract Office Assistant IIIs and 1 Public Service Employee. The Social Service Practitioners will attend local school board attendance hearings. The 4 limited-term Deputies, 2 limited-term Office Assistants and the contract Deputies and Office Assistant positions are dedicated to Proposition 47 case activity. One Public Service Employee will be dedicated to the case file imaging project.

