Municipal Court

Department Review













April 12, 2017

City of Austin, TX



Who We Are!





179.75 Positions



Facilities



462,334
Customers served

ADMINISTERING JUSTICE FAIRLY & EFFICIENTLY



139,914 Cases docketed



15,700,000 sq/ft Clean by CSR units



12,725
Red Light
Camera cases
filed



91,401
Cases
magistrate/arraigned

Department Budget Overview

FY 2017 Totals at a Glance...



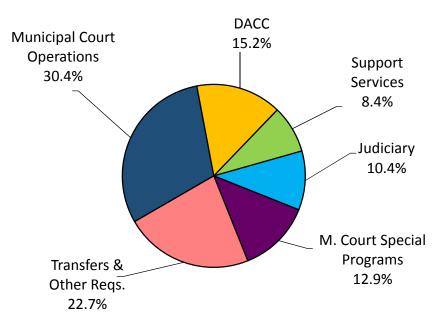
FY 2017 Positions

General Fund: 164.75
Juvenile Case Manager: 9
Traffic Safety: 1
Grant: 2

FY 2017 Sources

Tax Supported: \$7.1 million Fees/Fines: \$15.4 million Grants/Other: \$3.3 million

FY 2017 Budget by Program



Program Highlights

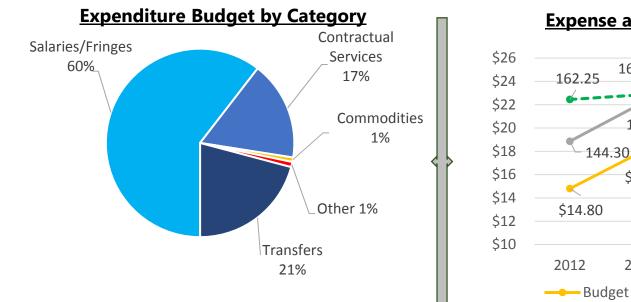
- New case management system contract
- Community outreach for warrant amnesty
- Enhanced rehabilitative support services
- Community Service Restitution Program

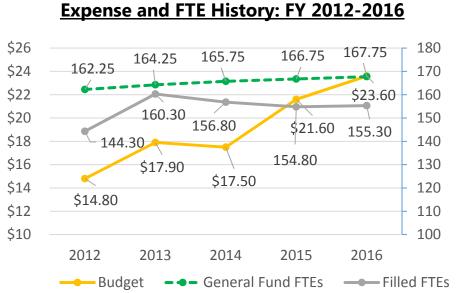
Department Budget Overview

Data and Highlights

- > FTE growth of 5.5 positions from FY 2012 FY 2016
- ➤ 60% of the FY 2016 Municipal Court budget is personnel cost drivers





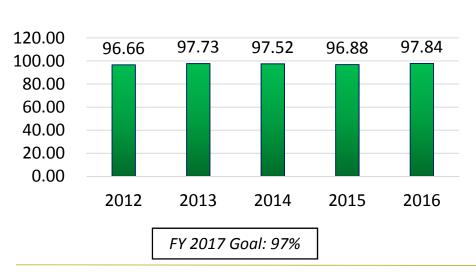


^{*} In FY 15, \$4.1 million in administrative and personnel cost centers were allocated to departments from the General Fund level

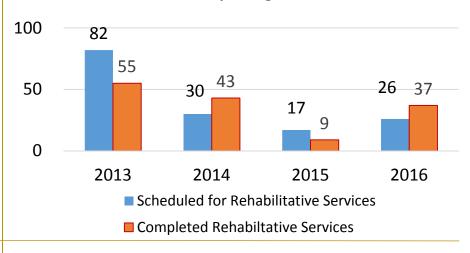
Key Indicators

Trend Overview

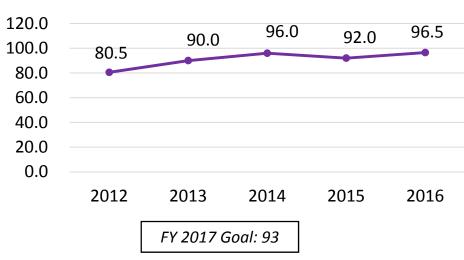
Percent of cases set on docket within 60 days



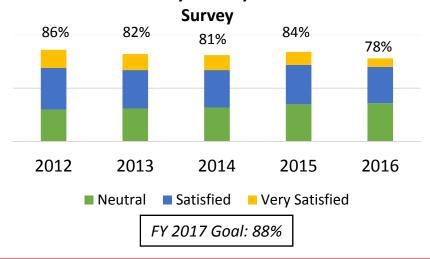
Frequent offenders scheduled for rehabilitative services and completing rehabilitative services



Percent of customers served within 10 minutes – downtown location



Customers responding neutral or better as indicated by the City of Austin



Horizon Issues

Fiscal Year 2018

> Facility Needs

 Court facilities outdated and inadequate for staff and clients needs (Downtown Municipal Court building, Community Court building, and substations).

> Technology Upgrades and Replacements

 Upgrades to case management and lobby management systems required to efficiently and effectively handle current and future needs.

➤ High Staffing Turnover

High turnover affects operations continuity

Topic for Council Consideration

- Downtown Austin Community Court
 - o **Rehabilitation Services**: Assess and connect offenders to substance abuse treatment, transitional and permanent housing, mental health services, medical services, employment training and other support services to reduce criminal involvement and promote permanent and long-term stability.
 - → 39% of clients successfully completed residential treatment at Road to Recovery in FY16
 - → Activity budget: \$2,474,671
 - → 8 FTEs
 - Community Service Restitution: Link criminal actions to a consequence for offenders,
 so that the community can experience restorative justice.
 - → Frequent offenders completed 3,040 Community Service Restitution hours in FY16
 - → Activity budget: \$239,914
 - → 6 FTEs

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