

State of Alaska
FY2020 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services
Youth Courts
Component Budget Summary

Component: Youth Courts**Contribution to Department's Mission**

This component provides funding for statewide youth court grants and rural community diversion panels across the state. These youth courts and community diversion panels provide early intervention and serve as a community-based diversion for youth who have been referred to juvenile probation on misdemeanor charges, District Court for status offenses, or school suspensions. The mission of the Division of Juvenile Justice is to hold juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior, promote the safety and restoration of victims and communities, and assist offenders and their families in developing skills to prevent crime. Youth courts and community diversion panels assist the division in carrying out this mission.

Core Services

- Youth Courts provide front-end accountability for first and second-time low-level juvenile offenders.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2018

- Funding was provided for nine youth court programs around the state: Anchorage, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Kodiak, Mat-Su, Nome, Fairbanks, and Valdez. In FY2018, a total of 207 new referrals were received. Youth courts received referrals from the Division of Juvenile Justice for first- and second-time non-violent misdemeanor cases.
- A total of 3,116 hours of community work service were ordered in FY2018, with 2,405 completed to date.
- In April 2018, the statewide Youth Court Conference was held in Nome; the conference hosted over 120 participants. The conference was coordinated by the Nome Youth Court Director and youth members. The Division of Juvenile Justice's program coordinator and juvenile probation field staff participated in and supported workshops at the conference.
- The Division of Juvenile Justice continues to increase collaboration and improved communication with youth court directors through quarterly teleconferences and the annual in-person director's meeting.

Client Successes

The following statement was submitted by a youth defendant after a hearing and sentence at the Anchorage Youth Court:

"Sitting in a metal chair watching the minutes slowly turn to hours. The metal cuffs oddly positioned behind me. Hoping that I'd suddenly wake up and it would just remain to be one of those dreams that could never be forgotten. But the stares of disappointment were all too real; I had brought this upon myself.

My parents were just so utterly disappointed. They didn't understand what was going through my mind in that moment, and to be honest I didn't really know myself. Their vision of who I was started to change. It's likely they finally realized I had grown up in a way.

What I learned about meeting my defense attorneys and others [at Anchorage Youth Court] was how much support I was receiving through this whole thing. They were so kind hearted, they were truly amazing. [The Anchorage Youth Court members] had an idea who they wanted to be and where they were headed. And here I was, having taken a wrong turn in life by letting myself be conformed by the patterns of this world.

I just felt so inspired by where they were coming from and what they wanted to do. I want to become someone great in the future. I want a job I love and that could make this world better. Even if just a little bit. Though in order to be somebody I would be proud of, I had to start somewhere. The Anchorage Youth Court helped me realize that

somewhere had to be now. I would lie if I said this experience hasn't changed me in some way."

Key Component Challenges

- Due to changes in demographics and the laws regulating alcohol consumption among minors, referrals were very low this year. This presented a challenge as to how to best utilize youth and adult volunteer time. To overcome this challenge, additional time and resources were spent on preventative activities, education, and outreach. This included additional training for youth court volunteers, increased activities in the school such as presentations on the effect of alcohol and drugs, and community building activities.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2020

Youth Courts will continue to explore new programs and activities to prevent juvenile delinquency. This will include forming partnerships with the local school districts to accept referrals directly, increased community presentations and activities, increased training and education for youth volunteers, and additional outreach for new youth volunteers. Additionally, some youth courts are exploring mediation programs for youth that are in conflict, but have not been charged with any crimes.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.05.010(7)	Duties of Department
AS 47.12	Delinquent Minors
AS 47.14	Juvenile Programs and Institutions
7 AAC 78	Grant Programs

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Youth Courts Personal Services Information					
Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs		
	<u>FY2019</u> <u>Management</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2020</u> <u>Governor</u>			
			Annual Salaries		24,662
Full-time	0	0	COLA		1,004
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay		0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits		16,051
			<i>Less 0.00% Vacancy Factor</i>		(0)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay		0
Totals	0	0	Total Personal Services		41,717

Position Classification Summary					
Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
No personal services.					
Totals	0	0	0	0	0

Component Detail All Funds
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Youth Courts (2768)
RDU: Juvenile Justice (319)

Non-Formula Component

	FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Conference Committee	FY2019 Authorized	FY2019 Management Plan	FY2020 Governor	FY2019 Management Plan vs FY2020 Governor	
71000 Personal Services	31.7	46.4	46.4	39.2	41.7	2.5	6.4%
72000 Travel	13.9	16.7	16.7	23.9	22.9	-1.0	-4.2%
73000 Services	3.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	0.0	0.0%
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	404.8	460.5	460.5	460.5	460.5	0.0	0.0%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Totals	453.6	531.1	531.1	531.1	532.6	1.5	0.3%
Fund Sources:							
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	453.6	531.1	531.1	531.1	532.6	1.5	0.3%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	453.6	531.1	531.1	531.1	532.6	1.5	0.3%
Designated General (DGF)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Other Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Federal Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Positions:							
Permanent Full Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Youth Courts (2768)
RDU: Juvenile Justice (319)

Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2019 Conference Committee To FY2019 Authorized *****												
FY2019 Conference Committee	ConfCom	531.1	46.4	16.7	7.5	0.0	0.0	460.5	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		531.1										
Subtotal		531.1	46.4	16.7	7.5	0.0	0.0	460.5	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2019 Authorized To FY2019 Management Plan *****												
Align Authority for Increased Travel	LIT	0.0	-7.2	7.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Align authority for increased travel costs.												
Subtotal		531.1	39.2	23.9	7.5	0.0	0.0	460.5	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2019 Management Plan To FY2020 Governor *****												
Align Authority to Comply with Vacancy Factor Guidelines	LIT	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Align authority to comply with vacancy factor guidelines.												
FY2020 Salary Adjustments - GGU, CEA, TEAME	SalAdj	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		1.5										
FY2020 Salary Adjustments - GGU, CEA, TEAME: \$1.5												
FY2020 GGU HI from \$1432 to \$1530: \$0.5												
FY2020 GGU 3% COLA: \$1.0												
Totals		532.6	41.7	22.9	7.5	0.0	0.0	460.5	0.0	0	0	0

Personal Services Expenditure Detail
Department of Health and Social Services

Scenario: FY2020 Governor (15610)
Component: Youth Courts (2768)
RDU: Juvenile Justice (319)

PCN	Job Class Title	Time Status	Retire Code	Barg Unit	Location	Salary Sched	Range / Step	Comp Months	Split / Count	Annual Salaries	COLA	Premium Pay	Annual Benefits	Total Costs	UGF Amount
06-4595	Program Coordinator I	FT	A	GP	Juneau	205	18B	4.7	*	24,662	1,004	0	16,051	41,717	41,717
													Total Salary Costs:	24,662	
													Total COLA:	1,004	
													Total Premium Pay::	0	
													Total Benefits:	16,051	
													Total Pre-Vacancy:	41,717	
													Minus Vacancy Adjustment of 0.00%:	(0)	
													Total Post-Vacancy:	41,717	
													Plus Lump Sum Premium Pay:	0	
													Personal Services Line 100:	41,717	

PCN Funding Sources:	Pre-Vacancy	Post-Vacancy	Percent
1004 General Fund Receipts	41,717	41,717	100.00%
Total PCN Funding:	41,717	41,717	100.00%

Note: If a position is split, an asterisk (*) will appear in the Split/Count column. If the split position is also counted in the component, two asterisks (**) will appear in this column. [No valid job title] appearing in the Job Class Title indicates that the PCN has an invalid class code or invalid range for the class code effective date of this scenario.

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Travel

Component: Youth Courts (2768)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Management Plan
2000	Travel		13.9	23.9
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Management Plan
2000 Travel Detail Totals			13.9	23.9
2000	In-State Employee Travel	Travel necessary to meet with youth courts around the state and for training.	13.9	23.9

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Services

Component: Youth Courts (2768)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Management Plan
3000	Services		3.2	7.5
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Management Plan
3000 Services Detail Totals			3.2	7.5
3000	Education Services	Registration fees to attend various trainings.	1.3	1.5
3004	Telecommunications	Teleconference call fees for going through the GCI Meet-Me bridge.	0.3	2.0
3009	Structure/Infrastructure/Land	For repairs and maintenance including janitorial and other repairs.	1.5	1.4
3011	Other Services	Payments for various consulting fees if needed.	0.1	2.6

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Grants, Benefits

Component: Youth Courts (2768)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Management Plan
7000	Grants, Benefits		404.8	460.5
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2018 Actuals	FY2019 Management Plan
7000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals			404.8	460.5
7001	Grants	For grants to various youth courts throughout Alaska.	404.8	460.5