

**State of Alaska
FY2023 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Health
Youth Courts
Component Budget Summary**

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

The Youth Courts component provides funding for statewide youth court grants across the state. These youth courts provide early intervention and serve as a community-based diversion program for youth who have been referred to juvenile probation on misdemeanor charges, to District Court for status offenses, or school suspensions.

Core Services

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

Major Component Accomplishments in 2021

The first United Youth Courts of Alaska Director's meeting was held virtually in November 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. By holding the virtual conference, it allowed the youth court directors to continue to collaborate with each other, resource partners, and attend trainings.

The annual United Youth Courts of Alaska conference was held via Zoom in February 2021. Juneau was scheduled to host an in-person conference however, in-person meetings were cancelled due to the pandemic. Both the youth court directors and student volunteers reported thankfulness for being able to have the annual conference and gave recognition to Kodiak Youth Court staff for being the virtual host on Zoom.

The Division of Juvenile Justice continues to increase collaboration and improve communication with youth court directors through quarterly teleconferences and the annual virtual director's meeting.

The Valdez Youth Court has hired a full-time program director in November 2020 and has been working hard to evolve the youth court program and is dedicated to working with the youth court volunteers.

Key Component Challenges

A major challenge for the youth courts was the department's cyberattack that occurred May 2021. The cyberattack affected all interdepartmental websites, including Youth Offender Data Application which is used by the youth court directors to record all case referral information, including disposition requirements. Directors were provided a spreadsheet by the Division of Juvenile Justice and asked to continue to record their data referrals manually via the spreadsheet. To date the Youth Offender Data Application is still unavailable and Division of Juvenile Justice is unable to secure accurate data for youth court case referrals or community work services hours performed and completed at this time.

North Star Youth Court closed its doors in the last days of FY2021 and dissolved the youth court program in Fairbanks, Alaska. North Star Youth Court and its board members reported that due to the continued decline in referral numbers and the loss of other grant opportunities, it was difficult to justify continued existence of the program. This leaves eight youth courts in Alaska.

Referrals remain low, continuing the challenge as to how to best utilize youth and adult volunteer time. Youth courts continue to put additional time and resources into preventative activities, education, and outreach. Additionally, youth court programs continue to explore expansion of their current referral sources with new partners such as district courts, schools, and local police departments.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2023

With continued COVID-19 restrictions, youth courts will creatively explore new programs and activities via virtual platforms or in-person to prevent juvenile delinquency. This will include increased community and outside presentations, trainings and education for youth volunteers and additional outreach for new youth volunteers. Youth

courts will also continue to form partnerships with the local school districts and law enforcement to accept referrals directly.

Continue to collaborate with interested program directors and further explore opportunities for incorporating evidence-based programming targeting cannabis use, such as Prime For Life.

Continue to monitor and assess program upgrades to the Youth Offender Data Application database and offer training and technical assistance to program directors on data entry as needed.

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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Component Detail All Funds
Department of Health

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

Non-Formula Component

	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Conference Committee	FY2022 Authorized	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor	FY2022 Management Plan vs FY2023 Governor	
71000 Personal Services	26.0	40.9	40.9	31.9	0.0	-31.9 -100.0%	
72000 Travel	0.0	22.9	22.9	22.9	0.0	-22.9 -100.0%	
73000 Services	2.2	11.3	11.3	3.9	0.0	-3.9 -100.0%	
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	368.9	460.5	372.3	388.7	0.0	-388.7 -100.0%	
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%	
Totals	397.1	535.6	447.4	447.4	0.0	-447.4 -100.0%	
Fund Sources:							
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	397.1	535.6	447.4	447.4	0.0	-447.4 -100.0%	
Unrestricted General (UGF)	397.1	535.6	447.4	447.4	0.0	-447.4 -100.0%	
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

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 FY2022 Conference Committee To FY2022 Authorized *****												
FY2022 Conference Committee												
1004 Gen Fund	ConfCom	535.6	40.9	22.9	11.3	0.0	0.0	460.5	0.0	0	0	0
Reduce Early Intervention/Diversion Program to Align with Referrals												
1004 Gen Fund	Veto	-88.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-88.2	0.0	0	0	0
Authority is reduced in the Early Intervention/Diversion Program to align with referrals from the Division of Juvenile Justice.												
Subtotal		447.4	40.9	22.9	11.3	0.0	0.0	372.3	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2022 Authorized To FY2022 Management Plan *****												
Align Authority with Anticipated Expenditures												
	LIT	0.0	-9.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	0.0	16.4	0.0	0	0	0
Transfer authority from personal services and services to cover anticipated grant costs. The remaining personal services and services authority is sufficient to cover anticipated expenditures.												
Subtotal		447.4	31.9	22.9	3.9	0.0	0.0	388.7	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2022 Management Plan To FY2023 Governor *****												
FY2023 General Government Unit SBS and Risk Management Rate Changes												
1004 Gen Fund	SalAdj	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
FY2023 Change General Government Unit (GG, GP, GY, GZ) - SBS, and Risk Management Rates: \$0.1												
FY2023 PERS Actuarial Rate Adjustment to 24.79% Ch9 SLA2021 (SB55)												
1004 Gen Fund	SalAdj	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Includes: FY2023 Adjustment for PERS ARM Board Approved Rate of 24.79% (from 30.11%): \$-1.0												
Executive Order Transfer to the Department of Family and Community Services												
1004 Gen Fund	Atout	-446.5	-31.4	-22.9	-3.5	0.0	0.0	-388.7	0.0	0	0	0
By Executive Order, the Department of Health and Social Services will be reorganized into two distinct departments: the Alaska Department of Health and the Alaska Department of Family and Community Services. This reorganization streamlines and improves the delivery of critical programs and services while creating												

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Health

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										PFT	PPT	
more flexibility and responsiveness in both departments resulting in improved outcomes.												
Align Authority with Anticipated Expenditures												
	LIT	0.0	0.4	0.0	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Transfer authority from services to cover anticipated personal service costs. The remaining services authority is sufficient to cover anticipated expenditures.												
	Totals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health
Travel

Component: Youth Courts (2768)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
2000	Travel		0.0	22.9	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
2000 Travel Detail Totals			0.0	22.9	0.0
2000	In-State Employee Travel	Employee travel in-state	0.0	22.9	0.0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health
Services

Component: Youth Courts (2768)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
3000	Services		2.2	3.9	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			2.2	3.9	0.0
3000	Education Services	Education services	2.1	0.0	0.0
3004	Telecommunications		0.1	0.0	0.0
3009	Structure/Infrastructure/Land		0.0	1.3	0.0
3011	Other Services		0.0	2.6	0.0

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

Component: Youth Courts (2768)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
7000	Grants, Benefits		368.9	388.7	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
		7000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals	368.9	388.7	0.0
7001	Grants		368.9	388.7	0.0