

Criminal Justice Services

Mission Statement

Prince William County Criminal Justice Services promotes public safety by reducing recidivism. We serve the courts and community by providing efficient, effective, innovative assessment and supervision programs that empower clients to achieve success and improve individual growth.

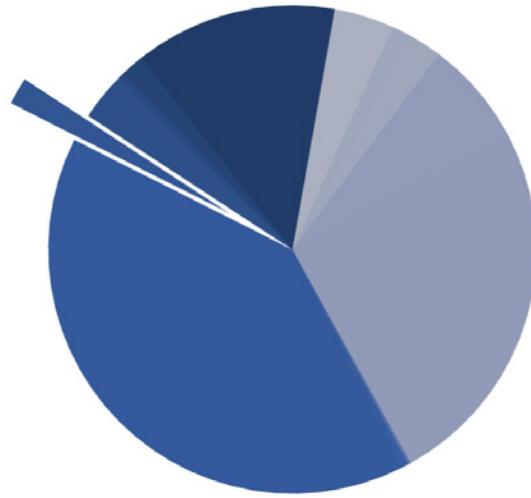
Quadrant Area

% of Safe & Secure Community

1.7%

Quadrant Expenditure Budget:

\$564,891,411



Programs

Criminal Justice Support \$1,351,467

Community Supervision \$7,468,490

Recovery Courts \$595,703

Agency Expenditure Budget: **\$9,415,660**

Mandates

Prince William County is mandated to provide pretrial detention alternatives and post-disposition punishment alternatives on a systematic local and regional basis as a condition of having received jail construction assistance from the state. Criminal Justice Services provides these mandated services. The establishment of a Community Criminal Justice Board is mandated by Section [9.1-178](#) of the Code of Virginia. Criminal Justice Services serves as the liaison to this advisory board.

State Code: [19.2-152.2](#) through [19.2-152.7](#), [19.2-152.4:3](#) and [53.1-82.1](#) (Pretrial Services); [9.1-173](#) through [9.1-183](#) (Comprehensive Community Corrections Program); [19.2-303](#) (Suspension or modification of sentence; probation; taking of fingerprints and blood, saliva, or tissue sample as condition of probation); and [18.2-254.1](#) (Recovery Court Act)

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Expenditure and Revenue Summary



Expenditure by Program	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed	% Change Budget FY26/ Budget FY27
Criminal Justice Support	\$939,675	\$1,173,246	\$1,239,381	\$1,161,679	\$1,351,467	16.34%
Community Supervision	\$5,378,400	\$6,195,844	\$6,542,578	\$7,050,794	\$7,468,490	5.92%
Recovery Courts	-	\$111,896	\$244,908	\$266,594	\$595,703	123.45%
Total Expenditures	\$6,318,075	\$7,480,986	\$8,026,867	\$8,479,067	\$9,415,660	11.05%

Expenditure by Classification

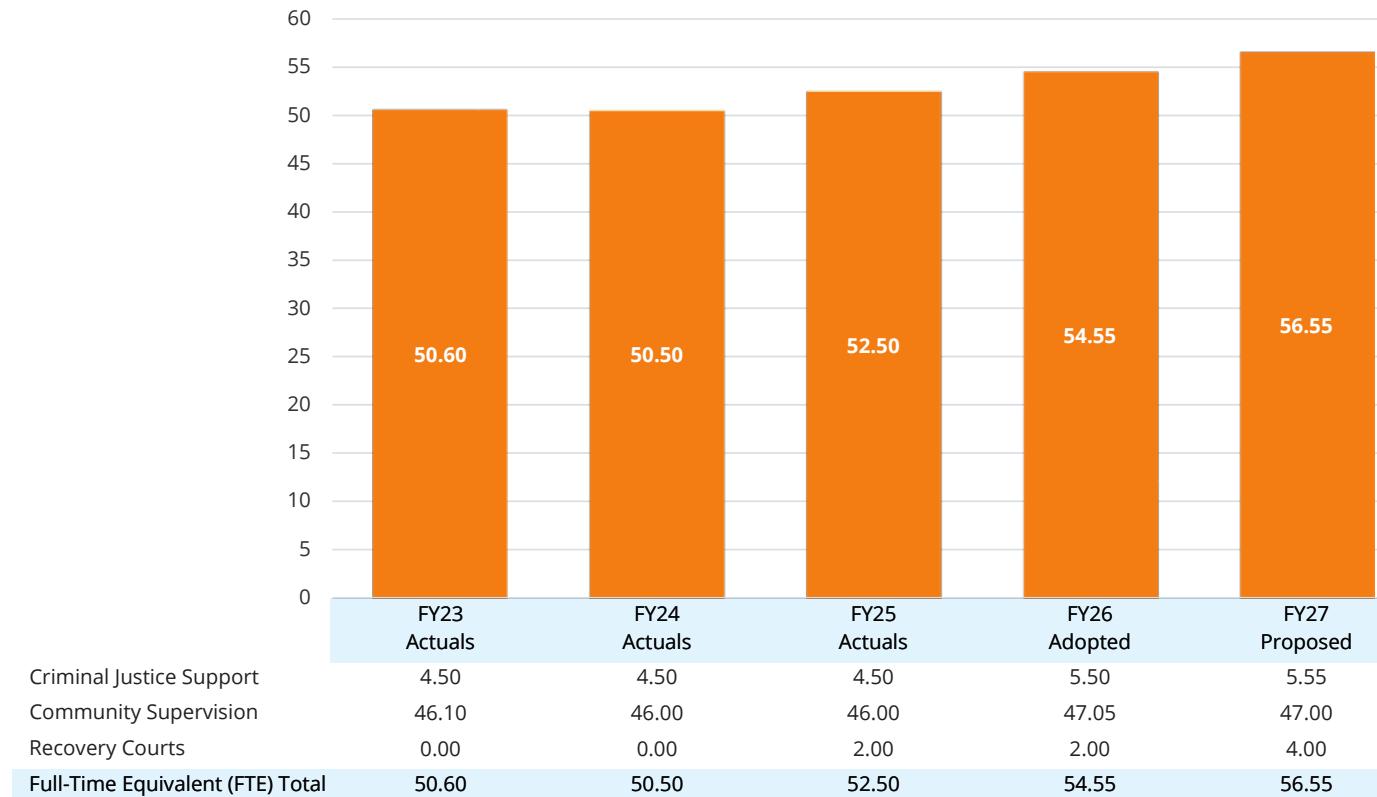
Salaries & Benefits	\$5,387,483	\$6,270,370	\$6,848,063	\$7,365,612	\$8,024,994	8.95%
Contractual Services	\$104,166	\$281,483	\$182,538	\$268,351	\$427,076	59.15%
Internal Services	\$426,200	\$416,216	\$430,768	\$415,798	\$528,279	27.05%
Purchase of Goods & Services	\$393,610	\$506,992	\$561,757	\$427,975	\$433,980	1.40%
Leases & Rentals	\$6,617	\$5,925	\$3,741	\$7,383	\$7,383	0.00%
Reserves & Contingencies	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$6,052)	(\$6,052)	0.00%
Total Expenditures	\$6,318,075	\$7,480,986	\$8,026,867	\$8,479,067	\$9,415,660	11.05%

Funding Sources

Revenue from Federal Government	\$31,235	\$39,044	\$31,235	\$31,235	\$31,235	0.00%
Revenue from Other Localities	\$129,820	\$283,205	\$287,194	\$105,000	\$260,000	147.62%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$167	\$854	\$7,973	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%
Charges for Services	\$55,206	\$51,880	\$47,902	\$48,000	\$48,000	0.00%
Revenue from Commonwealth	\$1,146,399	\$1,244,068	\$1,292,634	\$1,216,291	\$1,432,830	17.80%
Total Designated Funding Sources	\$1,362,827	\$1,619,051	\$1,666,939	\$1,401,526	\$1,773,065	26.51%
Net General Tax Support	\$4,955,248	\$5,861,935	\$6,359,928	\$7,077,541	\$7,642,595	7.98%
Net General Tax Support	78.43%	78.36%	79.23%	83.47%	81.17%	



Staff History by Program



Future Outlook

Pretrial and Probation Workload – Beginning in FY25, 100% of defendants were assessed using the newly implemented Public Safety Assessment, which supports more consistent risk-based decision-making and improved alignment between supervision resources and defendant risk levels. While pretrial caseloads are projected to increase modestly to approximately 575 in FY27, this change reflects expected and managed growth driven by universal screening and more appropriate supervision placements. Through collaboration with key stakeholders, the goal of Criminal Justice Services (CJS) is to reduce supervision for lower-risk/lower needs individuals, while ensuring that those placed on supervision are defendants with higher needs. As a result, the projected increase does not indicate uncontrolled growth, but rather a refinement in how supervision capacity is aligned with assessed risk.

The probation caseload experienced both decline and recovery. The average daily active caseload decreased from 480 in FY22 to 446 in FY23, then increased to 513 in FY24 and 563 in FY25. At the same time, the average length of stay shortened significantly, from 324 days in FY22 to 230 days in FY23 and FY24, and then to 180 days in FY25. Probation placement services exhibited a similar pattern, with a total of 1,063 in FY22, 1,392 in FY23, peaking at 1,616 in FY24, and then declining to 1,237 in FY25. The probation public safety rate remained steady at 90% across FY24 and FY25, underscoring continued efforts to balance caseload management with community safety.

Diversion and Behavioral Health – Diversion strategies remain under review by the General District Court, with a growing emphasis on linking individuals to treatment and services earlier in the process. High-utilizer cases, involving individuals who frequently cycle through the system and consume disproportionate resources, continue to be a concern. In parallel, stakeholders are in the early stages of planning a Behavioral Health Docket to better serve individuals with serious mental illness through coordinated interventions and judicial oversight. These efforts reflect broader statewide and local trends toward specialized dockets and diversion models designed to balance accountability, treatment, and public safety.

Domestic Violence (DV) – DV continues to be a priority focus. The DV Coordinator position approved in FY26 is expected to strengthen coordination, victim support, and alignment with county and state initiatives such as the DV Fatality Review and the DV Council. Probation officers have also implemented the Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ODARA) tool to enhance supervision and prevention strategies in DV cases, reinforcing the agency's commitment to targeted, evidence-based interventions.

General Overview

- A. Two Part-Time Positions Consolidated to Full Time Description** – In FY26, two part-time Probation/Pretrial (PO) positions were combined to create one full-time PO. This position consolidation addressed a long-term vacancy with unsuccessful recruitment efforts while also filling a critical need to assist the CJS pretrial team. The creation of the full-time PO helped CJS provide daily required court coverage and allowed other CJS officers to supervise intensive pretrial cases. The consolidation resulted in a net increase of 0.05 FTE in the Criminal Justice Support program and net decrease of 0.05 FTE in the Community Supervision program. There is no financial impact to the general fund because of this consolidation.
- B. Local Salary Supplement for District 35 Manassas Probation and Parole Office State Employees** – Beginning in FY23, District 35 Manassas Probation and Parole Office (Probation and Parole) state employees received a 15% local salary supplement and the 15% supplement continues for 41 state employees. The local salary supplement is \$455,000, with no change between FY27 and FY26. This amount includes a 2% anticipated state salary increase, but the reduction of two state employee positions maintains the same salary supplement estimate. The intent of the local salary supplement is to assist Probation and Parole with retention and recruitment in the Northern Virginia labor market.
- C. Removal of One-Time Costs** – A total of \$15,880 has been removed from the budget. These were one-time costs added in FY26 for technology equipment and one-time operational costs related to an Investigations Team Manager and DV Coordinator.
- D. Redistribution of Internal Service Fund (ISF) Technology Budget** – The County allocates information technology (IT) costs to agencies through an ISF for all technology activities including computer support (hardware replacement, software licenses, and helpdesk customer services), IT security, business systems support (public safety communications, financial systems, human services systems, etc.), geographic information system, web services, capital equipment replacement, messaging, cloud storage, network and infrastructure services, telecommunications, and radios.

In FY26, funding was allocated in Non-Departmental to support the FY26 internal services fund billings for the Department of Information Technology, and in FY27 this funding is being reallocated to specific agencies to better represent the functional areas supported by these initiatives. In FY27, CJS's technology bill increases by \$97,549. No technology service levels are changed, and there is no impact to the technology services individual agencies currently receive.

- E. Revenue Increase for Revenue from Other Localities** – Revenue from other localities is being increased to align with prior year actuals. CJS implemented a new case management and reporting and reimbursement system in 2025, resulting in improved data quality and more accurate arresting locality billing and revenue collection. The FY27 revenue forecast is increasing by \$155,000, from \$105,000 to \$260,000.
- F. Shift of Dispute Resolution Contract Funding from Office of Youth Services (OYS)** – A total of \$165,770 in local funding was shifted to CJS from OYS for a dispute resolution contract that provides mediation services for civil, small-claims, and domestic court matters, such as child support, custody, and visitation. Effective July 1, 2024, the Director of Juvenile Justice prohibited Court Service Units (CSUs) from signing or managing contracts with local governments, so OYS assumed responsibility of this previously CSU-administered contract. However, OYS's mission focuses on prevention, positive youth development, and community empowerment, while the dispute resolution services are court-driven and reactive. As a result, the contract is better aligned with CJS's activities and department goals.

Budget Initiatives

A. Budget Initiatives

1. Adult Recovery Court Case Manager – Recovery Courts

Expenditure	\$116,467
Revenue	\$90,000
General Fund Impact	\$26,467
FTE Positions	1.00

a. Description – The Adult Recovery Court was established in 2022 to provide judicial monitoring and supervision for individuals involved in drug-related cases. Since its inception, the program has expanded to serve a growing number of participants. This initiative provides funding for a Senior Human Services Caseworker (1.00 FTE) to serve as an Adult Recovery Court Case Manager to ensure program fidelity and accommodate increased workload demands. This position will provide intensive case management and coordinate treatment, recovery, and supervision services for participants. This role is essential to maintaining program compliance, reducing recidivism, and supporting participant success. This initiative includes \$101,581 in personnel costs, \$12,386 for ongoing operational costs, and a one-time cost of \$2,500 for technology equipment. Costs will be partially offset through ongoing grant funding from the Supreme Court of Virginia.

b. Service Level Impact – This position provides essential resources to the Recovery Courts and supports multiple components of the County's [2025-2028 Strategic Plan](#). It advances the Quality of Life strategic goal area by helping prevent homelessness through connecting program participants to stable housing and supportive recovery environments (Objective 1, Strategy C). It also supports the Service Delivery strategic goal area by integrating behavioral health and supervision services to improve participant outcomes (Objective 3, Strategy A). Finally, it supports the Safe and Secure Community strategic goal area by enhancing collaboration among probation, courts, and treatment providers for coordinated recovery planning (Objective 1, Strategy A); ensuring consistent collection and reporting of participant sobriety, retention, and recidivism data (Objective 3, Strategy A); and building local capacity through partnerships with service providers and community organizations to sustain recovery resources (Objective 4, Strategy A). In addition, improved service levels are anticipated as follows:

▪ **Percent of Recovery Court participants with active case plans and coordinated treatment services**

FY27 w/o Addition		90%
FY27 w/ Addition		100%

▪ **Average number of days from referral to initial assessment**

FY27 w/o Addition		8
FY27 w/ Addition		7

▪ **Percent of participants maintaining treatment and supervision compliance through coordinated case management**

FY27 w/o Addition		80%
FY27 w/ Addition		90%

▪ **Average number of ancillary service or recovery referrals per participant**

FY27 w/o Addition		2
FY27 w/ Addition		5

2. Veterans Docket Treatment Coordinator – Recovery Courts

Expenditure	\$134,565
Revenue	\$126,539
General Fund Impact	\$8,026
FTE Positions	1.00

a. Description – The Veterans Treatment Docket, established in 2019, provides judicial treatment monitoring and supervision of veterans involved in the criminal justice system. An increase in caseload requires additional staffing to manage treatment referrals and compliance monitoring. This initiative provides funding for a Human Services Caseworker Associate (1.00 FTE) to serve as a Veterans Docket Treatment Coordinator. This position will assess veterans, develop case plans, and connect justice-involved individuals with appropriate treatment and support services, ensuring consistent service delivery and program compliance. This initiative includes \$119,679 in personnel costs, \$12,386 in ongoing operational costs, and a one-time cost of \$2,500 for technology equipment. Costs will be partially offset through ongoing grant funding from the Supreme Court of Virginia.

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b. Service Level Impact – This position provides essential resources to the Recovery Courts and supports multiple components of the County's [2025-2028 Strategic Plan](#). It advances the Quality of Life strategic goal area by reducing veteran homelessness risk through connecting participants with housing resources provided by the community and Veterans Affairs (Objective 1, Strategy C). It also supports the Safe and Secure Community strategic goal area by coordinating with partnering agencies (Department of Veterans Affairs, Virginia Department of Veterans Services, and Community Services Board) to provide integrated support for justice-involved veterans (Objective 1, Strategy A); maintaining data tracking and performance reporting for docket outcomes (Objective 3, Strategy A); and building cross-agency and community capacity for coordinated veteran treatment and recovery services (Objective 4, Strategy A). In addition, improved service levels are anticipated as follows:

▪ Percent of veterans receiving completed treatment assessments within 14 days of referral

FY27 w/o Addition		80%
FY27 w/ Addition		90%

▪ Percent of participants with active individualized treatment plans

FY27 w/o Addition		90%
FY27 w/ Addition		100%

▪ Number of direct service hours provided to veterans by quarter

FY27 w/o Addition		1,800
FY27 w/ Addition		3,000

▪ Percent of participants compliant with treatment attendance and reporting requirements

FY27 w/o Addition		80%
FY27 w/ Addition		90%

Program Summary

Criminal Justice Support

This program encompasses agency administration, which is essential to the agency's mission of enhancing public safety. It also supports local criminal justice system planning by staffing the Community Criminal Justice Board, managing state and federal grants that fund offender supervision and DV programs, and overseeing other special project grants. In addition, the program serves as a liaison to Volunteer Prince William, strengthening partnerships and expanding community resources.

Key Measures	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed
Domestic violence closed cases not returning to court on violation	99%	98%	99%	98%	98%
Supervision program participants satisfied with services	87%	96%	95%	90%	92%

Program Activities & Workload Measures <i>(Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)</i>	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed
Local Criminal Justice Support	\$759	\$968	\$1,020	\$833	\$1,016
Community service placements	125	53	44	80	60
Community Domestic Violence Coordination	\$181	\$205	\$220	\$328	\$336
Domestic violence final protective orders tracked	306	294	178	300	290

Community Supervision

CJS provides assessment and supervision of pretrial defendants and post-trial offenders for the courts. The program integrates evidence-based practices that address risk, needs, and responsiveness. These practices include validated assessments and targeted interventions proven to enhance public safety by ensuring defendants appear in court and by reducing the likelihood of reoffending.

Key Measures	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed
Adult reconviction	13%	17%	23%	20%	20%
Successful completion of treatment programs	87%	80%	81%	80%	82%
Pretrial cases closed in compliance with court conditions of release	78%	78%	85%	80%	85%
Pretrial rate of successful court appearance	86%	82%	85%	85%	86%
Pretrial public safety rate	94%	90%	92%	93%	93%
Post-trial (probation) public safety rate	85%	90%	90%	90%	91%

Program Activities & Workload Measures <i>(Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)</i>	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed
Pretrial and Post-Trial (Probation) Supervision	\$4,999	\$5,804	\$6,141	\$6,596	\$7,013
Average daily caseload per officer	74	73	78	80	80
Pretrial average daily active caseload	553	548	532	600	575
Pretrial average stay (# of days) per defendant	134	134	130	150	130
Pretrial placement services provided	1,892	1,988	1,993	1,900	1,900
Post-trial average daily active caseload	446	513	563	500	520
Post-trial average stay (# of days) per offender	230	230	180	250	200
Post-trial placement services provided	1,392	1,616	1,237	1,300	1,300
Pretrial interviews completed	3,062	2,321	NR	-	-
District 35 Probation & Parole	\$379	\$392	\$402	\$455	\$455

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Recovery Courts

CJS administers two recovery court programs currently, the Drug Court and the Greater Prince William Veterans Treatment Docket. The Drug Court initiative is pivotal in CJS's pursuit of reformed and rehabilitative justice. Essential to the broader mission of enhancing public safety, this specialized court program emphasizes treating individuals with drug-related offenses holistically. Instead of the conventional punitive approach, the Drug Court adopts a collaborative methodology, bringing together diverse stakeholders from the judiciary, mental health, and social service sectors. This united front seeks to reduce recidivism and uplift community safety. The Greater Prince William Veterans Treatment Docket caters to the unique needs of the PWC veteran community and ensures they receive dedicated support.

Key Measures	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed
Admission rate	71%	51%	68%	60%	70%
Rearrest rates during program	22%	18%	22%	20%	20%
Retention rate (Including Graduates)	80%	59%	72%	70%	73%

Program Activities & Workload Measures <i>(Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)</i>	FY23 Actuals	FY24 Actuals	FY25 Actuals	FY26 Adopted	FY27 Proposed
Drug Court	\$0	\$112	\$91	\$117	\$286
Average days of sobriety	33	170	128	100	130
Average time from arrest to program entry (days)	255	270	286	250	250
Number of ancillary service referrals made	-	-	-	-	70
Average number of days from referral to program assessment	-	-	-	-	7
Veterans Treatment Docket	\$0	\$0	\$154	\$150	\$310
Veterans accepted into the program	-	33	21	30	30
Direct service hours provided to clients	-	2,081	5,990	2,600	3,000
Drug screens conducted	-	1,268	3,744	1,300	2,500
Number of veterans referred through CA/Defense Counsel identification	-	-	-	-	40
Referrals received for potential program participants	-	199	NR	300	-