Mission Statement

The mission of the 31st Judicial District Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court is to ensure that all disputes are resolved justly, promptly, and efficiently. The Court is truly the "court of the people," in that the Court's main province is to resolve disputes in keeping with the greatest traditions of the Commonwealth of Virginia: liberty, justice, and service.

The components necessary to discharge the Court's function require a system which is unified in its structure and administration, competent in its approach, and has at its foundation honest judges and Court personnel, implementing uniform rules of practice and procedure.



\$383,324,676

Expenditure Budget: \$420,361

0.1% of Public Safety

Programs:

Local Support: \$420,361

Mandates

The Code of Virginia mandates that every county shall have a courthouse with suitable space and facilities to accommodate the various courts and officials serving the county.

State Code: <u>15.2-1638</u>, (County or city governing body to provide courthouse, clerk's office, jail and suitable facilities for attorney for the Commonwealth; acquisition of land).

Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court

Expenditure and Revenue Summary

Expenditure by Program	FY16 Actuals	FY17 Actuals	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Adopted	FY20 Adopted	% Change Budget FY19/ Budget FY20
Local Support Program	\$83,054	\$95,006	\$93,804	\$109,128	\$420,361	285.20%
Total Expenditures	\$83,054	\$95,006	\$93,804	\$109,128	\$420,361	285.20%
Expenditure by Classification						
Salaries and Benefits	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,932	0.00%
Contractual Services	\$12,658	\$13,335	\$15,770	\$10,939	\$149,812	1,269.52%
Internal Services	\$23,810	\$22,421	\$24,089	\$24,089	\$30,299	25.78%
Purchase of Goods & Services	\$30,960	\$33,274	\$36,843	\$55,100	\$109,318	98.40%
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$7,791	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Leases & Rentals	\$15,626	\$18,185	\$17,102	\$19,000	\$19,000	0.00%
Total Expenditures	\$83,054	\$95,006	\$93,804	\$109,128	\$420,361	285.20%
Funding Sources						
Fines & Forfeitures	\$37,579	\$31,992	\$30,306	\$59,582	\$59,582	0.00%
Use of Money & Property	\$1,280	\$876	\$1,135	\$731	\$731	0.00%
Charges for Services	\$990	\$698	\$692	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Revenue from Commonwealth	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$21,204	\$21,204	0.00%
Total Designated Funding Sources	\$59,850	\$53,566	\$52,133	\$81,517	\$81,517	0.00%
Net General Tax Support	\$23,204	\$41,440	\$41,671	\$27,611	\$338,844	1,127.21%
Net General Tax Support	27.94%	43.62%	44.42%	25.30%	80.61%	

Staff History by Program



Note: There are 28.50 state positions in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.





Budget Initiatives

A. Budget Initiatives

1. Administrative Support Assistant III – Local	Support Program
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Expenditure	\$311,233	General Fund Impact	\$311,233
Revenue	\$0	FTE Positions	2.00

- a. Description Two Administrative Support Assistant III's have been added to the Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court (JDRC) FY2020 Budget. This cost includes \$121,160 for these positions and \$190,073 in one-time costs for renovations to existing office space to accommodate these positions plus two additional administrative support positions in F21 and FY22 of the County's Five-Year Plan. These positions will assist in managing the judges' calendars and provide support for managing caseloads. The cost of the additional positions is \$121,160 in FY21 and FY22.
- **b.** Service Level Impacts The positions will provide administrative support for processing cases coming before the JDRC.

Program Summary

Local Support Program

There is a JDRC in each Virginia city and county. In Virginia, a juvenile is any person under 18 years of age. The JDRC hears all matters involving juveniles such as criminal or traffic matters. Juvenile delinquency cases involve a minor under the age of 18 who has been accused of committing an offense that would be considered criminal if committed by an adult. Other juvenile offenses may be referred to as status offenses. Status offenses are those acts that are unlawful only because they are committed by a minor.

In addition, this court handles other matters involving the family such as custody, support, and visitation. The court also hears family abuse cases, cases where adults have been accused of child abuse or neglect and criminal cases where the defendant and alleged victim are family or household members.

Key Measures	FY16 Actuals				FY20 Adopted
Juvenile cases concluded from prior years	11,203	11,741	10,273	11,564	11,193
Adult cases concluded from prior years	8,664	9,274	8,225	9,100	8,867

Program Activities & Workload Measures	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
(Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Adopted	Adopted
Juvenile Court Case Management	\$58	\$66	\$65	\$76	\$387
New juvenile cases	11,099	11,233	10,067	10,950	10,750
Juvenile cases continued from prior years	17,348	20,578	16,684	21,000	19,421
Adult Court Case Management	\$25	\$29	\$28	\$33	\$33
New adult cases	7,899	8,313	7,543	8,650	8,169
Adult cases continued from prior years	15,464	16,685	15,159	17,270	16,372