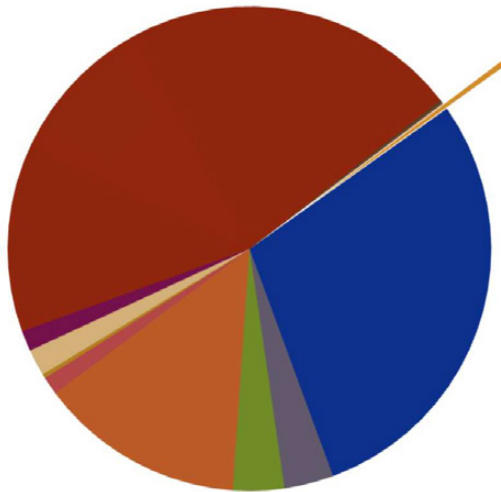


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Mission Statement

The Juvenile Court Service Unit protects the public by preparing court-involved youth to be successful citizens.



Public Safety Expenditure Budget:
\$397,723,340

Expenditure Budget:
\$1,476,153



0.4% of Public Safety

Programs:

- Intake Services: \$35,413
- Standard Supervision: \$535,318
- Intensive Supervision: \$666,679
- Dispute Resolution Services: \$238,744

Mandates

Prince William County operates under a state mandate to provide intake services and standard supervision to juveniles placed on probation and parole. The Juvenile Court Service Unit provides these mandated services.

State Code: [16.1-234](#) (Duties of Department; provision of quarters, utilities, and office equipment to court service unit), [16.1-235](#) (How probation, parole and related court services provided), [16.1-235.1](#) (Provision of court services; replacement intake officers), [16.1-237](#) (Powers, duties and functions of probation and parole officers), [16.1-255](#) (Limitation on issuance of detention orders for juveniles; appearance by juvenile), [16.1-260](#) (Intake; petition; investigation)

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Expenditure and Revenue Summary

Expenditure by Program	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed	% Change Budget FY21/ Budget FY22
Intake Services	\$25,030	\$77,885	\$13,591	\$35,413	\$35,413	0.00%
Standard Supervision Services	\$150,969	\$131,932	\$165,834	\$142,823	\$535,318	274.81%
Intensive Supervision Services	\$532,284	\$452,249	\$524,582	\$654,937	\$666,679	1.79%
Dispute Resolution Services	\$181,495	\$221,856	\$229,027	\$246,448	\$238,744	(3.13)%
Total Expenditures	\$889,778	\$883,921	\$933,034	\$1,079,621	\$1,476,153	36.73%

Expenditure by Classification

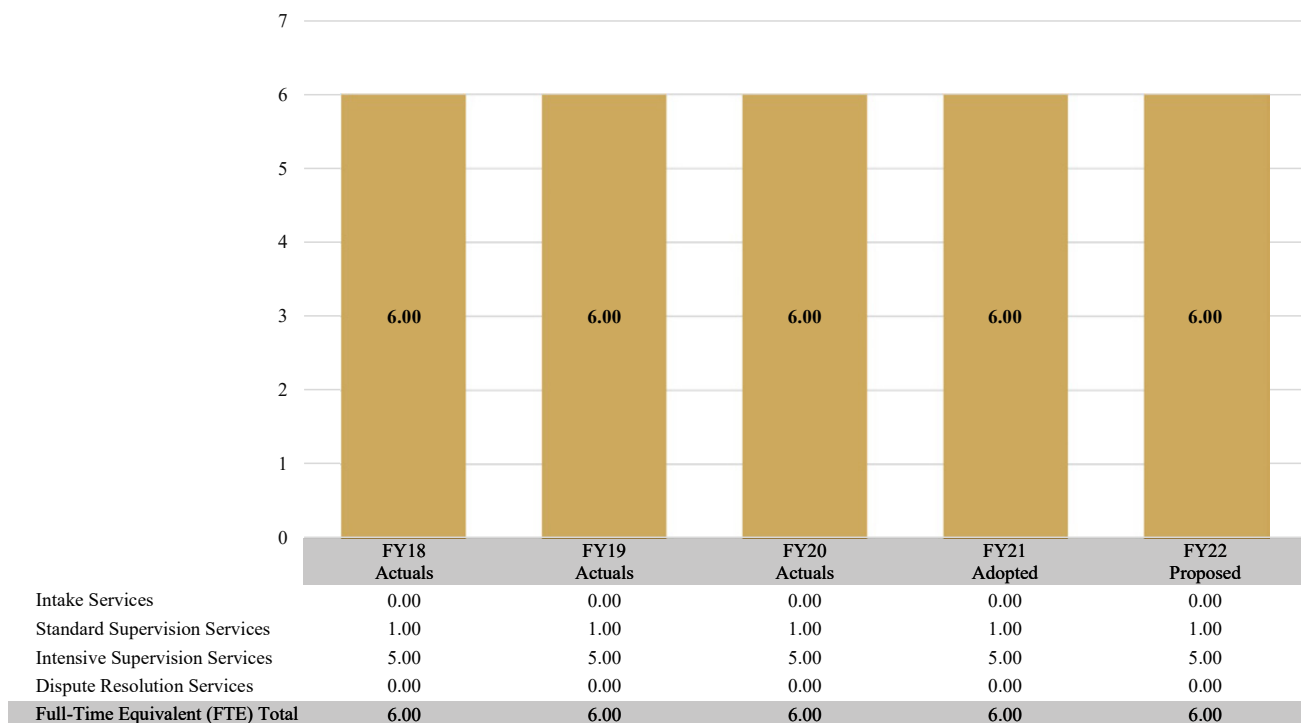
Salaries & Benefits	\$601,981	\$489,143	\$524,600	\$631,295	\$1,024,589	62.30%
Contractual Services	\$180,999	\$284,297	\$226,439	\$236,332	\$236,332	0.00%
Internal Services	\$94,729	\$95,152	\$91,755	\$81,404	\$81,404	0.00%
Purchase of Goods & Services	\$10,586	\$14,094	\$88,611	\$129,008	\$132,246	2.51%
Leases & Rentals	\$1,482	\$1,236	\$1,630	\$1,582	\$1,582	0.00%
Total Expenditures	\$889,778	\$883,921	\$933,034	\$1,079,621	\$1,476,153	36.73%

Funding Sources

Revenue from Commonwealth	\$4,738	\$4,008	\$0	\$0	\$0	-
Total Designated Funding Sources	\$4,738	\$4,008	\$0	\$0	\$0	-
Net General Tax Support	\$885,039	\$879,913	\$933,034	\$1,079,621	\$1,476,153	36.73%
Net General Tax Support	99.47%	99.55%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	



Staff History by Program



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Future Outlook

Juvenile Court Service Unit (JCSU) Personnel Turnover – The JCSU has the highest employee turnover rate in the Northern Virginia Region, 48% from January 2018 – December 2019, as compared to the City of Alexandria, Arlington County, Fairfax County, Loudoun County and Prince William County (PWC). Due to the disparity in salaries, the JCSU is constantly losing experienced personnel to these jurisdictions to the detriment of service delivery for the youth and families of the 31st District. The Classification and Compensation Plan adopted by PWC has benefitted local employees in contrast to state employees. Until the salaries of 31st JCSU are more in line with the jurisdictions in the Northern Virginia Region with a local salary supplement, employee turnover will continue to have an impact on the ability of the JCSU to deliver quality services.

Equity and Inclusion – The JCSU will be assisting the Juvenile Services Division of PWC DSS with the Juvenile Justice System Improvement Project with a major focus of reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED). Since 2018, the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) has had ongoing initiative addressing racial and ethnic disparities through the DJJ Equity Work Group. A major goal is to ensure state and local stakeholders have a shared understanding of RED and to explore effective strategies for eliminating disparities.

DJJ Caseload Trends (2016-2020) – Since 2016, JCSU probation and parole cases have decreased by 50%. The DJJ Transformation efforts, from the intake process through release from probation or parole, to keep low risk youth out of the juvenile justice system. This allowed a shift of supervision and resources to focus on moderate to high-risk youth which has generated a major impact on this reduction. A benefit of the reduced caseloads has allowed the JCSU to reassign personnel to create a Diversion Unit and Assessment Unit. Low risk minor offenders and truants diverted from formal court hearings are referred to the Diversion Unit for services in lieu of probation. The Assessment Unit's primary function is onboarding juveniles placed on probation. The onboarding process includes completing a risk assessment, a social history assessment and then creating a supervision plan. The Assessment Unit is ensuring a higher quality and consistent assessment process is done for the juveniles.

Budget Initiatives

A. Budget Initiatives

1. Salary Supplement for State Employees – Standard Supervision

Expenditure	\$392,000
Revenue	\$0
General Fund Impact	\$392,000
FTE Positions	0.00

a. Description – This budget initiative provides a 25% local salary supplement to JCSU employees. The office has experienced a 48% employee turnover rate from January 2018 – December 2019 compared to other localities in Northern Virginia. State JCSU staff compete for County funded positions within JCSU, as well as other County departments. High turnover leaves JCSU at a disadvantage to serve clients in the County by increasing diversion from courts and reducing length of probation. This initiative supports the Safe & Secure strategic goal to decrease juvenile recidivism and delinquency.

b. Service Level Impacts – The local supplement will help retain of current staff, as well as recruit highly qualified candidates. It will help to increase the percentage of juveniles not reoffending. Caseload per parole officer will be reduced through retention of staff.

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Program Summary

Intake Services

Intake Services provides state mandated processing of domestic relations civil complaints to include child support, custody and visitation, family abuse protective orders, child abuse and neglect, termination of parental rights, visitation rights, paternity, and emancipation. ACTS/Turning Points provides support and services to clients seeking protective orders assisting with the court process. Juveniles accused of committing offenses are processed for formal court action or provided diversion. First-time offenders and juveniles with truancy issues are referred to other community resources or the Restorative Justice Program with Dispute Resolution Services when appropriate. Electronic Monitoring Services are offered as an enhancement for probation supervision services and a less restrictive alternative to juvenile detention.

Key Measures	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Delinquent first time offenders diverted from court	59%	40%	42%	49%	49%
Technical probation violations requiring secure detention orders	29%	31%	29%	32%	32%

Program Activities & Workload Measures (Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Intake	\$20	\$78	\$14	\$25	\$35
Cases processed through Intake Services	7,799	7,610	6,182	7,978	7,978
Electronic Monitoring	\$5	\$0	\$0	\$11	\$0
Youth placed on electronic monitoring	216	189	163	207	207
Days of electronic monitoring supervision provided	3,124	2,942	2,464	3,181	3,181

Standard Supervision Services

Standard Supervision Services provides state mandated community supervision to juveniles placed on probation by the Juvenile Court or released on parole from a juvenile correctional facility. Enforces probation or parole rules and orders of the court by imposing informal sanctions or taking court action. Collaborates with community agencies, schools, and correctional center staff to develop and manage supervision plans for juveniles to prepare them to be successful citizens. Coordinates gang intervention and prevention programs through the local Gang Response Intervention Team (GRIT). Links service needs gang prevention and intervention resources by providing gang awareness and prevention education for the community.

Key Measures	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Youth not re-offending within two years of release from program	74%	72%	73%	72%	72%
Parents and youth satisfied with service	79%	94%	100%	92%	92%

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Program Activities & Workload Measures (Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Standard Supervision	\$45	\$47	\$61	\$38	\$430
Juveniles supervised monthly	401	341	302	407	407
Supervision caseload per FTE	23	21	18	24	24
GRIT	\$106	\$85	\$105	\$105	\$105
GRIT community presentations	13	10	13	22	22

Intensive Supervision Services

Intensive Supervision Services provides community based juvenile probation supervision serving high-risk and serious offenders who require more supervision contacts than those provided by Standard Supervision Services. Intensive Supervision Officers provide crisis intervention, life skills, networking of services, utilization of community-based services, monitoring, and numerous weekly supervision contacts with these high-risk youth, their families, and service providers to ensure compliance with laws, court orders, and crucial services. Intensive Supervision enhances public safety by reducing new criminal offenses by high-risk court involved youth by reducing their risk to re-offend allowing their return to Standard Supervision Services or release from probation.

Key Measures	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Youth not re-offending while on Intensive Supervision Services	86%	88%	93%	87%	87%
Youth not re-offending within one year of discharge	85%	79%	88%	82%	82%

Program Activities & Workload Measures (Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Intensive Supervision	\$532	\$452	\$525	\$655	\$667
Juveniles served annually	141	153	130	143	143
Contacts monthly	597	490	496	531	531

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Dispute Resolution Services

Mediation services assist adults in court cases involving child custody, visitation, child and spousal support, landlord tenant, and consumer merchant issues to resolve their disputes prior to a court hearing, thus reducing court dockets. Restorative Justice Services hold first-time juvenile offenders accountable for their wrongdoing through victim impact classes and face-to-face conferences attended by their families and victims. Restorative Justice Services also offer a truancy intervention program for cases referred by Intake Services and the Juvenile Court.

Key Measures	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Disputes referred to mediation that are resolved without further court action	71%	70%	73%	72%	72%
Cases removed from the court docket due to mediation	1,132	1,114	795	1,175	1,175
Youth not re-offending within one year of program participation	89%	93%	94%	92%	92%
Youth not receiving a new petition for truancy after program participation	-	60%	72%	50%	50%

Program Activities & Workload Measures (Dollar amounts expressed in thousands)	FY18 Actuals	FY19 Actuals	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Adopted	FY22 Proposed
Dispute Resolution	\$181	\$222	\$229	\$246	\$239
Court petitions referred	2,565	2,778	1,849	2,824	2,824
Mediations conducted	818	770	568	810	810
Juveniles referred	64	144	117	200	200
Juveniles attending Victim Impact Program classes	53	109	45	160	160
Restorative Justice conferences conducted	18	12	15	24	24
Truancy conferences conducted	-	10	25	20	20