

2020204000—DA-Family Justice Center

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General Fund	2017-2018 Actual	2018-2019 Adjusted	2019-2020 Requested	2019-2020 Recommended	Increase/ (Decrease)
Expenditures					
Salaries & Benefits	\$116,945	\$314,626	\$371,627	\$371,627	\$57,001
Services & Supplies	78,681	1,147,682	776,691	776,691	(370,991)
Centrally-Budgeted Expenses	0	1,584	4,813	4,813	3,229
Fixed Assets	0	65,174	0	0	(65,174)
Total Appropriations	\$195,626	\$1,529,066	\$1,153,131	\$1,153,131	(\$375,935)
Earned Revenues By Source					
Aid From Other Governments	\$68,598	\$1,529,066	\$1,153,131	\$1,153,131	(375,935)
Charges For Services	(20)	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	\$68,578	\$1,529,066	\$1,153,131	\$1,153,131	(\$375,935)
Net County Cost	\$127,048	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Staffing					
Allocated Positions	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	0.0
Temporary (Full-Time Equivalent)	0.0	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.2
Total Staffing	4.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	0.2

Purpose

The San Joaquin County Family Justice Center (FJC) purpose is to establish a multi-disciplinary team of professionals under one roof to provide services to victims of elder abuse, child abuse, sexual abuse, domestic violence, stalking and human trafficking.

The FJC is funded by multiple grants including the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), FJ Program grant funded through State General funds, and the County Victim Services XC Program grant, which provided one-time Federal Victims of Crime Act funding, also administered through CalOES. Additionally, the FJC received Federal funding via the United States Department of Justice Improving Criminal Justice Responses (ICJR) grant through Violence Against Women Act funding.

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Employee Benefits

- \$57,001 Salary and benefits adjustments.

Services & Supplies

- \$70,200 Increase in consultant services for volunteer coordinator.
- \$31,000 Increase in administrative costs.
- \$21,499 Increase in travel costs.
- (\$493,690) Decrease in equipment costs.

Centrally-Budgeted Expenses

- \$2,790 Increase in Casualty insurance costs.

Revenues

- \$250,000 Increase in Federal grant funds.
- (\$625,935) Decrease in State grant funds.

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Program Discussion

The 2019-2020 recommended FJC budget totals \$1,153,131, which is a decrease of \$375,935 from the 2018-2019 adjusted budget. The change primarily reflects a decrease in one-time equipment costs in 2018-2019, offset with salary and benefits adjustments, and increases in consultant services, administrative costs, and travel costs. Staffing consists of two Victim Witness Advocates and two Senior Office Assistants.

The Board of Supervisors approved a two-year contract with CalOES and established the FJC budget in October 2016. In December 2017, the Board approved two additional supplemental funding awards in the amount of \$588,279 under the XC grant, and an award of \$750,000 under the ICJR grant. In November 2018, a Request for Application was submitted to the State and the Department was successful in receiving one-time funding of \$365,263 for a grant subaward performance period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

The one-stop (central location) approach of the FJC allows a victim seeking help to meet with either a police officer, Deputy District Attorney, mental health professional, victim advocate, child support staff member, teacher to pursue a high school diploma, or to apply for financial assistance; or obtain information on shelters and transportation. If the victim arrives with children, childcare is provided while the victim obtains services. A centralized intake has streamlined the process for victims having to complete multiple forms to receive services.

Services include, but are not limited to, access to food, shelter, housing, clothing, criminal and family law advocacy services, restraining order assistance, case management, individual and group counseling services, education, financial aid, tutoring, and childcare. The vision of the FJC is to reduce the generational cycles of abuse.

During 2018-2019, on-site partners included the District Attorney's Victim Witness Division, Stockton Police Department, District Attorney's Family Crimes Unit Prosecutors, County Office of Education, Child Abuse Prevention Council, Women's Center-Youth and Family Services, Behavioral Health Services, and the Department of Child Support Services. Off-site partners include the Human Services Agency representatives from Financial Aid Eligibility and Adult Protective Services.

In October 2018, the FJC opened a newly modified space at 222 E. Weber Avenue, Stockton. The new space allows for a better flow of delivery of services for victims and their children. The FJC will remain under the umbrella of the District Attorney's Office.

It is anticipated additional service providers in 2019-2020 will include, but are not limited to, the San Joaquin Pride Center, Civil Legal Services, and the Financial Literacy Education Program provided by the County Office of Education.

Workload Data

	-----Actual-----			Est./Act.	Projected
	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
<i>New/Continuing FJC Cases</i>	N/A	195	594	964	1,205
<i>Number of New Adults Served</i>	N/A	124	290	465	581
<i>Number of New Children Served</i>	N/A	13	44	58	73
<i>Number of Referrals Outside of FJC</i>	N/A	56	162	797	996