

**FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT  
COLUMBUS, OHIO  
ONE HUNDRED [and] Second  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2017**

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## Letter from Clerk Lori M. Tyack

Welcome to the 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Report of the Franklin County Municipal Court and Clerk's Office. As your Clerk, my commitment is to strategically improve daily operations, effectively collect debt owed the court, and vigilantly monitor applicable legislative changes. My office works daily with other agencies of the criminal justice system and the community to ensure access to justice. This report reflects the dedication and commitment to service demonstrated by the staff of the Clerk's Office and the Court.

New case filings for 2017 totaled 180,299 compared to 177,744 in 2016 for an increase of 1.44%. Costs, fines and fees collected equaled \$40.3M compared to \$40.8M in 2016 for a decrease of 1.23%. The total amount referred to collections in 2017 was \$5.5M, an increase of 15% over 2016. Overall collection of court-ordered fines and costs through the efforts of four collection agencies increased by 18%. The collection of court-ordered bond forfeiture judgments increased approximately 2% from 2016 to 2017.

Changes in state laws and local court rules continued to affect processes and procedures in the Clerk's Office through the end of 2017. A few highlights:

- House Bill 388 - Annie's Law – April 6, 2017. Realized significant changes to the law governing vehicle seizure for OVI; lookbacks for administrative license suspensions/OVI penalties; procedures for installation of interlock, and the manner in which interlock violations are sanctioned. Also authorized courts to grant unlimited driving privileges with interlock to first-time OVI offenders.
- Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles – Implemented a new process to transmit registration blocks.
- Administrative Order Number 05-2017 - removed warrants and remanded balance owed to collections on 2,750 old Probation cases.
- Senate Bill 227 - Civil Dormancy Judgments effective April 6, 2017.
- Probation Courtesy Fee Program – collection/disbursement of probation fees from defendants serving on probation in other Ohio counties.

In February 2017, the Clerk's Office began an electronic-filing pilot for civil cases. Partnering with the Columbus City Attorney's Office, the Clerk's Office began receiving electronically filed documents for Small Claims, contract complaint cases, and tax cases including subsequent filings. By the end of 2017, electronic filing had been expanded to include Environmental complaints and subsequent filings by the City of Columbus Zoning Division.

The annual audit was again performed by Plante & Moran, PLLC. Auditors inspected a sampling of accounting/financial transactions, file integrity, checks and balances of duties performed, and personnel records including time sheets. Zero infractions incurred for the 7<sup>th</sup> year!

Thank you for taking the time to read our 2017 Annual Report.

## **OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT**

The Clerk's Office is entrusted with the responsibility of processing and archiving all Court records in accordance with file retention requirements established by the Supreme Court of Ohio. Additionally, the Clerk's Office calculates and fully details all financial transactions involving the Court. The Clerk's Office compiles and publishes an *Annual Report* each year that details the various categories of Court case filings and all financial transactions connected with all Court cases and statistically reports all relevant data regarding the same.



**Lori M. Tyack, Clerk**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of the Franklin County Municipal Court, Clerk of Court's Office is to accurately maintain, safeguard and store all Court documents as well as collect and disburse all monies as directed by legal mandates.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

To achieve our Mission by establishing and sustaining a knowledgeable and diverse staff that will strive to serve all who use this office through competent customer service, communications and community outreach.

## **HISTORY OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT**

**In 1916, the General Assembly of the State of Ohio created the Columbus Municipal Court. Prior to this time, the court operated under the Justice of the Peace System. On July 5, 1955, the Columbus Municipal Court was given countywide jurisdiction and, in 1968, the State Legislature changed the name of the court to the Franklin County Municipal Court.**

**The court has two (2) judicial divisions. The General Division operates with fourteen (14) judges, and six (6) magistrates. The Environmental Division, which began operations in 1992, has one (1) judge. In addition to performing all of the duties within the general division, the Environmental Division also has exclusive jurisdiction over criminal and civil actions to enforce building, housing, health, or safety codes applicable to premises intended for use as a place of human habitation. The Clerk of Court, serving both divisions, has a myriad of both financial and case management duties, as prescribed by law. The terms for the judges and the clerk are for a period of six (6) years.**

**The Court's administrative functions are overseen by Court Administration. Among these services are the Office of the Jury Commissioner, the Office of the Assignment Commissioner, Probation Services, the Small Claims Division, the Court Reporters, Court Security, the Service Bailiffs, the Courtroom Bailiffs, the Language Interpretation program, the Vehicle Immobilization Program, Legal Research, the Appointed Counsel/Volunteer Coordinator's Office, and Specialized Dockets.**

**In 1979, the court moved from its facilities in City Hall to the Franklin County Municipal Court building, located at 375 South High Street. Currently, the court has two (2) traffic-arraignment courtrooms, two (2) criminal-arraignment courtrooms, two (2) record hearing courtrooms, one duty courtroom and sixteen (16) jury courtrooms in the General Division. The Environmental Division operates with one (1) courtroom for its arraignment sessions, as well as its record and jury trials.**

**The Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office is divided into several divisions. The divisions occupying the first four floors of the Municipal Court Building are: Clerk Administration, Accounting/Finance, Audit and Internal Controls, Civil, Collections, Criminal/Traffic, and the Traffic Violations Bureau/Communications. The Office of Information Services is located of the 16th floor.**

## FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

The Franklin County Municipal Court has jurisdiction over traffic citations, criminal misdemeanor charges and civil case filings regarding disputes that range up to an amount of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00), as well as actions regarding building, health, housing or safety codes.

The Franklin County Municipal Court has county and city jurisdiction (reaching into Delaware and Fairfield County) and is divided into two (2) Divisions. The General Division is served by fourteen (14) Municipal Judges and the Environmental Division is served by one (1) Municipal Judge. Seven (7) Magistrates also serve the Franklin County Municipal Court. Judges serve for a term of six (6) years.

### 2017 Administrative and Presiding Judge

Honorable Michael T. Brandt

### General Division Judges

Honorable James E. Green  
 Honorable H. William Pollitt, Jr.  
 Honorable Ted Barrows  
 Honorable Paul M. Herbert  
 Honorable Amy Salerno  
 Honorable Andrea Peoples  
 Honorable David B. Tyack

Honorable Mark A. Hummer  
 Honorable James P. O'Grady  
 Honorable Cindi Morehart  
 Honorable Cynthia L. Ebner  
 Honorable Eileen Y. Paley  
 Honorable Jodi L. Thomas

### Environmental Division Judge

Honorable Daniel R. Hawkins

### 2017 Administrative Magistrate

Honorable David S. Jump

### Magistrates

Honorable Denise Waddy  
 Honorable Antonio Paat  
 Honorable Kirk Lindsey

Honorable Danielle Sparks  
 Honorable Ben Hoelzel  
 Honorable Gene Edwards

### Clerk of Court

Honorable Lori M. Tyack

### Court Administrator

Emily Shaw

## FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK OF COURT MANAGEMENT STAFF 12.31.2017

Lori M. Tyack	Clerk of Court
Obie Lucas	Chief Deputy Clerk
Jamie Bryan	Director, Human Resources
Marilynn Stephens	Executive Director, Public Relations
Michelle LaMarr	Administrator, Payroll and Benefits
Crystal Ross	Executive Director, Fiscal Administration
Ken Euman	Administrator, Procurement
Susan Johnson	Administrative Assistant
Mellissia Fuhrmann	Director, Civil Division
Mike Cherry	Director, Collections Program
Rhonda Ferguson	Director, Accounting/Finance Division; Treasurer
Heather Kean	Deputy Director, Accounting/Finance Division
LeeAnne Sheppard	Director, Audit and Internal Controls
Ahmed Kasheer	Director, Office of Information Services
James Brad Laver	Deputy Director, Office of Information Services
Matt Penty	Director, Criminal/Traffic Division
Laura Ricker	Deputy Director, Criminal/Traffic & Courtroom Services Group
Sancha Young	Director, Traffic Violations Bureau/Communications
Debra Jones	Deputy Director, Traffic Violations Bureau
Jessica Clinger	Supervisor, Civil Division
Cynthia Kiener	Supervisor, Civil Division
James "Pete" Brim	Supervisor, Criminal/Traffic Division
Jerome Kemp	Supervisor, Criminal/Traffic Division, Telephones
Jessica Steenburgh	Supervisor, Criminal/Traffic Division, File Room
Mike Pizzurro	Supervisor, 2nd Shift Criminal/Traffic Division
Robyn Johnson	Supervisor, 3rd Shift Criminal/Traffic Division
Jeff Dever	Supervisor, Accounting/Finance Division, Civil
Kaleb Perry	Supervisor, Accounting/Finance Division, Criminal/Traffic



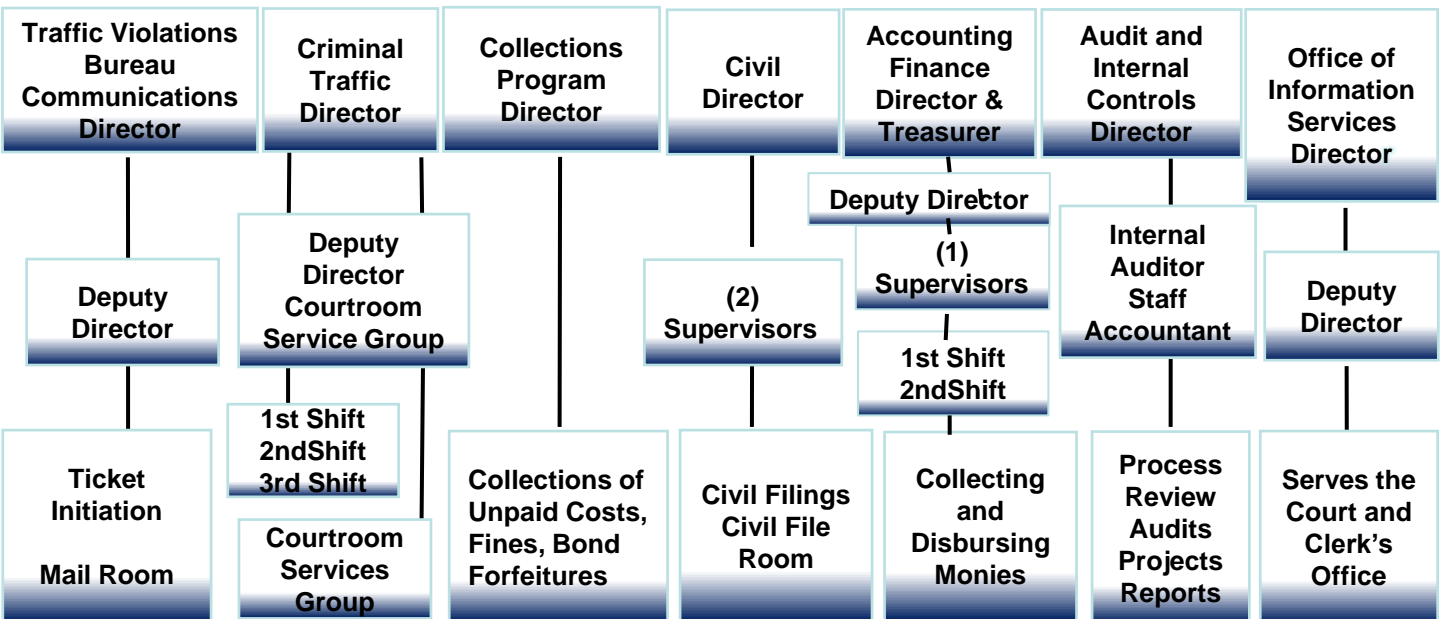
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## MUNICIPAL CLERK OF COURT

### CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

**Administrative Division**

Director, Human Resources  
 Executive Director, Public Relations  
 Executive Director, Fiscal Administration  
 Administrator, Payroll & Benefits  
 Administrator, Procurement  
 Administrative Assistant



## Funding of the Franklin County Clerk's Office

### Municipal Court Clerk's Office 2017 General Fund

<b>Personnel Services</b>	<b>\$11,192,341</b>
<b>Materials and Supplies</b>	<b>132,788</b>
<b>Services for Operations and Maintenance</b>	<b><u>745,415</u></b>
 <b>Total</b>	 <b>\$12,070,543</b>

### Municipal Court Clerk's Office 2017 Special Revenue Fund

<b>Personnel Services</b>	<b>\$ 428,190</b>
<b>Materials and Supplies</b>	<b>74,919</b>
<b>Services for Operations and Maintenance</b>	<b>748,680</b>
<b>Debt Principal Payments</b>	<b>150,000</b>
<b>Interest on City Debt</b>	<b><u>4,850</u></b>
 <b>Total</b>	 <b>\$ 1,406,639</b>

## **Clerk Administration Division**

**The Administrative Division of the Clerk's Office is comprised of the Office of the Clerk, Chief Deputy Clerk, Executive Director Public Relations, Executive Director Fiscal Administration, Director Human Resources, Administrator Payroll & Benefits, Administrator Procurement, and Administrative Assistant. This Division oversees the day to day operations of the Clerk's Office and is governed by directives as set forth in the Annual Budget and the Ohio Revised Code. Additionally, all new programs, contracts, projects, and grants are established and implemented within the Division. It conducts all public relations and internal communications for the Clerk's Office. Accomplishments for the Administration Division in 2017 are as follows:**

- **Directed & guided projects, initiatives and process changes for the entire office**
- **Facilitated and participated in the following:**
  - **Courthouse to the Community**
  - **Steering Committee, Civil Division & OIS to launch E-filing**
- **Procured licensing to make images available for E-filing users**
- **Managed (6) six separate budgets totaling more than \$14.5M**
- **Prepared and processed ordinances totaling \$1.2M – for approval by Columbus City Council**
- **Processed over 282 vendor contracts for materials, supplies, and services**

## Office of Information Services

### IT Mission Statement

The Office of Information Services provides services related to information technology to the Franklin County Municipal Court and Clerk's Office staff. This Division's responsibilities include: Maintaining a stable electronic work environment, collaborating with other staff to use information technology to better serve the Franklin County Municipal Court, identifying emerging technologies for the Court's investment in technology, and providing training to staff on the proper use of software programs and equipment. Accomplishments for OIS in 2017 are as follows:

- Assisted Court with implementation of Kiosk for Jury sign-ins
- Created data sharing process for Ohio Community Supervision System
- Began project to upgrade clerk-side data sharing switches
- Contracted with a new vendor for data backup service
- Installed three new servers for maximum redundancy of CourtView Case Management System
- Set-up two new servers for the VOIP system
- Began work on a new VM F5 system to replace our old VPN server
- Set up two new floors (5 and 6) with network access for Courtside departments (specialized dockets and probation)
- Installed and configured new DAX system components
- Installed new high volume scanners for Imaging
- Automated jail list checks
- Performed Public Access Website upgrades
- Created web-based interpreter request option for defendants

## **Audit and Internal Controls Division**

**The Audit and Internal Controls Division is responsible for minimizing erroneous data through a system of real time process assurance and monitoring, audit reporting and quality management. The objective is to achieve operational effectiveness and efficiency, assure reliable and accurate financial reporting in compliance with state and local laws, regulations and policies.**

**The main purpose of the division is to help direct and protect resources of the office while improving internal processes and services that the Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office provides to its customer base, the Court, law enforcement, all external partners and most importantly, the public. Accomplishments for Audit and Internal Controls for 2017 are as follows:**

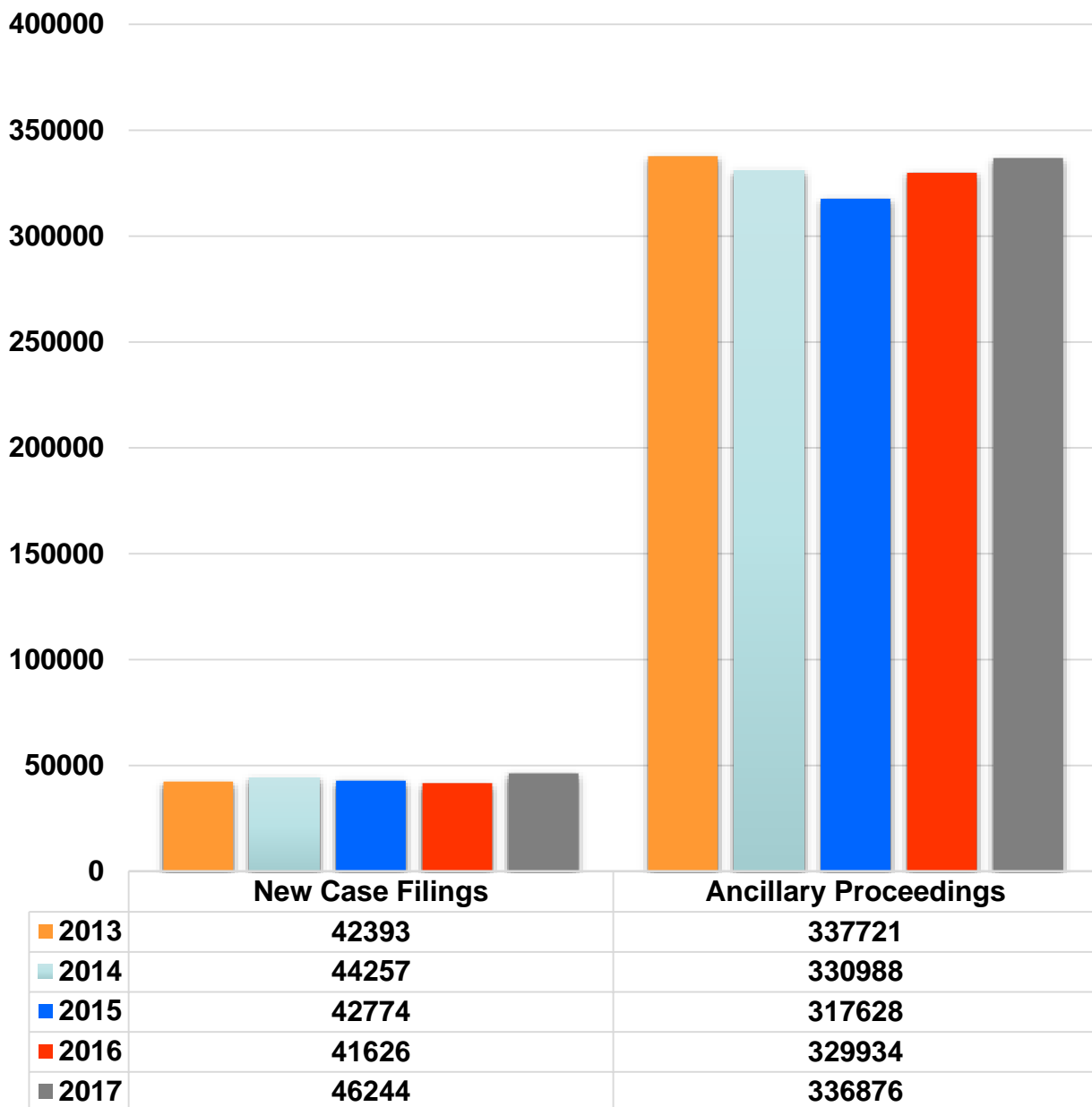
- **Completed second year of PCI Compliancy**
- **Directed external audit - 7<sup>th</sup>year, zero infractions**
- **Monitored and balanced four (4) bank accounts**
- **Coordinated and managed E-filing project for Civil cases**
- **Approximately 18,000 Civil cases audited or reviewed**
- **Reviewed and audited approximately 17,000 cases; Criminal/Traffic, TVB, Expungements, CSG, and Criminal/Traffic Accounting**
- **Determined a necessary change in procedure and processing of the "Notice of Waiver" based on inconsistencies**
- **Created new audits for E-Filing Module**

## Civil Division

The Civil Division is responsible for accepting, filing, issuing service, docketing, processing, and maintaining records for Civil cases. Civil cases include: contract disputes, personal injury, property damage, evictions, small claims, certificates of judgment, cognovits, declaratory judgments, and housing/safety code issues. The Civil Division also processes applications for driving privileges. Accomplishments for the Civil Division in 2017 are as follows:

- **Launched E-filing pilot**
  - **Small Claims**
  - **Contract Complaints**
  - **Subsequent Filings**
  - **Environmental complaints and subsequent filings by the City of Columbus Zone Initiative**
- **Incorporated informational docket codes to inform parties of garnishment sent back to parties**
- **Implemented policy and training for staff regarding canceling alerts for clear releases on re-issued garnishments**
- **Implemented change to our waiver processing policy during the issuing of new cases**
- **Provided eviction information and participated in community discussions with the Franklin County Collaborative to Prevent Family Homelessness and the City of Columbus Women's Commission Committee on Eviction Prevention**
- **Added three certified notaries to our staff to assist customers**
- **Provided trainings on Legal Advice vs Legal Information and Legal Terminology**
- **Partnered with Columbus State Paralegal Program to provide internships and volunteer opportunities**
- **Collaborated with Court regarding the legislative changes to civil dormancy judgments**

## Civil Cases & Ancillary Proceedings



<b>New Civil Case Filings</b>	<b>1st Qtr.</b>	<b>2nd Qtr.</b>	<b>3rd Qtr.</b>	<b>4th Qtr.</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Personal Injury/Property Damage</b>	218	202	173	182	775
<b>Contracts, Notes and Accounts</b>	4,815	4,264	5,236	5,291	19,606
<b>Forcible Entry &amp; Detainer (Evictions)</b>	4,151	4,486	4,582	4,187	17,406
<b>Small Claims</b>	1,451	1,524	1,481	1,371	5,827
<b>Other Civil</b>	308	243	211	209	971
<b>BMV Petition</b>	291	231	192	191	905
<b>Certificate of Judgment</b>	2	1	1	2	6
<b>Declaratory Judgment</b>	12	10	17	15	54
<b>Civil Environmental</b>	269	186	122	117	694
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,517</b>	<b>11,147</b>	<b>12,015</b>	<b>11,565</b>	<b>46,244</b>



Civil Ancillary Proceedings	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
<b>Certified Mail Service Issued</b>	16,116	14,280	14,091	13,948	58,435
<b>Ordinary Mail Service Issued</b>	8,588	8,769	9,355	8,360	35,072
<b>Bailiff Service Issued</b>	6,140	6,419	6,559	6,197	25,315
<b>Process Server Service Issued</b>	263	260	259	304	1,086
<b>Sheriff Service Issued</b>	9	6	3	6	24
<b>Service by Publication Issued</b>	5	25	8	7	45
<b>Registered Mail</b>	6	1	2	0	9
<b>Express Mail</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Garnishments Issued</b>	4,168	3,739	3,450	3,597	14,954
<b>Garnishments Released</b>	797	865	702	708	3,072
<b>Writs of Restitution Issued</b>	2,541	2,327	2,761	2,293	9,922
<b>Requests for Set Outs Processed</b>	1,708	1,568	1,822	1,434	6,532
<b>Writs of Replevin Issued</b>	17	9	12	5	43
<b>Writs of Execution Issued</b>	8	7	11	6	32
<b>Judgments Certified to the BMV</b>	12	24	13	16	65
<b>Certificates of Judgment Issued</b>	2,378	2,105	1,636	1,718	7,837
<b>Transfers to Common Pleas Court</b>	6	4	11	14	35
<b>Civil Appeals Processed</b>	6	5	6	6	23
<b>Court order issued by ordinary mail</b>	14,374	14,693	14,992	14,245	58,304
<b>Notice of Failed Service Issued</b>	4,822	4,816	4,446	4,155	18,239
<b>Exemplified Copies</b>	38	29	18	13	98
<b>Revivors of Judgment</b>	451	358	257	300	1,366
<b>Judgment Debtors</b>	257	184	179	144	764
<b>Civil Capias Warrants</b>	29	24	12	21	86
<b>Motion and Order for Show Cause</b>	19	15	18	16	68
<b>Motion for Contempt Orders</b>	8	11	14	7	40
<b>Mail Payments Processed</b>	23,933	24,632	22,912	23,933	95,410

## Collection Division

The Collection Division oversees and coordinates the collection of debts owed to the Court, with the primary objective of seeking monies due to the City of Columbus taxpayers. The Collection Division operates in conjunction with four (4) outside agencies in 2017. Additionally, the Collection Division is responsible for securing surety bond agent registration, monitoring compliance of State and Local Statutes and processing monthly billing statements. Accomplishments for Collections in 2017 are as follows:

- Collected \$1,206,223.71
- Continued generating past due notices in-house for payable tickets.
- Generated notices when a partial payment is received on a payable ticket and refer to collection.
- Bond money forfeited by the Court for 2017 - \$78,660.00
- Bond Forfeiture Judgments paid for 2017 - \$6,757.25
- Managed billings and compliance for twenty one (24) active bond companies and over one hundred (100) surety agents.

AGENCIES	TOTAL AMOUNT SENT 2017	TOTAL COLLECTED 2017	COMMISSION PAID 2017
LINEBARGER	\$ 1,470,759.00	\$ 313,945.25	\$ 72,395.25
APELLES	\$ 1,319,018.00	\$ 318,186.67	\$ 73,796.45
CAPITAL RECOVERY Bond Forfeitures	\$ 182,347.20	\$ 6,757.25	\$ 1,329.27
CAPITAL RECOVERY Enforcement Cases	\$ 1,282,700.00	\$ 322,225.54	\$ 74,511.04
SCHUERGER LAW OFFICES	\$ 1,264,120.00	\$ 245,109.00	\$ 56,453.89
TOTALS	\$ 5,518,944.20	\$1,206,223.71	\$ 278,485.90

## **Criminal/Traffic Division**

**The Criminal Traffic Division processes and maintains Criminal, Traffic, and Environmental cases. The Criminal/Traffic Division provides a multitude of services to the general public, law enforcement, and the Court. This Division plays an integral role in the promotion of public safety by providing support twenty-four (24) hours per day to law enforcement agencies throughout the County. The Criminal/Traffic Division is also responsible for collection and disbursement of bail/bond monies for defendants who are in custody. This process includes providing documentation to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office so that defendants may be released from custody. The Criminal/Traffic Division is responsible for electronically reporting several types of Traffic violations to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). The Division also processes applications for the expungement of case records as well as maintaining and securing records which have been ordered by the Court to be sealed. Other examples of service include administering oaths, accepting criminal and traffic charges, filing motions, filing search warrants, providing information about court cases, dispositions, future court dates, as well as assisting in the courtroom. Accomplishments for Criminal/Traffic in 2017 are as follows:**

- Updated bond surrender forms and created a new process regarding Franklin County prisoners**
- Identified more than \$200,000 of unpaid debt owed the Court**
- Assumed maintenance of past due payable traffic citations**
- Initiated all cases using CourtView generated case numbers**
- Attended Courthouse to the Community events**
- Installed an after-hours security system for the second floor**
- Represented the Clerk's Office at the Franklin County Fair**
- Created a list to identify active warrants for current prisoners to dispose of cases more efficiently**
- Worked home OSU football games in cooperation with the Franklin County Sheriff's Department**

<b>Criminal Cases 2017</b>					
Type A-Felony	5,654				
Type B-Criminal	21,260				
Total	26,914				
<b>Traffic Cases 2017</b>					
Type C-OVI	5,962				
Type D-All Other	96,293				
Total	102,255				
<b>Five-Year Comparative Review of Cases Filed</b>					
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Environmental	4,453	4,061	4,814	4,504	4,579
Criminal	32,338	32,854	29,962	28,807	26,914
Traffic	106,456	107,602	99,776	101,151	102,255
Total	143,247	144,517	134,552	134,462	133,748
<b>Five-Year Comparative Review of Charges Filed</b>					
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Environmental	8,512	7,052	8,545	7,424	7,759
Criminal	43,765	42,806	40,488	40,939	36,299
Traffic	157,259	161,212	148,006	141,625	151,200
Total	209,536	211,070	197,039	189,988	195,258

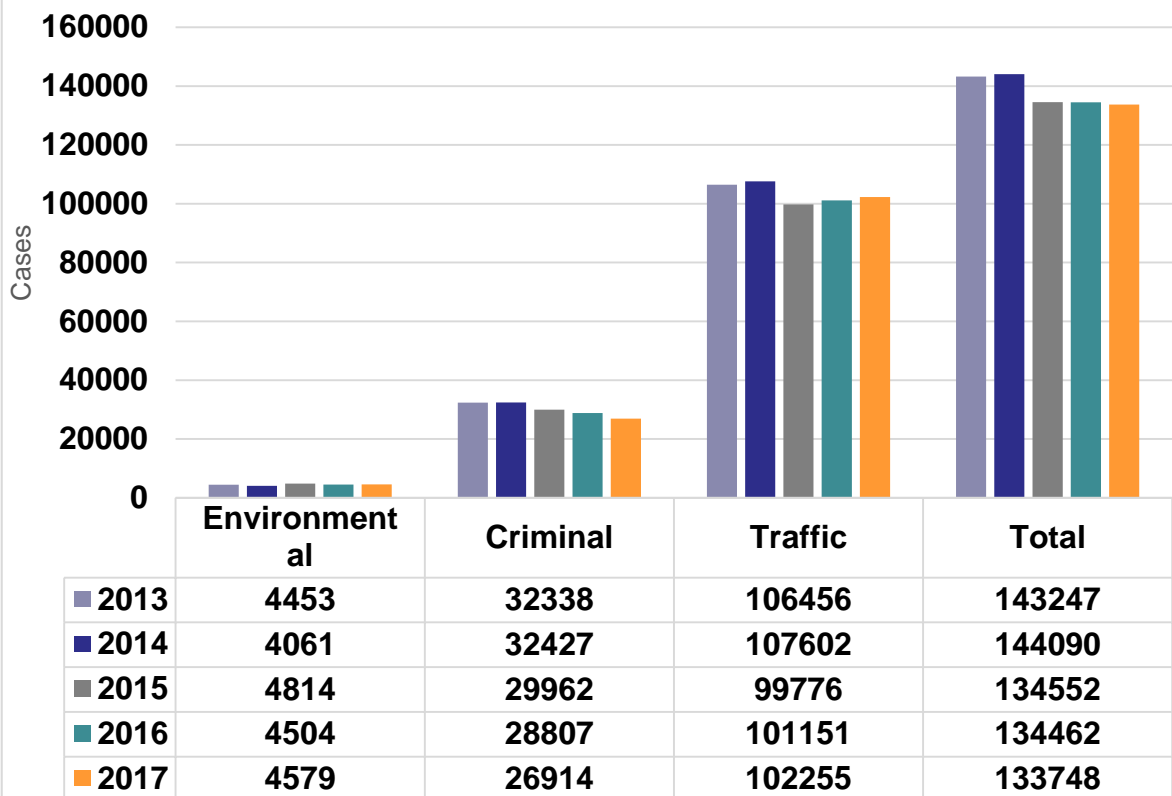
## **COURT SERVICES GROUP**

The Courtroom Services Group (CSG) is a select group of highly skilled Deputy Clerks in the Criminal/Traffic Division responsible for the daily processing and updating of all cases on the Criminal/Traffic dockets. A CSG Deputy Clerk is assigned to each of the fifteen (15) judges as well as the traffic arraignment courtrooms (1A and 1B). On a daily basis, CSG Deputy Clerks docket subpoenas and motions, process unpaid fines and costs, enter sentencing information, issue/recall warrants, process continuances, enter limited driving privileges, add Temporary Protection Orders, and update bond information along with all other entries in CourtView. Additionally, CSG Deputy Clerks are responsible for routing files to the Assignment Office, Probation Department, Accounting/Finance Department, Expungement Department, Prosecutor's Office, Collections Department and to the Vehicle Immobilization Coordinator. They also time stamp, docket, and route Statement of Violations filed by the Probation Department. In addition, CSG Deputy Clerks run and process case management reports.

Each CSG member acts as a liaison between Court personnel and the Clerk's Office. After court, CSG Deputy Clerks provide assistance to other divisions of the Clerks' Office. In 2017, the Courtroom Service Group accomplished the following:

- Worked on cleaning up old cases with open enforcement ticklers
- Initiated all cases using CourtView generated case numbers
- Implemented a new process regarding H.B. 388 or "Annie's Law"
- Assisted Prosecutor's Office with dismissal of 15,977 old cases
- Aided in breaking down files for imaging efforts
- Began utilizing a new process to transmit registration blocks to the BMV
- Implemented Administrative Order Number 05-2017 – setting aside warrants and referring balance owed to collections for 2,750 old probation cases
- Held an internal informational meeting regarding BMV processes and procedures
- Trained a new Deputy Clerk on the processing of witness fees, at the BMV desk, Environmental Court, and E-filing certain documents to Common Pleas Court

## Environmental/Criminal/Traffic Cases Filed



## Expungements & Sealing of Cases in 2017

<b>Number of Applications Received For Expungement Proceedings</b>	<b>2,375</b>
<b>Number of Cases That Were Ordered Expunged By The Court</b>	<b>2,260</b>
<b>Number of Applications Denied For Expungement</b>	<b>205</b>
<b>Number of Expungement Applications Withdrawn</b>	<b>115</b>
<b>Number of Cases Expunged By Order Of The Common Pleas Court</b>	<b>213</b>

## Environmental Division

The Environmental Division of the Court began operations in 1992. This Division has exclusive jurisdiction over criminal and civil actions to enforce building, housing, health, or safety codes applicable to premises intended for the use as a place of human habitation.

Environmental Cases 2017	
Type A-Felony	9
Type B-Criminal	3,348
Type C-OVI	8
Type D-All	
Other	1,214
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,579</b>

<b>ENVIRONMENTAL CHARGES FILED IN 2017</b>	<b>CITY OF COLUMBUS ORDINANCE</b>	<b>OHIO REVISED CODE</b>	<b>OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES</b>
<b>DOG VIOLATIONS</b>			
DOG REGISTRATION		2,074	
DOG CONFINEMENT		1019	
CONFINE VICIOUS / DANGEROUS DOG		337	2
VICIOUS DOG INSURANCE			
RABIES QUARANTINE / VACCINATE		1,205	
ABANDONING/ NEGLECT/ CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	18	49	1
DISPLAY DOG TAG		42	
DOG RUNNING AT LARGE	12		2
PROHIBITIONS CONCERNING ANIMALS / ANIMAL VIOLATIONS		216	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4942</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>CODE VIOLATIONS/PERMITS</b>			
BUILDING CODE			28
HOUSING CODE	157		2
ZONING CODE	59		
NUISANCE ABATEMENT CODE	15		7
FIRE CODE	2		
HEALTH CODE	26		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>



<b>NATURAL RESOURCES / WILDLIFE</b>			
WILDLIFE VIOLATION		19	
LITTERING / WASTE / RUBBISH/ GARBAGE DISPOSAL	83	70	10
NO HUNTING LICENSE		1	
NO FISHING LICENSE		14	
UNLAWFUL SPITTING	2		
DISTURBING THE QUIET / NOISE PROHIBITIONS	12		1
POLLUTING WATERS/AIR POLLUTION			
PARK RESTRICTIONS	8	7	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>FAILURE TO HAVE LICENSE</b>			
NO MASSAGE LICENSE			
NO PEDDLERS LICENSE	2		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>FIRE VIOLATIONS</b>			
ARSON			
OPEN BURNING/DUMPING		5	
FIREWORKS			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>COMMERCIAL TRUCKING OFFENSES</b>			
LOAD DRIPPING / DROPPING / UNSECURE	37	93	
EXCEEDING MAXIMUM	43	304	
WIDTH / HEIGHT / AND WEIGHT		395	
MAXIMUM WHEEL LOAD		390	
WHEEL PROTECTORS / SAFETY EQUIPMENT		92	
COMMERCIAL LICENSE / ENDORSEMENT OFFENSES		22	
TRANSPORT HAZARD WASTE / MATERIAL	808		
TOWING VIOLATIONS / RESTRICTIONS	2	1	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>1297</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>OTHER</b>			
LOUD SOUND	57		
GRAFFITI	4		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED IN 2017</b>	<b>CITY OF COLUMBUS ORDINANCE</b>	<b>OHIO REVISED CODE</b>	<b>OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES</b>
<b>MURDER/ASSAULT</b>			
AGGRAVATED MURDER		6	
MURDER		56	
INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER RESULT OF FELONY		4	
VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER	2	8	
VEHICULAR HOMICIDE	1	9	
VEHICLE ASSAULT		6	
FELONIOUS ASSAULT		477	
ASSAULT, NEGLIGENT ASSAULT, & AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	307	3527	30
MENACING AND AGGRAVATED MENACING	227	1083	19
MENACING BY STALKING		15	1
FELONY MENACING BY STALKING		6	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>5197</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>KIDNAPPING &amp; ENTICEMENT</b>			
KIDNAPPING		80	
ABDUCTION		38	
UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT	8	39	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>SEX OFFENSES</b>			
RAPE		48	
RAPE < UNDER 13 YEARS OLD		37	
GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION		7	
GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION < 13 YEARS OLD		32	
SEXUAL IMPOSITION	3	21	2
SEXUAL BATTERY		7	
IMPORTUNING / FELONY IMPORTUNING		4	4
VOYEURISM		27	1
PUBLIC INDECENCY	45	77	1
SOLICITATION / PROCURING	1012	31	1
COMPELL / PROMOTE PROSTITUTION		6	
PROSTITUTION	3	1	
LOITERING FOR PROSTITUTION / SOLICITING		297	9
EXPOSING OTHERS-CONTAGION		5	
PANDERING / DISSEMINATING / DISPLAYING HARMFUL MATTER TO / OF JUV		48	
FAILURE TO REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER		12	
FAILURE TO CHANGE OR RE-VERIFY ADDRESS AS SEX OFFENDER		135	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1063</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>18</b>

<b>ARSON, VANDALISM &amp; CRIMINAL MISCHIEF</b>			
ARSON		30	
ARSON OFFENDER REGISTRATION		6	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF / VANDALISM	62	47	2
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & ENDANGERMENT	139	196	22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>DRUG ABUSE</b>			
TRAFFICKING IN / DISTRIBUTION OF DRUGS	1	126	
FELONY DRUG ABUSE		353	
MISDEMEANOR DRUG ABUSE		8	108
POSSESSION OF DRUGS / CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES		3,024	5
PERMITTING DRUG ABUSE		8	
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA / INSTRUMENTS	1	2153	216
DECEPTION TO OBTAIN DANGEROUS DRUGS		15	
ILLEGAL DRUG DOCUMENTS		15	
MANUFACTURE OF DRUGS		13	
POSSESS / SELL FAKE COUNTERFEIT DRUGS		308	
CORRUPTING ANOTHER WITH DRUGS		9	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6032</b>	<b>329</b>
<b>ROBBERY, BURGLARY &amp; TRESPASSING</b>			
AGGRAVATED ROBBERY		268	
ROBBERY		158	
AGGRAVATED BURGLARY		96	
BURGLARY		249	
BREAKING & ENTERING		186	
SAFECRACKING / TAMPERING VENDING MACHINE / ATM		7	
CRIMINAL TRESPASSING	558	568	34
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>1532</b>	<b>34</b>

<b>WEAPONS</b>			
CCW		244	4
IMPROPER HANDLING OF FIREARM / DISCHARGING	47	415	5
WEAPONS UNDER DISABILITY		364	
WEAPON USE WHILE INTOXICATED	4	31	
DEFACED / ALTERED WEAPON / FIREARM		4	1
FAIL TO INFORM OFFICER (CCW / FIREARM)		15	
POSSESSION OF CRIMINAL TOOLS		225	12
POSSESION / UNSECURED OF DANGEROUS ORDINANCE		1	
ATTEMPT / FELONY		81	3
COMPLICITY	10	97	16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1477</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>THEFT &amp; FRAUD</b>			
GRAND / FELONY THEFT		46	
THEFT / PETTY THEFT / THEFT BY DECEPTION	1038	3,438	458
EXTORTION / THREAT OF FORCE		6	
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES		72	10
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF PROPERTY		5	1
FORGERY & UTTERING		364	
PASSING BAD CHECKS		53	1
RSP	79	732	15
MISUSE / THEFT OF CREDIT CARD MIS.		13	1
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARD FELONY		5	
TELECOMMUNICATION FRAID		7	
CRIMINAL SIMULATION		6	2
TAKING IDENTITY OF ANOTHER / IDENTITY FRAUD		68	
TRAFFICKING IN / ILLEGAL USE OF FOOD STAMPS		9	
MEDICAID FRAUD		2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1117</b>	<b>4826</b>	<b>488</b>

<b>OFFENSES AGAINST PEACE OFFICERS</b>			
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	630	387	26
RESISTING ARREST	207	256	13
FALSIFICATION / CERTAIN ACTS PROHIBITED / FALSE ID	261	389	40
FAILURE TO COMPLY	25	170	
MISCONDUCT AT EMERGENCY	6	10	
IMPROPER USE OF 911	42	3	2
RIOT / ENTICING VIOLENCE / INDUCING PANIC / FALSE ALARMS	6	30	1
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE / OFFICIAL BUSINESS / SEARCH	273	415	32
FALSE INFORMATION TO MISLEAD / FALSE REPORT / FALSE ALLEGATION		126	2
IMPERSONATING AN OFFICER		2	
ASSAULT ON POLICE OFFICER		64	
HARASSMENT BY INMATE		34	
FLEEING AND ELUDING		103	6
ESCAPE		41	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1450</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY</b>			
ENDANGERING CHILDREN / CHILD ABUSE		386	16
ENDANGERING CHILDREN / OVI		61	
INTERFERING WITH CUSTODY		14	
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (FELONY)		5	
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE		3,857	
FELONY VIOLATION PROTECTION ORDER		10	
VIOLATION OF PROTECTION ORDER		747	
NONSUPPORT OF DEPENDENTS		7	
CONTRIBUTE, INFLUENCE WITH MINOR	2	24	1
ABUSE OF CORPSE		4	
PATIENT NEGLECT		1	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5116</b>	<b>17</b>

<b>OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION</b>			
CONTEMPT OF COURT		9	
WITNESS INTIMIDATION / RETALIATION		21	
TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE / RECORDS		139	
ILLEGAL CONVEYANCE		51	
DISRUPT PUBLIC SERVICES / MISCONDUCT	40	14	
WORKERS COMPENSATION VIOLATION		30	
ETHICS VIOLATIONS		67	
TAX FORMS / MISC TAX VIOLATIONS		6	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ALCOHOL OFFENSES</b>			
PROHIBITED ALCOHOL UNDER 21 YEARS OLD / MINOR PURCHASE / POSSESSION / SALES TO	69	223	11
UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION		376	
OPEN CONTAINER	18	30	11
CONSUMPTION / OPEN CONTAINER IN PUBLIC PLACE	296	18	2
CONSUMPTION / OPEN CONTAINER IN MOTOR VEHICLE	179	60	2
KEEPER OF PLACE	6	2	
LIQUOR PROHIBITIONS / PERMIT VIOLATIONS	2	10	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>GAMBLING</b>			
GAMBLING/GAMING		57	
CASINO RELATED OFFENSES / LOTTERY VIOLATIONS		29	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0</b>

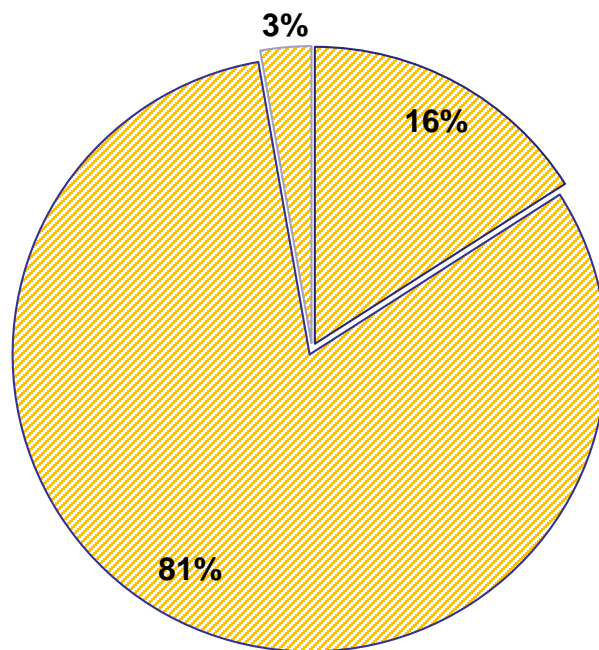


<b>MISC CRIMINAL VIOLATION</b>			
FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE		139	
HOLD FOREIGN JURISDICTION		438	
PEACE WARRANT		5	
CIVIL CAPIAS		43	
ETHNIC INTIMIDATION	1	3	
TOBACCO VIOLATIONS		76	
BUSINESS / VENDOR LICENSE / REGISTRATION	3	22	
AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING / STREET BEGGERS	9		1
PEDESTRIAN OFFENSES	3		
PUBLIC URINATION / DEFECATION / SPITTING	51		
TELEPHONE / TELECOMMUNICATIONS HARRASSMENT	2	60	10
MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER / TITTLE VIOLATIONS		6	
FIREWORKS VIOLATIONS	1	1	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>OVI &amp; PHYSICAL CONTROL</b>			
OVI (FELONY)		82	
HIT SKIP / FAIL TO STOP (FELONY)		2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>0</b>

## Summary of Cases

	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinance
Environmental	1347	6355	57
Criminal	5679	29460	1160
<b>Total</b>	<b>7026</b>	<b>35815</b>	<b>1217</b>

## Charges By Ordinance & Ohio Revised Code



City of Columbus Ordinance
  Ohio Revised Code
  Other Municipal Ordinance

## **Traffic Violations Bureau**

The Traffic Violations Bureau manages all tickets and complaints issued by twenty-one (21) Law Enforcement agencies and eight (8) Townships within Franklin County which include: Columbus Division of Police, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Franklin County Sheriff, Ohio State University Police and Port Columbus Police. Our office has jurisdiction in three (3) counties: Franklin, Delaware and Fairfield.

Within the Traffic Violations Bureau, is the Communications Department. The function of the Communications Department is to further promote ongoing communications and the delivery of excellent public service to the general public, law enforcement agencies, attorneys, court personnel, other courts and governmental agencies.

The responsibilities of The Traffic Violations Bureau and Communications Department include the following:

- **Initiating payable and mandatory offenses; this includes traffic, criminal, and environmental cases**
- **Scanning all original tickets, complaints, confidential identifiers and affidavits of support**
- **Sending out notices for new court dates on traffic, criminal and environmental cases**
- **Sending out summons by certified mail for traffic, criminal and environmental cases**
- **Referring cases to the Prosecutor for determination**
- **Housing all payable traffic cases with future court dates**
- **Opening, logging and processing mail for all divisions**
- **Processing payments to ensure accuracy prior to being receipted**
- **Referring cases to the Duty Judge/Assigned Judge for payment determinations**
- **Sending out letters for notice of balance due and invalid car insurance for traffic, criminal and or environmental cases**
- **Processing cases transferred from Mayor's Courts, which may include bond money and slated defendants**
- **Assisting the public, employers, City, County and State Agencies by providing case dispositions pertaining to public record requests**
- **Assisting defendants effectively, through telephone communications, with questions regarding their cases and payments**
- **Preparing the daily traffic court docket sheets**
- **Entering Identification Tracking Numbers (ITN's) into CourtView**
- **Tracking file sequence control**

**In 2017, the Traffic Violations Bureau accomplished the following:**

- **New cases filed: 133,167 (traffic, criminal, and environmental)**
- **Prepared and mailed 8,052 certified summonses (traffic, criminal, and environmental)**
- **Logged 106,322 pieces of Civil mail and Criminal/Traffic payments combined**
- **Initiated all cases using CourtView generated case numbers**
- **Continued effective communication with Police Agencies, Prosecutors, Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Court, Mayor Court Clerks, and Courtroom Clerks to ensure quality work**
- **Prepared all mail logs for Imaging**
- **Attended Internal/External Office Training Classes to gain additional knowledge of professionalism and customer service to successfully attain our mission statement**
- **Took part in community outreach programs**
- **Continued with the new hire training schedule**
- **Cross-trained staff to ensure all daily responsibilities were met**
- **Held weekly staff meetings to keep the lines of communication open due to policy changes, questions, or concerns**
- **Assisted with the breakdown of Civil and Criminal/Traffic files for imaging**



## CITY OF COLUMBUS TRAFFIC CASES FILED 2017

ACDA	6,071	EXCESSIVE SPEED-BRIDGE	1
APPROACH SAFETY VEH W/LTS DISPLAYED	121	EXPIRED TAGS	555
BACKING FROM ALLEY,PRIV DR OR BLDG	23	FAIL TO COMPLY W/OFFICER	4
BACKING ON A FREEWAY	12	FAIL TO DISPLAY LICENSE	3
BACKING WITHOUT SAFETY	317	FAIL TO REGISTER	14
BICYCLE BELL REQ	2	FAIL TO YIELD TO PED CROSSWLK/SDWLK	82
BICYCLE BRAKE REQ	7	FAIL/KEEP TO RIGHT	2
BICYCLE LAMPS/REFLECT REQ AT NIGHT	108	FAIL TO COMPLY	236
BICYCLE OPERATE W/OUT SAFETY	19	FAILURE TO CONTROL	2,919
BICYCLE RIDE ON RT SIDE OF RDWY	17	FAILURE TO DISPLAY	35
BICYCLE RIDE ON SIDEWALK PROH	52	FAILURE TO DISPLAY HEADLIGHTS	220
BICYCLE SIGNAL DEVICE	19	FAILURE TO DISPLAY-TWO PLATES	266
BICYCLE TO YIELD RT OF WAY XING	1	FAILURE TO REGISTER	7
BICYCLE-PARK ON SIDEWLK RESTR	3	FAILURE TO REINSTATE LICENSE	1,933
BLUE LIGHT PROHIBITED	40	FAILURE TO SIGNAL	1,607
BOARD/LIGHT IN MOTION PROH	1	FAILURE TO STOP ACCIDENT	467
BRAKE EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS	13	FAILURE TO STOP-SCHOOL BUS	37
BUMPER EQUIPMENTS	4	FAILURE TO SURRENDER TITLE	1
CERTAIN ACTS PROH-FALSE DISPLAY	2	FAILURE TO YIELD FROM PRIVATE DR	571
CERTAIN ACTS PROH-FICT ID	17	FAILURE TO YIELD-FUNERAL PROCESSION	3
CHANGE COURSE W/O SAFETY	368	FAILURE TO YIELD PUBLIC SAFETY VEH	54
CHANGE LANES W/O SAFETY-BICYCLE	13	FALSE INFO TO ISSUING OFFICER	22
CHANGING LANES W/O SAFETY	247	FLASHING LIGHTS PROH	3
COUNTERFEIT PLATES	7	FLSHING RED SIGNAL	8
CYCLE-HELMET/GLASSES	2	FLASHING RED/BLUE LIGHTS PROH	1
DR U/FRA SUSP IMMOB	1	FLASHING TRAFFIC SIGNAL	8
DRIVE ON CLOSED HIGHWAY	64	FLEEING	33



## CITY OF COLUMBUS TRAFFIC CASES FILED 2017

DRIVE ON CURB/SIDEWALK	46	FOCUS AND AIM OF HEADLIGHTS	3
DRIVE OVER FIREHOSE	1	FOLLOWING EMERGENCY VEHICLE	2
DRIVE THROUGH SAFETY ZONE	1	FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	96
DRIVE W/O REINSTATEMENT FEE	2	FTY "T" INTERSECTION	9
DRIVING LEFT OF CENTER PROH	85	FTY RIGHT ON RED	9
DRIVING MV IN BIKE LANE	8	FTY STOP SIGN-BICYCLE	4
DRIVING ON RIGHT SIDE	197	HAND/ARM SIGNALS	2
DRIVING OUTSIDE LICENSE RESTR	50	HAZARDOUS OR NO PASS ZONE	206
DRIVING UNDER FRA SUSPENSION	2,656	HIT SKIP-PERS/PROPTY	4
DRIVING UNDER OVI SUSPENSION	219	HIT SKIP-PUB STREET	251
DRIVING UNDER SUSPENSION	5,575	IMPROPER LEFT TURN	154
DRIVING UNSAFE VEHICLE	62	IMPROPER PASSING	76
DRIVING WITHIN LANES	202	IMPROPER RIGHT TURN	1,492
DUTIES/NON WRKING SIGNALS	4	INSTALL OF PROH WINDOW TINT	21
ELUDE/FLEE OFFICER	1	INTERSECT W/NON WRKING TCD	21
EMERG VEH-FAIL TO SLOW DOWN	4	INVALID LICENSE PLATES	2
KEEP TO RIGHT/ROTARY	3	PASSING LEFT OF CENTER	17
LANE CONTROL SIGNALS	5	PASSING ON THE LEFT	100
LET UNLICENSED DRIVER DRIVE	2	PASSING ON THE RIGHT	42
LICENSE PLATE VIOLATION	1	PED CROSS W/O SAFETY	44
LIGHTS REQ ON PRKD/STPD VEH	3	PED SOLICIT FROM ROADWAY PROH	554
LOAD EXTENSION LIMITATIONS	1	PED SOLICIT RIDE PROH	15
MANNER OF SIGNAL	2	PED TO FACE TRAFFIC	9
MARKED LANES	1,759	PED UNDER INFLUENCE PROH	41
MAX NUMBERS OF HEADLIGHTS	1	PED USE OF CROSSWLK REQ	193
MIRROR-UNOBSTRUCT VIEW	2	PED USE OF SHOULDER REQ	31
MOTORVEHICLE/CYCLE NOISE	9	PED USE OF SIDEWALK REQ	287



## CITY OF COLUMBUS TRAFFIC CASES FILED 2017

MUFFLER,EXCESSIVE GAS OR SMOKE	31	PED YIELD RT OF WAY OF VEH	1
NO MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT	60	PEDESTRIAN CNTRL SIGNAL	3
NO OPERATORS LICENSE	4,662	PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PROH	32
NO OPERATORS LICENSE EXP < 6 MONTHS	271	PEDESTRIAN FAIL TO YIELD EMERG VEH	1
NO OPERATORS LICENSE VALID OPS	50	PEDESTRIAN ON ROADWAY	227
NON-TRANS MAT ON WINDOW PROH	2	PEDESTRIAN OUTSIDE CROSSWALK	10
OBSCURED LIGHTS	4	POSSES EXTRA LICENSES	1
OBSCURED WINDSHIELD PROH	4	POSTER/SIGN WINDOW	4
OBSTRUCTED VIEW-DRIVER	5	PROH NUMBER OF HEADLIGHTS	63
OBSTRUCTING INTERSECT/RR CROSS	38	PROH USE OF A MOBILE COMM DEV	326
ONE WAY BICYCLE	6	PROH START/BACKING	18
ONE WAY HIGHWAY/ROTARY	421	PROHIBITED RIGHT TURN	27
OPEN CONTAINER	1	PROHIBITED TURN	123
OPEN DOOR IN TRAFFIC	18	PROHIBITION/HIGHWAY	5
OPEN DOOR W/OUT SAFETY	9	REAR LICENSE PLATE LIGHT	9
OPERATE MV/MC ON SIDEWALK	1	REAR VIEW MIRROR, CLEAR VIEW	12
OPERATE W/FOREIGN TAG	4	RED LIGHT/FLAG REQ ON EXTENDED LOAD	4
OPERATE W/OUTSIDE RIDER PROH	3	RED REFLECTORS REQ ON MV	5
OPERATE W/TAG FROM PREV OWNER	21	REFLECTORIZED MAT ON WINDOW PROH	1
OPERATION W/PROH WINDOW TINT	627	REGISTRATION VIOLATION	10
ORDER OR OFFICER-PED	20	REPEAT OFFENDER SUSPENSION	46
OTHER LIGHTS-INTNSTY AND DIRECTION	1	REQ: DISTR OF HEADLIGHT BEAMS	35
OVERTAKING PASS RIGHT/LEFT	9	RESISTING TRAFFIC ENF OFFICIAL	5
PARK-DEALER DISPLAY	1	RIDING BICYCLE/MC ABREAST	9
PARK-DRIVEWAY	1	RIDING BICYCLE/MC RESTR	3
PARK-FAILURE TO REGISTER	2	RIDING ON OUTSIDE PROH	2



## CITY OF COLUMBUS TRAFFIC CASES FILED 2017

PARK-FIRE HYDRANT	1	RIGHT OF WAY AT INTERSECTION	45
PARK-HANDICAPPED SPACE	1	RIGHT OF WAY TURNING LEFT	1,514
PARKING VIOLATION	3	RIGHT OF WAY-PEDESTRIAN	11
PARK-INTERSECTION	2	ROMV	198
PARK-OBSTRUCT STREET/CROSSWALK	3	RT OF WAY/STOP/YIELD	60
PARK-PARALLEL/ANGLE PARKING	1	SIDE COWL,FENDER,BACK-UP LGHT RESTR	1
SIGNAL TERMS/LIGHTS	95		
SKATES,COASTER,TOY IN RDWAY PROH	3		
SLOW MOV VEH DR ON R SIDE OF RD	10		
SLOW SPEED	628		
SPEED	18,494		
SPEED SCHOOL ZONE < 35 MPH	984		
SPEED SCHOOL ZONE > 35 MPH	181		
SPEED-UNREASONABLE CONDITIONS	4		
SQUEALING TIRES	73		
STOP LIGHT REQUIRED	85		
STOP SIDEWALK AREA	172		
STOP SIGN	2,192		
STREET RACING	3		
TAG VIOLATIONS	1,996		
TAIL/LICENSE PLATE LIGHT REQ	347		
TAMPER W/TRAFF CNTRL DEVICE	1		
TEMP PERMIT W/O LICENSED DRIVER	15		
TEMP PERMIT/MC VIOLATION	10		
TEMP PLATE-DISPLAY	62		
TEMPORARY PERMIT VIOLATION	412		





## CITY OF COLUMBUS TRAFFIC CASES FILED 2017

TITLE VIOLATION			
	12		
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	4,209		
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE-PEDESTRIAN	75		
TRAFFIC DIR EMERG/XING	1		
TRANSFER REGISTRATION	2		
TURN FROM ONE WAY ST	38		
TURN INTO PRIV DR, ALLEY OR BLDG	13		
TURN ON RED	179		
TURN/STOP SIGNALS	83		
TURNING AT INTERSECTION	1,560		
TWO LIGHTS REQUIRED	202		
U TURNS	552		
UNATTENDED VEH VIOL	1		
UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS/SIGNALS	1		
UNNECESSARY HORN	24		
USE FICTITIOUS PLATES	72		
USE OF HEADPHONES	32		
USE TAG TO ANOTHER VEHICLE	403		
VALID OPS/EXP OPS	5		
WRONG SIDE-DIVIDED ROAD	35		
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT	53		
YIELD SIGN	31		



## STATE OF OHIO TRAFFIC CHARGES FILED 2017

ACDA	1,634	FAILURE TO REINSTATE LIC-PRIMA FACIE	6
APPLY REGISTRATION	216	FAILURE TO SIGNAL	1,010
APPR STATIONARY PUB SAFETY VEH	283	FAILURE TO STOP-ACCIDENT	143
BICYCLE BELL REQUIRED	2	FAILURE TO TRANSFER REG	46
BICYCLE LAMPS/REFLECT REQ AT NIGHT	7	FAILURE TO YIELD FROM PRIVATE DR	114
BMV 12 POINT SUSPENSION	190	FALSE INFO TO ISSUING OFFICER	11
BRAKE EQUIPMENT FOR VEH	8	FALSE STATEMENTS	10
CERTAIN ACTS PROH-FAIL SURRENDER	1	FLASHING LIGHTS PROH	1
CERTAIN ACTS PROH-FICT ID	8	FLASHING RED/BLUE LIGHTS PROH	1
CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEM	619	FLEE/ELUDE OFFICER-FAIL TO COMPLY	17
CONSUMPTION IN MV	1	FOCUS AND AIM OF HEADLIGHTS	6
DIS OF PLACARD ISSUE TO MANF/DEAL/DIST	5	FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE	331
DISPLAY OF DRIVERS LICENSE	48	FORFEITURE VIOL OF IMMOB ORDER	6
DRAG RACING/STREET RACING	7	FTY PUB SAFETY VEH	66
DRIVE LEFT OF CNTR PROH-FOUR LANES	39	FURNISH FALSE INFO TO AVOID CITATION	30
DRIVE LEFT OF CNTR/SUFF DISTANCE	42	HANDICAPPED PARKING	50
DRIVE ON CURB/WALK	11	HISTORICAL TAGS VIOLATION	2
DRIVE U/SUSP OR VIOL OF LIC RESTR	3,642	HIT SKIP-PUB STREET	99
DRIVE U/SUSP-FTA/PAY CHILD SUPPORT	1,021	HORNS,SIRENS AND WARNING DEVICES	2
DRIVING IN MARKED LANES	2,319	IMPAIRED ALERTNESS-DR COMM VEH	1
DRIVING ON CLOSED ROADWAY	33	IMPROPER BUMPER	4
DRIVING THROUGH SAFETY ZONE	3	IMPROPER PASSING	80
DRIVING U/FRA SUSP OR CANCELLATION	3,250	INSTALL/SALE SAFETYBELT	1
DRIVING U/NON PAYMENT JUDGMENT	58	INTERSECT W/NON WRKING TRAFF CNTRL	1
DRIVING U/OVI SUSPENSION	328	ISSUANCE OF REGIST/LICENSE PLATES	4
DRIVING UNSAFE VEHICLE	117	MC TEMP PERMIT VIOL W/O HELMET	8
EMERG VEH TO PROCEED W/CAUTION	3	MC-IMPROPER SITTING/NUM PASSENGER	11
EMERG VEH-FT SLOW DOWN	4	MC-TEMP PERMIT VIOLATION	6



## STATE OF OHIO TRAFFIC CHARGES FILED 2017

FAIL TO DISPLAY HEADLIGHTS	302	MISUSE OF NON COMM MV	8
FAIL TO OBEY TRAFFIC CNTRL DEV	1	MUFFLER,EXCESSIVE GAS OR SMOKE	123
FAIL TO SLOW DOWN AT RR CROSSING	1	NO MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT	31
FAIL TO STOP/GRADE RR CROSSING	1	NON TRANSPARENT MAT ON WNDW PROH	2
FAIL TO STOP/YIELD AT A STOP SIGN	434	NONRESIDENT VIOLATOR COMPACT	2
FAIL TO STOP-SCHOOL BUS	23	NOT MORE THAN ONE SPTLT/THREE AUX	2
FAIL TO YIELD AT A YIELD SIGN	32	OBSTRUCTED VIEW-DRIVER	2
FAIL TO YIELD TO PED IN CROSWLK/SDWLK	8	OBSTRUCTING INTERSEC/RR CROSSING	5
FAILURE TO COMPLY	10	OCC SPACE ON FRWY-ANIMAL DRWN VEH	1
FAILURE TO CONTROL	962	OCCUPYING SPACE ON FREEWAY-PED	11
FAILURE TO DISPLAY	25	ONE WAY HIGHWAY/ROTARY	45
FAILURE TO DISPLAY TWO PLATES	11	OPEN CONTAINER	31
FAILURE TO OBEY RAILROAD STOP SIGN	14	OPEN DOOR IN TRAFFIC	1
FAILURE TO REGISTER-EXPIRED TAGS	2,350	OPER ALLOW PERSON TO RIDE/HANG	1
FAILURE TO REINSTATE LICENSE	1,355	OPER MV BEAR INVAL LIC PLATE/ID MARK	555
OPER MV W/O PROOF OF INSURANCE	16	RIDING BICYCLES NEAR TO RT SIDE	3
OPERATE MC W/O VAL LIC EXP < 6 MTHS	139	RIDING OR HANGING OUTSIDE MOV MV	1
OPERATE MV W/O VAL LIC-EXP LICENSE	114	RIGHT OF WAY AT INTERSECTIONS	362
OPERATE MV W/O VAL LIC-NEVER LICNSD	178	RT HALF OF RDWY EXCEPTIONS	251
OPERATE MV W/O VALID LICENSE	5,856	RULES FOR PASSING LEFT OF CNTRLINE	21
OPERATE MV W/OUT TITLE	4	RULES FOR PASSING ON THE RIGHT	30
OPERATE MV W/PREV OWNER PLATES	26	SAFETY GLASS	13
OPERATE W/FOREIGN TAG	7	SAFETY LIGHTING ON COMM VEH REQ	3
PARKING NEAR CURB	9	SCHOOL BUS-FLASH RED/AMBER LIGHTS	1
PARKING WRONG DIRECTION	13	SEAT SAFETY BELT/ANCHORAGE UNIT REQ	4
PARKING-PARKING VIOL-PRIVATE RULES	5	SEATBELT-ALLOW PASSENGER	111



## STATE OF OHIO TRAFFIC CHARGES FILED 2017

PASS IN MARKED HAZARDOUS ZONES	81	SEATBELT-OPERATOR	12,525
PASS ON THE RT-CARS IN OPPTS DIR	2	SEATBELT-PASSENGER	347
PASSING VEH STOPPED AT CROSSWLK PROH	1	SEATBELT-TAXICAB	1
PATHS EXCLUSIVELY FOR BICYCLES	1	SIDE COWL.FENDER,BACK UP LGHT RESTR	31
PED CROSSING PROH	12	SIGNALS OVER REVERSIBLE LANES	1
PED DIAGONAL CROSSING RESTRICTED	1	SLOW MOV VEH DRIVE ON RT SIDE	11
PED OUTSIDE CROSSWALK TO YIELD	25	SLOW SPEED	97
PED UNDER INFLUENCE PROH	5	SLOW VEH HEADLIGHT REQ	1
PED WALKING ALONG HIGHWAY	2	SOLID TIRE REQ	1
PED WALKING IN ROADWAY	23	SPEED	18,633
PEDESTRIAN CONTROL SIGNAL	1	SPEED LIMITS PRIVATE RDWYS/DRWYS	3
PEDESTRIAN ON SIDEWALK RT OF WAY	1	SPEED-SCHOOL ZONE	86
PERMIT MINOR TO DRIVE	1	SPEED-SCHOOL ZONE OVER 20 MPH	67
PERMIT OPER BY UNLIC DR-SURRENDER	1	STARTING AND BACKING VEHICLES	95
PERMIT OPERATION W/O VALID LICENSE	13	STOP AFTER ACCIDENT INVOLV INJURY	13
PERMITTED OPERATIONS-SNOWMOBILE	2	STOP LIGHTS REQ	132
PROH AGAINST DRIVE UPON LEFT SIDE	23	STOP SIGN ON PRIVATE RD/DRVWY	1
PROH AGAINST PARKING ON HIGHWAY	27	STOP-SIDEWALK AREA	16
PROH ATTACHING TO VEH	1	SURRENDER FOREIGN DRIVERS LICENSE	14
PROH NUMBER OF HEADLIGHTS	290	SUSP OF LIC-FTA/PAY FINE/DENY VEH REG	109
PROH OPERATION OF MV-TEMP HIGH WTR	3	SUSPENSION UPON DRUG OFFENSE CONV	5
PROH SOLICIT BY PED-EMPLOY BUSNS	98	TAGS VIOLATION	1,968
PROH SOLICIT BY PED-SOLICIT A RIDE	23	TAIL/LICENSE PLATE LIGHT REQ	463
PROH-SNOWMOBILE OFF HIGHWAY	4	TEMPORARY PERMIT	139
REAR VIEW MIRROR, CLEAR VIEW	6	TEMPORARY PERMIT VIOLATION	46
RECKLESS OPERATION	254	TEMPORARY PERMIT/MC VIOLATION	9
RECKLESS OPERATION-OFF ST/HIGHWAY	15	TEXTING WHILE DRIVING	77



## STATE OF OHIO TRAFFIC CHARGES FILED 2017

RED LIGHT/FLAG REQ ON EXTND LOAD	3	TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	1,289
RED REFLECT REQ ON MV	5	TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE-PEDESTRIAN	1
REGIST W//IN THIRTY DAYS OF RESIDENCY	4	TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS	249
REQ: DIST OF HEADLIGHT BEAMS	120	TRAFFIC SIGNALS-RED LIGHT	410
RESISTING TRAFFIC ENF OFFICIAL	2	TURNING AT INTERSECTIONS	310
TURNING IN ROADWAY	79		
TWO HEADLIGHTS DISPLAYED	270		
UNATTENDED MV	5		
UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS AND SIGNALS	2		
USE OF HEADPHONES	22		
VEH EQUIPPED W/TURN SIGNALS	6		
VEHICLE STANDING OR PARKING	217		
VIOLATION RAILROAD CROSSING	2		
WINDOW TINT RESTR	113		
WINDSHIELD REQ	16		
WINDSHIELD WIPER REQ	2		
WRONG SIDE-DIVIDED ROAD	44		
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT OF MV	30		
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT-NOT VALID	23		
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT-SUSPENSION	10		
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT-VIOL 4511.19	2		

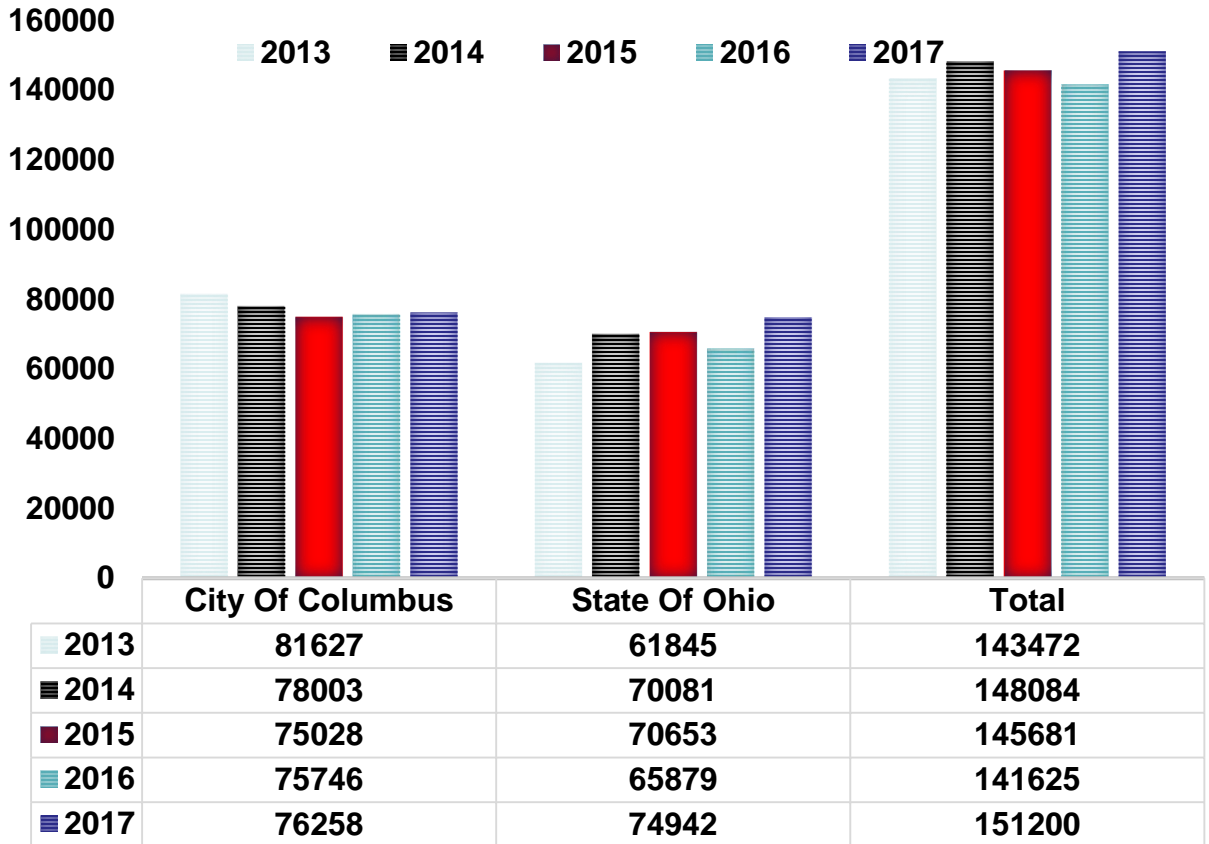
## MAYOR'S COURTS TRANSFERS 2017

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
BEXLEY	13
CANAL WINCHESTER	37
DUBLIN	120
GAHANNA	78
GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS	30
GROVE CITY	752
GROVEPORT	6
HILLIARD	125
MARBLE CLIFF	19
MINERVA PARK	31
NEW ALBANY	45
OBETZ	5
REYNOLDSBURG	70
UPPER ARLINGTON	59
VALLEYVIEW	9
WESTERVILLE	95
WHITEHALL	219
WORTHINGTON	63

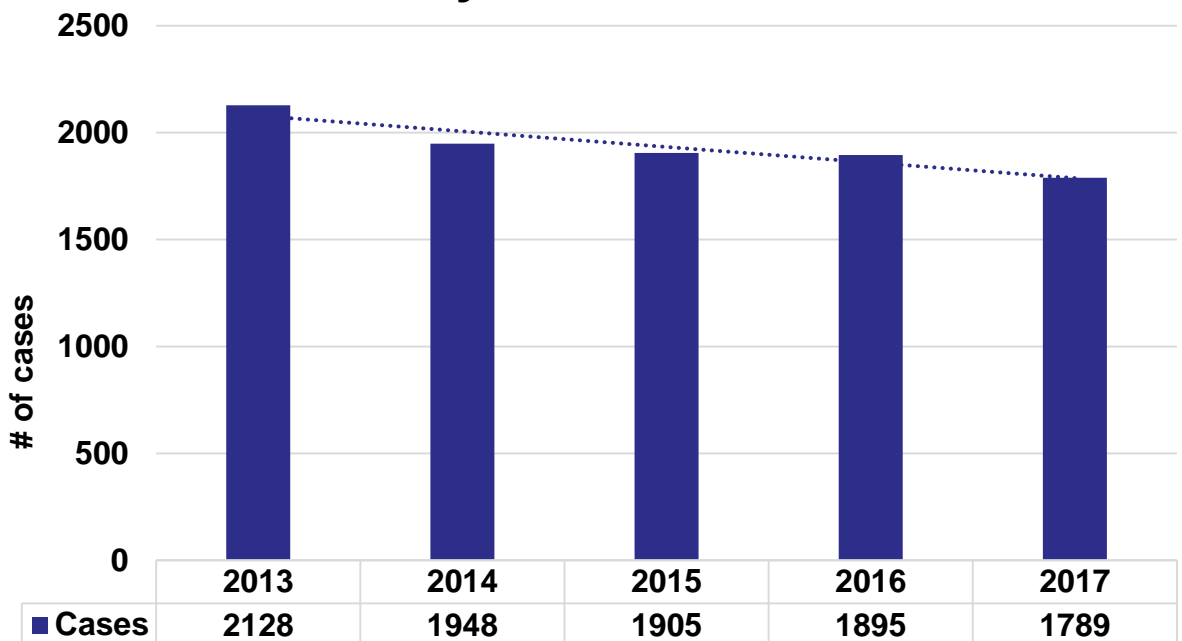
**TOTAL CASES FILED:**

**1,776**

### Traffic Charges Filed



### Mayor's Court Transfers



## Accounting/Finance Division

The Accounting/Finance Division oversees the collection of and accounting for all fines, court costs, fees, bail, garnishments, and judgments issued by the Court. The Division oversees the disbursement of collected funds to the appropriate parties, and releases funds in satisfactions, judgments, attachments, garnishments, and executions. The Accounting Division also has three internal payment programs in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code and Local Court Rules. The programs are as follows:

### Time Payment Program

This program under authorization by the sentencing Judge allows a defendant to make monthly payments on court fines and costs up to twelve months or until balance is paid in full.

Total number of sign-ups in 2017: 2,244

Total cases on program that were paid in full in 2017: 1,042

### Rent Escrow Program

This program allows tenants with complaints regarding their residential housing conditions to deposit rent due into an escrow account until the matter has been resolved.

Cases filed in 2017: 287

### Trusteeship Program

This program allows a debtor to deposit a portion of the personal earnings with the Clerk of Courts to avoid legal proceedings by creditors. The funds collected are disbursed to creditors equally until all debt is paid in full.

Cases filed in 2017: 20

### EPAY Online Payment Service

This is an online payment convenience that is offered by the Clerks Office for payments of payable citations, and also payment of fines and costs incurred once adjudicated.

Total cases paid in 2017 : 45,961

Amount collected in 2017: \$8,688,190.32



## **Accounting/Finance Division**

### **Restitution Program**

**This program was implemented February 1, 2015. It is under the authorization of the sentencing Judge and allows the defendant to make monthly payments for the set restitution amount. The Clerks office ensures the payments are then forwarded to the victim. No extra fees are charged by the Clerk's Office for this process.**

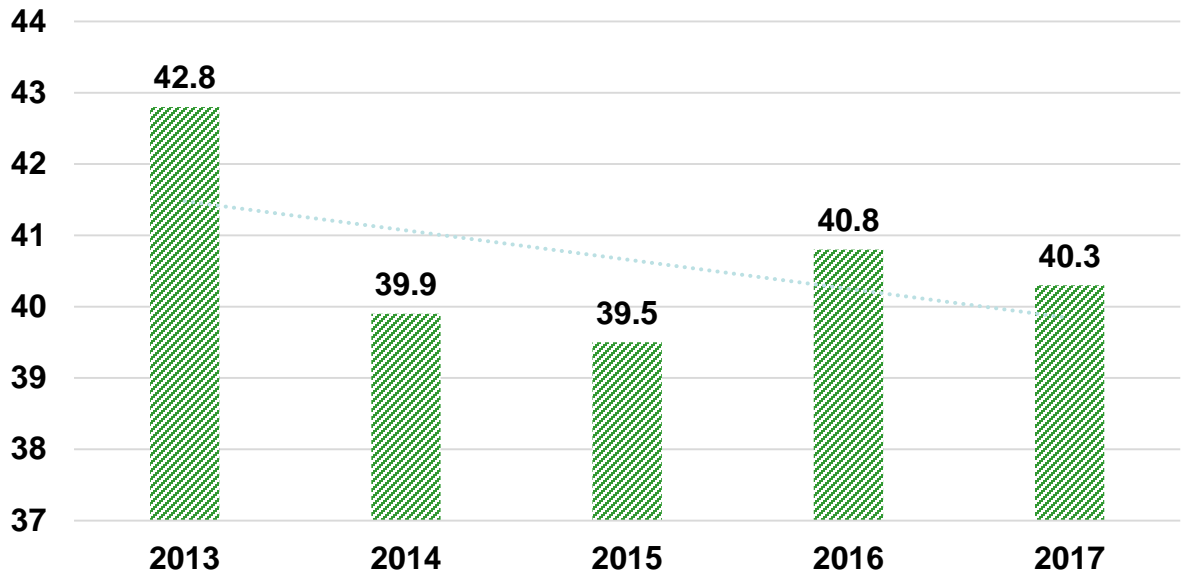
- **New payment sign-ups in 2017: 160**
- **Payments forwarded to victims in 2017: 1,710 Totaling: \$308,815.23**
- **Cases with restitution paid in full in 2017: 371**

**The Accounting/Finance Division is responsible for preparing a monthly general accounting for all funds received and disbursed by the Clerk's Office. These records are audited annually by a licensed certified public accounting firm and approved by the State Auditor's Office. Accomplishments for Accounting/Finance in 2017 are as follows:**

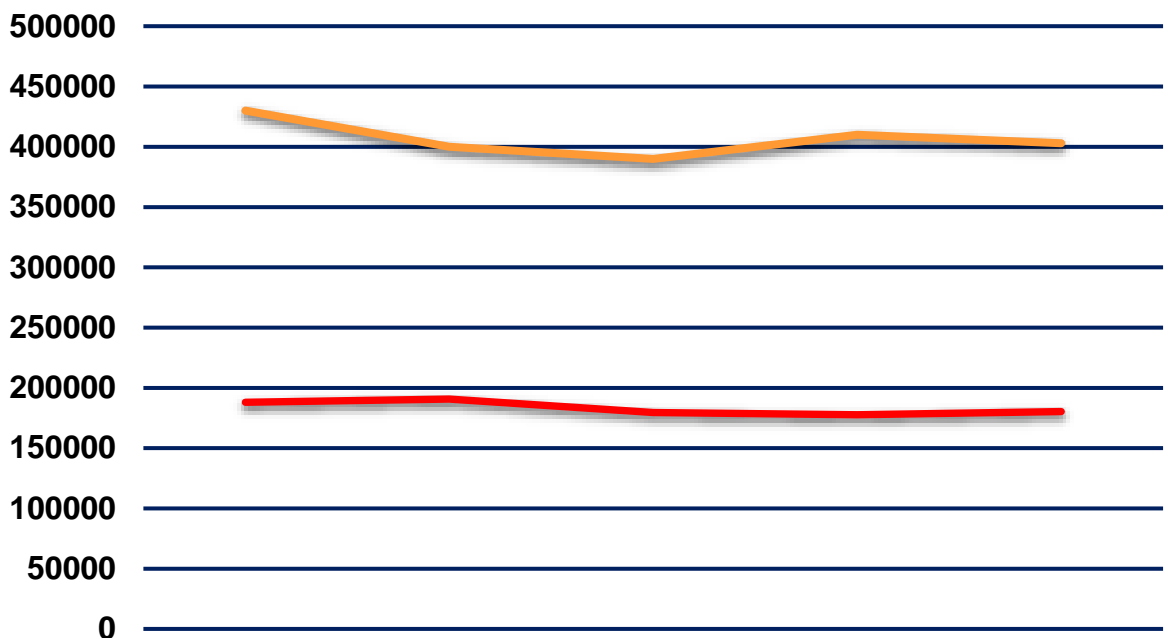
- **Created a Crystal Report to discern the Time Payment terminations from the Restitution Payments**
- **Implemented DAX spreadsheet for monthly disbursements**
- **Implemented a new procedure for the armored car service pick up**
- **Added Restitution Payments to the Unclaimed Funds process**
- **Implemented the collection of the Probation Community Service Fee to cover Workman's Comp for the City**
- **Partnered with Common Pleas to designate a contact person for the transfer of bond money for bind over cases**
- **Participated in the on-going development of the Civil E-filing process**
- **Implemented the Probation Courtesy Fee Program for the Probation Department**
- **Maintained accounting deadlines for the auditor's annual review to include but not limited to daily deposits, monthly government disbursements to over 42 agencies, and the unclaimed funds to the City**

## Funds Received (Millions)

Civil, Rent Escrow, Trusteeship, Criminal/Traffic



## Case Revenue Comparison



	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
--- Cases	188058	190765	179559	177744	180299
--- Revenue	\$43.0M	\$40.0M	\$39.0M	\$41.0M	\$40.3M

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**2017 Franklin County Municipal Court  
Financial Statements**

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**Financial Statements**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash Civil	\$1,042,701.11
Cash Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$1,622,182.89
Cash Rent Escrow Fund	\$179,748.10
Cash Trusteeship Fund	\$4,581.23
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$2,849,213.33</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Due to Payee Civil Fund	\$1,042,701.11
Due to Payee Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$1,622,182.89
Due to Payee Rest Escrow Fund	\$179,748.10
Due to Payee Trusteeship Fund	\$4,581.23
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$2,849,213.33</b>

**Statement of Receipts & Disbursements**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Receipts</b>	
Receipts Civil Fund	\$19,450,736.89
Receipts Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$20,329,628.73
Receipts Rent Escrow Fund	\$450,395.89
Receipts Trusteeship Fund	\$141,681.31
Receipts Trusteeship Historical Adjustment	\$336.94
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$40,372,779.76</b>
<b>Disbursements</b>	
Disbursements Civil Fund	\$19,769,335.93
Disbursements Civil Historical Adjustment	\$10.00
Disbursements Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$20,136,425.35
Disb Criminal/Traffic Historical Adjustment	\$4,542.48
Disbursements Rent Escrow Fund	\$441,047.02
Disbursements Trusteeship Fund	\$149,702.31
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$40,501,063.09</b>

**Statement of Civil Fund Receipts  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>City of Columbus</b>	
Administrative 1% Legal Aid Fees	\$10,591.58
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person CV OCA 226005	\$43,218.00
Civil Contempt Fines	\$0.00
Civil Court Costs	\$4,685,623.03
Civil Environmental Fines	\$1,000.00
Civil Home Incarceration Program Fee	\$0.00
Civil Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$0.00
Civil Security Facilities Fees	\$435,054.53
Civil Specialty Docket Programs	\$129,909.00
Copier Debit Cards	\$2,004.50
Municipal Clerk Computer Fees	\$435,512.00
Municipal Court Computer Fees	\$130,660.91
Jury Deposit Payment	\$0.00
Return Check Fees	\$850.00
Small Claims Dispute Resolution Sub-Fund	\$6,570.00
<b>Total City of Columbus</b>	<b>\$5,880,993.55</b>
<b>State of Ohio</b>	
State Legal Aid Fees	<b>\$1,048,450.13</b>
<b>Daily Reporter</b>	
Publication Fees	<b>\$387,137.34</b>
<b>Other Entities</b>	
Civil Bond Deposits	\$204,980.00
Civil Deposits	\$42,877.02
Civil Judgment Deposits	\$11,808,663.70
Civil Jury Deposits	\$34,500.00
Civil Jury Deposits Applied	(\$1,000.00)
Civil Overpayment Deposits	\$37,622.76
Civil Sheriff Deposits	\$1,679.00
Civil Towing Deposits	\$3,200.00
Civil Witness Deposits	\$1,633.39
Environmental Appraisal	\$0.00
Environmental Injunctive	\$0.00
Environmental Mortgage	\$0.00
Environmental Sheriff	\$0.00
<b>Total Other Entities</b>	<b>\$12,134,155.87</b>
<b>Total Civil Fund Receipts</b>	<b>\$19,450,736.89</b>

**Statement of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>City of Columbus</b>	
Appearance Bond Costs	\$94,323.60
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person TR OCA 226105	\$87,443.20
City Jury Fees	\$5,362.72
Collection Account 14450	\$228,831.50
Columbus City Code Fines	\$3,162,375.30
Columbus Health Department Fines	\$0.00
Court Costs	\$4,092,456.37
CR/TR Clerk Computerization Fund	\$895,769.95
CR/TR Collection Fee	\$278,051.21
CR/TR Court Computerization Fund	\$268,660.67
CR/TR Environmental Fines	\$108,762.00
CR/TR Probation Scram	\$0.00
CR/TR Probation Services	\$429,983.25
CR/TR Security Facilities Fee	\$888,814.90
CR/TR Specialty Docket Program	\$263,624.84
Criminal Diversion Fee	\$25.00
DUI Education Fund	\$8,596.21
ENV Community Service Fee	\$928.00
ENV Probation Services	\$20,629.02
Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$6,185.00
Home Incarceration Program	\$4,740.00
Indigent DR ALC Fund DUS	\$0.00
Immobilizing/Disabling Devices Fine	\$66,214.12
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund DUI	\$167,132.99
Local Expungements City Share	\$5,140.00
Local Witness Fees	\$32,406.17
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines 14050	\$604,953.26
Prosecutor's Check Resolution Program	\$10,336.50
Returned Check Fees	\$1,500.00
Workers Comp Fee	\$3,562.00
<b>Total City of Columbus</b>	<b>\$11,736,807.78</b>
<b>State of Ohio</b>	
Bail Surcharge-Indigent Defense Support	\$158,209.00
Child Restraint Law State Share	\$8,433.00
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$260,638.00
Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$2,251,051.11
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	\$40.50
Justice Program Services Fund	\$7,646.70
Local Expungements State Share	\$7,710.00
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines State Share	\$685,799.50
Public Defender-Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$3,584.40
State Expungements State Share	\$18,360.00
State Highway Safety Fund	\$483.50
State Liquor Fines State Share	\$22,830.75
State Seatbelt Fines	\$970.00
Trauma and EMT Fund	\$308,620.52
Victims of Crime	\$767,160.48

**Statement of Criminal Traffic Fund Receipts Continued  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>State of Ohio-BMV</b>	
BMV License Suspension/Reinstatement Fee	\$110.00
BMV Warrant Block Reinstatement Fee	\$240.00
<b>State of Ohio-DUI</b>	
Ohio Highway Patrol DUI Education Fund	\$7,432.00
<b>State of Ohio-ODNR</b>	
State Watercraft Fund	\$0.00
State Wildlife Fund	\$1,687.00
<b>Total State of Ohio</b>	<b>\$4,511,006.46</b>

**Franklin County**

	<b>State Traffic 4511 &amp; 4513</b>	<b>Other State Traffic Violations</b>	<b>Other State Violations</b>	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$1,780.00	\$1,880.00
Capitol Area Humane Society	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Columbus Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Columbus Regulation Division	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Columbus State University	\$3,230.00	\$0.00	\$16.00	\$3,246.00
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$194,975.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$194,975.78
Department of Animal Control	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$89,697.50	\$89,697.50
Franklin County Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,646.00	\$4,646.00
Municipal Police	\$153,389.01	\$46,165.85	\$117,228.13	\$316,782.99
Ohio Dept of Agriculture	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio Department of Natural Resources	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7.00	\$7.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$5,052.00	\$5,127.00
Ohio Department of Taxation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,888.00	\$6,888.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio Highway Patrol	\$151,952.78	\$99.50	\$347.60	\$152,399.88
Ohio State Agencies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,306.00	\$20,306.00
Ohio State University	\$6,405.00	\$1,917.00	\$3,497.96	\$11,819.96
Otterbein College PD	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Port Columbus Airport	\$15,736.40	\$3,400.00	\$700.00	\$19,836.40
	<b>\$525,688.97</b>	<b>\$51,807.35</b>	<b>\$250,566.19</b>	
Indigent Application Fee				\$82,244.54
Law Library Resources Fund				\$194,910.77
State Expungements-County Share				\$12,240.00
State Jury Fees				\$1,311.08
State Liquor Fines-County Share				\$22,830.75
State Witness Fees				\$16,222.76

**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Townships County Share</b>	<b>State Traffic 4511 &amp; 4513</b>	<b>Other State Traffic Violations</b>	<b>Other State Violations</b>	
Blendon	\$24,879.22	\$3,873.25	\$652.50	\$29,404.97
Clinton	\$17,775.00	\$4,321.10	\$1,250.00	\$23,346.10
Franklin	\$8,446.00	\$3,576.50	\$959.05	\$12,981.55
Madison	\$17,935.62	\$3,399.75	\$75.00	\$21,410.37
Mifflin	\$10,587.00	\$4,186.50	\$522.00	\$15,295.50
Perry	\$31,376.25	\$13,126.90	\$75.00	\$44,578.15
Sharon	\$11,316.25	\$1,362.50	\$0.00	\$12,678.75
	<b>\$122,315.34</b>	<b>\$33,846.50</b>	<b>\$3,533.55</b>	
<b>Total Township County Share</b>				<b>\$159,695.39</b>
<b>Franklin County Sheriff</b>	<b>State Traffic 4511 &amp; 4513</b>	<b>Other State Traffic Violations</b>	<b>Other State Violations</b>	
Sheriff Blendon	\$47,576.00	\$1,130.00	\$3,373.00	\$52,079.00
Sheriff Brown	\$4,250.00	\$195.00	\$0.00	\$4,445.00
Sheriff Clinton	\$3,205.00	\$0.00	\$1,377.50	\$4,582.50
Sheriff Franklin	\$11,717.00	\$0.00	\$9,698.00	\$21,415.00
Sheriff Hamilton	\$290.00	\$24,144.03	\$0.00	\$24,434.03
Sheriff Jackson	\$34,891.00	\$3,807.50	\$119.85	\$38,818.35
Sheriff Jefferson	\$22,402.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$23,152.00
Sheriff Madison	\$16,699.00	\$0.00	\$2,483.50	\$19,182.50
Sheriff Mifflin	\$26,529.00	\$1,175.00	\$3,732.00	\$31,436.00
Sheriff Non-Township	\$37,659.50	\$30,196.00	\$4,839.00	\$72,694.50
Sheriff Norwich	\$2,360.00	\$302.50	\$22.50	\$2,685.00
Sheriff Perry	\$1,010.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$1,260.00
Sheriff Plain	\$12,738.00	\$370.00	\$0.00	\$13,108.00
Sheriff Pleasant	\$8,601.00	\$925.00	\$200.00	\$9,726.00
Sheriff Prairie	\$19,796.00	\$7,688.50	\$30.00	\$27,514.50
Sheriff Sharon	\$7,105.00	\$0.00	\$655.00	\$7,760.00
Sheriff Truro	\$12,939.00	\$5,229.50	\$0.00	\$18,168.50
Sheriff Washington	\$1,266.50	\$95.00	\$0.00	\$1,361.50
	<b>\$271,034.00</b>	<b>\$75,258.03</b>	<b>\$27,530.35</b>	
<b>Total Franklin County Sheriff</b>				<b>\$373,822.38</b>
<b>Total Franklin County Receipts</b>				<b>\$1,691,340.18</b>



**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<u>Municipalities</u>	<b>DUI Education</b>	<b>Fines</b>	<b>Mayors Court</b>	
Bexley	\$300.00	\$4,064.00	\$0.00	\$4,364.00
Brice	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$2,282.00	\$2,407.00
Canal Winchester	\$193.00	\$1,215.00	\$340.00	\$1,748.00
Dublin	\$550.00	\$9,058.50	\$4,099.00	\$13,707.50
Gahanna	\$1,691.00	\$11,592.67	\$2,531.81	\$15,815.48
Grandview Heights	\$340.00	\$4,957.00	\$0.00	\$5,297.00
Grove City	\$653.00	\$14,665.50	\$2,046.00	\$17,364.50
Groveport	\$250.00	\$1,645.00	\$0.00	\$1,895.00
Harrisburg	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hilliard	\$275.00	\$19,205.00	\$4,573.60	\$24,053.60
Minerva Park	\$100.00	\$1,515.00	\$115.00	\$1,730.00
New Albany	\$408.00	\$6,672.00	\$2,729.00	\$9,809.00
Obetz	\$125.00	\$110.00	\$132.00	\$367.00
Reynoldsburg	\$1,098.00	\$4,726.00	\$878.00	\$6,702.00
Upper Arlington	\$100.00	\$26,474.50	\$2,430.00	\$29,004.50
Urbancrest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Valleyview	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Westerville	\$728.00	\$16,536.00	\$3,131.00	\$20,395.00
Whitehall	\$925.00	\$4,713.88	\$2,011.60	\$7,650.48
Worthington	\$922.44	\$3,909.00	\$1,866.00	\$6,697.44
	<b>\$8,783.44</b>	<b>\$131,184.05</b>	<b>\$29,165.01</b>	
<b>Total Municipalities</b>				<b>\$169,132.50</b>
<u>Townships</u>	<b>DUI Education</b>	<b>Fines</b>		
Blendon	\$777.00	\$29,404.96		\$30,181.96
Clinton	\$350.00	\$23,346.10		\$23,696.10
Franklin	\$150.00	\$12,981.55		\$13,131.55
Hamilton	\$0.00	\$24,434.03		\$24,434.03
Madison	\$325.00	\$21,410.38		\$21,735.38
Mifflin	\$402.00	\$15,295.50		\$15,697.50
Norwich	\$0.00	\$2,685.00		\$2,685.00
Perry	\$375.00	\$44,578.15		\$44,953.15
Prairie	\$0.00	\$27,514.50		\$27,514.50
Sharon	\$175.00	\$12,678.75		\$12,853.75
Washington	\$0.00	\$1,361.50		\$1,361.50
	<b>\$2,554.00</b>	<b>\$215,690.42</b>		
<b>Total Townships</b>				<b>\$218,244.42</b>

**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b><u>Other Entities</u></b>	
<b><u>Central Ohio Crime Stoppers</u></b>	
CR/TR Crime Stoppers Fee	\$6,358.24
<b><u>Columbus Airport Authority</u></b>	
Port Columbus PD DUI Education Fund	\$481.00
<b><u>Columbus &amp; Franklin County Metro Parks</u></b>	
Metro Parks Police Fines	\$582.00
<b><u>Columbus Development Center</u></b>	
Col Develop Center DUI Education Fund	\$0.00
<b><u>Franklin County Sheriff</u></b>	
Sheriff DUI Education Fund	\$5,181.00
DUI Offender Housing Fund	\$70,889.74
<b><u>Ohio Department of Public Safety</u></b>	
ODPS Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$140.00
<b><u>The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy</u></b>	
State Drug/Pharmacy Fund	\$39,682.10
<b><u>The Ohio State University</u></b>	
Ohio State University DUI Education Fund	\$325.00
<b><u>Overpayments</u></b>	
Criminal/Traffic Overpayment Deposits	\$37,670.17
Criminal/Traffic Applied Overpayment Deposits	(\$319.25)
<b><u>Time Payments</u></b>	
Time Payment Receipts	\$624,843.52
Applied Time Payments	(\$623,947.04)
<b><u>Restitution</u></b>	
Restitution Deposit Receipts	\$336,863.02
Applied Distributions	(\$336,599.60)
Restitution Receipts	\$336,599.60
<b>Total Other Entities</b>	<b>\$498,749.50</b>

**Statement of Bail Fund Receipts  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Appearance Bonds</b>	
Appearance Bond Receipts	\$920,590.83
Applied Appearance Bonds	(\$153,927.02)
	<b>\$766,663.81</b>
<b>Bond Costs</b>	
Bond Cost Receipts	\$102,287.87
Applied Bond Costs	(\$94,630.60)
	<b>\$7,657.27</b>
<b>Bond Surcharge</b>	
Bond Surcharge Receipts	\$273,000.00
Applied Bond Surcharge	(\$158,334.00)
	<b>\$114,666.00</b>
<b>Cash Bonds</b>	
Cash Bond Receipts	\$459,152.00
Applied Cash Bonds	(\$48,130.69)
	<b>\$411,021.31</b>
<b>Moving Violations</b>	
Moving Violation Receipts	\$47,040.00
Applied Moving Violations	(\$34,433.50)
	<b>\$12,606.50</b>
<b>Non-Moving Violations</b>	
Non-Moving Violation Receipts	\$1,590.00
Applied Non-Moving Violations	(\$890.00)
	<b>\$700.00</b>
<b>Public Defender</b>	
Public Defender Receipts	\$234,750.00
Applied Public Defender	(\$123,265.00)
	<b>\$111,485.00</b>
<b>Victims-Of-Crime</b>	
Victims-Of-Crime Receipts	\$135,618.00
Applied Victims-Of-Crime	(\$56,070.00)
	<b>\$79,548.00</b>
<b>Total Bail Fund Receipts</b>	<b>\$1,504,347.89</b>
<b>Total Receipts Crim/Traf/Bail</b>	<b>\$20,329,628.73</b>

**Statement of Rent Escrow Fund Receipts  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

Court Costs	\$4,910.09
Deposits	\$445,485.80
Overpayment Deposits	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$450,395.89</b>

**Statement of Trusteeship Fund Receipts  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

Court Costs	\$1,296.00
Deposits	\$140,385.31
Applied Deposits	(\$148,406.31)
Disbursement	\$148,406.31
Overpayment Deposits	\$0.00
Applied Overpayment Deposits	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$141,681.31</b>

**Statement of Disbursements Treasurer City Of Columbus  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Civil Fund</b>	
Administrative 1% Legal Aid Fees	\$10,627.00
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person CV OCA 226005	\$43,368.00
Civil Contempt Fines	\$0.00
Civil Court Costs	\$4,691,938.86
Civil Environmental Fines	\$6,000.00
Civil Home Incarceration Program Fee	\$0.00
Civil Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$0.00
Civil Security Facilities Fees	\$436,627.63
Civil Specialty Docket Programs	\$130,365.00
Copier Debit Cards	\$2,026.50
Municipal Clerk Computer Fees	\$437,076.26
Municipal Court Computer Fees	\$131,125.91
Jury Deposit Payment	\$0.00
Return Check Fees	\$850.00
Small Claims Dispute Resolution Sub-Fund	\$6,555.00
<b>Total Civil Fund</b>	<b>\$5,896,560.16</b>
<b>Criminal/Traffic Fund</b>	
Appearance Bond Costs	\$93,297.10
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person TR OCA 226105	\$86,838.15
City Jury Fees	\$5,462.72
Collection Account 14450	\$226,663.50
Columbus City Code Fines	\$3,140,686.31
Columbus Health Department	\$0.00
Court Costs	\$4,067,350.37
CR/TR Clerk Computerization Fund	\$889,646.45
CR/TR Collection Fee	\$273,857.70
CR/TR Court Computerization Fund	\$266,832.67
CR/TR Environmental Fines	\$110,886.00
CR/TR Probation Scram	\$0.00
CR/TR Probation Services	\$431,198.67
CR/TR Security Facilities Fee	\$882,992.40
CR/TR Specialty Docket Program	\$261,826.34
Criminal Diversion Fee	\$25.00
DUI Education Fund	\$9,058.26
ENV Community Service Fee	\$900.00
ENV Probation Services	\$19,894.02
Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$6,010.00
Home Incarceration Program	\$4,415.00
Immobilizing/Disabling Devices Fine	\$65,284.62
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	\$40.50
Indigent DR ALC Fund DUS	\$0.00
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund DUI	\$166,135.45
Local Expungements City Share	\$5,140.00
Local Witness Fees	\$32,401.55
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines 14050	\$598,692.90
Prosecutor's Check Resolution Program	\$10,332.00
Returned Check Fees	\$1,450.00
Workers Comp Fee	\$3,472.00
<b>Total Criminal Traffic Fund</b>	<b>\$11,660,789.68</b>
<b>Rent Escrow Fund</b>	
Court Costs	<b>\$4,918.47</b>
<b>Trusteeship Fund</b>	
Court Costs	<b>\$1,296.00</b>
<b>Disbursements Treasurer City Of Columbus</b>	<b>\$17,563,564.31</b>

**Statement Of Disbursements Treasurer State Of Ohio  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Civil Fund</b>		
State Legal Aid Fees		<b>\$1,051,968.34</b>
<b>Criminal Traffic Fund</b>		
Bail Surcharge-Indigent Defense Support		\$158,565.50
Child Restraint Law State Share		\$8,708.00
Drug Law Enforcement Fund		\$259,045.00
Indigent Defense Support Fund		\$2,237,023.77
Justice Program Services Fund		\$7,598.50
Local Expungements State Share		\$7,710.00
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines State Share		\$678,637.33
Public Defender-Indigent Defense Support Fund		\$3,539.40
State Expungements State Share		\$18,210.00
State Liquor Fines State Share		\$21,894.25
State Highway Safety Fund		\$463.50
State Seatbelt Fines		\$970.00
Trauma and EMT Fund		\$303,620.74
Victims of Crime		\$763,085.88
<b>Total Criminal Traffic Fund</b>		<b>\$4,469,071.87</b>
<b>Total Treasurer State Of Ohio</b>		<b>\$5,521,040.21</b>

**Statement Of Disbursements Franklin County Treasurer  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Criminal Traffic Fund</b>	<b>State Traffic 4511 &amp; 4513</b>	<b>Other State Traffic Violations</b>	<b>Other State Violations</b>	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$1,671.00	\$1,771.00
Capital Area Humane Society	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Columbus Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Columbus Regulations Division	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Columbus State University	\$3,087.00	\$16.00	\$0.00	\$3,103.00
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$191,330.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$191,330.78
Department of Animal Control	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$90,312.50	\$90,312.50
Franklin County Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,540.00	\$4,540.00
Municipal Police	\$151,345.01	\$45,224.85	\$116,175.60	\$312,745.46
Ohio Department of Natural Resources	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7.00	\$7.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$5,179.50	\$5,254.50
Ohio Department of Taxation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,788.00	\$6,788.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio Highway Patrol	\$150,351.49	\$104.00	\$352.80	\$150,808.29
Ohio State Agencies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,306.00	\$17,306.00
Ohio State University	\$6,465.00	\$2,037.00	\$4,082.96	\$12,584.96
Otterbein College PD	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Port Columbus Airport	\$15,410.35	\$3,405.00	\$700.00	\$19,515.35
	<b>\$517,989.63</b>	<b>\$51,011.85</b>	<b>\$247,515.36</b>	
Indigent Application Fee				\$82,182.14
State Expungements-County Share				\$12,140.00
State Jury Fees				\$1,311.08
State Liquor Fines-County Share				\$21,894.25
State Witness Fees				\$16,236.68

**Statement Of Disbursements Franklin County Treasurer Continued  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Townships County Share</b>	<b>State Traffic 4511 &amp; 4513</b>	<b>Other State Traffic Violations</b>	<b>Other State Violations</b>	
Blendon	\$25,148.72	\$3,935.75	\$652.50	\$29,736.97
Clinton	\$18,066.00	\$4,286.10	\$1,227.50	\$23,579.60
Franklin	\$8,462.50	\$3,599.00	\$990.05	\$13,051.55
Madison	\$17,602.99	\$3,457.25	\$75.00	\$21,135.24
Mifflin	\$10,612.00	\$4,066.50	\$519.00	\$15,197.50
Perry	\$31,188.75	\$12,911.90	\$75.00	\$44,175.65
Sharon	\$11,493.75	\$1,425.00	\$0.00	\$12,918.75
	<b>\$122,574.71</b>	<b>\$33,681.50</b>	<b>\$3,539.05</b>	
<b>Total Township County Share</b>				<b>\$159,795.26</b>
<b>Franklin County Sheriff</b>	<b>State Traffic 4511 &amp; 4513</b>	<b>Other State Traffic Violations</b>	<b>Other State Violations</b>	
Sheriff Blendon	\$47,237.00	\$1,130.00	\$3,373.00	\$51,740.00
Sheriff Brown	\$4,140.00	\$195.00	\$0.00	\$4,335.00
Sheriff Clinton	\$3,150.00	\$0.00	\$1,327.50	\$4,477.50
Sheriff Franklin	\$11,947.00	\$0.00	\$9,858.00	\$21,805.00
Sheriff Hamilton	\$290.00	\$23,495.53	\$0.00	\$23,785.53
Sheriff Jackson	\$34,476.00	\$3,762.50	\$119.85	\$38,358.35
Sheriff Jefferson	\$22,002.00	\$0.00	\$850.00	\$22,852.00
Sheriff Madison	\$16,284.00	\$0.00	\$2,338.50	\$18,622.50
Sheriff Mifflin	\$26,054.00	\$1,130.00	\$3,727.00	\$30,911.00
Sheriff Non-Township	\$37,139.50	\$32,914.00	\$4,614.00	\$74,667.50
Sheriff Norwich	\$2,387.50	\$302.50	\$22.50	\$2,712.50
Sheriff Perry	\$955.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$1,205.00
Sheriff Plain	\$11,938.00	\$370.00	\$0.00	\$12,308.00
Sheriff Pleasant	\$8,736.00	\$925.00	\$200.00	\$9,861.00
Sheriff Prairie	\$19,793.50	\$7,651.00	\$30.00	\$27,474.50
Sheriff Sharon	\$8,150.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$8,750.00
Sheriff Truro	\$12,850.00	\$5,272.00	\$0.00	\$18,122.00
Sheriff Washington	\$1,294.00	\$95.00	\$0.00	\$1,389.00
	<b>\$268,823.50</b>	<b>\$77,242.53</b>	<b>\$27,310.35</b>	
<b>Total Franklin County Sheriff</b>				<b>\$373,376.38</b>
<b>Total Franklin County Treasurer</b>				<b>\$1,483,452.63</b>

**Statement Of Disbursements Municipalities  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Criminal Traffic Fund</b>	<b>DUI Education</b>	<b>Fines</b>	<b>Mayors Court</b>	
Bexley	\$300.00	\$4,094.00	\$0.00	\$4,394.00
Brice	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$2,282.00	\$2,407.00
Canal Winchester	\$218.00	\$1,200.00	\$240.00	\$1,658.00
Dublin	\$550.00	\$9,458.03	\$4,298.00	\$14,306.03
Gahanna	\$1,640.00	\$11,647.50	\$2,531.81	\$15,819.31
Grandview Heights	\$290.00	\$5,023.00	\$0.00	\$5,313.00
Grove City	\$628.00	\$14,697.50	\$2,056.00	\$17,381.50
Groveport	\$222.00	\$1,393.00	\$0.00	\$1,615.00
Hilliard	\$275.00	\$19,431.00	\$4,591.00	\$24,297.00
Minerva Park	\$100.00	\$1,840.00	\$115.00	\$2,055.00
New Albany	\$408.00	\$6,547.00	\$2,698.50	\$9,653.50
Obetz	\$125.00	\$110.00	\$132.00	\$367.00
Reynoldsburg	\$1,078.00	\$4,576.00	\$878.00	\$6,532.00
Upper Arlington	\$75.00	\$25,743.50	\$2,430.00	\$28,248.50
Valleyview	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Westerville	\$671.00	\$16,586.00	\$3,131.00	\$20,388.00
Whitehall	\$925.00	\$4,685.88	\$1,971.60	\$7,582.48
Worthington	\$919.94	\$3,845.00	\$1,825.00	\$6,589.94
	<b>\$8,549.94</b>	<b>\$131,002.41</b>	<b>\$29,179.91</b>	
<b>Total Municipalities</b>				<b>\$168,732.26</b>

**Statement Of Disbursements Townships  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Criminal Traffic Fund</b>	<b>DUI Education</b>	<b>Fines</b>	
Blendon	\$750.00	\$29,736.96	\$30,486.96
Clinton	\$350.00	\$23,579.60	\$23,929.60
Franklin	\$125.00	\$13,051.55	\$13,176.55
Hamilton	\$0.00	\$23,785.53	\$23,785.53
Madison	\$325.00	\$21,135.26	\$21,460.26
Mifflin	\$402.00	\$15,197.50	\$15,599.50
Norwich	\$0.00	\$2,712.50	\$2,712.50
Perry	\$375.00	\$44,175.65	\$44,550.65
Prairie	\$0.00	\$27,474.50	\$27,474.50
Sharon	\$175.00	\$12,918.75	\$13,093.75
Washington	\$0.00	\$1,389.00	\$1,389.00
	<b>\$2,502.00</b>	<b>\$215,156.80</b>	
<b>Total Townships</b>			<b>\$217,658.80</b>

**Statement Of Disbursements Other Entities  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Civil Fund</b>		
<b>Daily Reporter</b>		
Publication Fees		\$388,375.54
<b>Other Entities</b>		
Civil Bond Deposits		\$15,802.64
Civil Deposits		\$41,229.44
Civil Judgment Deposits		\$12,287,996.20
Civil Jury Deposits		\$43,300.00
Civil Sheriff Deposits		\$1,856.00
Civil Towing Deposits		\$4,000.00
Civil Witness Deposits		\$2,312.63
Environmental Appraisal		\$225.00
Environmental Injunctive		\$0.00
Environmental Mortgage		\$0.00
Environmental Sheriff		\$0.00
<b>Criminal Traffic Fund</b>		
<b>Central Ohio Crime Stoppers</b>		
CR/TR Crime Stoppers Fee		\$6,371.02
<b>Columbus Airport Authority</b>		
Port Columbus PD DUI Education Fund		\$459.00
<b>Columbus &amp; Franklin County Metro Parks</b>		
Metro Parks Police Fines		\$582.00
<b>Columbus Development Center</b>		
Col Develop Center DUI Education Fund		\$0.00
<b>Franklin County Sheriff</b>		
Sheriff DUI Education Fund		\$5,256.00
DUI Offender Housing Fund		\$71,261.23



**Statement Of Disbursements Other Entities Continued  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

<b>Franklin County Law Library</b>	
Law Library Fund	\$191,265.77
<b>Ohio Department of Agriculture</b>	
Ohio Department of Agriculture	\$0.00
<b>Ohio Department of Public Safety</b>	
ODPS Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$143.50
<b>The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy</b>	
State Drug/Pharmacy Fund	\$39,243.10
<b>The Ohio State University</b>	
Ohio State University DUI Education Fund	\$325.00
<b>State of Ohio-BMV</b>	
BMV License Suspension/Reinstatement Fee	\$110.00
BMV Warrant Block Reinstatement Fee	\$240.00
<b>State of Ohio-DUI</b>	
Ohio Highway Patrol DUI Education Fund	\$7,409.00
<b>State of Ohio-ODNR</b>	
State Watercraft Fund	\$0.00
State Wildlife Fund	\$1,587.00
<b>Rent Escrow Fund</b>	
Rent Deposit Payments	\$436,128.55
<b>Trusteeship Fund</b>	
Trust Deposit Payments	\$0.00
Trust Disbursements	\$148,406.31
<b>Restitution</b>	
Restitution Deposit Checks	\$309,224.57
<b>Total Other Entities</b>	<b>\$14,003,109.50</b>

**Statement Of Bail Fund Disbursements  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

Appearance Bonds	\$754,727.71
Bond Costs	\$3,629.97
Bond Surcharge	\$106,675.00
Cash Bonds	\$404,418.56
Moving Violations	\$11,116.50
Non-Moving Violations	\$610.00
Public Defender	\$105,875.00
Victims-Of-Crime	\$76,926.00
<b>Total Bail Fund Disbursements</b>	<b>\$1,463,978.74</b>

**Statement Of Overpayment Refunds  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

Civil Refunds	\$35,709.98
Criminal/Traffic Refunds	\$39,264.18
Rent Escrow Refunds	\$0.00
Trusteeship Refunds	\$0.00
<b>Total Overpayment Refunds</b>	<b>\$74,974.16</b>

**Statement Of Unclaimed Funds Disbursements City Of Columbus  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**

Civil Unclaimed Funds	\$70,414.38
Criminal/Traffic Unclaimed Funds	\$36,791.23
Rent Escrow Unclaimed Funds	\$13.00
Trusteeship Unclaimed Funds	\$382.40
<b>Total Unclaimed Funds</b>	<b>\$107,601.01</b>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### Notes A - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Reporting Entity

The Franklin County Municipal Court (the court) was created and operates under the authority of Section 1901.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. Under the present law, the Court operates with 15 elected Judges and an elected Clerk of Court, each whom serves a six-year term. The court has been granted jurisdictions for the entire area of Franklin County.

For financial reporting purposes, the Court is an agency fund group which consists of the agency fund of the four divisions of the Court: Criminal/Traffic/Bail, Civil, Trusteeship and Rent Escrow. The operating expenses of the Court are funded by the City of Columbus and Franklin County and are not; therefore, part of the reporting entity.

#### Basis of Accounting

The Court prepares its financial statements on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when incurred.

### Note B - Civil Fund Receipts

In addition to the Civil Fund total receipts and disbursements, cases are processed for the City of Columbus, State of Ohio and Franklin County agencies with filing fees deferred until a decision is rendered by the court

#### Additional Amount Breakdowns

See statements for summary totals of this information

### Note C - Statement of Disbursements to Municipalities

The DUI Education Fund fine amounts are included in the totals for each municipality and township.



**FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT  
Columbus, Ohio  
One Hundred [and] Second  
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**FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT**

375 South High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-4520

Chambers of  
**Judge Mark S. Hummer**  
Administrative & Presiding Judge  
Telephone: 614/645-8207

March 22, 2018

Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk  
Citizens of Franklin County

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with section 1901.14 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is my pleasure to provide you with the 2017 Annual Report of the Franklin County Municipal Court.

From all indications, the Franklin County Municipal Court remains the largest and busiest municipal court in Ohio. We continually strive to improve our services to every citizen who appears in this Court and to be wise and efficient stewards of taxpayer resources. We appreciate the financial support that we receive in these difficult economic times and hope that this continued support is a reflection of your trust in the way we conduct our operations and expend taxpayer dollars.

The increasing complexity of the laws, and the desire to meet the needs of every citizen who appears in this Court all present substantial challenges to our judges and staff. As you will see from the details in the report that follows, our judges and staff remain fully committed to meeting the needs of our citizens and our community. As the largest and busiest municipal court in Ohio, we continually strive to improve our services and fulfill our obligation to fairly interpret the laws of Ohio.

Please feel free to contact me or Court Administrator Emily Shaw at (614) 645-8214 if you have any questions or would like any additional information.

Yours truly,

*/s/ Mark A. Hummer*  
Mark A. Hummer  
Administrative and Presiding Judge

Enclosure

**THE FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT**  
**375 South High Street**  
**Columbus, Ohio 43215-4520**  
**614-645-8214**



**2017 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Franklin County Municipal Court traces its origin to the creation of the Columbus Municipal Court in 1916. Now, the geographic jurisdiction of the Court is all of Franklin County and those portions of the City of Columbus that extend beyond the boundaries of Franklin County. The Court has 14 judges in the General Division and one judge in the Environmental Division. Judges serve six-year terms, unless appointed or elected to fill a vacancy. Annually, they elect one of their peers to serve as the Administrative and Presiding Judge.

The judges who served the Franklin County Municipal Court during the year 2017 were Judge Michael T. Brandt who served as Administrative and Presiding Judge, and Judges James Green, H. William Pollitt, Jr., Ted Barrows, Paul M. Herbert, Amy Salerno, Andrea C. Peeples, David B. Tyack, Mark A. Hummer, James P. O'Grady, Cindi Morehart, Cynthia L. Ebner, Eileen Paley, Jodi Thomas and Environmental Court Judge Daniel Hawkins.

Judges preside over civil, criminal, and traffic cases and conduct both jury and non-jury or court trials. In jury trials, judges interpret the law and the jury determines the facts. Court trials are the most common trials in this Court. In these trials, judges have the dual role of interpreting the law and determining the facts. The judges also conduct criminal arraignments and preliminary hearings on felony cases; set bond on criminal charges; issue search warrants; and impose sentence when a defendant is found guilty of a traffic or criminal charge. The judges hear civil cases with an amount in controversy of \$15,000 or less, and cases that are transferred from the Small Claims Division to the General Division of the Court. Other civil disputes resolved in this Court included evictions, rent escrow proceedings, and proceedings to aid in the collection of judgments.

The Environmental Division has exclusive jurisdiction to enforce local codes and regulations affecting real property, such as fire and building codes. The Environmental Division has injunctive powers, and there is no monetary limit on those cases that fall within the Division's exclusive jurisdiction.

Each week a different judge is assigned to the Duty Session to handle a variety of responsibilities, such as applications from law enforcement officers for search warrants, probable cause hearings, and civil wedding ceremonies.

## **ASSIGNMENT OFFICE**

R.C. 1901.33(A), provides the Judges of this Court to appoint an Assignment Commissioner, Deputy Assignment Commissioners and other Court aides. This Court's Assignment Office consists of an Assignment Commissioner, an Assignment Supervisor, and six Case Coordinators, one Unassigned Case Coordinator and four full-time Assignment Clerks. The Assignment Office (Assignment) is responsible for the case management for all cases assigned to the 15 Judges of the General and Environmental Divisions of the Court from the time of case assignment until the time of case termination.

Per R.C. 1901.33(A), the Assignment Commissioner is responsible for assigning cases for trial. Assignment also schedules and monitors probation hearing requests as well as the sealing of record requests. The Assignment Commissioner manages all cases heard by visiting judges from the time of their appointment through the termination of the cases, and any subsequent probation hearings. The Assignment Commissioner is responsible for the judicial assignment of criminal, traffic, and civil cases.

The Rules of Superintendence for Municipal Courts, promulgated by the Supreme Court of Ohio, require that cases be assigned to judges in a random manner. Random assignment occurs at the time a defendant enters a "not guilty" plea in criminal and traffic cases, and upon the filing of a motion or an answer in civil cases (see Local Rule 1). The Court also employs a single assignment system (see Local Rule 8). This means that when a person is charged with a criminal or traffic offense and already has a pending criminal or traffic case, or the person is on probation to this Court, the new charge(s) will be assigned to the Judge who presided over the previous case.

Once a case is assigned to a Judge, Assignment is responsible for management of the case as it proceeds through the Court system which includes the pleadings and other information for criminal and traffic cases. Assignment reviews and will record the pleadings, motions, and entries for each assigned civil case and assists in the monitoring of the Judges' motion lists.

In 2017, Assignment processed the following new and reactivated cases:

2,256	Civil cases,
981	Environmental civil cases,
19,444	Criminal cases,
25,395	Traffic cases,
1,790	Environmental criminal and traffic cases,
2,374	Sealing of record and/or expungement cases.

Assignment also scheduled approximately 185,000 hearings and mailed approximately 750,000 notices of hearings.

Assignment is responsible for completing the monthly judges' report for the Ohio Supreme Court. For 2017 the General Division's yearly clearance rate was 98% and their 5 year average clearance rate is 100%. The Environmental Division yearly clearance rate for 2017 was 93% and has a 5 year clearance rate average of 96%.

During 2017, 4 of the 14 General Division Judges presided over specialized dockets in addition to the Environmental Division Judge. The specialized dockets are made up of the Changing Actions to Change Habits Docket (CATCH), Military and Veterans Services Docket (MAVS), Alcohol and Drug Addiction Programs (ADAP 101 and 201), Opiate Extension Program (OEP), and the Mental Health Program Docket (MHPD). All judicial proceedings for these dockets are processed and monitored through Assignment.

## **BAILIFFS**

Bailiffs coordinate activities in the courtrooms, schedule cases, provide docket management, provide information to the public about the status of cases, and act as liaisons between their assigned judge or magistrate and attorneys, court personnel, and the general public. Each judge has an assigned courtroom bailiff, there is an unassigned or "floater" bailiff who rotates among the judges when a judge's bailiff is absent, and there is a Duty Room Bailiff. Each magistrate also has a bailiff.

## **COURT ADMINISTRATION**

Court Administration oversees the administrative and operational functions of the Court. It carries out the non-judicial policies of the Court. In addition to providing overall support and direction to the Court's nearly 250 employees, some of its specific functions include personnel management, budgeting and fiscal management, purchasing, liaison with other courts and agencies, public information, appointment of counsel, court support services, court security, interpreter services, vehicle immobilization, and volunteer services. The Court Administrator is the chief non-judicial officer.

The Court's General Fund Operating budget for 2017 was \$18,382,224 with an additional \$1,331,697 Secure Facilities Fund budget and \$468,355 Computer Fund budget.

### **Breakdown of General Fund Operating Budget 2017**

<b>Personal services</b>	<b>\$16,553,109</b>
<b>Materials and supplies</b>	<b>59,797</b>
<b>Services</b>	<b>1,428,427</b>
<b>Other expenditures</b>	<b>340,891</b>
<b>Total General Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>\$18,382,224</b>

## **COURT REPORTERS**

Court Reporters make a verbatim record of court proceedings, prepare a transcript from the record of court proceedings upon request, and maintain records of exhibits introduced at court proceedings. The Court has an obligation to provide a transcript of all proceedings upon request of a party, and there must be a court record of all pleas and waivers. In 2017 there were 11 full-time Court Reporters and 2 part-time Court Reporters and they produced 180 requested transcripts.

## **COURT SECURITY PROGRAM**

The Court Security Program was established to maintain a safe environment in the courthouse for elected officials, Court employees, and all others having business in the courthouse. The staff consists of a Security Director, Security Supervisor, Administrative Assistant, Control Room Operator, and 23 Security Officers on the first shift, plus a control room operator on each of the second and third shifts. In addition, the Court contracts with a private security company that provides evening, weekend, and holiday coverage. During 2017 approximately 920,645 visitors to the Court were screened at the Court's entry points by Security Officers.

## **COURT SUPPORT SERVICES**

The Court Support Services unit that helps defendants resolve matters such as extensions of time to pay fines and court costs, delaying the start of court-ordered incarceration, issuance of or change in limited driving privileges, withdrawal of warrant or order-in that has been issued, assistance with impounded vehicle, assistance with Bureau of Motor Vehicle problems, and continuance of a court date.

State law mandates the immobilization or forfeiture of vehicles operated by defendants who are convicted of the following offenses: repeat OVI offenses (operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs) and driving under certain court or BMV related suspensions. Immobilization or forfeiture of vehicles involved in suspension cases related to the Financial Responsibility Act or wrongful entrustment of a vehicle are at the Court's discretion.

This unit also acts as a liaison and are responsible for the communications to and from the courts, law enforcement and defendants to ensure compliance with the court's orders involving the defendant's vehicle.

For 2017 this Department handled:

- 5,976 OVI cases filed in 2017 an increase of 1.5% from 2016's 5,886 OVI cases filed.



- 8,200 DUS cases filed in 2017 an increase of 1.2% from 2016's 8,105 DUS cases filed.
- Of the 8,200 DUS cases filed 449 (5.48%) of these cases are driving under an OVI suspension. This charge has a mandatory 30 day vehicle immobilization law.
- The Department **released** 590 vehicles, **relocated** 295 vehicles and **immobilized** 55 vehicles.
- There were 91 cases that the Prosecutor and Court were seeking **Forfeiture** of the vehicle.
- The Department **Forfeited** 6 vehicles.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COURT

In the Environmental Division, Judge Daniel R. Hawkins has successfully integrated a series of unique sentencing strategies to combat vacant and abandoned properties, along with chronically offending landlords in Franklin County. Property owners are ordered to bring their properties into compliance, under the supervision Court's Chief Environmental Specialist and the Field Services staff of the Environmental Court. Penalties range from daily fines, jail time, to even being sentenced to live in one of their own dilapidated properties until compliance is met.

Under the jurisdiction of the Environmental Division, Nuisance Abatement cases filed within the County come before Judge Hawkins. These cases include derelict hotels, liquor establishments in violation of the law, drug houses, and any other properties hosting nuisance activities. The Environmental Division also hears cases involving other environmental crimes, violations, and similar matters filed within the County. Some example of these cases involve animal abuse and neglect, dog fighting, vicious animals, wildlife violations, poaching, littering, dumping, unlicensed tire transportation, air pollution, water pollution, hoarding, health, zoning, property maintenance, and park district violations. In 2017, 4,579 criminal cases and 715 civil cases were filed in the Environmental Court.

In 2017, the Environmental Division along with the Franklin County Municipal Court's Probation Division partnered to provide supervision of all non-Code Enforcement related cases resulting in a guilty disposition and probation. A dedicated probation officer has been assigned to supervise these cases with the assistance of the Environmental Court's Field Services to provide inspections and investigations required by the sentencing of those cases. The Field Services team includes two Environmental Specialists who routinely provide these inspections and investigations to ensure compliance with the Rules of Probation and other terms of sentencing.

In June, 2015, the Environmental Division introduced the Community Cleanup Crew – a community service initiative that serves as a sentencing alternative that not only holds individuals accountable for their actions but provides them an opportunity to make our communities a better place to work and live in. Whether it's cleaning up along our roadways and alleys, working side-by-side with neighborhood volunteers at community gardens, assisting in the cleanup of properties affected by Hoarding, or cleaning up our parks and waterways, those who complete their court-ordered community service will contribute something that is both beneficial and constructive – and they will have paid their debt to society by using their own time and talent.

In 2017, the Community Cleanup Crew had 450 individuals complete a combined 6,237 hours of work in the communities of Franklin County. The Community Cleanup Crew removed 19.16 tons of solid waste, 222 tires (which were recycled), 514 bags of trash, and 24 cubic yards of yard waste from Columbus and other communities within Franklin County. The Community Cleanup Crew also hired a dedicated Community Service Coordinator to ensure our crews have ample projects to complete, while building relationships for future endeavors. Moving forward, the Environmental Division looks to expand the program to offer its services to more community partners: area commissions, block watch groups and neighborhood pride organizations would have the opportunity to have regularly-scheduled clean-ups in their respective areas. Additionally, services such as waste removal of City & County-owned vacant properties and graffiti clean-up will help assist the City and County in its efforts to provide clean, safe neighborhoods for the residents of Franklin County.

Finally, the Environmental Division will continue its education and outreach programs throughout Franklin County. Over the past three years, Judge Hawkins and the Environmental Court staff appeared and presented information at over 60 different community events, reaching thousands of citizens. The Environmental Court also maintains its website – [www.EnvironmentalCourt.us](http://www.EnvironmentalCourt.us) – to provide helpful information to the public and serve as a resource to area agencies.

### **JURY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

It is the duty of the Jury Commissioner's Office to summon, orient and assign prospective trial jurors to courtrooms when needed. The Jury Commission tracks *voir dire* (a preliminary examination of prospective jurors to determine their qualifications and suitability to serve on a jury, in order to ensure the selection of fair and impartial jury) results and trial verdicts, and collects demographic data to ensure the jury venire (those summoned for jury service) is a true sampling of all cognizable groups in Franklin County's qualified population.

Jury service is limited to two weeks, except in those cases for which additional days are required to reach a verdict. In certain instances, jurors will serve for one week only. Several different reporting times are offered to accommodate parking issues and work schedules. The Franklin County Municipal Court provides vouchers to help offset the cost for parking in two local garages and also provides passes for Cota. The number of jurors summoned in 2017 was 3,675. The reporting percentage for 2017 was 91.23% (adjusted yield from expected) while the failure to appear rate was 4.38%, which is still below national average of 15.00% for courts of similar size and jurisdiction. Jurors are paid \$15.00 per day for each day they are in attendance.

### **LANGUAGE SERVICES**

During 2017, the Court employed two full-time Spanish language interpreters and one full-time Somali, MayMay, and Swahili language interpreter and contracted for one part-time Spanish and one part-time Somali language interpreters. Together they completed an estimated **5,337** requests for service (**4,299** in Spanish and **1,038** in Somali, MayMay and Swahili). The Court has multiple contracts with outside vendors to provide foreign language and ASL interpreters. There were **1,695** requests for interpreters in **43** other languages, **1,588** requests were filled by **onsite interpreters** and **148** requests in languages of lesser diffusion like **Timie, Kinyarwanda, Krio, Oromo, Soninke, Vai, Shona and Malayalam** were covered through remote interpretation. The foreign languages for which interpreters were most requested were **Spanish, Somali, Nepali, Arabic, French, Tigrinya, Mandarin, Amharic, and Vietnamese**. Additionally, the Court filled **215** requests for **American Sign Language** and **Certified Deaf** interpretation. The Language Services Program continues to offer a mentoring program and training opportunities for judiciary interpreters to better serve the Court and all parties.

### **LEGAL RESEARCH**

The Court employs a Legal Research Director who provides legal research, supervises the work of part-time law clerks, and serves as a part-time magistrate. The Director and Law Clerks research and prepare memoranda on issues pending before the Court, maintain research and reference materials, review new case law to ensure the Court's compliance with the decisions, review pending legislation that may affect the Court, and advise the Judges and Employees regarding new legal developments and applications of current law to Court procedures. The Legal Research Director also serves as a part-time Magistrate and liaison to the Court's Self Help Resource Center.

## **MAGISTRATES**

The Court employs an Administrative Magistrate, five full-time General Division magistrates, and one part-time magistrate who preside over traffic arraignments, landlord-tenant actions, wage garnishments, small claims cases, and other civil matters. The Court also employs one Environmental Division magistrate who presides over criminal and traffic arraignments and hearings, all civil pre-trials and status conferences, other civil hearings and manages the civil docket of the Environmental Division. Judges may also refer specific cases to magistrates to take testimony, make legal rulings, and render decisions that are subject to final approval by the referring judge. Magistrates have the authority in misdemeanor cases to accept guilty and no contest pleas and to impose penalties. If the parties agree, magistrates may also hear contested criminal cases and preside over civil cases heard by a jury. Consent is not required from either party for a magistrate to hear a minor misdemeanor criminal case or any civil case tried without a jury.

## **DEPARTMENT OF PRETRIAL AND PROBATION SERVICES**

The Department of Pretrial and Probation Services (DOPPS) serves the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges under the immediate direction of the Court Administrator. At eighty eight staff, the DOPPS is the largest division of the Court. The vision of the DOPPS is *excellence in rehabilitation through evidence based practices* and the mission is to *promote community safety by reducing recidivism, changing offender behavior, and fostering accountability through effective use of evidence based practices*. The DOPPS follows an evidence-based paradigm that utilizes validated risk assessment tools and a differentiated, risk-based supervision construct. The DOPPS works with those under its supervision to gain compliance with court-ordered conditions and the development of supervision goals that are aimed at addressing assessed risk factors. These assessment-driven, supervision requirements can include any of the following: residential programming, cognitive-behavioral based interventions, behavioral health assessments, educational programs, counseling for mental health and/or substance abuse needs, and random urinalysis.

The DOPPS is proud to have highly trained and professional staff. In 2017, 15% of the probation officers held a Master's Degree, 11% of the probation officers held a license in Counseling, Social Work or Chemical Dependency, 14% of the probation officers are State Certified Trainers for the Supreme Court Judicial College and 47% of the probation officers are certified in one either Thinking for a Change, Equip or the Duluth Model of Batterer Intervention. In 2017 the average number of training hours attended per probation officer was 53, with an average of 22 hours being designated as Changing Offender Behavior. The total number of training hours attended by probation officers was 3,102.50, of which, 1,252.22 were designated as Changing Offender Behavior hours and 2,125.50 were conducted in-house.

During 2017, the Department supervised a total of 10,946 cases, including 6,071 new supervision placements. At years end, a total of 14,308 cases remained assigned to, or on warrant status with, the Department.

In 2017, the Department officially transitioned to become an evidence based organization that embraces practices that are grounded in research. The Court continues to seek consultation with the Carey Group as it progresses in its evidence-based evolution. One of the ongoing goals of this consultation is to maintain a risk and need based supervision construct that embraces an assessment-driven, case planning approach to supervision and utilized cognitively based interventions. The DOPPS is committed to transparency and to being a data-driven Department and has undertaken a robust data collection initiative.

By year's end, the DOPPS supervision construct was staffed by 46 supervision probation officers who reported to four probation officer supervisors. These evidence-based supervision responses include: Risk-Based (Low, Low-Moderate, Moderate and Intensive) Supervision; Domestic Violence Supervision; Sex Offender Supervision; Specialized Mental Health Supervision, Specialized Soliciting/Human Trafficking Supervision, Electronic Monitoring/Home Confinement, Work Release and supervision of the Court's specialized docket programs. The Court's specialized dockets include: Mental Health Program; Military and Veteran Service (MAVS); Changing Actions to Change Habits (CATCH); Alcohol and Drug Addiction Program (ADAP), and the Opiate Extension Program (OEP). Officers assigned to each of these supervision functions receive specialized training specifically related to the risk level and needs of population they oversee.

The DOPPS also provides investigation services for the Court. The Investigation Unit is staffed by four probation officers and is overseen by one probation officer supervisor. In 2017, the Investigation Unit was assigned 108 presentence investigations and 3, 024 sealing of record investigations. This amounts to a 37% increase in Presentence Investigation assignments from 2016. In 2017, the Investigation Unit began incorporating the Department's risk assessment tools into its presentence investigation reports in order to provide the Court with the defendant's assessed risk level and appropriate supervision placement, should the Court place the defendant on community control supervision.

In 2017, the Court made the decision to incorporate Pretrial into the Department's title. This was done in an effort to demonstrate the value that the Court places on the role of Pretrial Services. In 2015, the DOPPS received grant funding through the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Bureau of Community Sanctions, to develop and implement a pretrial services program. In 2017, this grant funding was renewed and expanded to allow for the incorporation of a sub-set of domestic violence cases into its eligible population and enhanced release planning for the opiate dependent, pretrial population. In 2017, the Pretrial Services Program was increased by two staff to include a total of seven bail investigation and

pretrial supervision officers and one supervisor. The goals of the Pretrial Services Program are to: prepare and provide the Court with Bail Investigation reports that include validated pretrial risk assessment information and release recommendations on eligible defendants who are in custody awaiting initial appearance, in order to provide Judges with the information they need to make informed bail decisions; reduce the overall length of stay for pretrial detainees; and to provide appropriate supervision and monitoring of defendants who are released by the Court on pretrial supervision to help ensure that they are engaging in their community-based release plan, making their Court appearances, and not engaging in new criminal activity.

In 2017, the Court invested in pretrial training and consultation, in an effort to help implement the recommendations that were made after the technical assistance project with the National Institute of Corrections that occurred in the April 2017.

In January 2016, the Court was awarded a grant through the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Bureau of Community Sanctions to hire a Training and Development Project Manager. Some of the goals of this function are to assist the Department in the implementation of, and fidelity to, its strategic plan and to assist in the development of staff. One of the priorities for 2017, was the implementation of a comprehensive Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Process. During 2017, the Department conducted a CQI process on Assessments, Case Plans and Officer Interventions. This process resulted in a review of 351 cases. Officers also had direct office observations for a two-day period twice during the year. They were provided feedback and coaching as part of this process.

In 2017, the Department sent two officers to a forty-hour Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Facilitator Training. It is the goal of the DOPPS to ensure that each staff person is trained and certified in MHFA by the end of 2018.

Goals for 2018 include: continued booster trainings for officers in case planning and cognitive-behavioral interventions and training for the Department's Supervisors in the CQI process, and the coaching of officers in EBP. Additionally, the Department plans to train and certify an additional seven staff as Thinking for a Change (T4C) group facilitators. During 2017, the Department's twelve T4C trained facilitators conducted 18 weeks of T4C-based groups for the Court's defendants.

In consultation with the Carey Group, the Court developed a comprehensive Behavioral Management System (BMS). This development was done in collaboration with, and cooperation from, its stakeholders that include: the Public Defender's Office, City and Suburban Prosecutor's Offices, and members of the Private Bar.

The DOPPS Support unit is essential in assisting with recidivism-reduction efforts by connecting the individuals placed on probation with the appropriate officer who will help address their needs. One way this is achieved is by the Unit's completion of an initial risk screening process on defendants at intake in order to appropriately triage and assign cases based on risk and need. This twelve-member team works in a fast-paced environment alongside judges, attorneys, law enforcement agents, and the general public. The DOPPS support unit provides essential support for the Department's many operations such as, scanning and imaging, running computerized criminal history reports, and file management.

In 2016, the DOPS was awarded a victim services grant through the Attorney General's Office to enhance and support its victim assistance, or Probation Assisted Victim Empowerment Division (PAVED), Program; this grant was continued in 2017. With the support of this grant, the Department was able to increase the staffing of the PAVED Program from two Victim Assistants to three Victim Assistants and one Victim Assistant Supervisor. In 2017, the DOPS PAVED unit Victim Assistants all became certified to administer the Danger Assessment which is a tool designed to assess the lethality threat for a victim of domestic violence. PAVED staff also became familiar with the SHARP assessment tool which is an assessment of stalking cases. The PAVED Program staff are pursuing and/or maintaining credentials as registered advocates, providing critical support and guidance to victims of probation cases. The PAVED Program's close collaboration with the Domestic Violence Unit and City Prosecutor's Office Victim Advocate Program assists in the continuity of support for victims and assists staff in addressing the critical needs and issues involved with these cases. The PAVED Victim Assistants also have been working on a Policy and Procedure Manual for the Unit which is close to completion and implementation. The two grant funded PAVED positions provided services to approximately 950 crime victims during the 2017 calendar year.

The Department's Community Sanctions Unit (CSU), is comprised of three full time and one part time staff and one supervisor. In 2017, the CSU was assigned 2,803 new Provided No Convictions (PNC) cases and continued to monitor 3,186 PNC cases that were carried over from the previous year. The CSU monitors PNC cases for new criminal convictions. The CSU also schedules and monitors court-ordered community service and restitution collection. In 2017, 20,783 hours of community service were ordered, and 15,263 hours were successfully completed. In 2017, a total of \$341,091.78 in restitution was ordered in 532 cases, and \$229,205.52 was collected and disbursed. The remaining cases are still paying, revoked, or on warrant status. In addition to these functions, the CSU also assists with the management and supervision of the Department's low risk (Team Supervision) response, as well as, oversight of the Court's Non-Reporting Community Sanction response (NRCS).

The DOPPS has one Community Resource Specialist on staff. This position assists in the management of the Court's Suzanne Hopper Act or Form 95 Process that identifies offenders with specific mental health diagnoses and convictions and provides notification to law enforcement (130 forms submitted in 2017); assisting with the Department's jail Vivitrol Program; overseeing the Department's Resource Committee; assisting in the development of the Department's Community Resources Evaluation and Development process (25 agency visits completed); coordinating placements into the Department's residential treatment programs (86 placements made to residential treatment); and conducting behavioral health and risk assessments (approximately 200 completed in 2017).

Because of the increased scope of responsibility for this position, in 2016, the Court allocated resources to allow for the creation of a part-time Special Programs Coordinator position that reports directly to the Community Resource Specialist. In 2017, the Court sought and was awarded grant funding to make this a full-time position. This position is tasked with conducting program eligibility screenings, program referrals, program data collection and management, and coordination of the Department's community-based programs and initiatives.

The Department also boasts an electronic monitoring/home confinement (EMHC) program. The EMHC Program is a cost effective sentencing option that permits a defendant to reside in the community while simultaneously allowing for continuous electronic monitoring of his/her whereabouts. Judges may impose EMHC as a condition of pretrial or post-disposition supervision or as a response to non-compliance/probation violation behavior. The EMHC Program allows defendants the ability to seek or maintain employment, participate in approved programming/treatment and attend to any critical medical needs or conditions.

During 2017, the EMHC Program Officers kept track of the location of 138 defendants as they served 8,938 days on community supervision. Of the 138 defendants, 74 successfully completed their EMHC condition (53.6%). Thirty six of the 138 were terminated unsuccessfully (26%) and 27 of the 138 were still being monitored into 2018). The 138 defendants placed on EMHC consisted of 119 men and 19 women. Fifty nine of the 119 men successfully completed (49.6%); 27 of the 119 were still being monitored into 2018. Fifteen (or 79%) of the 19 women successfully completed either EMHC requirement. The defendants sentenced to an EMHC condition served an average of 75.8 days of monitoring. All of the 15 seated Franklin County Municipal Court (FCMC) Judges utilized the services of the EMHC Program at some point during 2017.



Over \$7,000 in program fees, restitution, fines, costs, and child support was collected from defendants during their EMHC term. The EMHC Unit continues to see an increase in its utilization for pretrial release defendants and the Court's domestic violence population. Thirty percent of the cases assigned to the EMHC Unit during 2017, were ordered as a condition of bail. Additionally, of the 138 cases assigned to the EMHC Unit, 97 or 70% of the cases were for Domestic Violence related cases.

The Department's Work Release Program (WRP) is a jail alternative program that provides residential services to court-ordered individuals. Judges may impose this community response as an alternative to a mandatory jail sentence, as a condition of Pretrial release or Probation supervision or as a response to non-compliance/probation violations. The WRP is designed to help facilitate an individual's successful reentry into the community, by providing monitoring, programming and management of an individual's community access. Individuals will be confined to the WRP facility except for verified employment and/or court-approved programming. Program participants will be randomly tested for drug and/or alcohol use. The WRP allows the individual to maintain his/her employment and provides an opportunity for the individual to pay toward their court-ordered restitution, fines, costs and child support. Additionally, participants whose assessed risk level and program duration allow, will receive in-house programming and/or skill building interventions targeting their risk and need areas. The officer assigned to the WRP is on call and responds to non-compliance and program violations 24 hours per day.

A total of 221 defendants were placed in the WRP in 2017. These 221 defendants served a total of 6079 days of work release in lieu of jail time. Of the 221 defendants, 203 of them successfully completed their work release condition (91.8%). Eighteen of the 221 were terminated unsuccessfully (.08%). The 221 defendants placed on work release consisted of 174 men and 47 women. One hundred sixty of the 174 men successfully completed (91.9%). Forty-three of the 47 women successfully completed (91.4%). The defendants sentenced to a work release term served an average of 28 days in the facility. All of the 15 seated Franklin County Municipal Court (FCMC) Judges utilized the services of the WRP at some point during 2017. Defendants were placed on for a variety of charges that included but were not limited to: OVI, Domestic Violence, Theft, Drug Abuse, Aggravated Menacing, Disorderly Conduct, Assault, Telephone Harassment and Driving under Suspension.

During 2017, over \$72,000 was collected from defendants during their work release term. Additionally, the WRP saw a savings of \$259,780 in jail per diem costs during 2017.

The DOPPS Vivitrol Program utilizes intensive supervision and medication assisted treatment to assist opiate dependent individuals in their transition from the county jail to the community. In 2017, there were 99 program referrals and 59 program participants. This represents an increase of 31% from 2016. This program is supported both the Court and the Franklin County ADAMH Board.

The Department's Partnership for Advocacy, Care and Treatment (PACT) Program continued to be an essential supervision and program response for defendants convicted of Soliciting and who are not participating in the CATCH Court. The PACT Program provides a community response that incorporates specialized and intensive supervision, along with holistic, comprehensive and coordinated community programming, to assist with the success of this population. The PACT Program is a joint initiative of community partners and provides: individualized and comprehensive bio-psycho-social assessment; specialized case management; alcohol and drug treatment; the option of medication assisted treatment; trauma services; mental health services linkage; and wrap-around services such as, housing, transportation, and GED. In 2017, 72 women were referred to the PACT Program. In 2017, the PACT Program expanded the services to include a Peer Mentorship and Step-Down/Continuing Care component.

In 2017, the DOPPS received grant money to incorporate a Safe Housing element that will provide safe and stable housing to the PACT Program Participants to help support their success and program retention during the initial 12-weeks of placement.

The Chief Probation Officer (CPO) is responsible for the overall operation of the Department and is supported by the Deputy Chief Probation Officer and the Department's Management Team in facilitation of these efforts. The CPO is also charged with overseeing the Department's operating budget. Careful management and utilization of this budget is essential Department operations. Probation User Fees provide critical support to many essential DOPPS supervision programs and initiatives. These services include: staff training, contracted programming for indigent Defendants, urinalysis services, defendant bus passes, grant matches, and supervision-related equipment. Defendants paid \$450,827.27 in Probation User Fees in 2017.

The year 2017 saw: a massive restructuring of Department's supervision structure; many program enhancements; an increase in staff; program and staff development; and increased community partnerships. Additionally, the FCMC and the DOPPS has begun receiving national attention for its many achievements as evidenced by the Court being selected to present two workshops at the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) Winter Training Institute that took place in Houston, Texas in January 2018. In 2017, the DOPPS formalized its Core Values: Investment, Accountability, Optimism, Compassion, Collaboration, Efficacy, Progress, and Integrity.

## **SELF HELP RESOURCE CENTER**

The Franklin County Municipal Court Self Help Resource Center assists pro se litigants with navigating the Court. Created in 2016, the Center's main objectives are to improve the quality of court filings filed by pro se litigants, increase access to the justice system for individuals who cannot afford attorneys, and provide a positive point of contact between the Court and the community. It can assist Visitors with civil issues in Municipal Court, but does not give legal advice. The most common issues served at the Center are the sealing of criminal records and landlord/tenant disputes. In early 2018, the Judges approved a move from 369 S. High Street to the sixth floor of the Municipal Court building. This move has greatly increased access to Center resources. In the first two months of 2018, the Center has already surpassed the total number of Visitors served in 2016.

## **SERVICE BAILIFFS**

Service Bailiffs assist litigants, attorneys, and the Court by delivering court documents to parties and enforcing both pre-judgment and post-judgment remedies. Responsibilities include service of complaints, summonses, criminal and civil subpoenas, garnishments, juror letters, and probation revocation hearing notices. Writs of replevin are enforced through seizure of property to be returned to the rightful owners, and writs of execution through levy and sale of personal property for the purpose of satisfying judgments. Additionally, Service Bailiffs supervise the set-out of tenants' property during evictions.

The Service Bailiffs' Department processed or served in excess of 41,088 legal documents in 2017 and supervised 1,420 set-outs. The Department currently employs 152 full-time individuals: a Deputy Chief Service Bailiff, 10 Service Bailiffs, and a Secretary/Receptionist.

## **SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION DEPARTMENT**

The **Small Claims Division (Division)** assists individuals and businesses file claims for money damages up to \$6,000. Small Claims Court is less formal than the General Division of the Municipal Court and individuals do not necessarily need an attorney. The Small Claims Court and its processes are governed by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1925.

The Division provides information, forms, instructions, and videos for small claims cases and collections. The Division maintains a user-friendly website that contains all of the information required to initiate and complete a small claims case ([smallclaims.fmcclerk.com](http://smallclaims.fmcclerk.com)).

The Division also maintains an online negotiation and mediation platform to facilitate case resolution. **The Ohio State Bar Association awarded the Court's Online Dispute Resolution service the 2017 Innovative Court Programs and Practices Award.**

The Division has six full-time employees who support the Court and its magistrates. Division staff initiate, assign, and schedule small claims cases for trial. Staff also process notices and summonses for hearings. In addition to managing and processing cases for the small claims docket, Division staff answer questions about Small Claims Court and other court services. **Division staff managed 5,771 small claims cases in 2017.**

The Court's **Dispute Resolution Department (Department)** coordinates and facilitates mediations for the General and Small Claims Divisions. The Department facilitates in-person, telephone, and online mediations. **The Department managed a total of 2,714 mediations in 2017.**

- **928** Judge/Magistrate Referrals
- **259** Rent Escrow Referrals
- **1,527** Pre-Filing/Online/Check and Account Resolution Self-Referrals

The Small Claims Division and Dispute Resolution Department continue to work with the community to enhance access to court information and services. The Division recently hosted a webinar for courts in the United States and around the world on Online Dispute Resolution and the Department was selected to present on its Online Dispute Resolution service at the first Supreme Court of Ohio Dispute Resolution Conference.

## **SPECIALIZED DOCKETS**

### **MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Specialized Docket Department is to enhance public safety, rebuild lives, and reduce recidivism through restorative justice, while providing community education and support.

The vision of the Specialized Docket Department is to link participants to behavioral health treatment providers, encourage independent recovery, set individualized goals, and monitor personal progress, while providing trauma competent services and balancing accountability for criminal actions.

Our goal is to provide high quality programming for high risk, high need individuals using promising and evidence based practices. We are committed to building strong community treatment teams, working to enhance the knowledge of our stakeholders, and the larger community. We strive to become a model for the state and to advance the mission of Specialized Dockets wherever possible.

The Specialized Docket Department is made up of five specialized dockets, which are certified by the Supreme Court of Ohio, to provide intensive, two year programs, to high risk, high need defendants. Admission to a specialized docket requires a referral by a defense attorney, prosecutor, or judge. The defendant must be assessed for eligibility, and volunteer to plead guilty to an active charge to enter the program. Some cases are eligible for sealing and expungement upon successful completion of the program.

The Specialized Dockets are: Mental Health, CATCH (Changing Actions to Change Habits), MAVS (Military and Veterans Services), OEP (Opiate Extension Program) and ADAP (Alcohol and Drug Addiction Program).

The underlying philosophy of restorative justice informs the model of Specialized Dockets. The programs are based in a treatment team approach. The team consists of the presiding judge, the coordinators, the designated probation officer, public defender, prosecutor, and representatives from community treatment providers. The treatment team meets weekly to review potential admissions, progress of current participants, make referrals, evaluate individualized treatment plans and determine appropriate interventions and dosage. The goal is to move participants through the phases of the program as they demonstrate their ability to internalize concepts and apply coping skills in their daily lives. Rewards are frequently used and sanctions up to and including limited jail can be imposed.

There are also two educational programs, CATCH 101 and DEP (Drug Education Program), which are short term sentencing options for misdemeanor and felony charges. Additionally, the Department manages forensic restorations for the entire Court. In 2017, a total of 1105 people were served through Specialized Docket Department programs.

## **SPECIALIZED DOCKET CERTIFICATION**

As a Home Rule state, the Supreme Court of Ohio requires all Specialized Dockets to become fully certified. There are two stages to the certification process. First, submission of documentation, including the administrative order, the program description, the participation agreement, and the participant handbook. Secondly, Supreme Court staff complete a site visit to observe the treatment team meeting, the Status Review Hearing, and to provide feedback to the presiding judge and the staff. All certification standards and current practice guidelines must be met or exceeded to receive full certification. The final certification is valid for three years.

In 2017, Judge Barrows received final recertification to preside over MAVS through December of 2020. The certification was given with commendations from Monica Kagey, the Supreme Court Specialized Docket Manager, as the model military court in the State of Ohio.

### **2017 Presiding Judges**

<b>Judge</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Recertification Date</b>
Judge Ted Barrows	MAVS	Certified Specialized Docket	2020
Judge David Tyack	ADAP	<b>Certified Specialized Docket</b>	<b>2019</b>
Judge David Tyack	DEP	Educational Program	N/A
Judge Cindi Morehart	MHP	<b>Certified Specialized Docket</b>	<b>2019</b>
Judge Paul Herbert	CATCH	Certified Specialized Docket	2018
Judge Paul Herbert	<b>CATCH 101</b>	<b>Educational Program</b>	<b>N/A</b>

## **STAFF**

In 2017, the Department expanded the number of employees needed to serve the participants and programs. The Department increased staff from ten to twelve full-time employees. The Department was expanded to provide three coordinators for CATCH and two coordinators for each of the other four certified Specialized Docket programs. The Department is now hiring behavioral health professionals, licensed by the state of Ohio, in accordance with the 2016 change in licensure law.

The qualifications of the staff have increased to reflect the growing evidence-based practice approach to restorative justice. These changes necessitated updating the position descriptions which included increasing education and licensure requirements. The Departmental reorganization also provided a pathway to promotion through increased licensure. Additionally, the paygrades for the positions of Coordinator II and Coordinator III were increased and were moved to professional exemption status as informed by the Fair Labor Standards Act.

As a result of the reorganization licensed staff can provide some of the clinical services that were previously referred out to community providers. For example, licensed clinical staff conduct full diagnostic assessments on participants. This allows staff to establish clinical eligibility, prognosis, individualized treatment recommendations, appropriate level of care referrals, and communicate to the treatment team a deeper understanding of the risk and need levels.

Staff are responsible for leading the community treatment teams and maintaining HIPPA confidentiality standards. Clinical staff provide individualized intervention, monitor treatment progress, make referrals, coordinate with primary treatment providers, and facilitate group education in Status Review Hearings with the goal of building therapeutic rapport, and keeping participants engaged in programming.

## **STUDENTS**

The staff of the Specialized Docket Department believe strongly in mentoring students. The internship program grew to seven students during the 2017 academic year. Maintaining a student internship program contributes to the community by enhancing the profession and providing highly skilled behavioral health professionals to the community.

## **STRUCTURE**

The expansion of clinical staff created a need for additional HIPPA compliant offices and meeting spaces. This prompted a Departmental move to the 6<sup>th</sup> floor in late 2017. Now, each staff member has an individual office and there are flexible meeting rooms. Plans for court rooms with a procedural justice design have been finalized. The Status Review Hearings will be moving to court rooms 6C and 6D once the renovations are completed.

This Court may have the first Specialized Docket Department with designated court rooms designed for the sole purpose of holding program Status Review Hearings. Joining the restorative group on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor will be the Self-Help Resource Center, enhancing procedural justice in the Court.

## **BEST PRACTICES**

The Department remains committed to the use of evidence based practices and is continually participating in trainings and pilot projects to implement promising practices and provide research data to establish evidence based practices. The Supreme Court of Ohio called the Franklin County Municipal Court Specialized Docket Department a model of current practice.

In 2017, staff piloted a family program in conjunction with the ADAMH Board of Franklin County and OhioGuidestone to provide parent mentoring and counseling to the children and families of specialized Docket participants.

In accordance with Supreme Court guidelines, drug screens are provided a minimum of twice a month for participants without a substance use disorder and twice a week for participant who have a positive screen or a substance use diagnosis. All screens are frequent, randomized on a 7-day schedule, and fully observed.

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services announced that the Mental Health Specialized Docket is one of two sites in the State of Ohio chosen to pilot a program to administer atypical antipsychotic medications in a long-acting injectable form to eliminate barriers to treatment. The program will be developed in collaboration with the ADAMH board, the Franklin County jail, and prominent community treatment providers. The program will start in 2018 and is funded through 2019.

In October 2017, The Supreme Court sponsored a 2-day Specialized Docket Conference in October, 2017 to enhance current best practices and implementation of Supreme Court standards. The entire Department, all presiding specialized docket judges, and many probation officers and attorneys attended.

In December 2017, the Department staff applied for the Supreme Court Technology grant to pilot the IBM Watson Specialized Docket case management system. The goal is to generate intelligent interventions that can grow a database of intelligence that can be offered as suggestions to coordinators.



## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

The Specialized Docket judges and staff have provided approximately fifty local, state, and national trainings on the topics of trauma, human trafficking, the opiate epidemic, Specialized Dockets, and restorative justice.

Early in 2017, the staff provided 104 hours of training to every Sheriff in Franklin County. The training focused on understanding Specialized Docket programs and how to respond to their participants. The Department receive a commendation letter and a coin in appreciation of the 6 week training effort.

In April 2017, Judge Paul Herbert was awarded the Courage Award during Governor John Kasich's State of the State Address for his tremendous work presiding over CATCH Court since its inception in 2009. Kasich stated, "These women needed to be helped, and he -- come hell or high water -- he was helping them. And he has done it. And for that, I'm giving him a Courage Award."

2017 also saw the TEDx presentation of Hannah Estabrook, CATCH Court Coordinator III presented her talk [Justice that Heals](#) at TEDx Columbus about the important restorative justice work of CATCH Court.

## **SPECIALIZED DOCKET PROGRAMS**

### ***Opiate Extension Program (OEP)***

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of OEP is to address the underlying needs of chronic and severe opiate users. The goal is to establish effective treatment as an alternative to incarceration, to improve the quality of life, and to increase the safety of the community by providing Court oversight and linking defendants to appropriate treatment and service providers.

OEP evolved out of ADAP with the increase in opiate addiction. All the referrals to OEP are felony offenders. OEP utilizes Vivitrol, Suboxone, and Methadone via the OHMAS funded Addiction Treatment Program (ATP) to provide medically assisted treatment and counseling to opiate users.

#### **2017 Accomplishments:**

- A new Coordinator II, Lindsey Breitfeller, LSW, was hired in 2017.
- OEP served 70 participants in 2017. This is a chosen manageable census for the program.
  - 64% did not recidivate while in the program.
  - There were no DRC commitments due to new charges.

- The OHMAS ATP Program continues to provide funding for medically assisted treatment and Vivitrol shots provided in jail to decrease risk of overdose upon release. The web-based data collection system, TRI-CEP, is being utilized to collect information for the ongoing research portion of the grant.

### ***Alcohol and Drug Addiction Program (ADAP)***

#### **Mission Statement**

ADAP addresses the needs of defendants, who use alcohol and/or drugs, and that use results in criminal charges, including low-level felonies. The mission of ADAP is to address the needs of the high risk/high need target population, to establish effective treatment as an alternative to incarceration, and to improve the quality of life by addressing underlying substance use, and requiring compliance with treatment and monitoring.

#### **2017 Accomplishments:**

- The program has two full time Coordinator II staff members serving the program.
- The ADAP program accepts misdemeanor opiate, drug and alcohol related referrals.
- The program maintains two status review hearings per week. One serves the traditional ADAP population and one serves participants who use opiates.
- ADAP served 86 participants in 2017.
- 92% did not recidivate while in the program.
- There were no DRC commitments due to new charges.

### ***Mental Health Program***

#### **Mission Statement**

The Mental Health Program is the oldest specialized docket in the Department. Established in 2004, it was the first mental health specialized docket in the state of Ohio. The program serves participants with chronic and severe mental health diagnoses that have contributed to the behaviors that generated the legal charge.

If a case is accepted into the Mental Health Program, the defendant enters a guilty plea to their charge(s), and is sentenced to two years of probation with the condition to follow all the rules of the Mental Health Program. In some circumstances, successful completion of the program may result in the charges being dismissed.

The Mental Health Program has a Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) with several community service agencies including Southeast Mental Health, North Central Mental Health, and Columbus Area.

## **2017 Accomplishments:**

- A new Coordinator III position was added to the Mental Health program. Lisa Garland is an independently licensed social worker who is able to provide clinical assessment and interventions to better serve the participants.
- The Mental Health Program served 107 participants in 2017.
- 40 participants completed the program (successfully, neutrally or unsuccessfully).
  - 98% did not recidivate while in the program.
  - There were no DRC commitments due to new charges.

## ***Military and Veteran Services (MAVS)***

### **Mission Statement**

The mission of MAVS is to promote effective treatment as an alternative to incarceration, to improve the quality of life, and to increase the safety of the community by providing Court oversight and linking participants with appropriate treatment and service providers. Qualified defendants have been charged with offenses and exhibit symptoms of mental health and substance abuse disorders following active duty in any branch of the United States Armed Services. MAVS emphasize motivation, desire to change, and desire to engage in treatment with VA, Vet Center or other community providers. Peer mentorship is also available to participants.

The Coordinators understand the issues that a veteran may be struggling with, such as substance addiction, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Traumatic Brain Injury, and Military Sexual Trauma and are able to provide supports to the MAVS participants. The MAVS staff manage a treatment team that includes the Veterans Health Administration, Veterans Benefit Administration, State Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Service Organizations, and volunteer veteran mentors.

## **2017 Accomplishments:**

- MAVS was received full Supreme Court recertification with commendations as a model program in Ohio.
- A new MAVS Coordinator II was hired, Karla Jones, MSW, LSW.
- A new designated probation officer joined the MAVS team.
- A MAVS Coordinator, Zach Vicha, LPCC, obtained independent mental health licensure and was promoted to a Coordinator III.
- MAVS served 49 participants in 2017.
  - 86% did not recidivate while in the program.
  - There were no DRC commitments due to new charges.

## ***Changing Actions to Change Habits (CATCH)***

### **Mission Statement**

CATCH staff address the complex needs of defendants who have been charged in the Franklin County Municipal Court and have been a victim of human trafficking. They are charged with prostitution, solicitation, loitering to solicit, or other offenses. The mission of the CATCH program is to establish an integrated approach to meet the behavioral health care, trauma treatment, and primary health care needs of the participants. CATCH emphasizes a sense of community. Participants often refer to each other as “sisters” and to the program as the “CATCH family”.

### **2017 Accomplishments:**

- In January 2017, the Sherriff’s Department approved CATCH Staff to facilitate a therapeutic group inside the jail on Mondays from 12-1:30. The group has been of significant benefit to many CATCH participants who wait in the jail for weeks or even months before getting into treatment
- In March 2017 the CATCH website went live. CATCH Coordinator Keturah DeChristopher worked closely with brand strategists from Alloy and a team of people from Columbus College of Art & Design to launch this exciting resource. You can find the site at [www.catchcourt.org](http://www.catchcourt.org). [There is also a link to the CATCH site on the Franklin County Clerk of Courts website.](#)
- The CATCH strategic plan was implemented resulting in increased staff to three full time coordinators.
- CATCH served 108 participants in 2017.
  - 12 Women successfully completed the CATCH Court program, double the amount of graduates of any previous year.
  - 99% did not recidivate while in the program.
  - There were no DRC commitments due to new charges.
  - CHAT House, an ADAMH funded sober house, moved to a new facility. The home is a recently renovated duplex that truly reflects the healing environment needed to serve this population. The maximum census in the new facility is ten residents. The office of the Attorney General funded an additional 10 beds at the Amethyst treatment center for women through the Victims of Crime Assistance program. Theses treatment beds are specifically designated for CATCH Participants.

## **CATCH 101**

CATCH 101 is a 3-day educational program designed as an introduction to Human Trafficking. It is held once month the program includes education, community resources, and an observation of CATCH's status review hearing. The goal is to offer the program to people who have a charge in the Court and there is concern that the person may be trafficked.

The education component focuses on human trafficking, addictive illness, trauma bonding, and recovery opportunities. Representatives from community partners such as Salvation Army, Amethyst, and law enforcement will present on current community resources available to defendants including case management and hotline numbers.

Judges and attorneys refer defendants who are not interested in the two year CATCH commitment to CATCH 101. CATCH staff track attendance and report back to the referral source.

- CATCH 101 served 107 participants in 2017.

## **Drug Education Program (DEP)**

DEP staff served 343 participants in 2017. DEP is an educational program that provides expedited Court arraignments and prosecution, as well as a reduction in jail time. Participants who have 4th and 5th degree felony drug possession charges are identified by the County Prosecutor's Office and referred to the program. The felony charges are reduced to a first degree misdemeanor in exchange for the defendant's guilty plea. The majority of referrals are from the County Prosecutor; admission is also open to defendants charged with misdemeanors. DEP is ordered at the time of sentencing.

DEP served 343 participants in 2017. This is a well-established program that maintains a steady level of participation. ■

## **Forensic Services**

The Specialized Docket Department manages all forensic restorations for the entire Court. The duties include, administrative management of competency evaluations, probate commitments, and restorations. There has been a significant increase in competency management in the last year.

- The Court ordered 181 forensic evaluations in 2017.
- The Court ordered 239 competency hearings in 2017.
- The Court filed 45 probate cases.
- The staff administrates an average weekly caseload of 45 competency restorations.

## 2017 DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICS

In 2017, the Specialized Docket Division served 1,105 people. The certified Specialized Docket programs served 866 participants. Of those participants who were discharged between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, the recidivism rates are below the national average.

Specialized Docket Division Programs	2017 Total Participants Served	2016 Total Participants Served	2015 Total Participants Served	*2017 No New Charges	*2016 No New Charges	*2015 No New Charges
Mental Health	107	144	70	89%	78%	75%
CATCH-Human Trafficking	104	101	36	99%	99.8%	77%
Military and Veterans	49	109	41	86%	99.8%	100%
ADAP	86	111	54	92%	90%	84%
OEP (Opiate Extension Program)	70	101	66	64%	82%	90%
DEP (Drug Education Program)	343	343	317	N/A	N/A	N/A
CATCH 101 Education	107	107	62 (NEW in 2015)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Forensic Restorations	239 Hearings	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>	1105	1023	646	N/A	-----	-----

\*Percentage of participants, who were discharged (successful, neutral or unsuccessful) in the calendar year who did NOT recidivate (received no new charges) during the entire time they were enrolled in the specialized docket (up to two years).

## **2018 GOALS**

- Complete construction on designated Specialized Docket courtrooms 6C and 6D.
- Continue to develop the 6<sup>th</sup> floor as a center for restorative and procedural justice in the Court.
- Separate OEP and ADAP drug courts and establish two presiding judges.
- Recertify OEP and CATCH programs.
- Continue to explore the issue of domestic violence and community collaboration.
- Transition staff to using Surface Pros to complete documentation.
- Implement web-based case management and data collection system, develop operational definitions for statistics, and generate meaningful statistical reports for staff, judges, funders, and education and research purposes.
- Update all Specialized Docket programs and assure adherence to the judicial best practices as outlined by the Supreme Court of Ohio.
- Implement promising practices and participate in pilot projects that further the field of research.
- Continue the Student Internship Program at the current level.
- Maintain the Advisory Board to broaden community support of the Specialized Dockets.
- Explore funding opportunities to expand the Department and the programming.
- Advocate for restorative and procedural justice on a state and national level using the work of the FCMC Specialized Docket Department as a model of support for other communities.
- Develop an expanded Specialized Docket website.
- Continue to build strong relationships with the community, Franklin County Commissioners, Columbus City Council, County Prosecutor, OMHAS, ADAMH, Stepping Up project, the Attorney General's Office, and the Supreme Court of Ohio.
- Continue to collaborate with community treatment and housing providers.
- Expand training and exposure on a national level.

## Special Projects Funds

### Dispute Resolution & CARS Fund – 2017 - Revised Code section 1901.262

<b>2017 Beginning balance</b>	<b>\$ 123,978.58</b>
Revenue	+ 6,555.00
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>130,533.58</b>
Expenses	- 5,162.00
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>\$ 125,371.58</b>

### Computerized Legal Research Fund – 2017 - Revised Code section 1901.261(A)

<b>2017 Beginning balance</b>	<b>\$ 631,663.09</b>
Revenue	+ 400,228.12
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,031,891.21</b>
Expenses	- 361,341.10
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>\$ 670,550.11</b>

### Secure Facilities Fund – 2017 - Revised Code section 1901.26(B)(1)

<b>2017 Beginning balance</b>	<b>\$ 340,034.71</b>
Revenue	+ 1,345,018.11
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,685,052.82</b>
Expenses	- 1,268,058.38
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>\$ 416,994.44</b>



## **Cost Savings and Efficiency Initiatives**

The Franklin County Municipal Court continually strives to improve its programs and operating procedures to increase efficiency and save valuable public dollars. Over the last several years, the following have been undertaken in pursuit of those objectives.

### **Assignment Office**

- The Office replaced four large, aged, and non-functioning printers that were used to produce court notices with smaller printers that will handle the same volume of work. The toner is less expensive and the more inexpensive units are repairable and replaceable if needed. The purchase of the 10 smaller printers' verses the cost of purchasing 4 of the previous printers is approximately \$200,000.00.
- The Office has streamlined workflow to help reduce transference of case files and pleadings between offices within the courthouse. Information is entered into the case management system quicker and it has decreased data entry errors and post filing updating of the case management system.
- In an effort to reduce the time elapsed between scheduling and notification, most case files spend less than 24 hours within the assignment office. This helps Clerk staff, Court staff and others locate files easier. This also allows ample time for the Court's hearing notices to arrive to its destination prior to the court date.
- The Office uses the File Tracker function within the case management system to help locate files that may be circulating within the Court and Clerks Offices. Using this feature has helped to efficiently monitor and track a file location and reduce the time and effort spent looking for case files.

### **Jury Commissioner**

- Flexible reporting times are offered to assist jurors in dealing with limited parking around the courthouse and as an accommodation for their work schedules. The Court provides vouchers for parking in two local garages as well as passes for COTA.

- The flexible reporting times also allow for a certain percentage of the jurors to report at 1:30 pm instead of 10:30 am. Jurors required to report earlier are those who will be assigned to special jury requests or jury trials that are scheduled to start in the morning. The Court's goal is to have only those jurors report early when needed and only in the amount needed to start the trial. This helps all sectors of private business as well as government to save due to the fact they do not have to cover their employee's absence for a full day.
- The Jury Commission received a grant from the Ohio Supreme Court to enhance the jury system software to allow for online accessibility for those who receive a juror summons. This improvement allows for jurors to complete their juror questionnaires online. Jurors also benefit from a much more efficient daily check-in process.

### Language Services

The Language Services Program "LSP" from Franklin County Municipal Court would like to recognize the Supreme Court of Ohio for creating a Language Access Plan - LAP to provide services to limited English "LEP" proficient individuals and deaf and hard of hearing persons who come in contact with the Court. LSP works closely with the bench, Court staff, and the bar to ensure that ASL and language assistance is provided in multiple languages in a timely and reasonable manner in the courtrooms as well as to all court services to allow parties' access to justice and equal protection under the law. In accordance with the LAP and the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio, Rules 80 – 89 the LSP uses certified court interpreters and telephonic interpretation, as appropriate, to ensure communication between the Court and litigants is not hampered due to limited English proficiency.

The Court has on-site interpreters who can assist Spanish, Somali, MayMay, Italian, French and Swahili speakers in navigating court proceedings. Franklin County has a growing diverse community, with this diversity comes expanding needs to provide court services in multiple languages. Accordingly, the Court also contracts with outside vendors to provide other foreign language and ASL interpreters. The growth of services in Nepali has spiked 100% between 2016 and 2017, becoming the third most needed language in Franklin County Municipal Court after Spanish and Somali leaving Arabic in the fourth place. For certain languages and dialects which are growing in demand and qualified interpreters are not readily available the Court relies on on-site interpretation by telephone. In 2017 there were 148 calls provided to assist with parties who spoke **Timie, Kinyarwanda, Krio, Oromo, Soninke, Vai, Uzbek, Shona and Malayalam**. Around 15% of these calls were traffic cases, around 70% were calls placed for parties involved in domestic violence cases and 15% were calls in which specific and brief information needed to be given out to a party.

The remote interpretation services has been enhanced thanks to a technology grant that allowed for the purchase of a mobile interpretation unit that offers live telephonic connection to interpreters. The person needing interpretation assistance, the judge, attorneys, and other personnel can hear the interpreter and vice versa, facilitating a more natural interaction.

The LSP continues to translate waivers, forms, signs and informational material for the courtrooms, Self Help Center, Probation and Small Claims Departments. In the arraignment courtroom, the Court has installed a large television display to present continual reading of rights which have been translated in to various languages. By using these technologies, the Court aspires to better assist those with limited English skills and for visual learners to have a better understanding of their rights, hoping to enhance the experience and ensure access to justice for all of the Court users.

The LSP would like to recognize the continuous support of the Supreme Court of Ohio providing remote interpreting for languages which are less commonly used and for which in Ohio and neighboring states a qualified on-site interpreter cannot be found. The Court follows the recommendations from the Supreme Court of Ohio "Court Interpreter Bench Notes" while working with remote interpreters and has acquired better equipment through technology grants to better assist the Court and parties with these special languages.

SJI Grant - Language Access Services Needs Assessment and Development of Local Language Access Plan: The Franklin County Municipal Court was selected in 2016 for a State Justice Institute (SJI) grant in technical assistance to work with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC), a language access needs assessment has been conducted in 2017 and a local language access plan has been created. The Department of Language Services is working on improving its programs and operating procedures, streamlining the requesting and scheduling processes to save valuable public dollars while providing the most qualified interpreters based on the final recommendations from the NCSC. This Department continues to promote effective communication throughout the courthouse to better assist the prompt and organized scheduling of interpreters, which is a large part of this Department's work.

This Department continues to work very closely with the interpreters in languages of lesser diffusion who are contracted to work at the Court to become part of the Roster of Registered Interpreters with the Supreme Court of Ohio, on 2017 there have been several addition to this Roster: Thai, Japanese, Farsi, Bengali and Hindi. The Language Services Program's mission is to have interpreters who provide ethical and professional services in a uniform and transparent manner. A mentoring program is available through this Department in which new interpreters are able to shadow the full-time interpreting staff and the results have been very positive. Several interpreters who took advantage of this hands-on learning opportunity have attained their Supreme Court Certification for legal interpreting in this past year. The LSP continued to work on 2017 with a dedicated effort in ensuring the performance of on-site and remote interpreters, based on accuracy, completeness, transparency and confidentiality, abiding by the Code of Professional Conduct for Judiciary Interpreters and Translators.

The Court's Language Services coordinator in collaboration with Community and Court Interpreters of Ohio (CCIO) and the Supreme Court of Ohio presented numerous trainings, a mandatory class was offered to the entire for The Franklin County Public Defender's Office, for the Judiciary Interpreters of Ohio and at the CBA for trial attorneys.

The Language Services Program works with Court staff, the Public Defender's Office and with the Prosecutor's Office to gather feedback in order to implement improvements in all areas of language access services, from scheduling, to assuring excellent, trustworthy interpreter performance, to the gathering of better statistics.

**Technical Assistance for Pilot Implementations of Video Remote Interpretation for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Cases** - With funding from the Office on Violence Against Women, the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) will provide technical assistance in Franklin County Municipal Court as one of the two chosen jurisdictions to implement video remote interpretation (VRI) for cases involving LEP survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. The goal of using VRI for these pilots is to expand access to qualified interpreters for courtroom proceedings (e.g., emergency/temporary PO hearings), out-of-court activities (e.g., clerk's office; courthouse victim advocacy services, prosecutor's office), and service provision locations (e.g., Family Justice Center, legal services, DV/SA agency). NCSC anticipates that the pilots will begin in mid-2018 and continue for six months. The OVW funded technical assistance will be complemented by another NCSC project on VRI supported by the State Justice Institute.

Through this project, this Court as one of the OVW pilot sites will be able to access a national database of 1,300 interpreters in 49 languages through their state's language access program manager. The pilot sites also will have the opportunity to be included in the growing network of courts using VRI, contribute to the development of resources and best practices, and access those resources. Technical assistance from the SJI project may be available past the six months that OVW funding will support. NCSC's technical assistance will include a needs assessment to address implementation and operational issues, as well as follow-up technical assistance by telephone and online communications.

### **Magistrates Department**

- The Magistrates Department continues to work with the Franklin County Public Defender, the Columbus City Prosecutor and the Clerk's office to use the arraignment courtrooms to reduce the number of traffic cases being individually assigned to the judges. Savings are related to taking the time to resolve cases in the arraignment courts instead of referring them through a not-guilty plea to the judges' assigned dockets. The costs saved include overtime for law enforcement officers called for pre-trials or trials.

- Magistrates encourage parties to settle civil disputes as early as possible in order to reduce crowded dockets and relieve stress on the judicial system. The Magistrates Department has developed a long-term relationship with The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and the Capital University Law School to provide day of trial mediation services to litigants in small claims cases. This is in addition to the mediation services available through the Court's Mediation Department.
- The Magistrate's Department provides a wide range of services to parties in eviction cases in order to assist the parties and to reduce the impact the large eviction docket has on the Court. The Magistrate's Department provides space outside the eviction courtroom, including conference rooms, to Community Mediation Services, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus' Tenant Advocacy Project and the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services' PRC Program to assist parties in eviction cases. The magistrates make frequent referrals to these programs and other public programs to help landlords and tenants resolve their disputes. These programs help reduce the costs of eviction, including social costs such as homelessness.

### **Pretrial and Probation Services**

- The Department's 2018 Goals include: continuation of the development and implementation of the Ohio Community Supervision System (OCSS) electronic probation case management system that will assist in streamlining workflow and increase data collection capabilities; the pilot and implementation of the Court's Behavioral Management System; and implementation of a day programming response, called Comprehensive Community Care or Tri-C. The Tri-C Day Program is a partnership of the Franklin County ADAMH Board, Community for New Direction, Columbus Public Health and the Court. The program will provide comprehensive, cognitively-based programming in targeted communities to help address the challenges defendants face attending assessment-driven programming at various locations throughout the county

### **Service Bailiffs**

- The Department has realized savings in salary and benefits by, through attrition, reducing the staff size from 15 to 12 staff members.
- Bailiwicks have been redesigned in an effort to reduce and minimize mileage expenses. Just for the last quarter of 2017 the Court experienced a 34% reduction in costs. For 2018 this restructure of bailiwicks appears to be continuing and in January alone we saw a 33% decrease in mileage expenses for the same time period as 2017.

## **Small Claims Division and Dispute Resolution Department**

### **Small Claims Division**

The Small Claims Division and Dispute Resolution Department recently completed its first full year of online dispute resolution. More than 500 individuals have initiated requests through the platform. The majority of users include defendants in small claims cases involving the City of Columbus Division of Income Tax.

Many individuals (plaintiffs and defendants alike) use the online platform to resolve General Division cases as well. The platform allows parties to resolve lawsuits without coming to Court, thereby saving parties valuable time and resources and allowing the Court to process cases efficiently and focus its resources elsewhere. **By providing an option for individuals to resolve their case online without coming to court the Court saves costs associated with personnel, such as magistrates, bailiffs, clerks, and security, as well as maintenance costs associated with court facilities, such as elevators.**

### **Dispute Resolution Department**

The Dispute Resolution Department provides the majority of its mediations at no cost to court users. The Department has one pre-filing mediation service that is provided at a cost of \$15 per request. The Check and Account Resolution Service (CARS) assists businesses and consumers resolve outstanding accounts outside of court. **The CARS program contributed more \$6,420 to the Court in 2017.**

The Department also increased cost savings and efficiency by partnering with the clinical externship programs of Columbus State Community College, Moritz Law School, and Capital Law School. The Department received valuable assistance from multiple interns/externs in 2017, which permitted staff to dedicate valuable time to other court matters. **Student interns/externs provided more than 300 hours of service to the Court.**