

Mission

The mission of the Tenth District Court of Appeals of Ohio is to provide appellate review and original action determinations for the public and legal community in order to objectively and fairly administer justice in a timely and efficient manner.

Strategic Focus

Primary Initiative: Case Management - The Court of Appeals has jurisdiction to review and affirm, modify, or reverse judgments or final orders of trial courts within the district and several state administrative agencies. In addition, the Court has original action jurisdiction over the extraordinary writs of Mandamus, Habeas Corpus, Procedendo, Prohibition, and Quo Warranto.

Primary Issue: Caseload - The Court of Appeals continues to monitor its caseload to ensure the efficient use of county resources.

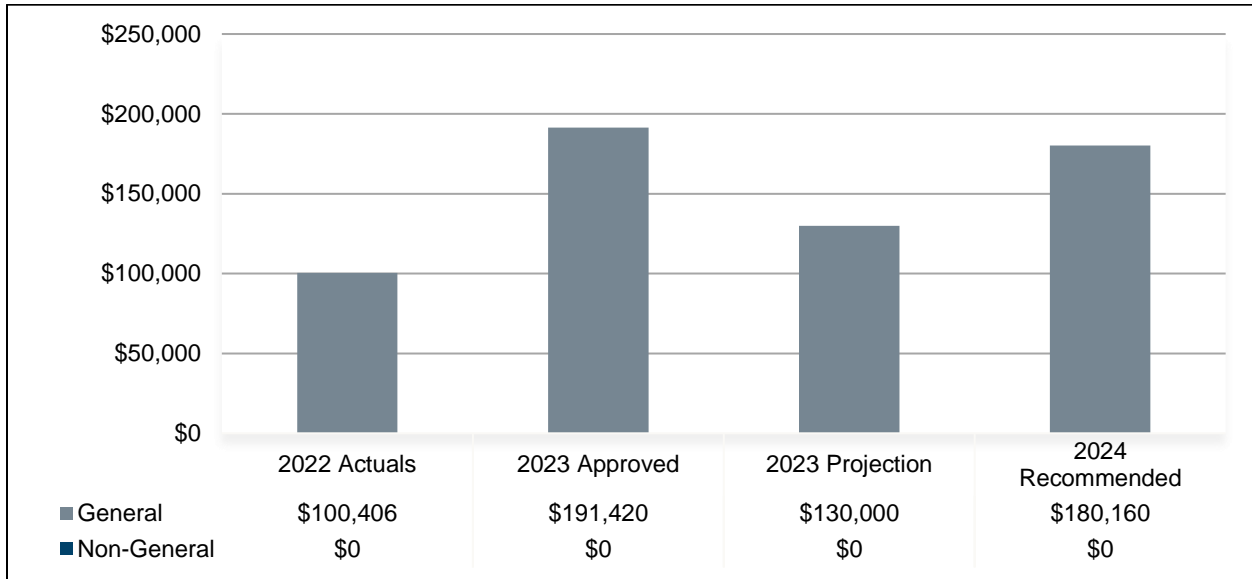
Performance Spotlight

Measure: Number of Cases Filed.

Program: Case Review

| About this measure | | Why it is important | |
|--|-------------|---|-------------|
| The Court of Appeals provides presiding judge reports to the Supreme Court of Ohio quantifying case information such as cases filed, terminated, and pending among other data points. The total number of cases filed includes various case types including criminal and civil cases. | | Tracking case data allows the court system to examine operations and ensure justice is administered in an objective, fair, and timely manner. It is in the public's best interest that the Court maintain a reasonable caseload to ensure timely case resolution. | |
| What is being done | | | |
| The Court of Appeals completes presiding judge reports per the Supreme Court of Ohio's Rules of Superintendence. These reports allow Ohio's court system to analyze performance and identify opportunities for improvement. The Court of Appeals case reporting not only informs the court's internal operations but also contributes to Ohio's overall efforts to measure and analyze court system performance. | | | |
| 2022 Actual | 2023 Budget | 2023 Projected | 2024 Budget |
| 837 | 880 | 878 | 950 |

Budget Summary – Revenues



Primary Revenue Sources by Fund Type

| Fund Type | Fund Name (Number) | Primary Revenue Sources |
|----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| General | • General Fund (1000) | • Reimbursements from the State Public Defender’s Office for appointed counsel expenditures |
| Special | None | N/A |
| Debt | None | N/A |
| Capital | None | N/A |
| Enterprise /Internal | None | N/A |

Comparison: 2023 Approved to 2023 Projection

| | 2023 Approved | 2023 Projection | Variance | |
|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | | | \$ | % |
| General Fund | \$191,420 | \$130,000 | (\$61,420) | -32.1% |
| Non-General Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | N/A |
| Total | \$191,420 | \$130,000 | (\$61,420) | -32.1% |

The \$61,420 decrease from the 2023 Approved Budget to the 2023 Projection is primarily attributed to:

- Lower than anticipated appointed counsel reimbursements due to lower expenditures in this area.

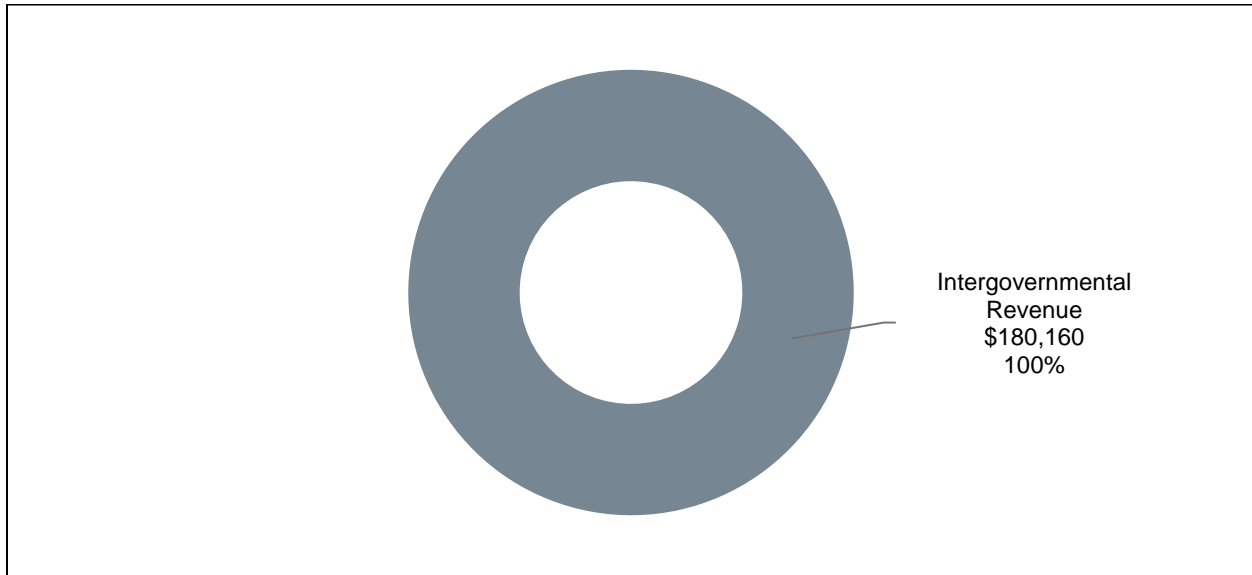
Comparison: 2023 Approved to 2024 Recommended

| | 2023 Approved | 2024 Recommended | Variance | |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | | | \$ | % |
| General Fund | \$191,420 | \$180,160 | (\$11,260) | -5.9% |
| Non-General Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | N/A |
| Total | \$191,420 | \$180,160 | (\$11,260) | -5.9% |

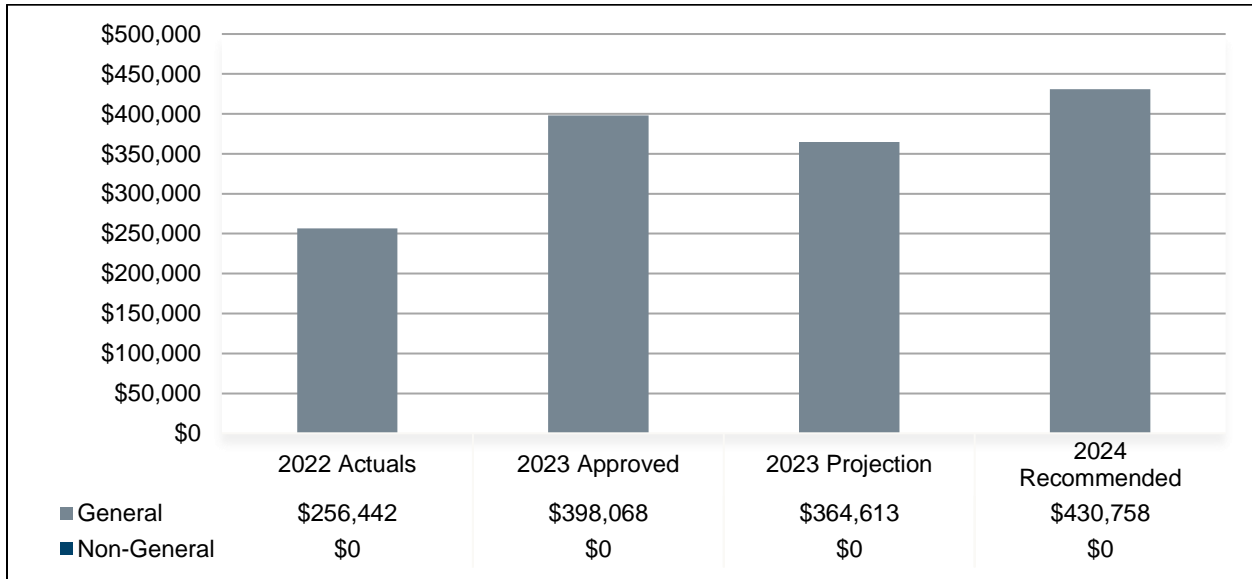
The \$11,260 decrease from the 2023 Approved Budget to the 2024 Recommended Budget is primarily attributed to:

- A decrease in the budgeted appointed counsel reimbursement rate from 85% to 80%.

**2024 Recommended Budget
Revenues by Category**



Budget Summary – Expenditures



Significant items in the 2024 Recommended Budget

| Object Code | Budgeted Amount | % of Budget |
|--|------------------|---------------|
| APPOINTED COUNSEL - LEGAL FEES | \$225,200 | 52.3% |
| PUBLICATIONS & SUBSCRIPTIONS | \$80,000 | 18.6% |
| IT COMPUTER STATIONS | \$32,500 | 7.5% |
| OFFICE MATERIALS & SUPPLIES | \$32,000 | 7.4% |
| MEMBERSHIPS | \$24,000 | 5.6% |
| MAINTENANCE & REPAIR AGREEMNT | \$9,950 | 2.3% |
| IT SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION AND MAINTENANCE | \$6,573 | 1.5% |
| LIABILITY/OTHER INSURANCE | \$4,400 | 1.0% |
| IT PARTS AND SUPPLIES | \$4,000 | 0.9% |
| <i>Other</i> | \$12,135 | 2.8% |
| Total | \$430,758 | 100.0% |

Comparison: 2023 Approved to 2023 Projection

| | 2023 Approved | 2023 Projection | Variance | |
|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | | | \$ | % |
| General Fund | \$398,068 | \$364,613 | (\$33,455) | -8.4% |
| Non-General Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | N/A |
| Total | \$398,068 | \$364,613 | (\$33,455) | -8.4% |

The \$33,455 decrease from the 2023 Approved Budget to the 2023 Projection is primarily attributed to:

- Lower than anticipated appointed counsel expenditures.

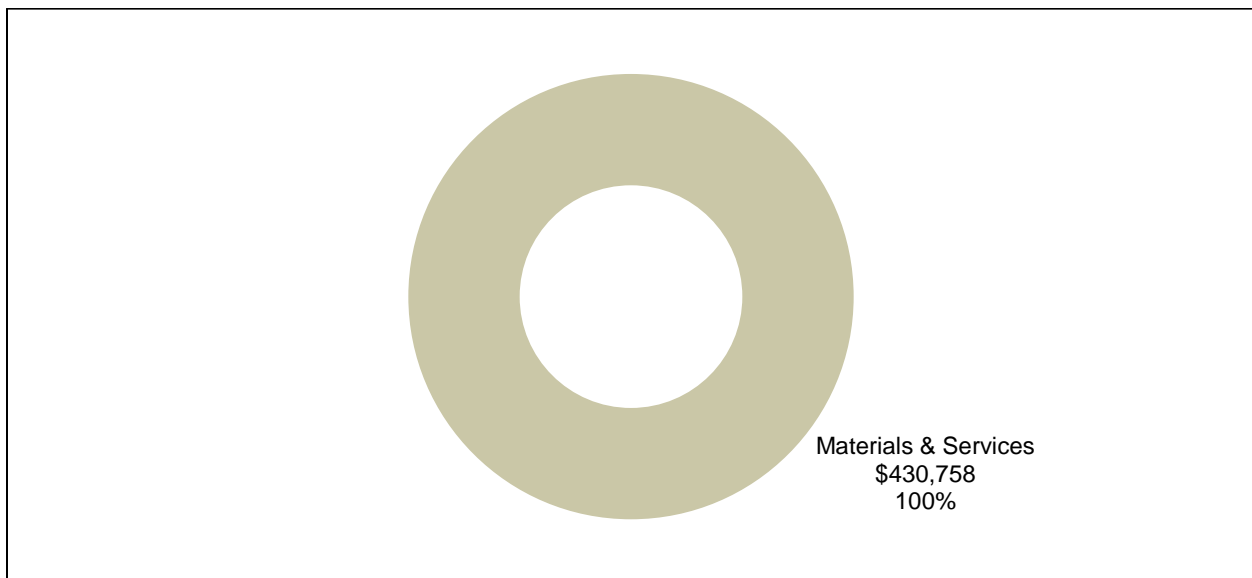
Comparison: 2023 Approved to 2024 Recommended

| | 2023 Approved | 2024 Recommended | Variance | |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | | | \$ | % |
| General Fund | \$398,068 | \$430,758 | \$32,690 | 8.2% |
| Non-General Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | N/A |
| Total | \$398,068 | \$430,758 | \$32,690 | 8.2% |

The \$32,690 increase from the 2023 Approved Budget to the 2024 Recommended Budget is primarily attributed to:

- An increase in publication and subscription costs as well as technology expenses for required device upgrades.

**2024 Recommended Budget
Expenditures by Category**



Budget Summary – FTEs

| | 2023 Budget | 2024 Recommended | Recommended Budget as % of Total FTEs |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| General Fund | 0.00 | 0.00 | N/A |
| Non-General Fund | 0.00 | 0.00 | N/A |
| Total Agency FTEs | 0.00 | 0.00 | N/A |

The Salaries & Wages for the employees of the Court of Appeals are paid by the State of Ohio. Beginning July 2013, the health care expenses are also paid by the State of Ohio.

Vacancy Credit

The vacancy credit process is designed to more accurately reflect the true expenditures for Personal Services and Fringe Benefits within the agency budget request. The calculations for the budget process begin with funding all approved positions for the entire year. Vacancy credits take into account that not all approved positions will be filled for the entire year. The methodology historically used by OMB to estimate an agency's vacancy credit utilizes a four-year history of unused personnel budgets to estimate an appropriate vacancy credit. However, vacancy credits may vary from the four-year average due to staffing trends or the number of positions supported within a fund.

The Court has no expenditures for Salaries & Wages or Fringe Benefits. As such, a vacancy credit is not applicable.

Case Review

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Case Review Program is to provide administrative, information technology, case management and dispute resolution services and opinions to the public and legal community so they can receive resolution of appeals and original actions in a timely, efficient and just manner.

Primary Services

- Adjudicates appeals from all trial courts in Franklin County as well as the Ohio Court of Claims and several administrative agencies
- Adjudicates original actions seeking writs of mandamus, procedendo, prohibition, quo warranto, and habeas corpus
- Interfaces with the public, the bar, and justice partners with the goal of increasing access to justice and providing timely and fair judicial determinations

Program Budget Overview

| | 2023 Approved | 2024 Recommended | Variance | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | | | \$ | % |
| Materials & Services | \$398,068 | \$430,758 | \$32,690 | 8.2% |
| Total Expenditures | \$398,068 | \$430,758 | \$32,690 | 8.2% |

Funding Source

- General Fund

Core Principle and Linkage

Provide Community Safety, Security & Effective Justice

The Case Review Program is linked to the core principle of “Provide Community Safety, Security & Effective Justice” by providing appellate review and original action determinations for the public and legal community in order to objectively and fairly administer justice in a time and efficient manner and to maintain the integrity of the judicial system.