

**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.

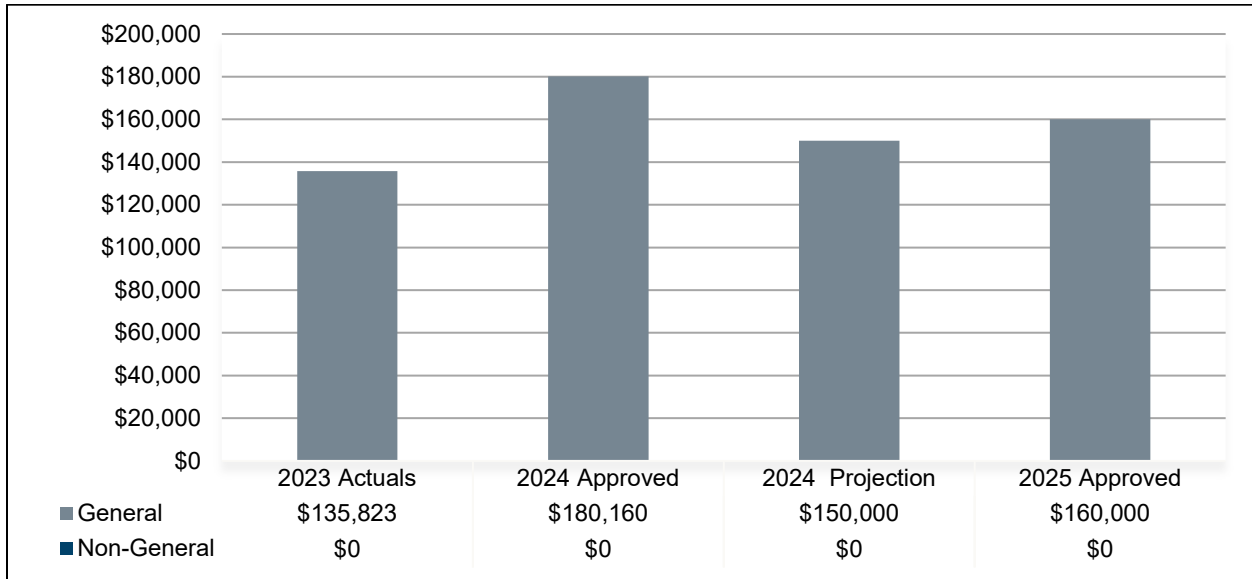
**Performance Spotlight**

**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.			
2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Projected	2025 Budget
804	950	873	925

**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: 2024 Approved to 2024 Projection**

	<b>2024 Approved</b>	<b>2024 Projection</b>	<b>Variance</b>	
			<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
General Fund	\$180,160	\$150,000	(\$30,160)	-16.7%
Non-General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$180,160</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>(\$30,160)</b>	<b>-16.7%</b>

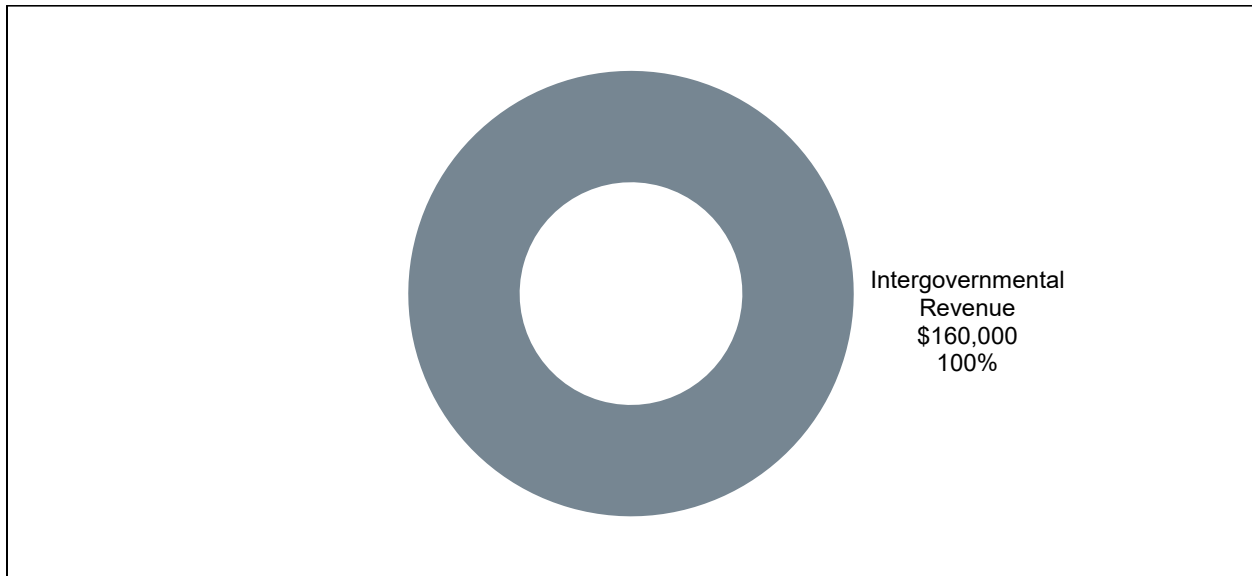
The variance from the 2024 Approved Budget to the 2024 Projection is primarily attributed to lower than anticipated appointed counsel reimbursements due to lower expenditures in this area.

**Comparison: 2024 Approved to 2025 Approved**

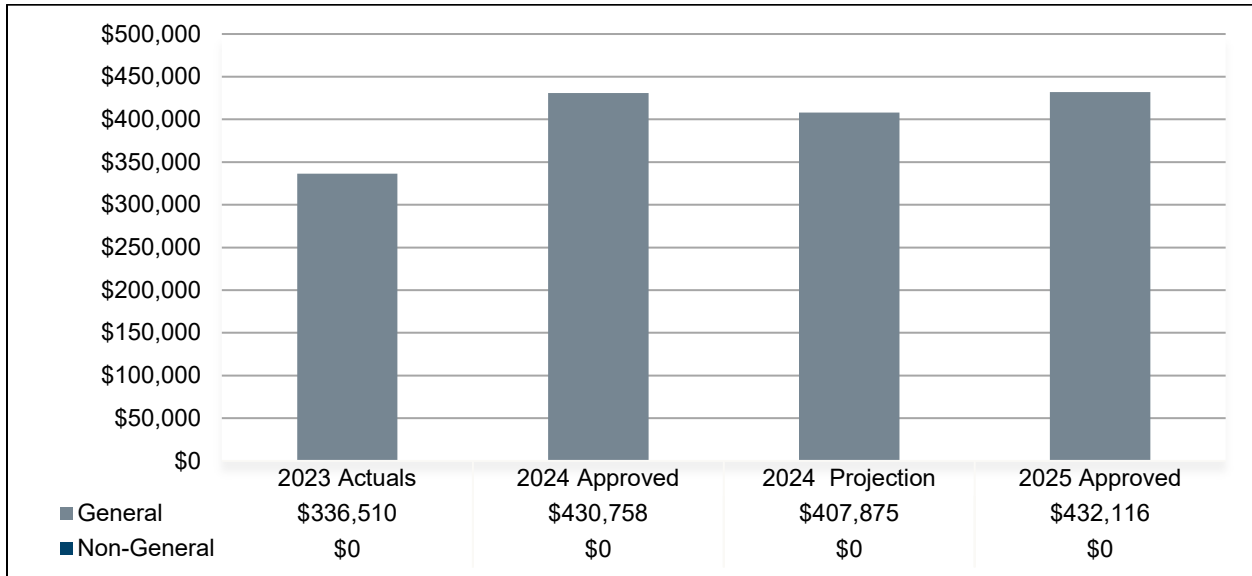
	<b>2024 Approved</b>	<b>2025 Approved</b>	<b>Variance</b>	
			<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
General Fund	\$180,160	\$160,000	(\$20,160)	-11.2%
Non-General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$180,160</b>	<b>\$160,000</b>	<b>(\$20,160)</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>

The variance from the 2024 Approved Budget to the 2025 Approved Budget is primarily attributed to a decrease in the budgeted appointed counsel reimbursement rate from 80% to 70%.

**2025 Approved Budget  
Revenues by Category**



**Budget Summary – Expenditures**



**Significant items in the 2025 Approved Budget**

Object Code	Budgeted Amount	% of Budget
APPOINTED COUNSEL - LEGAL FEES	\$225,200	52.1%
PUBLICATIONS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$83,000	19.2%
OFFICE MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	\$32,000	7.4%
IT COMPUTER STATIONS	\$26,400	6.1%
MEMBERSHIPS	\$25,700	5.9%
MAINTENANCE & REPAIR AGREEMNT	\$9,950	2.3%
IT SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION AND MAINTENANCE	\$6,900	1.6%
LIABILITY/OTHER INSURANCE	\$4,400	1.0%
IT PARTS AND SUPPLIES	\$4,000	0.9%
<i>Other</i>	\$14,566	3.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$432,116</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Comparison: 2024 Approved to 2024 Projection**

	<b>2024 Approved</b>	<b>2024 Projection</b>	<b>Variance</b>	
			<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
General Fund	\$430,758	\$407,875	(\$22,883)	-5.3%
Non-General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$430,758</b>	<b>\$407,875</b>	<b>(\$22,883)</b>	<b>-5.3%</b>

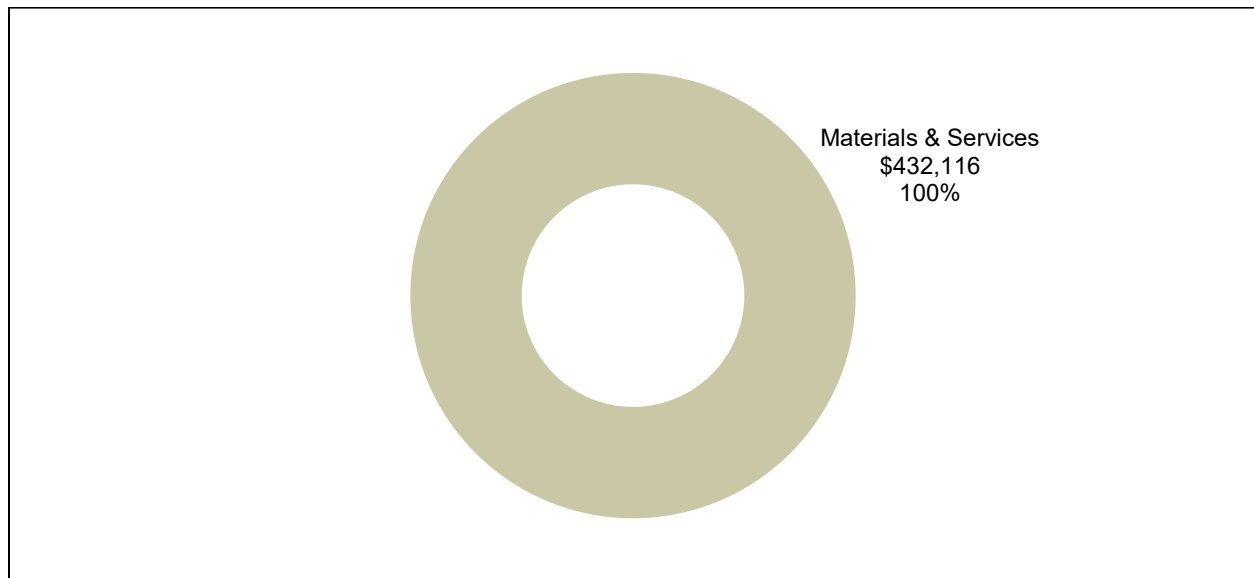
The variance from the 2024 Approved Budget to the 2024 Projection is primarily attributed to lower than anticipated appointed counsel expenditures.

**Comparison: 2024 Approved to 2025 Approved**

	<b>2024 Approved</b>	<b>2025 Approved</b>	<b>Variance</b>	
			<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
General Fund	\$430,758	\$432,116	\$1,358	0.3%
Non-General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$430,758</b>	<b>\$432,116</b>	<b>\$1,358</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

The variance from the 2024 Approved Budget to the 2025 Approved Budget is primarily attributed to an increase in Publications & Subscriptions.

**2025 Approved Budget  
Expenditures by Category**



**Budget Summary – FTEs**

	<b>2024 Budget</b>	<b>2025 Approved</b>	<b>Approved Budget as % of Total FTEs</b>
General Fund	0.00	0.00	N/A
Non-General Fund	0.00	0.00	N/A
<b>Total Agency FTEs</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>N/A</b>

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 expenditures for Salaries & Wages and Fringe Benefits within the agency budget request. The calculations for the budget process begin with funding all approved positions for the entire year excluding new positions contained in a Request for Results. Vacancy credits take into account that not all approved positions will be filled for the entire year. The methodology historically used to estimate an agency's vacancy credit utilizes a four-year history of unused personnel budgets to determine an appropriate percentage of Salaries & Wages and Fringe Benefits that will likely remain unspent at the end of the year. However, vacancy credits may vary from the four-year average due to staffing trends or the number of positions supported within a fund. Vacancy Credits may also differ between Salaries & Wages and Fringe Benefits due to the timing and fixed amount charged for healthcare.

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**

	<b>2024 Approved</b>	<b>2025 Approved</b>	<b>Variance</b>	
			<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
Materials & Services	\$430,758	\$432,116	\$1,358	0.3%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$430,758</b>	<b>\$432,116</b>	<b>\$1,358</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

**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.