

# 36TH DISTRICT COURT OF DETROIT (60)

## AGENCY PLAN: MISSION, GOALS AND BUDGET SUMMARY

### MISSION:

The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court administers justice with fairness, equality and integrity, resolves matters before the court in a timely manner with trained and motivated staff, and provides courteous and prompt service in a manner that inspires public trust and confidence.

### AGENCY GOAL:

Maintain and ensure speedy, efficient and just litigation of all cases before the Court.

### AGENCY FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

2013-14 <u>Requested</u>		2012-13 <u>Budget</u>	2013-14 <u>Recommended</u>	Increase <u>(Decrease)</u>
\$ 40,840,622	City Appropriations	\$ 31,033,117	\$ 31,938,605	\$ 905,488
\$ 40,840,622	Total Appropriations	\$ 31,033,117	\$ 31,938,605	\$ 905,488
\$ 17,568,444	City Revenues	\$ 17,568,444	\$ 16,350,098	\$ (1,218,346)
\$ 17,568,444	Total Revenues	\$ 17,568,444	\$ 16,350,098	\$ (1,218,346)
\$ 23,272,178	NET TAX COST:	\$ 13,464,673	\$ <u>15,588,507</u>	\$ 2,123,834

### AGENCY EMPLOYEE STATISTICS:

2013-14 <u>Requested</u>		2012-13 <u>Budget</u>	04-01-13 <u>Actual</u>	2013-14 <u>Recommended</u>	Increase <u>(Decrease)</u>
433	City Positions	285	386	285	0
433	Total Positions	285	386	285	0

### ACTIVITIES IN THIS AGENCY:

	2012-13 <u>Budget</u>	2013-14 <u>Recommended</u>	Increase <u>(Decrease)</u>
District Court - City	\$ 5,390,365	\$ 5,739,939	\$ 349,574
State Functions	<u>25,642,752</u>	<u>26,198,666</u>	<u>555,914</u>
Total Appropriations	\$ 31,033,117	\$ 31,938,605	\$ 905,488

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#### **ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: 36<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT**

The 36th District Court is a limited jurisdiction court serving the city of Detroit. The Court has exclusive jurisdiction in all litigation up to \$25,000 and handles small claims and landlord/tenant proceedings. The 36th District Court handles a large volume of civil infraction traffic violations, drunk driving, misdemeanor and felony arraignments, and some parking violations, among various other court responsibilities. Criminal Jurisdiction includes all misdemeanor criminal offenses and preliminary examination of felony offenses. Annual case filings exceed 420,000, the majority of which are handled in the Traffic and Ordinance Division. Michigan's largest limited jurisdiction court, the 36th District Court has 31 judges, 6 magistrates, and over 400 employees at a single location in downtown Detroit. The 36th District Court is one of the busiest courts in the nation. On a monthly basis, more than 160,000 citizens conduct business at the court, and more than 65,000 telephone inquiries are received.

#### **GOAL:**

To administer justice with fairness, equality and integrity, to resolve matters before the Court in a timely manner with trained and motivated staff and to provide courteous and prompt service in a manner that inspires public trust and confidence.

#### **MAJOR INITIATIVES FOR FY 2013-2014:**

The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court's main focus this fiscal year is to obtain sufficient funding to maintain the court at full operation, fill current vacancies, purchase technology that will improve court operations, provide speedy and efficient service to the public, and meet the Michigan Supreme Court's Administrative Order 2003-7 time guidelines for the adjudication of cases. For the past several years, the Court has experienced the challenge of continuing court operations while facing significant reductions in appropriations. As a result, the court has instituted a hiring freeze, eliminated all but essential overtime and postponed the purchase of new technologies.

#### **PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE FOR FY 2013-14, FY 2014-15 and BEYOND:**

In the future, the 36<sup>th</sup> District Court would like to introduce new technologies that improve the timeliness and effectiveness of court operations. Electronic ticketing is one new technology that would improve court operations by providing the Court with the means to electronically download traffic ticket information directly into our computer system. This would improve the Court's effectiveness and reduce costs by eliminating the need to manually enter each ticket into the database.

The 36<sup>th</sup> District Court aims to become nationally recognized as a leader in providing innovative, cost-effective and efficient administration of justice. One of the most cost-effective ways to realize this vision is through the use of technology. By using technology, the Court will not only enhance internal processes but also provide better services to the community.

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### ***STATE TRANSFERRED FUNCTIONS ACTIVITY INFORMATION***

#### **ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: STATE TRANSFERRED FUNCTIONS**

To exercise exclusive jurisdiction over Detroit civil claims under \$25,000, misdemeanor and ordinance violation cases and to perform all magisterial functions for felony criminal cases.

This activity encompasses the 36<sup>th</sup> District Court operations that were previously controlled by the State of Michigan and transferred to the City of Detroit upon enactment of Public Act 374 of 1996.

#### **GOAL:**

To maintain and ensure speedy, efficient and just litigation on all cases before the Court.

#### **PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE FOR FY 2013-14, FY 2014-15 and BEYOND:**

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### 36th DISTRICT COURT MEASURES AND TARGETS

Type of Performance Measure:	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
List of Measures	Actual	Projection	Target
<b>Output: Units of Activity directed towards Goals</b>			
Felony	10,241	10,753	11,291
Misdemeanor	37,4945	39,370	41,339
Civil Infractions	7,149	7,506	7,881
Misdemeanors and Civil Infractions	226,157	237,465	249,338
Operating under the Influence of Liquor (OUI/OWI)	562	590	620
General	27,171	28,530	29,956
Small Claims	2,921	3,067	3,220
Real Estate	34,207	35,917	37,713
Total Cases	345,903	363,198	381,358
<b>Activity Cost</b>	<b>\$37,966,216</b>	<b>\$31,033,117</b>	<b>\$31,938,605</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**36th District Court**  
**Financial Detail by Appropriation and Organization**

Direct Costs District Court	2012-13 Redbook		2013-14 Dept Final Request		2013-14 Mayor's Budget Rec	
	FTE	AMOUNT	FTE	AMOUNT	FTE	AMOUNT
<i>APPROPRIATION ORGANIZATION</i>						
00393 - District Court						
600010 - Direct Costs	31	\$4,631,365	31	\$4,999,039	31	\$4,889,939
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$4,631,365</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$4,999,039</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$4,889,939</b>
00663 - 36th District Security Reimbursement						
600035 - Court Security Reimbursement	0	\$350,000	0	\$350,000	0	\$500,000
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>
11194 - Drug Court						
600155 - Drug Court	0	\$269,000	0	\$350,000	0	\$269,000
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$269,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$269,000</b>
12221 - Project Fresh Start						
600160 - Project Fresh Start	0	\$140,000	0	\$140,000	0	\$81,000
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$140,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$140,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$81,000</b>
<b>ACTIVITY TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$5,390,365</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$5,839,039</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$5,739,939</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**Budget Development for FY 2013-2014**  
**Appropriations - Summary Objects**

	<b>2012-13 Redbook</b>	<b>2013-14 Dept Final Request</b>	<b>2013-14 Mayor's Budget Rec</b>
<b>AC0560 - District Court</b>			
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>			
SALWAGESL - Salary & Wages	1,417,444	1,417,444	1,417,444
EMPBENESL - Employee Benef	1,262,517	1,481,230	1,562,145
PROFSVCSL - Professional/Cor	1,636,600	1,799,115	1,577,600
OPERSVCSL - Operating Servic	1,073,804	1,141,250	1,182,750
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>	<i>5,390,365</i>	<i>5,839,039</i>	<i>5,739,939</i>
<b>AC0560 - District Court</b>	<b>5,390,365</b>	<b>5,839,039</b>	<b>5,739,939</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,390,365</b>	<b>5,839,039</b>	<b>5,739,939</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**36th District Court**  
**Financial Detail by Appropriation and Organization**

<b>District Court Operations</b>	<b>2012-13</b>		<b>2013-14</b>		<b>2013-14</b>	
	<b>Redbook</b>		<b>Dept Final</b>		<b>Mayor's</b>	
<b>State Transferred Functions</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<b>Request</b>					<b>Budget Rec</b>	
<i>APPROPRIATION</i>						
<i>ORGANIZATION</i>						
05715 - State Transferred Functions						
600014 - District Court Operations	254	\$23,856,425	402	\$32,442,253	254	\$24,370,434
600100 - Court Administration	0	\$1,786,327	0	\$2,559,370	0	\$1,828,232
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>\$25,642,752</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>\$35,001,623</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>\$26,198,666</b>
<b>ACTIVITY TOTAL</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>\$25,642,752</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>\$35,001,623</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>\$26,198,666</b>

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**Budget Development for FY 2013-2014**  
**Appropriations - Summary Objects**

	<b>2012-13 Redbook</b>	<b>2013-14 Dept Final Request</b>	<b>2013-14 Mayor's Budget Rec</b>
<b>AC1560 - State Transferred Functions</b>			
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>			
SALWAGESL - Salary & Wages	13,171,461	19,604,953	13,171,461
EMPBENESL - Employee Benef	10,684,964	12,837,300	11,198,973
PROFSVCSL - Professional/Cor	636,000	1,000,000	778,000
OPERSUPSL - Operating Suppli	643,000	773,800	562,000
OPERSVCSL - Operating Servic	442,465	529,320	423,370
CAPEQUPSL - Capital Equipme	62,862	244,250	62,862
OTHEXPSSL - Other Expenses	2,000	12,000	2,000
<i>A60000 - 36th District Court</i>	<i>25,642,752</i>	<i>35,001,623</i>	<i>26,198,666</i>
<b>AC1560 - State Transferred Functions</b>	<b>25,642,752</b>	<b>35,001,623</b>	<b>26,198,666</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>25,642,752</b>	<b>35,001,623</b>	<b>26,198,666</b>



**CITY OF DETROIT**  
**Budget Development for FY 2013-2014**  
**Appropriation Summary - Revenues**

	2011-12 Actuals	2012-13 Redbook	2013-14 Dept Final Request	2013-14 Mayor's Budget Rec	Variance
<b>A60000 - 36th District Court</b>					
<i>00393 - District Court</i>					
422210 - Other Shared Taxes - T	364,292	0	0	0	0
446100 - Administration Fee	41	0	0	0	0
449140 - Personal Services-Stat	1,730,938	1,417,444	1,417,444	1,417,444	0
<i>00393 - District Court</i>	<i>2,095,271</i>	<i>1,417,444</i>	<i>1,417,444</i>	<i>1,417,444</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>05715 - State Transferred Functions</i>					
448115 - Other Fees	8,302,948	8,815,000	8,815,000	8,596,654	(218,346)
455100 - Ordinance Fines-Traffic	5,189,855	6,000,000	6,000,000	5,000,000	(1,000,000)
455105 - Court Fines	270,959	278,000	278,000	278,000	0
472100 - Other Forfeits And Pen	718,938	1,058,000	1,058,000	1,058,000	0
<i>05715 - State Transferred Functions</i>	<i>14,482,700</i>	<i>16,151,000</i>	<i>16,151,000</i>	<i>14,932,654</i>	<i>(1,218,346)</i>
<b>A60000 - 36th District Court</b>	<b>16,577,971</b>	<b>17,568,444</b>	<b>17,568,444</b>	<b>16,350,098</b>	<b>(1,218,346)</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>16,577,971</b>	<b>17,568,444</b>	<b>17,568,444</b>	<b>16,350,098</b>	<b>(1,218,346)</b>

**CITY OF DETROIT  
MAYOR'S 2013-2014 RECOMMENDED BUDGET**

**36th District Court**

Appropriation	REDBOOK FY	DEPT REQUEST	MAYORS FY
Organization	2012 2013 FTE	FY 2013 2014 FTE	2013 2014 FTE
Classification			
<b>00393 - District Court</b>			
<b>600010 - Direct Costs</b>			
Judge - 36th District Court	31	31	31
<b>Total Direct Costs</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Total District Court</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>05715 - State Transferred Functions</b>			
<b>600014 - District Court Operations</b>			
Detroit Judicial Council Staff	254	402	254
<b>Total District Court Operations</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>254</b>
<b>Total State Transferred Functions</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>254</b>
<b>Agency Total</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>285</b>