

# CASE ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

IDC NEW CASE ASSIGNMENTS FY20/21 July - June						IDC ATTY FEES
Case Type	PD	LD	OLA	IDC	TOTAL	Adult Fees
Felony	333	49	375	127	884	\$ 425,809
PTR	73	7	191	15	286	
Misd	190	14	275	889	1368	
Appeal				4	4	
Ru 32		11	22	32	65	
Ext	36	8	29		73	
MH	69	66		1	136	
Del	129	2	32	19	182	Juv Fees
Dep	42	63	60	119	284	\$ 219,635
Dep App		1		5	6	
Sev	1		2	3	6	
Other/Grd	15	6	1		22	
<b>Total</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>1214</b>	<b>3316</b>	<b>\$ 645,444</b>

IDC NEW CASE ASSIGNMENTS FY19/20 July - June						IDC Atty Fees
Case Type	PD	LD	OLA	IDC	TOTAL	Adult Fees
Felony	371	106	291	81	849	\$ 476,949
PTR	157	73	98	8	336	
Misd	225	0	45	920	1190	
Appeal	0	0	8	5	13	
Ru 32	1	1	25	37	64	
Ext	16	13	17	0	46	
MH	142	0	0	0	142	
Del	144	0	90	14	248	Juv Fees
Dep	24	63	56	111	254	\$ 208,584
Dep App	0	0	6	6	12	
Sev	1	3	4	5	13	
Other/Grd	4	0	2	1	7	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1085</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>1188</b>	<b>3174</b>	<b>\$ 685,533</b>

IDC NEW CASE ASSIGNMENTS FY18/19 July - June						IDC Atty Fees
Case Type	PD	LD	*OLA	IDC	TOTAL	Adult Fees
Felony	375	200	129	250	954	\$ 561,742
PTR	238	131	68	26	463	
Misd	248	2	22	1099	1371	
Appeal	4	0	5	12	21	
Ru 32	9	3	14	44	70	
Ext	50	2	6	0	58	
MH	131	0	0	1	132	
Del	121	83	31	12	247	Juv Fees
Dep	20	44	23	150	237	\$ 264,089
Dep App	1	1	2	9	13	
Sev	9	9	0	4	22	
Other/Grd	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1206</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>1607</b>	<b>3588</b>	<b>\$ 825,831</b>

\*Office of Legal Advocate opened February 2019

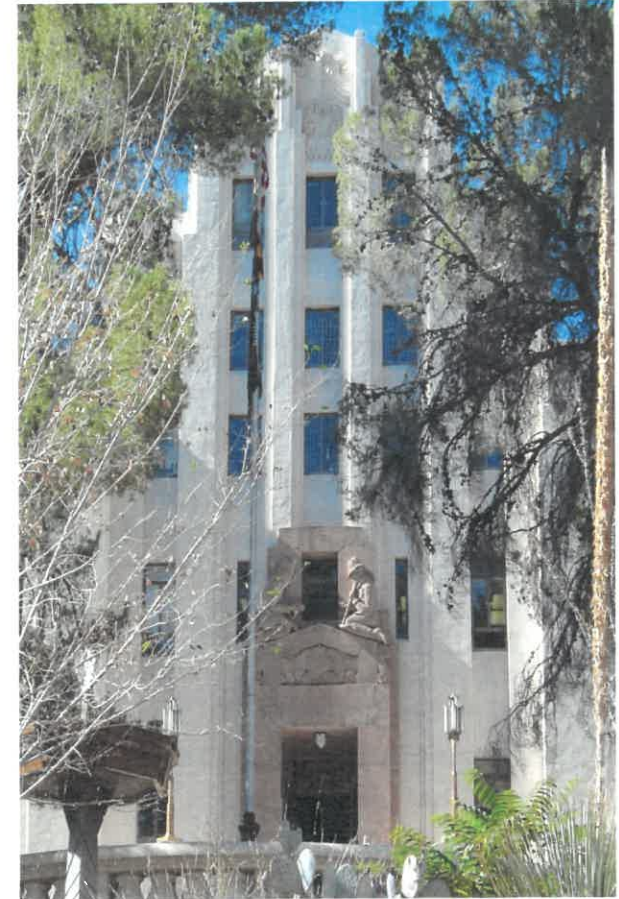
The Cochise County Public Legal Services Division provides legal counsel in cases where a person is constitutionally entitled to an attorney and the court has determined that they are indigent and do not have the financial ability to hire one. These cases include criminal felony, misdemeanor, extradition and appellate cases, guardianship cases, juvenile delinquency and dependency cases, and mental health commitment cases.

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# COCHISE COUNTY PUBLIC LEGAL SERVICES



ANNUAL REPORT  
Fiscal Year 2020/21

# FY20/21 CASE ASSIGNMENTS

There were 3,316 new cases assigned in FY20/21, an increase of 142 cases compared to the previous fiscal year. The Public Defender, Legal Defender and Office of Legal Advocate were assigned 86% of all new felony cases compared to 90% in FY19/20 and 58% of all new dependency cases compared to 56% in FY19/20. IDC private attorneys continued to represent the majority of misdemeanor and dependency cases.

## 884 FELONY CASES (IDC ATTY COST: \$192,405)

35 more Cases Than In FY19/20

- PD: 38% (333 cases)
- LD: 6% (49 cases)
- OLA: 42% (375 cases)
- IDC Attorneys: 14% (127 cases)

## 286 PTR CASE ASSIGNMENTS

50 Fewer Cases Than In FY19/20

- PD: 26% (73 cases)
- LD: 2% (7 cases)
- OLA: 67% (191 cases)
- IDC Attorneys: 5% (12 cases)

## 1,368 MISD CASES (IDC ATTY COST: \$168,102)

178 More Cases Than In FY19/20

- PD: 14% (190 cases)
- LD: 1% (14 cases)
- OLA: 20% (275 cases)
- IDC Attorneys: 65% (889 cases)

## 182 DEL CASES (IDC ATTY COST: \$19,215)

66 Fewer Cases Than In FY19/20

- PD: 71% (129 cases)
- LD: .1% (2 cases)
- OLA: 18% (32 cases)
- IDC Attorneys: 10% (19 cases)

## 284 DEPEND CASES (IDC ATTY COST: \$200,420)

30 More Cases Than In FY19/20

- PD: 15% (42 cases)
- LD: 22% (63 cases)
- OLA: 21% (60 cases)
- IDC Attorneys: 42% (119 cases)

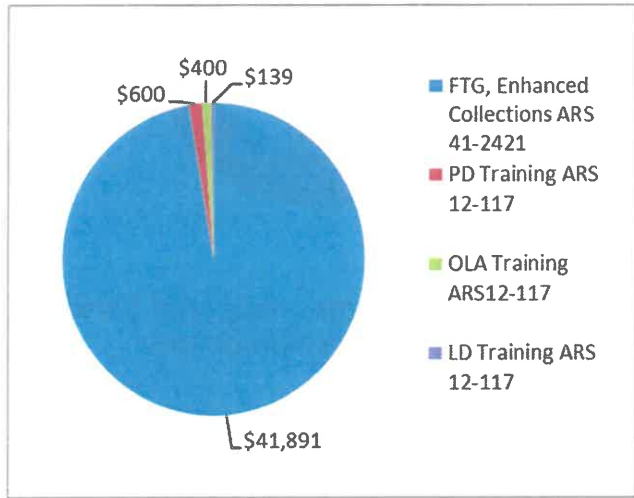
# FY20/21 BUDGET

## GENERAL FUND

Dept.	Amended Budget	Total Expenses
IDC	\$ 896,417	\$ 799,870
PD	\$ 976,365	\$ 881,241
LD	\$ 740,965	\$ 667,588
OLA	\$ 1,170,247	\$ 1,070,005
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 3,783,994</b>	<b>\$ 3,418,704</b>

## FY20/21 SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Indigent defense used \$43,030 in special revenue funding to avoid expense to the general fund. Fill the Gap funds were used to support case tracking software upgrades and programming for the PD, LD, OLA and IDC offices. Funds were also used to partially fund a paralegal position for the PD Department. Training funds were used for mandatory CLE credits although most training was postponed due to the COVID epidemic.



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## ATTORNEY FEE ASSESSMENTS

◆ \$64,199 collected by Courts (PD revenue)

## Restructure of Closed Case Storage

◆ Continued work on closed cases, both paper and electronic, toward transfer of closed records for departed attorneys to IDC to lessen the number of case conflict withdrawals that necessitate private attorney assignment.

## Title IV-E Federal Funding

◆ Title IV-E federal grant funding through the Arizona Administrative Office of the Courts intended to aid the county with costs and programs associated with representing dependency cases. Total fund balance for 20/21 was \$128,394. Used \$68,238 of those funds to partially fund the purchase of new casetracking software for all indigent defense offices.

## IDC CASE ASSIGNMENTS

◆ IDC made 3,676 assignments in FY20/21 (3,316 new cases and 360 case reassgments)

## FELONY JURY TRIALS

- ◆ PD: 0
- ◆ LD: 0
- ◆ OLA: 1
- ◆ IDC: 3

## COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS

- ◆ Early Resolution Court (ERC): Indigent Defense continues to play an integral part in the ERC program.
- ◆ Give Recovery a Chance (GRACe): A diversion program to aid persons with mental health issues and reduce costly court cases.
- ◆ Criminal Justice Task Force: Attended by representatives from the Public Defender, Legal Advocate, Legal Defender and Indigent Defense Office, County Atty, Adult Probation, Court Admin, Court Clerk and Sheriff. The group meets to develop procedures to address/balance the needs of criminal justice.