



Judicial Branch Budget Snapshot Superior Court of California County of Del Norte

Key Budget Challenges/Priorities

- Del Norte is a small, two-judge court that operates with minimal staffing levels.
- The Court relies on the ability to retain reserves to supplement operational funds. Those funding reserves are anticipated to be depleted by June 2013.

Budget Impacts

General Budget Reduction Impacts to the Public

- Potential changes in service delivery to the public resulting from further baseline budget reductions or sweeps of court reserve balances are being evaluated and addressed on an ongoing basis

Reduced Public Access: Self-Help/Mediator/Facilitator Services

- None at this time

Reduced Public Access: Court Reporters/Interpreters

- None at this time

Reduced Public Access: Public Service Counters and Clerks

- None at this time

Closures: Courtrooms and Courthouses

- Del Norte has a single courthouse which has remained open to the public

Staff Reductions: Furloughs, Layoffs, Unfilled Vacancies

- Court has held several positions vacant due to budget reductions, with salary savings redirected toward operating expenses
- Additional anticipated staff vacancies due to retirements will also go unfilled to achieve salary savings

Impacts: Court Security Services

- None at this time

Fewer Judicial Officers

- None at this time

Annual Allocation*

Total Allocation FY 2008-2009	\$ 3,307,628
Est. Allocation FY 2012-2013**	\$ 1,339,397
Percentage change	-59.5%

*Does not reflect unfunded cost increases

**For comparison purposes only, includes court security funding

Del Norte Facilities Overview

Number of court facilities	2
Capital construction projects	0

Judicial Workload/Employees as of Dec. 2012:

Population served	28,429
Judicial officers	2.5
Judicial officers needed	3.8
Filled staff positions FY 08-09	25.8
Filled staff positions FY 12-13	26.5

Case Statistics (Fiscal Year 2010-11)

Felony filings	370
Misdemeanor filings (incl. traffic)	1,252
Infraction filings (incl. traffic)	5,540
Civil filings	903
Family and juvenile filings	930

Court Leadership

Presiding Judge	Hon. William H. Follett
Court Executive Officer	Sandra Linderman