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# LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD



Jeff Landry  
Governor

Holly Howat, Ph. D.  
Chairwoman

Rémy Voisin Starns  
State Public Defender

EQUAL JUSTICE FOR ALL

January 31, 2024

The Honorable Phillip DeVillier  
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## **RE: 2023 Annual Report of the Louisiana Public Defender Board**

Speaker DeVillier, President Henry, members of the Louisiana legislature:

In 2023, the Louisiana Public Defender System represented over 145,000 people statewide through the efforts of over 850 public defenders and over 400 support staff without any waitlists in either capital or noncapital cases.

I am very proud to report that at the end of CY23 there are no more districts in “Restriction of Services” (“ROS”). ROS was a terrible and misguided policy first implemented in the Louisiana public defender system in 2015 in response to looming budget cuts. At one time 15 public defender offices notified local and state leaders of their inability to perform their important duties and would restrict services. That is something we are not going to do.

We are examining our protocols so that we can update them to ensure that we never go back to ROS anywhere at any time. In the face of a challenging budgetary climate, first we must correct inefficiencies that we find and second operate and administer the system as effectively and as prudently as possible as we work toward a new funding source that is sufficient, reliable, and renewable.



I am also happy to report that we have purchased twelve public defender offices in eleven districts with money appropriated to us by the legislature for that purpose. The main inspiration for the building fund was Hurricane Laura's destruction of the Calcasieu Parish Public Defender Office. In 2023, we finally completed the purchase of a public defender building in Calcasieu Parish. Thank you.

Reforms are needed. We need a criminal justice system we can pay for and a reliable, renewable, sufficient funding source independent of the state general fund with which to pay for it.

Thank you, again, for your leadership. I look forward to working with each of you and your colleagues toward our common goal of a criminal justice system that can operate properly for the benefit of all of Louisiana including the indigent people accused of crimes.



Rémy Voisin Starns

# **LPDB CY 2023 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEEDED CHANGES IN THE LAW**

## **1) Creation of a stable, reliable, sufficient funding source for public defense**

- a. Provide a stable, reliable, sufficient funding source for public defense, including resources to conduct investigative work, utilize experts, and seek appellate review. This would improve services provided to individuals charged with crimes or delinquent offenses and potentially decrease the likelihood of an innocent person being convicted of a crime.
- b. Provide increased funding for indigent parent representation. Increased investment in parent representation will allow the State to access partial matching funds from Title IV-E, which now allows states to include parent and child representation in its funding claim.

## **2) Focus on non-carceral, rehabilitative interventions**

We urge the legislature to review all laws that affect the criminal justice system with an eye toward de-emphasizing incarceration as a first, or only, option. Rather, we urge an emphasis on amending La.C.Cr.Pro. Articles 902 and 903 to provide tools and services that make Louisiana safer by reducing crime, improving lives, and creating productive citizens. These positive outcomes can come from a criminal justice system that focuses on exploring the roots of behaviors known to drive recidivism such as: undiagnosed/untreated mental health issues; untreated drug addiction, and; lack of education/job skills.

Louisiana cannot incarcerate itself out of these problems. Further, focusing on incarceration alone subjects the State of Louisiana to increased costs. For example, when a person has untreated or undiagnosed schizophrenia or PTSD from military service and commits an offense, he should be treated appropriately for these conditions. Prisons, which are ill-equipped to deal with this type of issue should not be a substitute for necessary mental health treatment. The same is true for people addicted to opioids or other substances. Prison does not provide the appropriate resources to fix the underlying problem. This in turn, increases the likelihood that the individual will engage in future illegal activity which contributes to the rate of recidivism. This suggests that the criminal justice system is not working for many of the offenders who enter the system. Our failure to address the underlying causes of incarceration results not only in economic costs but also negatively impacts the incarcerated individual's family, friends, and community. Together, we can address these drivers of recidivism and reduce the exorbitant costs of incarceration while building individuals into productive, well-adjusted citizens. This is perhaps the greatest opportunity for societal improvement and savings of public dollars in all of Louisiana.

Such a major improvement cannot be accomplished at the margins. We must reimagine the operation of the criminal justice system and re-prioritize the allocation of resources - away from retributive interventions such as jails and prisons and towards rehabilitative interventions. We believe that this initiative will positively impact all corners of the criminal justice system, from defenders to judges, prosecutors, prison officials, probation officers, and the Louisiana citizenry at large.

## **LPDB CY 2023 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEEDED CHANGES IN THE LAW**

- 3) Preserve state resources by eliminating the death penalty as a sentencing option in current and future cases and provide for resentencing of inmates currently under a sentence of death to a life sentence. Cases with a possible death verdict are extraordinarily expensive to prosecute, defend, and if a sentence of death is imposed, expensive to hold the person in prison.
- 4) Amend 15:529.1(c) to provide for a shortened cleansing time for prior convictions to be used to enhance sentences.
- 5) Eliminate life without parole sentences for offenses committed prior to the offender turning 18 years old.
- 6) Reduce the maximum length of a custodial disposition for non-violent offenses in juvenile delinquency cases.
- 7) Develop common sense rules aimed at removing low-risk youth from carceral settings, to reduce incarcerated youth populations, reducing harm to youth, their families, and communities, and focusing limited state and local resources on the youth with the highest needs.
- 8) Reform Ch. C. art. 1015(5)(b) to clarify that an indigent parent shall not be subject to termination of parental rights based on failure to pay fees associated with Art. 685.
- 9) Amend 39:100.210(C)(2)(c) to provide that any funds distributed to the Louisiana Public Defender Board through the vape tax be used to cover salary and benefits for district personnel.

# **2023 ANNUAL REPORT UPDATE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION (as required by La. R.S. 39:31)**

*The vision of the Louisiana Public Defender Board is:*

Through the untiring efforts of well-trained, professional public defenders, the Louisiana Public Defender Board (LPDB) provides zealous advocacy on behalf of indigent persons accused of crimes.

*The mission of the Louisiana Public Defender Board is:*

The Louisiana Public Defender Board (LPDB) regulates the delivery of legal services for indigent persons accused of crimes through dedicated, well-trained, and talented public defenders and support staff in all 64 parishes.

## **Goal 1/4 Ensure that adequate public funding of the right to counsel is provided and managed in a cost-effective and fiscally responsible manner.**

- Submitted FY25 budget request to the Division of Administration for Legislative consideration.
- Maintained an agreement with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) that will allow the Board to access federal matching funds to support representation in Child in Need of Care and Termination of Parental Rights cases through the Title IV-E program.
- Maintained online financial and personnel compensation reporting tools.
- Continued monthly financial reporting of all Monthly Financial Reports submitted by the districts.
- Continued collecting Title IV-E funding to support parent representation in Child in Need of Care and Termination of Parental Rights cases. A portion of the funds were used to continue a CINC Appellate Project which contracts with 3 appellate attorneys to consult with trial counsel and provide appellate services in CINC and TPR cases. The rest has been or will be disbursed to the districts to support enhanced parent representation.
- Conducted outreach meetings with the Governor's Office, Division of Administration, Louisiana Supreme Court, and Legislators to discuss Louisiana's inadequate, unreliable, and unstable funding stream.
- Provided data that supports the conversion of the Criminal Justice System from an incarceration first model to one that prioritizes rehabilitation.
- Worked in collaboration with various task forces and committees to improve the administration of criminal and juvenile justice throughout Louisiana, including:
  - ABA Parent Representation Project Steering Committee (member)
  - Child Protection Representation Commission (member)
  - Children's Justice Act Task Force (member)
  - Clean Slate Task Force (member)
  - Council on the Children of Incarcerated Parents and Caregivers (member)
  - Drug and Specialty Courts Commission (member)
  - Human Trafficking Prevention Commission (member)
  - Juvenile Justice Reform Act Implementation Commission (member)

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- Louisiana Commission on Justice System Funding (member)
- Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice (commission member)
- Louisiana Court Improvement Program Advisory Committee (member)
- Louisiana Drug Policy Board (member)
- Louisiana Law Institute Children's Code Committee (co-reporter)
- Louisiana Public Defense Optimal Funding Group (member)
- Louisiana Sentencing Commission (commission member)
- Louisiana State Law Institute
- NAPD Workload Committee (member)
- NLADA Systems Development Committee
- Pelican Center for Children and Families (board member)
- Pelican Center Legislative Task Force (member)
- Reentry Advisory Council (member)
- Gault Center Southern Region Advisory Commission (member)
- Study Commission on Deterring Sex Offenses Against Children (member)
- Study Commission on Expungement Fees (member)
- Survivor Informed Task Force (member)
- Task Force on Juvenile Justice Facility Standards
- Task Force on Juvenile Offender Policies
- Taskforce on Sensible Gun Control (member)
- Violent Crime Task Force (member)
- Voting Rights of Incarcerated Persons (member)

**Goal 2/4 Ensure that the right to counsel is delivered by qualified and competent counsel in a manner that is fair and consistent throughout the state.**

As required by Louisiana Revised Statute 15:147(B)(20), LPDB is contracting with the University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM) to conduct both in person and virtual training across the state. ULM has conducted the following trainings:

- CINC Boot Camp (February 23, 2023)
- Grant Writing: Building the Narrative (April 5, 2023)
- Grant Writing: Evaluating & Reporting (April 19, 2023)
- Motions Practice: Motions-What? Where? When? (April 21, 2023)
- Defending Sex Cases: Part I (April 25, 2023)
- Crime Scene Investigation (April 28, 2023)
- Sex Cases: Client Interview to Closing Argument (May 5, 2023)
- Arguments I: Opening Statements (May 15, 2023)
- Report Writing for the Courts (May 17, 2023)
- Chief's Bootcamp (May 25-26, 2023)
- Intro. to Defending Sexual Assault Cases (May 26, 2023)
- Arguments: Open & Closing Arguments (June 2, 2023)
- Arguments II: Closing Arguments (June 6, 2023)

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- Sentencing Advocacy (June 14, 2023)
- Sentencing Advocacy (June 23, 2023)
- Ethical Communication: Interpersonal, Research and Criminal Law (July 14, 2023)
- Training for Juvenile Defenders & OJJ Attorneys (July 27, 2023)
- Providing Defense for Sex Cases (August 25, 2023)
- Criminal Law Basics for Beginners (August 30, 2023)
- Delinquency Training (August 30, 2023)
- Cross Examination of Experts (September 15, 2023)
- Client Interviews (September 22, 2023)
- Sentencing (September 29, 2023)
- Defending Child Sex Cases (October 12, 2023)
- Providing Defense for Sex Cases (October 13, 2023)
- Empowering Public Defense with Generative AI (October 20, 2023)
- Domestic Abuse Cases & Defendants (October 25, 2023)
- Arguments (November 3, 2023)
- Cross Examinations: What & How (November 20, 2023)
- Ethics & Professionalism (December 8, 2023)
- Ethics & Professionalism (December 12, 2023)
- Direct Examination (December 15, 2023)

The Juvenile Division conducted its own training this year. These trainings were a mix of both virtual and in-person offerings, and included:

- CINC Boot Camp (In person, February 23, 2023)
- Juvenile Defender / OJJ Summit (Hybrid, July 27, 2023)
- Delinquency Training (In person, August 30, 2023)
- Juvenile Defender Training for Delinquency Attorneys (In person, October 27, 2023)

**Goal 3/4 Provide statewide oversight that ensures all indigent persons who are eligible to have appointed counsel at public expense receive effective assistance of counsel at each critical stage of the proceeding.**

- Continued regular site visits in districts/programs across Louisiana to evaluate office functionality and attorney performance per a formal site visit protocol.
- Published “A Quick Guide to Incorporating Disability Advocacy Into Your Representation of Parents In Child In Need of Care and Termination Cases” Version 1.0 in September 2023

**Goal 4/4 Provide for the ability to collect and verify objective statistical data needed to assist state policymakers in making informed decisions.**

- Facilitated the rollout of the next generation of the Case Management System (CMS).
- Provided trainings and hand-on assistance for data entry personnel.

## **2023 ANNUAL REPORT UPDATE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION (as required by La. R.S. 39:31)**

- Updated materials/tutorials on the Case Management System, database management, excel documents, and other relevant/requested software.
- Monitored the Issue Tracker System for data entry personnel to make requests, provide feedback or solicit support.
- Evaluated technology needs through state annual reports and budget submissions.
- Managed a juvenile defender listserv to maximize cross-district learning and foster professional relationships among the defender community.
- Maintained a fully web-based Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) communications system which allows displaced and mobile district management to e-message with state-level officers, board members, and with each other from any computer or handheld device with internet access.

**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**HOLLY HOWAT, Ph.D.**

**Chairwoman**

***Designated by Governor: 11/03/2023***

*replacing*

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**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**Reappointed: 09/27/2021-09/26/2025**

# **LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD**

## **CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

(June 28, 2021 – November 2, 2023)

### **Michael C. Ginart, Jr.**

**MICHAEL C. GINART, JR.** is the son of the late Michael C. Ginart and the late Cecelia Ginart Tanet and stepson of Joseph Tanet. Mike is married to the former Alice Rose Johnson and has two children, John Claude, who is now an attorney practicing with his father at his law firm and Jayne Cecelia who is now a pediatric nurse at Ochsner Main Campus. He is the son-in-law of Howard Johnson, Jr. and the late Jane Cadella Johnson and the family are members of Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church.

Mike graduated from Chalmette High School, Class of “1979” with Honors, and was a two-sport letterman and Student Council President. He went on to study at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana where he was a three-time letterman in football, receiving the scholastic award, in 1982. He graduated in 1984 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business and Distributive Education. He was selected for the National Dean’s List and received the National Business Association’s 1984 Award of Merit.

After graduation, Mike began teaching within the St. Bernard Parish School System while attending Loyola Law at night. He received his Juris Doctorate in 1988 and has been self-employed in the practice of law in Chalmette since 1989. Mike is a member and past President of the 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Bar Association. He is also a member of the Louisiana State Bar Association, the Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association, The American Trial Lawyers Association Top 100 Trial Lawyers, the National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys and has been honored by his selection in Who’s Who in American Law and has been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court. He is a founding board member of the Chalmette High School Alumni Association, has served on the board of the St. Bernard Youth Foundation, St. Bernard Courthouse Restoration Committee and the Northwestern State University Alumni Association, and was Chairman of the St. Bernard Youth Chorus Gala. Mike was a little league coach at Rebel Park as well as post-Katrina for St. Bernard Parish Recreation. He served one term as Councilman for District D of St. Bernard Parish during which over 1.5 billion dollars of post-Katrina reconstruction was accomplished. With the vast majority of the reconstruction completed, Mike chose not to seek reelection. In 2016, Mike was appointed by Governor John Bel Edwards to the newly reconstituted Louisiana Public Defender Board to represent the Fourth Appellate District (Plaquemines, St. Bernard and New Orleans). This Board oversees the funding of public criminal defense statewide for those who otherwise cannot afford representation, both juvenile and adult. Mike was nominated and became Chairman by the Governor of the Louisiana Public Defender Board on the 28th day of June 2021. (Ret.)

**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD**  
**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

(June 28, 2021 – November 2, 2023)

Mike and his son John are partners in the Law Offices of Ginart & Associates, (the successor of the Law Offices of Michael C. Ginart, Jr., Law Offices of Tonry, Ginart and Jones, and Tonry & Ginart). Mike is principally involved in helping others in their time of need, whether it be personal injury, business litigation, successions or criminal defense. Mike successfully represented both the St. Bernard Parish Government and St. Bernard Parish School Board in post-Katrina litigation against their insurers. He and his law firm are financial partners and supporters of our local schools, religious, non-profit and charitable organizations and causes. He is a member of and 2019 King of the Knights of Nemesis Carnival Club, 2003 King of the Krewe of Lourdes and 2010 King of the St. Bernard Irish-Italian, Islenos and Canary Island Parade, of which Mike is a founding member. Mike is also a longtime member of the Greater New Orleans Sports Foundation as well as a season ticket holder of LSU Football, the New Orleans Saints and the New Orleans Pelicans.

# **LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD CHAIRWOMAN OF THE BOARD**

(November 3, 2023 - Present)

## **Holly Howat, Ph.D.**

Appointed as Chair by the Governor, November 3, 2023

Dr. Holly Howat is the Founder and Executive Director of Beacon Community Connections. She is an advocate for social care that works to connect people to community resources and thereby resolve social determinants of health. Dr. Howat has had a long and varied career path, beginning her professional career as a speech-language therapist. Her work focuses on using collaboration, communication, and connections to develop cross-system policies, processes, and programs to improve outcomes for marginalized populations. She previously worked as the first Executive Director of the Lafayette Parish Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee and before that as a Project Director at the Picard Center for Child Development and Lifelong Learning. Dr. Howat is the author of multiple community focused grants that brought over \$7 million to South Louisiana. She holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Texas at Austin, a Master of Arts from Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio, and a Philosophical Doctorate from University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Dr. Howat is a Leadership Lafayette Class XXX graduate and served as Program chair in 2019 and 2020. Dr. Howat was honored as a Woman Who Means Business in 2020. She was appointed to the Louisiana Public Defender Board in August 2021 by Governor John Bel Edwards. Holly is passionate about lifelong learning and community collaboration.

**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD (11 MEMBERS)  
AND  
STAFF (17 T.O.)**

**DISTRICT DEFENDERS**

**42 PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICES  
37 DISTRICT DEFENDERS**

(4 DISTRICT DEFENDERS MANAGE 2 OR MORE  
CONTIGUOUS DISTRICTS - 7/28; 11/39/42; 14/38;  
30/36)

**PUBLIC DEFENDERS &  
STAFF**

**CONTRACT PROGRAMS**

- BATON ROUGE CAPITAL CONFLICT OFFICE (BRCCO)  
(MERGED WITH THE 19TH PDO MID-YEAR)
- CAPITAL APPEALS PROJECT (CAP)
- CAPITAL POST-CONVICTION PROJECT OF LOUISIANA  
(CPCPL)
- CAPITAL DEFENSE PROJECT OF SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA  
(CPDSLA)
- INNOCENCE PROJECT NEW ORLEANS (IPNO)
- LOUISIANA APPELLATE PROJECT (LAP)
- LOUISIANA CAPITAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (LCAC)
- LOUISIANA CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS (LCCR)
- UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE (ULM)

**CONTRACT PROGRAM  
ATTORNEYS & STAFF**

**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD**  
**STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

January 16, 2020 - Present

**Rémy Voisin Starns**  
**Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Rémy Voisin Starns (pronunciation of name is: **ray'**·me) is the State Public Defender. As the State Public Defender, Mr. Starns oversees the entire 64-parish public defense system in Louisiana which represents almost 88% of all persons accused of crimes statewide.

Prior to his appointment as State Public Defender, Mr. Starns was an assistant district attorney in Avoyelles Parish and practiced civil and criminal law in a wide range of matters in both state and federal court.

Mr. Starns graduated from LSU in 1993 with a Bachelor of Arts in political science with minors in Latin and Classical Civilization and lettered on the football team. Mr. Starns holds law degrees from Loyola University New Orleans School of Law and Tulane Law School.

## **LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD CONTRACT PROGRAMS (CY23)**

Public Defenders represent more than 142,000 people annually throughout the 42 districts and 64 parishes of Louisiana. The Louisiana Public Defender Board has a legislative mandate to provide representation, but it does not have the authority to provide direct client representation or hire public defender staff. The Board has contracted with eight private law firms, as permitted by La. R.S. 15:147 (C)(1), to represent indigent people in delinquency, capital, and appellate cases. In addition, the Board is required by La. R.S. 15:169 and 15:178 to appoint counsel for appellate and post-conviction cases in which a death sentence has been imposed at the trial level.

The LPDB's contracts with each program office contain provisions for monthly reporting to the LPDB and audits by the Legislative Auditor. They also provide for compliance with performance standards enforceable by the Board, and for termination of the contracts for failure to meet Board requirements. These requirements include adhering to the ethical rules of the Louisiana Supreme Court, violations of which may result in termination of the contracts.

The programs are as follows:

### **BATON ROUGE CAPITAL CONFLICT OFFICE (BRCCO)**

Kyla Blanchard-Romanach is the director of BRCCO. BRCCO employs the team approach to capital defense as required by the Capital Guidelines. The office includes a staff of attorneys, mitigation specialists, and investigators, thereby promoting cost-efficiency. The office is currently handling cases throughout the state in an effort to ensure that all defendants facing the death penalty are represented by certified counsel. As of December 1, 2023, BRCCO merged into the 19<sup>th</sup> PDO creating capital capacity in that district office.

### **CAPITAL APPEALS PROJECT (CAP)**

Cecelia Kappel is the director of the Capital Appeals Project, which handles all capital appeals for indigents who have been sentenced to death. CAP work has focused on capital appeals but has branched out to include nearly every aspect of a capital case, juvenile cases, and assistance to public defenders. CAP staff includes attorneys, mitigation specialists, and investigators, as CAP provides capital trial consultation support, representation at the trial court level for the motion for new trial proceedings in death cases, as well as pre-indictment representation in new death penalty cases. The office is located in New Orleans. CAP also handles post-conviction cases wherein CPCPL is ineligible due to conflicts. CAP acts as resource counsel to public defenders across the state.

CAP has been tasked by the SPD to a pilot program that assists with supervisory writs to the public defenders of the Fourth and Fifth Circuits, starting in FY22. This project allows line defenders to aggressively engage in writ practice pre-trial and during the trial, by providing trained appellate attorneys to consult and draft writ applications and oppositions. The SPD is working toward statewide implementation of this program.

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### **CAPITAL DEFENSE PROJECT OF SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA (CDPSELA or CDP)**

CDP is set up for the primary purpose of providing capital case defense representation to those persons accused of offenses for which the State of Louisiana may seek the death penalty as punishment if the person is found guilty of having committed a capital offense. CDP is led by its director, Kerry Cuccia. Originally, the primary responsibility of CDP was to handle cases in which the Orleans Public Defender Office (OPD) was excluded because of conflicts; CDP was the first call provider for indigent defense in capital cases in Orleans Parish. However, CDP has also historically provided representation to indigent clients facing the death penalty throughout the state.

### **CAPITAL POST-CONVICTION PROJECT OF LOUISIANA ("CPCPL" DBA MWALIMU CENTER OF JUSTICE)**

This organization handles capital post-conviction representation of indigent defendants whose cases have progressed through the trial and appellate levels. CPCPL staff attorneys have successfully represented several clients whose cases were overturned for such reasons as ineffective assistance of counsel at the guilt and/or penalty phase of trial, failure by prosecutors to disclose important evidence, newly discovered evidence of innocence and evidence adduced as a result of junk science. CPCPL also handles direct capital appeals when the Capital Appeals Project has a conflict of interest or there are co-defendants in a single case.

In 2020 Matilde Carbia took the helm at CPCPL. She and her staff work on as many cases as they can ethically handle at any particular time. The program also monitors cases in the pipeline in order to keep track of future needs.

### **LOUISIANA APPELLATE PROJECT (LAP)**

Christopher Aberle is the director of the Louisiana Appellate Project. The LAP provides appellate representation for indigent defendants in all non-capital felony appeals arising from all of the districts. The LAP also represents youths in appeals of felony-grade delinquency adjudications. The Louisiana Public Defender Board has contracted with the LAP to provide these appellate services for the district offices.

### **LOUISIANA CAPITAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (LCAC)**

Richard Bourke serves as director of LCAC and employs a staff of lawyers, mitigation specialists and investigators. Founded 30 years ago in its current form, this program provides leadership, mentoring, and guidance to the capital defense community. LCAC has influenced capital representation after the restoration of the death penalty in the South. Based on its reputation, LCAC attracts interns, law students, and lawyers from around the world to volunteer their services to LCAC and its clients.

LCAC provides direct services statewide, representing indigent capital defendants following arrest all the way through trial, as well as providing representation at motion for new trial and on direct appeal as needed. Pursuant to its contract, LCAC also serves as resource counsel to provisionally certified defense lawyers pursuant to Capital Defense Guideline 915(G)(2). This service is



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essential to educating, mentoring, and overseeing the work of provisionally certified counsel to ensure the delivery of quality legal representation.

In addition to direct services, LCAC provides general support services to other organizations and often is able to ameliorate crises faced by counsel.

### **LOUISIANA CENTER FOR CHILDREN’S RIGHTS (LCCR)**

LPDB contracts with The Louisiana Center for Children’s Rights (LCCR) to handle *Miller v. Alabama* cases and *Montgomery v. Louisiana* cases and also juvenile delinquency cases in Orleans Parish.

### **INNOCENCE PROJECT NEW ORLEANS (IPNO)**

The Louisiana Public Defender Board has a contract for partial funding of the Innocence Project New Orleans (IPNO) which, since its inception in 2001, has won the freedom or exoneration of 46 wrongfully convicted individuals who collectively spent more than 1,132 years in prison for crimes they did not commit. IPNO is one of the most successful innocence organizations in the country. IPNO also advocates for systemic changes to decrease the risk of wrongful convictions. The executive director of IPNO is Jee Park.

### **LOUISIANA WRIT SERVICE**

The LPDB contracts with attorneys to take writs in the appropriate courts of Appeal and the Louisiana Supreme Court.

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## **Budget**

The appropriation for FY23 was \$48,135,927. Additionally, the State Public Defender Rémy Starns (SPD) secured the following grants during Calendar Year 2023:

1. Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) awarded LPDB a grant under the funding opportunity entitled Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Enhancing Juvenile Indigent Defense, in the amount of \$445,248 over a four-year period. The grant period is from October 1, 2020, through September 30, 2023. This grant period was extended to December 31, 2023 to allow all the funds to be expended. For FY 24, we have budgeted \$75,822.37 for this program.
2. The Department of Children and Family Services contracts with LPDB to allow public defenders access to federal Title IV-E reimbursement for the claimable expenses for representing parents. This program started in 2020 following a change in the federal regulations governing Title IV-E claims that redefined “foster care expenses” to include representation for children and parents. We anticipate receiving approximately \$800,000 in federal funds in FY 24, which are used to support an appellate unit for CINC and TPR cases and multidisciplinary projects in the several districts.
3. The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) awarded LPDB a grant in the amount of \$74,999 for a financial auditor to review and assist districts in completing their monthly financial reports. The original grant period was from August 15, 2022, through June 30, 2023

To date, all grant activities including timely and accurate submission of monthly billing have been completed.

Our appropriated budget for FY 24 was \$51,463,845. The Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget gave LPDB approval to carryforward funds from FY 23 of \$305,913. Additionally, two BA-7s were approved totaling \$49,768. LPDB’s current FY 24 existing operating budget is \$51,819,526.

The SPD submitted the FY 25 LPDB operating budget request to the State of Louisiana’s Office of Planning and Budget on October 31, 2023. The budget request for the FY 25, which begins July 1, 2024, is \$62,020,505. Included in the request is an increase to the Louisiana Public Defender Fund of \$5M (million) (rounded) which includes a \$2.7M (rounded) increase to the District Assistance Fund. Also requested is a building fund appropriation in Aid to Local Governments – Demonstrated Need of \$2M.

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## **Compliance – Trial-Level**

Pursuant to La. R.S. 15:157, the Trial-Level Compliance Officer is responsible for coordinating oversight efforts of LPDB. Michael A. Mitchell continues to perform the duties of the Trial Level Compliance Officer for the Louisiana Public Defender Board.

In CY23, TLCO continues to monitor database compliance. The continuing goal is to obtain accurate figures on the numbers and types of cases handled in each district and assist District Chiefs in monitoring the frequency of visits with incarcerated clients. Additionally, LPDB staff, in partnering with District Chiefs and their staff, worked tirelessly to account for all cases within the database, whether active or closed. We continue to significantly improve data collection and accountability through a joint effort and cooperation. The database cleanup made it easier to identify and address compliance issues.

Staff use a variety of tools to monitor compliance in the field, including frequent visits to the district offices, database review, telephone, and zoom communication, and LPDB's Comprehensive Site Visit Protocol. These protocols include a combination of database and reporting review, court observation, file review, employee and stakeholder surveys, input, and interviews with the District Defender and district office staff.

Pursuant to La. R.S. 15:148(4) and Boards policy, TLCO reviewed, investigated, and responded to Client complaints received from Districts statewide.

Pursuant to La. R.S.15:147(B)(20) and Boards Policy, the SPD has contracted with University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM) to create a program to continue the extensive training program, started by the TLCO and the now vacated position of Deputy SPD, Director of Training in CY21. ULM provided the delivery of experienced legal information dissemination by seasoned legal professionals in the form of frequent training sessions for District Line Defenders. ULM employed a cast of seasoned attorneys to lead these training sessions. Additionally, ULM has divided the state into seven (7) Regions and has elicited the assistance of seasoned attorneys from each region to assist the instructor in leading these sessions. These training courses may range from database training to Jury Selection.

ULM hosted approximately 35 Training Sessions in CY23. The following is a list of ULM Training Seminars for the CY23.

Training offered CLE Credit with 426 total in attendance.

As required by Act 237 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session, LPDB is contracting with the University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM) to conduct both in person and virtual training across the state. ULM has conducted the following trainings:

Training	Date	Attendance
Dealing With Politics (In Person, Alexandria)	January 9, 2023	18

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Direct Examination (In Person, Lafayette)	January 11, 2023	11
Voir Dire (In Person, Monroe)	January 20, 2023	10
Voir Dire (In Person, Metairie)	January 20, 2023	16
Testimony; Cross Examination (In Person, Shreveport)	January 27, 2023	15
Testimony (In Person, Chalmette)	January 28, 2023	7
JDT CINC Bootcamp (In Person, Lafayette)	February 23, 2023	13
Motion Practice (In Person, Metairie)	February 24, 2023	6
Voir Dire (In Person, Shreveport)	February 24, 2023	15
Voir Dire (In Person, Chalmette)	February 24, 2023	6
Grantwriting: Laying the Foundation (Zoom)	March 15, 2023	12
Client Interview (In Person, Shreveport)	March 17, 2023	12
Obtaining Records (Zoom)	March 22, 2023	8
Motion Practice	March 24, 2023	14
Voir Dire II (In Person, Metairie)	March 24, 2023	11
Grant Writing: Building A Narrative (Zoom)	April 5, 2023	15
Grant Writing: Evaluating & Reporting (Zoom)	April 19, 2023	7
Motions Practice: Motions-What? Where? When? (In Person, Shreveport)	April 21, 2023	20
Defending Sex Cases: Part I (In Person, Metairie)	April 25, 2023	9
Crime Scene Investigation (In Person, Ruston)	April 28, 2023	19
Sex Cases: Client Interview to Closing Argument (In Person, Shreveport)	May 5, 2023	14
Arguments I: Opening Statements (In Person, Metairie)	May 15, 2023	4
Report Writing for the Courts (Zoom)	May 17, 2023	2
Chief's Bootcamp (In Person, Lafayette)	May 25-26, 2023	18
Introduction to Defending Sexual Assault Cases (In Person, Chalmette)	May 26, 2023	7
Argument: Opening & Closing Arguments (In Person, Shreveport)	June 2, 2023	15
Arguments II: Closing Arguments (In Person, Metairie)	June 6, 2023	4
Sentencing Advocacy (In Person, Monroe)	June 14, 2023	9
Sentencing Advocacy (In Person, Metairie)	June 23, 2023	5
Mitigation & Social Workers: Integrated Approach	July 7, 2023	Cancelled
Ethical Communication: Interpersonal, Research and Criminal Law (Zoom)	July 14, 2023	5

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Disproportionality in the Criminal Justice System	August 18, 2023	Cancelled
Providing Defense for Sex Cases (In Person, Monroe)	August 25, 2023	21
Criminal Law Basics for Beginners (Zoom)	August 30, 2023	11
Cross Examination of Experts (In Person, Jefferson Parish)	September 15, 2023	11
Client Interviews	September 22, 2023	To be rescheduled
Sentencing (In Person, Shreveport)	September 29, 2023	20
Sentencing (In Person, Monroe)	September 29, 2023	20
Discovery (In Person, Baton Rouge)	October 5, 2023	Cancelled
Defending Child Sex Cases (In Person, Chalmette)	October 12, 2023	8
Cross Examination of Experts (In Person, Monroe)	October 13, 2023	Cancelled
Providing Defense in Sex Cases (In Person, Jefferson)	October 13, 2023	4
Empowering Public Defense with Generative AI (Zoom)	October 20, 2023	44
Domestic Abuse Cases & Defendants (Zoom)	October 25, 2023	3
Cellebrite/Digital Forensics (Zoom)	October 27, 2023	Cancelled
Arguments (In Person, St. Bernard)	November 3, 2023	11
PDAL Seminar (In Person, Lake Charles)	November 16, 2023	
Cross Examination (In Person, Lafayette)	November 20, 2023	8
Arguments (In Person, Jefferson Parish)	November 28, 2023	4
Public Speaking: Argument & Objections (In Person, Lake Charles)	December 1, 2023	18
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, St. Bernard)	December 1, 2023	13
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, Caddo)	December 1, 2023	21
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, Monroe)	December 8, 2023	13
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, Jefferson)	December 12, 2023	11
Direct Examination (In Person, Lake Charles)	December 15, 2023	19

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The Juvenile Division conducted its own trainings this year. These trainings were a mix of both virtual and in-person offerings, and included:

Training	Date	Attendance
Training for Juvenile Defenders & OJJ Attorneys (In Person, Baton Rouge and Zoom)	July 27, 2023	48
Delinquency Training (In Person, Ville Platte)	August 30, 2023	6
Juvenile Defense Training (In Person, Baton Rouge)	October 27, 2023	44

Thirty-nine of the forty-two districts in the State sent at least one defender to at least one training.

### **Information and Technology Management (ITM)** **Program Development and Resource Management (PDRM)**

In Calendar Year 2023, between January 4th and February 1st, the SPD and ITM Division spearheaded the production and dissemination of the 700+ page LPDB Annual Report in collaboration with the entire LPDB staff as well as all 42 District PDOs. Each PDO produced three reports to LPDB staff providing a summary of each PDOs physical, fiscal, and human resources and procedures—all due to LPDB between January 10th and 15th so that the proofreading, layout and formatting, printing, binding and digital dissemination could be completed by the February 1st deadline set by statute. Also, the SPD staff produced a 48-page overview of LPDB divisional reports as well as numerous other statewide reports on client counts, cases and charges counts, fiscal activity, and decisions and actions of the Board. Despite the extremely tight deadline, the report has been considered by the Division of Administration (DoA) as the “Gold Standard of Annual Reports” among state agencies for several years running.

In the 2023 calendar year, under the direction of the State Public Defender, the ITM Officer Dr. Erik Stilling, and the ITM Division staff continued the development of several on-going projects and initiated several new projects, some of which are still under development.

Most notably, the ITM division completed the 18-month development and deployment of a new version of the highly customized defenderData Version 7.0 Case Management System and Financial Management System. This was done in large part through weekly focus groups with a highly skilled beta-test group comprised of PDO database experts who were instrumental in identifying bugs and suggesting improvements to existing features, as well as recommending entirely new features.

Also, in collaboration with Dr. Tiffany Simpson (the LPDB Legislative Liaison), several Program Office leaders and PDO Chiefs, the ITM staff developed a single-page data entry feature for Capital Program Office data collection and a detailed Capital Case Monthly Report per the direction of the Board.

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As directed by the SPD, ITM staff continually monitored post-Pandemic losses of CUFs through comparative analyses with pre-Pandemic CY19 and CY21 data contrasted against LASC Annual Report data regarding charge filings for the past decade. The SPD also continually monitored district office finances through ITM monthly solvency analyses as well as various ad hoc analyses to resolve specific issues for the Board, for staff, and for individual district offices.

Dr. Stilling and Dr. Simpson collaborated with the SPD on an in-depth analysis of the most recent 1500+ capital cases in order to argue for SB107, a bill promoting the reduction of the number of aggravating factors that make a homicide eligible for the death penalty. The analysis considered those aggravators which actually resulted in a death penalty indictment as opposed to those aggravators which, while eligible for death, very rarely – if ever— resulted in a death penalty indictment. The bill was ultimately not enacted. However, the research was the impetus for a complete revision and redesign of the death penalty data collection software as mentioned above. The software design was completed by ITM staff and Dr. Simpson in December of 2023 and is slated for software development starting in March of 2024.

Dr. Stilling also worked closely with the State Public Defender, LPDB Legislative Liaison and Deputy-SPD for Juvenile Services on the Louisiana Violent Crime Task Force to identify trends in very violent juvenile offenses in Louisiana as compared to several comparable and neighboring states and the national average.

ITM worked closely with the State Public Defender, the Trial-level Compliance Officer and other LPDB executives, in the maintenance of a tracking system for O-level funding requests and disbursements. Additionally, ITM staff has helped implement the LPDB monthly newsletter under the direction of the State Public Defender and the Legislative Liaison officer.

In addition to these projects, ITM has a broad array of responsibilities falling under the headings of Information Management, as well as Technology Development, Deployment and Management, and Program Development and Resource Management. Per the requirements of the Public Defender Act, the SPD implemented online or automated technologies to assist district-level management with uniform reporting on financial, personnel compensation, harassment prevention training and incident reporting, and budget requests, as well as programs and technologies to promote state and local-level data-driven decision-making.

The SPD achieves all this by providing real-time feedback analytics on the attorneys' and district office's caseload, workload, case outcomes, and financial and personnel compensation data. Such analytics enhance decision-making for the district offices, the Board, and the SPD. This is all done completely online using a cloud-based system with continuously updated online security measures, housed in a secure location with bio-scan physical access procedures to protect the clients' information and the attorneys' work product. ITM also maintains the public-facing LPDB.LA.GOV website as well as two secure back-end websites which are used as support platforms for emergency preparedness and for annual report data collection, and for the real-time analytics feedback system called the Dashboard Reporting Center. This system provides instantaneous financial and case-related analyses for each district defender and for the SPD and his executive staff, and the Board. The ITM division also provides training for new District

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Defenders in the use of these technologies and conducts periodic online and on-site training for district office staff and line attorneys, provides a helpdesk for telephone and email troubleshooting and training, and reviews database updates and improvements per users' suggestions.

Dr. Stilling is a founding member of the Indigent Defense Research Association (IDRA) and served as one of its founding board members until his term ended in November of 2023. He also serves at the national level as Technology and Data Analytics advisor to the NLADA-American Council of Chief Defenders, and to the National Association of Public Defenders.

### **Juvenile**

The 2023 calendar year saw a significant reduction in the reported chaos at Office of Juvenile Justice facilities. While the years 2021 and 2022 had more than a dozen incidents of escapes or riots significant enough to generate media attention, there were no serious incidents of that nature in 2023. This does not mean that the Office of Juvenile Justice did not have problems. In September, Chief Judge Shelly Dick of the Middle District of Louisiana ruled that OJJ needed to move youth out of the controversial Bridge City Center for Youth – West Feliciana facility, on the grounds of the Louisiana State Penitentiary, which had opened in late 2022. While OJJ had intended to close the facility by the end of the year, Judge Dick ruled that the state needed to move the youth by mid-September. The youth were moved to a converted adult facility in Jackson Parish, contracted from the parish.

The facility in Jackson Parish also has issues and it is unclear whether youth are better off there. There are reports of youth being maced there, a breaking down of the sight and sound separation requirements between youth and adult inmates, and the report that the same facility has been illegally holding pre-adjudication youth despite not having proper licensing.

In good news, the dramatic increase in youth violent offending in 2020 – 2022 appears to have reversed. Violent crime generally appears to be returning to pre-pandemic levels, including for youth. Deputy Public Defender – Director of Juvenile Defender Services Richard M. Pittman has advocated since 2022 that the increase in violent offending and the chaos at OJJ both stem from the COVID-19 crisis. It is well-documented that societal disruptions such as school closures, isolation, and widespread early deaths led to a generalized mental health crisis that hit children particularly hard.

It hit youth in OJJ facilities even harder. The pandemic disrupted operations at facilities, canceled rehabilitative services and school in the facilities, disrupted pro-social activities including visits with family, and led to a staffing crisis that sapped OJJ's capacities to deal with the problems. Many youths in OJJ custody have been there for the entirety of the COVID-19 crisis. Most of the youth in OJJ facilities are there for low level or non-violent offenses, including some who are in custody for misdemeanors or FINS offenses.

The juvenile defense community faces many challenges as a result of the state of affairs in OJJ and in the world at large. While the spike in violent offending appears to be temporary and already



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abating, the social and political landscape surrounding juvenile justice has changed dramatically. Many courts have become more reluctant to release youth from custody when given the opportunity, even in cases where youth adjudicated of non-violent offenses should enjoy a presumption of release. Some courts appear to believe the crisis at the office of juvenile justice and disruptions of rehabilitative services means that youth should be there longer. This has led to overcrowding at OJJ facilities, exacerbating the problems caused by staffing shortages. Most of the youth in OJJ facilities are there for low level or non-violent offenses, including some who are in custody for misdemeanors or FINS offenses. The Office of Juvenile Justice consistently reports that there are youth waiting in local detention centers because there is no placement available in an OJJ facility. This, in turn, exacerbates the problem of detention overcrowding and unavailability, which in turn leads to more transfers of eligible youth to adult criminal prosecution.

In addition to issues at court, the attitude of the legislature towards juvenile justice has shifted dramatically. Since 2021, the legislature has entertained (and sometimes passed) increasingly punitive bills related to juvenile justice. Some have become law, while others have been vetoed by the governor. Still others were stalled by the threat of a veto. With a change in administration in January 2024, the roadblocks in front of punitive legislation are cleared. The state will likely pass into law a broad range of rollbacks of juvenile justice reforms in 2024 and return juvenile justice to the more punitive days of prior decades. It will be more important than ever that skilled and dedicated professionals advocate for youth and ensure due process in courts.

This year, the legislature passed Act 445, which impacts juvenile practitioners and youth significantly, especially outside of metropolitan areas. Among other effects, Act 445 amends Ch. C. Art. 815 to allow nonmetropolitan jurisdictions to hold youth accused of delinquent acts for up to 48 hours in adult jails under the following circumstances:

- The youth is accused of a nonstatus offense, i.e. a charge that would be criminal if committed by an adult.
- A continued custody hearing is held within 48 hours.
- There is no acceptable alternative placement to the jail.
- A certification that the youth will have continuous visual supervision and sight and sound separation from adult inmates.

The Juvenile Division has several concerns. First, there is no lower limit on the age of a youth eligible to be placed in jail. The lower age limit for a delinquency case is 10 years old, so this provision allows children as young as 10 to be held in an adult jail for up to 48 hours.

Second, the requirements of “no acceptable alternative placement” and certification of conditions are easily manipulated and nearly impossible to account. The issue would appear to skirt appellate review as well, so long as the 48-hour rule is observed, making the rules effectively meaningless in a jurisdiction where the authorities were not inclined to follow them. It also disincentivizes jurisdictions from contracting with out-of-parish juvenile detention centers.

Third, the Juvenile Division already has accounts of jurisdictions simply disregarding the rule, apparently believing the law now allows unfettered incarceration of youth in jail.

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Fourth, the use of the word “nonmetropolitan” in the article has no explicit definition. There are multiple ways to interpret the term. In order to comply with the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP), the term would need to be more limited than the definition used in a different Title of the Code.<sup>1</sup>

Act 445 also allows youth in nonmetropolitan areas to be held in jail for up to 48 hours if they are charged with transferable offenses.<sup>2</sup> The conditions of application are the same, except for potentially a different and more expansive definition of ‘nonmetropolitan’ applying.

The Juvenile Division is continuing to work with the Office of Juvenile Justice and other entities to improve representation of youth in custody and to seek solutions to the ongoing chaos and overcrowding. On July 27, 2023, the Juvenile Division hosted a ‘Summit’ between juvenile defenders and OJJ personnel at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center to discuss ways to better advocate for release of youth from custody, particularly when OJJ is itself supporting release. Deputy Secretary Otha “Curtis” Nelson, Jr. was highly supportive of the event and encouraged employee attorneys to attend and attended himself. The State Public Defender delivered opening remarks. The Summit was well-attended by both OJJ attorneys and juvenile defenders and received positive feedback. There were 48 attendees. The Juvenile Division considers the Summit a success. We are hoping this can be a regular event in the future.

In 2023, the Juvenile Division continued and expanded previously initiated projects, including the CINC Appellate Project and the Title IV-E Reimbursement Program.

The CINC Appellate Project went through the 2023 calendar year with continuity of operations. The project continues to contract with Douglas Lee Harville of Shreveport, Annette Roach of Lake Charles, and Jane Hogan of Hammond to provide consultation, appellate services, and writ drafting in CINC and Termination cases for the districts. Some of the most effective work the Project has done is through consultations with trial counsel. Often, trial counsel will consult with the attorneys of the Project, who will assist in developing arguments, preserving objections, and planning for a record with an eye towards appeal, only for the trial counsel to then achieve a good result that does not need to be brought to an appellate court. In 2023, the Project made 45 consultations, wrote 5 writs for defenders, and took appeals in 16 cases.

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<sup>1</sup> Art. 301, in Title III reads, “As used in this Title, ‘nonmetropolitan area’ means a parish whose largest city has a population of fifty thousand or less and where the population of the entire parish is less than one hundred thousand.” Art. 815 is not in Title III, so this definition does not explicitly apply. If this is ultimately the definition courts use, then the following parishes are metropolitan: Ascension, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Lafayette, Livingston, Orleans, Ouachita, Rapides, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Terrebonne. To comply with the JJDP would add Acadia, Assumption, Cameron, De Soto, East Feliciana, Grant, Iberia, Lafourche, Morehouse, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Martin, Union, Vermilion, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana to the list. If some of these parishes appear to be very rural and their inclusion nonsensical, it is because the JJDP considers rural areas economically intertwined with a nearby city to be metropolitan. Contact the Juvenile Division for assistance in advocating for a limited definition.

<sup>2</sup> Because this is an amendment to Title III, the Title III definition of ‘nonmetropolitan’ explicitly applies. See above. This is a further argument in favor of a more limited definition of ‘nonmetropolitan’ for Art. 815, as the new rule described here would have no effect whatsoever if using the same definition.

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The CINC Appellate Project is funded entirely with federal Title IV-E funds. The Title IV-E program reimburses states for the costs of “foster care services”. A change in the Title IV-E guidelines several years ago recharacterized representation for children and parents in CINC and TPR cases as a foster care service, allowing states to begin claiming those expenses as part of its Title IV-E claim. Making these claims requires the agreement and cooperation of the state child welfare agency, an obstacle many states cannot overcome. In Louisiana, state DCFS, LPDB, and the child representation agencies have positive working relationships at the policy level that allows us to maximize our claims.

LPDB began making Title IV-E claims in 2020, and the number of claims has grown considerably in that time. The documentation required by the federal government is considerable and was not satisfied by the financial and compensation reports generated by districts prior to 2021. Instead, the federal government has required more substantial documentation of expenses and information on cases that was not previously collected. Since 2020, the staff has worked with districts to incrementally automate parts of the Title IV-E claiming process to reduce the burden on districts and on staff. This was accomplished in 2022 by making changes to how CINC cases are reported in the database, to add signifiers for “In Home” and “Out of Home” cases, to allow us accurate automatic case counts of foster care cases and non-foster care cases. This change continued in 2023 and continues to work well as a substantial improvement over reporting by hand.

In 2023, the Board approved reserving \$1.25 million in state DAF funds to partially reimburse districts for documented spending on parent representation. This amount represents 50% of the estimated spending on parent representation in the state, and districts are reimbursed \$0.50 for every dollar of documented expenditures. The reimbursement program incentivizes PDOs to document and report CINC expenditures to LPDB. It began in July 2022. Over the first six months of FY24 the districts have documented roughly \$1.4M in expenditures and have received about \$700,000 in reimbursements from LPDB.

In previous years, the staff also worked with districts to expand the ways that districts can document expenditures. For attorneys who had mixed caseloads that included CINC/TPR cases, the federal government did not allow our normal methods of assigning weights to case types for purposes of assigning a portion of the attorney’s compensation to parent representation. We have developed new methods of separately documenting parent representation spending that calls for timekeeping or encouraging separate contracts. Various districts are taking advantage of each option. This has allowed LPDB to expand its Title IV-E claim. In the first claim LPDB submitted, for the October – December 2019 quarter, the agency claimed \$79,396.51 in Title IV-E claims. Three years later, for the July – September 2023 time period (the last completed claim as of the time of writing), LPDB claimed \$211,894.24 from the Title IV-E Reimbursement Program.

Title IV-E funds are also used to fund projects in specific districts. Some of the Title IV-E funds have been distributed to some districts to fund pilot projects in multidisciplinary parent representation. Projects are currently funded in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>/36<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>/40<sup>th</sup> districts. These districts have hired or will hire either a social worker or parent partners to assist in Child In Need of Care cases. In addition, some of these funds are being used to partially support

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a similar project in the 41<sup>st</sup> district which was previously supported by a private foundation grant which has expired.

DPD-JS Pittman and JJCO Simpson have participated in a number of juvenile justice and child welfare stakeholder groups during the year including the Pelican Center Training & Education Committee, the Children Justice Act Task Force, the CARE Advisory Committee for the Court Improvement Project, the Children’s Code Committee of the Louisiana Law Institute, the Pelican Center Task Force, the Human Trafficking Prevention Commission, the Juvenile Justice Reform Act Implementation Commission, the Task Force on Juvenile Justice Facility Standards, the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative. These organizations have produced a variety of outputs that have benefited defenders, children, and parents, including access to training, and bills passed by the legislature and signed into law.

In addition to these state-level stakeholder organizations, Mr. Pittman and Dr. Simpson have been involved in the leadership of national organizations. Mr. Pittman serves on the Advisory Committee of the Gault Center South. He also sits on the Steering Committee of the American Bar Association’s National Parent Representation Project.

The Juvenile Division held its annual training in person in 2023. The Delinquency Training was held in Baton Rouge on October 27. It included sessions on Hearsay & Objections, Children in Adult Jail, Legal Research Tools, Collaborative Practice Between Trial Counsel and Writ Counsel, and Ethics of Writ Practice. The Juvenile Division presented some sessions, and were joined by Prof. Jack Harrison, Prof. Hector Linares, Prof. Aimee Pittman, Prof. Melissa Strickland, and Mark Plaisance. There were 44 attendees.

The Parent Representation Training was held in Lafayette February 23, and was called the CINC Boot Camp in conjunction with the ULM Training Academy. It included sessions on procedure, Making The Record, and Incorporating Social Work. There were 8 attendees at the Lafayette session.

### **Training**

During calendar year 2023, the Training Division did not have a Director of Training and so was limited on conducting trainings for public defenders. Nevertheless, the staff conducted 3 trainings, 2 in person and 1 hybrid zoom and in-person. A total of 106 public defenders attended the 4 training sessions.

The largest in-person trainings were the Juvenile Defender / OJJ “Summit” in July of 2023 and Juvenile Defender Training held in October 2023. A total of 92 defenders attended the two events. The Juvenile Division presented the following:

Training	Date	Attendance
Training for Juvenile Defenders & OJJ Attorneys (In Person, Baton Rouge and Zoom)	July 27, 2023	48

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Delinquency Training (In Person, Ville Platte)	August 30, 2023	6
Juvenile Defense Training (In Person, Baton Rouge)	October 27, 2023	44

Most significantly, in 2023 the agency contracted with the University of Louisiana at Monroe to provide live and remote trainings for public defenders. The contract covers the 2024 fiscal year ending in June of 2024. Within Calendar Year 2023, the ULM program delivered a variety of trainings on topics listed below. Thirty-nine of the forty-two districts in the State sent at least one defender to at least one training.

Training	Date	Attendance
Dealing With Politics (In Person, Alexandria)	January 9, 2023	18
Direct Examination (In Person, Lafayette)	January 11, 2023	11
Voir Dire (In Person, Monroe)	January 20, 2023	10
Voir Dire (In Person, Metairie)	January 20, 2023	16
Testimony; Cross Examination (In Person, Shreveport)	January 27, 2023	15
Testimony (In Person, Chalmette)	January 28, 2023	7
JDT CINC Bootcamp (In Person, Lafayette)	February 23, 2023	13
Motion Practice (In Person, Metairie)	February 24, 2023	6
Voir Dire (In Person, Shreveport)	February 24, 2023	15
Voir Dire (In Person, Chalmette)	February 24, 2023	6
Grantwriting: Laying the Foundation (Zoom)	March 15, 2023	12
Client Interview (In Person, Shreveport)	March 17, 2023	12
Obtaining Records (Zoom)	March 22, 2023	8
Motion Practice	March 24, 2023	14
Voir Dire II (In Person, Metairie)	March 24, 2023	11
Grant Writing: Building A Narrative (Zoom)	April 5, 2023	15
Grant Writing: Evaluating & Reporting (Zoom)	April 19, 2023	7
Motions Practice: Motions-What? Where? When? (In Person, Shreveport)	April 21, 2023	20
Defending Sex Cases: Part I (In Person, Metairie)	April 25, 2023	9
Crime Scene Investigation (In Person, Ruston)	April 28, 2023	19
Sex Cases: Client Interview to Closing Argument (In Person, Shreveport)	May 5, 2023	14
Arguments I: Opening Statements (In Person, Metairie)	May 15, 2023	4
Report Writing for the Courts (Zoom)	May 17, 2023	2
Chief's Bootcamp (In Person, Lafayette)	May 25-26, 2023	18

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Introduction to Defending Sexual Assault Cases (In Person, Chalmette)	May 26, 2023	7
Argument: Opening & Closing Arguments (In Person, Shreveport)	June 2, 2023	15
Arguments II: Closing Arguments (In Person, Metairie)	June 6, 2023	4
Sentencing Advocacy (In Person, Monroe)	June 14, 2023	9
Sentencing Advocacy (In Person, Metairie)	June 23, 2023	5
Mitigation & Social Workers: Integrated Approach	July 7, 2023	Cancelled
Ethical Communication: Interpersonal, Research and Criminal Law (Zoom)	July 14, 2023	5
Disproportionality in the Criminal Justice System	August 18, 2023	Cancelled
Providing Defense for Sex Cases (In Person, Monroe)	August 25, 2023	21
Criminal Law Basics for Beginners (Zoom)	August 30, 2023	11
Cross Examination of Experts (In Person, Jefferson Parish)	September 15, 2023	11
Client Interviews	September 22, 2023	To be rescheduled
Sentencing (In Person, Shreveport)	September 29, 2023	20
Sentencing (In Person, Monroe)	September 29, 2023	20
Discovery (In Person, Baton Rouge)	October 5, 2023	Cancelled
Defending Child Sex Cases (In Person, Chalmette)	October 12, 2023	8
Cross Examination of Experts (In Person, Monroe)	October 13, 2023	Cancelled
Providing Defense in Sex Cases (In Person, Jefferson)	October 13, 2023	4
Empowering Public Defense with Generative AI (Zoom)	October 20, 2023	44
Domestic Abuse Cases & Defendants (Zoom)	October 25, 2023	3
Cellebrite/Digital Forensics (Zoom)	October 27, 2023	Cancelled
Arguments (In Person, St. Bernard)	November 3, 2023	11
PDAL Seminar (In Person, Lake Charles)	November 16, 2023	
Cross Examination (In Person, Lafayette)	November 20, 2023	8
Arguments (In Person, Jefferson Parish)	November 28, 2023	4

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Public Speaking: Argument & Objections (In Person, Lake Charles)	December 1, 2023	18
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, St. Bernard)	December 1, 2023	13
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, Caddo)	December 1, 2023	21
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, Monroe)	December 8, 2023	13
Ethics & Professionalism (In Person, Jefferson)	December 12, 2023	11
Direct Examination (In Person, Lake Charles)	December 15, 2023	19

### **Capital**

Michael A. Mitchell, Trial Level Compliance Officer, oversees the capital program governed by the LPDB for CY23. LPDB administers the Capital Expert Witness Fund. The process for accessing funding from LPDB involves the completion and submission of an Expert Witness Funding Application to the LPDB. Rémy Voisin Starns, State Public Defender, convenes a weekly meeting with the Trial Level Compliance Officer, a member of the Capital and Compliance Division support staff, and the Attorney or Program Director who is requesting funding approval to be determined based on needs and availability. Each meeting included either in-person or phone conferences with the program offices to discuss the funding requests.

There are currently **23** open, indicted, indigent capital cases being handled by Capital Programs and there is no wait list.

In CY23 the Programs dedicated to handling Capital Cases are as follows:

- Baton Rouge Capital Conflict Office (BRCCO)
- Capital Defense Project of Southeast Louisiana (CDPSELA or CDP)
- Louisiana Capital Assistance Center (LCAC)
- 24th JDC District Defender's Office
- Capital Post-Conviction Project of Louisiana (CPCPL)

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## Capital Trial Level Cases in 2023

Agency	Assigned	Pre-Indict	Post-Indict	Current Pending	Trials	Death	Life	<Life	Incompetent	Non-Capital
BRCCO	6	1	0	6	1	1	3	0	0	0
CPDSELA	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
LCAC	8	1	0	7	0	0	3	0	0	0
CAP	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
24 <sup>th</sup> JDC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waiting List	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Indicted, Indigent Capital Cases by District and Representation

District	Parish	Program	District	Partial Indigency	TOTAL
5	Franklin, Richland, West Carroll	1			1
13	Evangeline	1			1
14	Calcasieu	1			1
15	Lafayette, Acadia, Vermillion	3			3
16	New Iberia, St. Martin, St. Mary	1			1
17	Lafourche	2			2
19	East Baton Rouge	2			2
22	St. Tammany	1		1	2
23	Ascension, Assumption, St. James	1			1
24	Jefferson	2			2
26	Bossier, Webster	2			2
27	St. Landry	1			1
32	Terrebonne	2			2
40	St. John	1			1
42	Desoto	1			1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>



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## Assigned Caseloads for Program Offices

Office	Pre-Indictment	Total
BRCCO	1	6
CDPSELA	0	8
LCAC	1	8
CAP	0	2

## Assigned Post Conviction Caseloads

Office	Pre-Indictment	Total
CPCPL	0	21

In 2023 Expert Witness Funding was distributed as follows:

Agency	No. of Cases	Amount Approved
BRCCO	5	\$122,339
CDPSELA	7	\$165,137
LCAC	10	\$202,151
CAP	2	\$6,200
24 <sup>th</sup> JDC	0	\$0.00
Retained	0	\$0.00
Pro Bono	1	\$0.00
Waiting List	0	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>\$495,829</b>

In January 2023, LPDB received Applications for Certification for Capital Case Representation. Attorneys seeking certification submitted applications and the Committee determined eligibility and sent notices with approval or denial letters.

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Below is a chart reflecting the FY23 contract amount for individual programs.

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>
<b>BRCCO</b>	\$1,285,000
<b>CAP</b>	\$ 850,000
<b>CDPSELA</b>	\$1,280,000
<b>LCAC</b>	\$1,390,000
<b>CPCPL-PC</b>	\$ 365,000
<b>CPCPL-TR</b>	\$ 595,000
<b>CPCPL-OP</b>	\$1,265,036

## **Building Fund**

During the 2023 Regular Legislative Session, the Legislature appropriated \$1,300,000 for the purchase and renovation of public defender's offices. These dollars were used to purchase office buildings in the 14<sup>th</sup> (Calcasieu Parish) 35<sup>th</sup> (Grant Parish) Judicial District Public Defender's Offices. Additionally, the 32<sup>nd</sup> (Terrebonne Parish), who completed the purchase of their building in 2021 using their fund balance, was reimbursed for the money spent on the purchase of their building. Several years in the making, legislative appropriations provided to the 14<sup>th</sup> resulted in the office securing permanent Public Defender office space. In 2020, Hurricane Laura destroyed the district's office space.

## **Newsletter**

In 2023, the SPD continued distribution of LPDB's monthly newsletter, *The Louisiana Defender...the Defense Never Rests*. The newsletter was distributed to more than one thousand people by email. It highlights public defender successes, imparts information on training, compliance, legal issues, and general topics of importance to public defenders. The entire newsletter is compiled by the SPD's staff under the direction of JJCO Simpson who serves as Executive Editor.

## **Vape Tax**

The Louisiana Legislature has passed legislation establishing a fund that has the potential to bring \$1.8 million to support salaries and benefits for public defenders. Act 414, which originated as HB635, creates the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of State Fire Marshall, and the Louisiana Public Defender Board Compensation Fund. The fund is monetized by an increase on the tax on vapor and electronic cigarette products.

FY 2023 MEMBER ATTENDANCE  
at the  
LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD MEETINGS

**Six (6) or more Board members attended each of the Board's six (6) meetings during FY 2023, fulfilling the quorum requirement set forth in La. R.S. 15:151.**

The membership attendance by meeting date is set forth below:

**1. September 29, 2022**

**10 present, 1 absent**

Michael Ginart, Chairman  
Lou Daniel  
Patrick Fanning  
Lyn Lawrence  
Donald North

Zita Andrus  
Flozell Daniels, Jr.  
Holly Howat  
Allyson Melancon  
Frank Thaxton

*Absent:*

Frank Holthaus

**2. October 10, 2022**

**9 present, 2 absent**

Michael Ginart, Chairman  
Lou Daniel  
Patrick Fanning  
Lyn Lawrence  
Frank Thaxton

Zita Andrus  
Flozell Daniels, Jr.  
Holly Howat  
Donald North

*Absent:*

Frank Holthaus

Allyson Melancon

**3. December 6, 2022**

**8 present, 3 absent**

Michael Ginart, Chairman  
Flozell Daniels  
Holly Howat  
Donald North

Lou Daniel  
Pat Fanning  
Lyn Lawrence  
Frank Thaxton

*Absent:*

Zita Andrus  
Allyson Melancon

Frank Holthaus

FY 2023 MEMBER ATTENDANCE  
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LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD MEETINGS

**4. March 9, 2023**

**9 present, 2 absent**

Mike Ginart, Chairman  
Lou Daniel  
Patrick Fanning  
Holly Howat

Zita Andrus  
Flozell Daniels  
Frank Holthaus  
Donald North  
Frank Thaxton

*Absent:*

Lyn Lawrence

Allyson Melancon

**5. June 2, 2023**

**8 present, 2 absent, 1 vacancy\***

Michael Ginart, Chairman  
Lou Daniel  
Holly Howat  
Charles Porter\*\*\*

Adrejia Boutté \*\*  
Pat Fanning  
Lyn Lawrence  
Frank Thaxton

*Absent:*

Zita Andrus

Frank Holthaus

\* Allyson Melancon resigned effective May 19, 2023. Speaker of the House appointment/vacancy.

\*\* Adrejia Boutté appointed effective April 28, 2023 by Governor, representing 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Court District.  
Replaces Donald North.

\*\*\* Charles Porter appointed effective June 1, 2023 by Chief Justice Weimer. Replaces Flozell Daniels.

**6. June 22, 2023**

**9 present, 1 absent, 1 vacancy**

Michael Ginart, Chairman  
Lou Daniel  
Frank Holthaus  
Lyn Lawrence  
Frank Thaxton

Adrejia Boutté  
Pat Fanning  
Holly Howat  
Charles Porter

*Absent*

Zita Andrus

**DECISIONS AND ACTIONS**  
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**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD FY 2023**  
**July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023**

**September 29, 2022**

- Adopted the Agenda.
- Accepted the contract proposal by ULM capped at \$298,000
- Adopted the Minutes of the June 28, 2022 meeting.
- Adopted the Financial Report as presented.
- Nominated Dr. Holly Howat as Chairman of the Budget Committee.
- Adopted the Budget Committee's recommendation for the disbursement of the Title IV-E monies to districts that did not receive funds because of emergencies that had to be addressed last fiscal year in District 15 (Acadia, Lafayette and Vermilion Parishes) and District 19 (EBR Parish).
- Adopted the Budget Committee's recommendation to create a \$50,000 Non-Capital Expert Witness Fund with O-Level monies.
- Adopted the LPDB Five Year Strategic Plan.
- Appointed Sierra Thompson as interim District Defender in District 41 (Orleans Parish).

**October 10, 2022**

- Adopted the Agenda.
- Met in Executive Session to discuss the applicants for the position of District Defender in District 15 (Acadia, Lafayette and Vermilion Parishes); District 23 (Ascension, Assumption and St. James Parishes); and District 40 (St. John the Baptist Parish).
- Appointed Fontella Baker as District Defender in District 40 (St. John the Baptist Parish).
- Appointed Tonya Clark as District Defender in District 23 (Ascension, Assumption and St. James Parishes).
- Appointed Amanda Martin as District Defender in District 15 (Acadia, Lafayette and Vermilion Parishes).

**December 6, 2022**

- Adopted the Agenda.
- Adopted the Minutes of the September 29, 2022 and October 10, 2022 meetings.
- Approved the Financial Report as presented.
- Approved the FY24 Budget submittal as presented.
- Approved FY23 O-Level Disbursement recommendation as presented.
- Selected members of the Policy Committee for the purpose of resolving the issue of a policy regarding Public Defenders running for public office.

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**of the**  
**LOUISIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD FY 2023**  
**July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023**

**March 9, 2023**

- Adopted the Agenda.
- Adopted the Minutes of the December 6, 2022 meeting.
- Met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the applicants for District Defender in District 41 (Orleans Parish) and discussing the current District Defenders in District 19 (EBR Parish) and District 25 (Plaquemines Parish).
- Appointed Daniel “Danny” Engelberg as District Defender in District 41 (Orleans Parish).
- Approved the State Public Defender’s FY23 DAF/O-Level Funding Disbursement recommendations, as presented.

**June 2, 2023**

- Adopted the Agenda.
- Adopted the Minutes of the March 9, 2023 meeting.
- Adopted the FY23 final DAF disbursal.
- Authorized the State Public Defender to disburse remaining year end monies to the districts.
- Adopted the FY24 District Assistance Fund Distribution Mechanism (DAFDM) as presented.
- Approved Recommendation 1 of the State Public Defender’s Strategic Plan renewing the contract with the LAP program for \$1,223,891 to represent people on direct appeal in noncapital cases.
- Approved Recommendation 2 of the State Public Defender’s Strategic Plan allocating up to \$300,000 previously used in the LAP contract to contract with an attorney to draft supervisory writs in all courts of appeal and the Louisiana Supreme Court, eventually adding 1-3 attorneys.
- Approved Recommendation 3 of the State Public Defender’s Strategic Plan for non-renewal of the contract with the Louisiana Center for Children’s Rights (LCCR) to provide juvenile services in District 41 (Orleans Parish) allocating the \$460,000 directly to the Orleans Public Defender’s Office to represent juveniles as they see fit.
- Approved Recommendation 4 of the State Public Defender’s Strategic Plan allocating \$400,000 for the assignment of certified counsel to represent *Miller and Montgomery* cases with a negotiated cap on each case and a time/effort sheets requirement. The administration of the appointments is to be done by SPD staff and the capital programs.
- Deferred Recommendations 5-8 of the State Public Defender’s Strategic Plan.

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- Approved Recommendation 9 of the State Public Defender's Strategic Plan renewing the IT services contracts for FY24 to Brian Buel, Don Dovie and David Newhouse in the amounts of \$1,800, \$72,00, and \$4,000, respectively.
- Approved Recommendation 10 of the State Public Defender's Strategic Plan to renew the legal services contract with the Stanley-Reuter Law Firm in the amount of \$60,000.
- Approved Recommendation 12 of the State Public Defender's Strategic Plan to allocate \$500,000 to contract with University of Louisiana-Monroe to provide statewide trainings.
- Met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.
- Renewed the District Defender FY24 contracts with the exception of District 19 (EBR Parish) and District 25 (Plaquemines Parish).
- Clarified the salaries of District 15 (Acadia, Lafayette and Vermilion Parishes) District Defender for \$129,000 annually and District 40 (St. John the Baptist Parish) District Defender for \$95,000 annually.
- Appointed District 34 (St. Bernard Parish) District Defender Thomas (Tom) Gerhauser as interim District Defender in District 25 (Plaquemines Parish) at a salary of \$3,500 per month.
- Ratified the State Public Defender's previous appointments of Michael Mitchell and Tom Gernhauser as interim District Defenders in District 25 (Plaquemines Parish).
- Placed District 25 (Plaquemines Parish) District Defender Chanel Long on leave per her request until the end of her FY23 contract, approved payment of all due benefits until those benefits are exhausted and placed her on leave without pay upon exhaustion on those benefits.

**June 22, 2023**

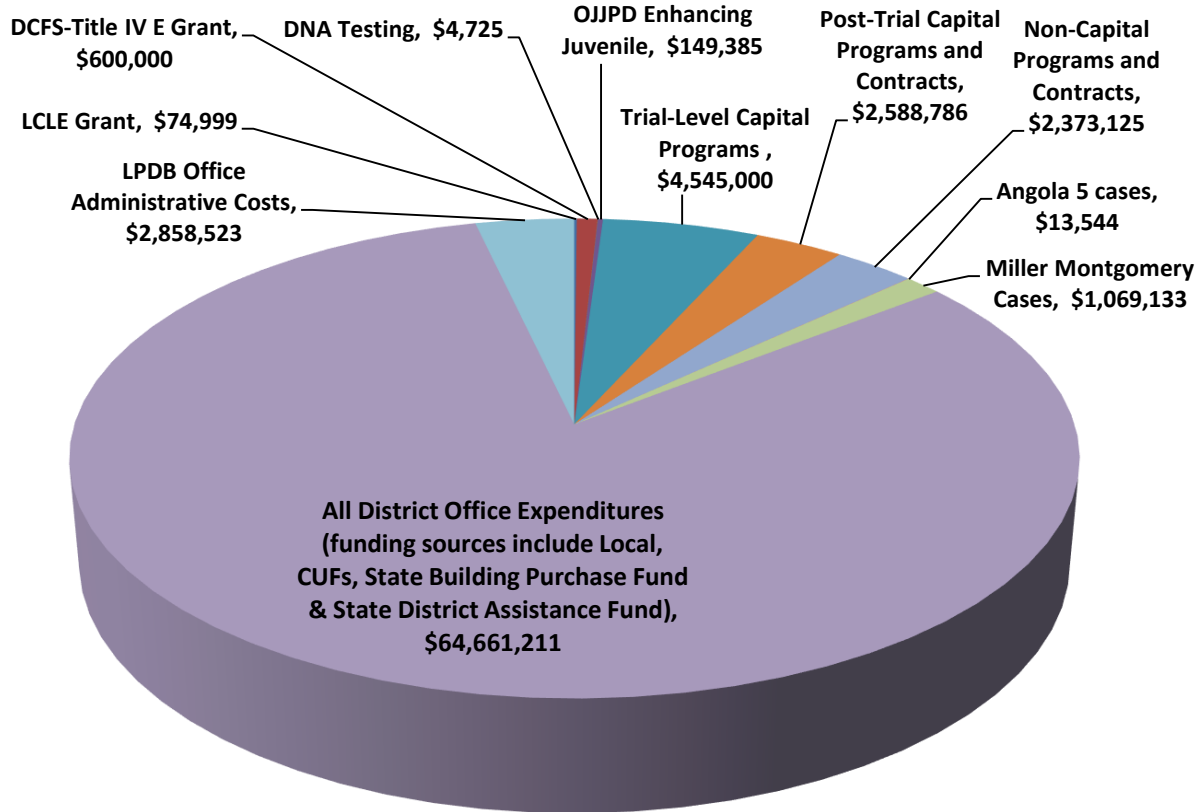
- Adopted the Agenda.
- Adopted the Minutes of the June 2, 2023 meeting.
- Appointed members to the Compensation Working Group.
- Appointed members to the Standards and Guidelines Working Group.
- Adopted the State Public Defender's recommendation for the renewal of the FY24 contracts for the Baton Rouge Capital Conflict Office (BRCCO) - \$1,280,000; Capital Defense Project of Southeast Louisiana (CDPSLA) - \$1,280,000; and the Louisiana Capital Assistance Center (LCAC) - \$1,390,000.
- Renewed the FY24 contracts for the Capital Appeals Project (CAP) - \$1,050,00; and the Mwalimu Center for Justice (MCFJ) - \$1,265,036.
- Renewed the FY24 contract for the Innocence Project New Orleans (IPNO) - \$360,000

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- Approved the State Public Defender's recommendation to renew FY24 expert witness fund contracts *up to* the amounts presented: Capital Trial-CPCPL-\$595,000; CPCPL-Post Conviction - \$360,000; and, IPNO-*Miller/Montgomery* - \$120,000.
- Approved the FY24 Stanley-Reuter legal services contract for \$60,000 by Resolution as required by the Attorney General's office.
- Ratified the State Public Defender's appointment of Tommie Gipson as interim District Defender in District 19 (EBR Parish) at a salary of \$8,000 per month.
- Ratified the State Public Defender's appointment of Paul Fleming as interim District Defender in District 25 (Plaquemines Parish) at a salary of \$3,500 per month.
- Ratified the State Public Defender's appointment of Rhonda Covington as interim District Defender in District 18 (Iberville, Pointe Coupee, WBR Parishes) at a salary of \$3,500 per month.
- Met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion pending litigation.



## FY 2023 Public Defense Expenditures (Total: \$78,938,431)



<b>TOTAL EXPENDED SYSTEM-WIDE</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>78,938,431</b>	
LCLE Grant	\$	74,999	0.10%
DCFS-Title IV E Grant	\$	600,000	0.76%
DNA Testing	\$	4,725	0.01%
OJJPD Enhancing Juvenile	\$	149,385	0.19%
Trial-Level Capital Programs	\$	4,545,000	5.76%
Post-Trial Capital Programs and Contracts	\$	2,588,786	3.28%
Non-Capital Programs and Contracts	\$	2,373,125	3.01%
Angola 5 cases	\$	13,544	0.02%
Miller Montgomery Cases	\$	1,069,133	1.35%
All District Office Expenditures (funding sources include Local, CUFs, State Building Purchase Fund & State District Assistance Fund)	\$	64,661,211	81.91%
Total Non-Administrative Statewide	\$	76,079,908	96.38%
LPDB Office Administrative Costs	\$	2,858,523	3.62%

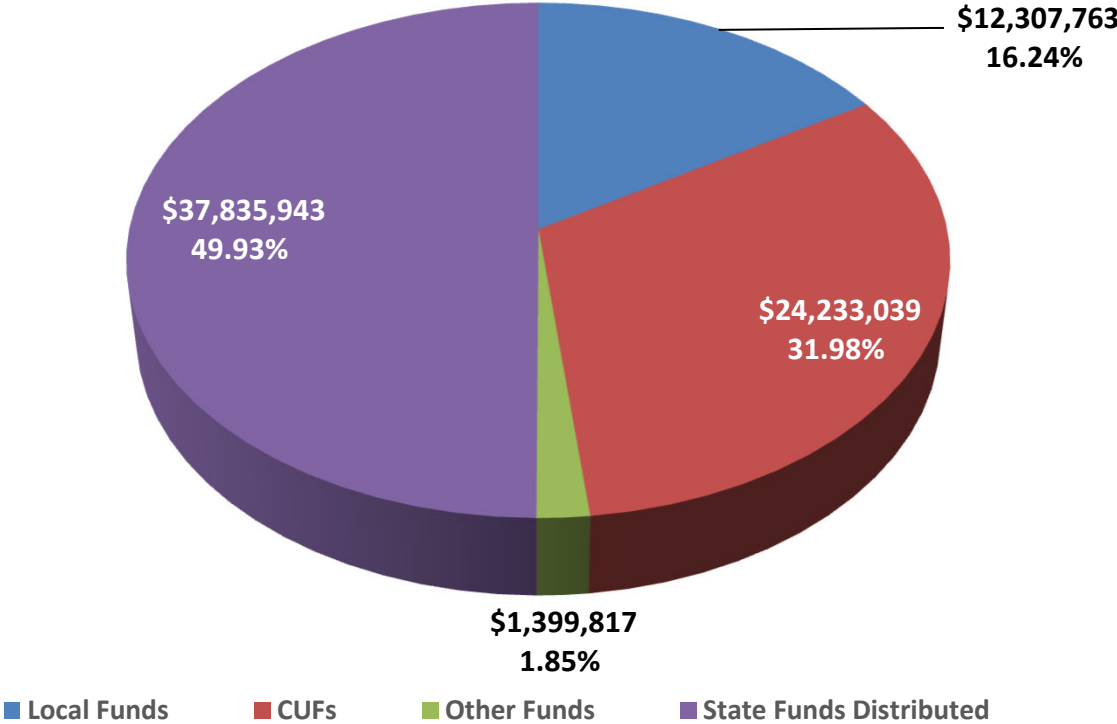
### CY23 District Revenues and Expenditures

District	Total State Funds Distributed in CY23	Total Local Funds Received by Districts in CY23	Total CUFs (Conviction & User Fees) Received by Districts in CY23	Total Other Funds Received by Districts in CY23	CY23 Total Combined Funds	CY23 Total Non-State Funds	Percent of Total Funding by State Funds Distributed in CY23	Total CY23 Expenditures	Individual District Estimated CY23 Fund Balance Depletions	Raw Cases Handled in CY23	Estimate of Total People Represented in CY23
1	\$2,386,813	2,250	954,380	5,576	3,349,019	962,206	71.27%	3,369,674	(20,655)	13,223	9,809
2	\$346,902	-	250,137	7,179	604,217	257,316	57.41%	579,927		1,498	1,034
3	\$31,952	-	518,939	5,420	556,310	524,358	5.74%	655,324	(99,014)	3,881	1,970
4	\$1,635,260	-	1,013,157	5,263	2,653,680	1,018,420	61.62%	2,587,721		11,018	7,790
5	\$319,477	-	293,152	496	613,126	293,648	52.11%	574,082		1,701	1,464
6	\$229,359	-	399,004	21,404	649,766	420,407	35.30%	618,983		2,112	798
7	\$308,114	-	101,089	867	410,070	101,956	75.14%	453,875	(43,806)	2,700	980
8	\$298,547	-	96,858	479	395,885	97,337	75.41%	385,996		845	620
9	\$997,453	-	424,626	-	1,422,079	424,626	70.14%	1,382,622		6,962	5,108
10	\$345,804	-	229,556	-	575,360	229,556	60.10%	568,075		1,566	929
11	\$365,163	-	78,976	231	444,369	79,207	82.18%	383,481		1,710	1,016
12	\$264,663	-	201,441	26,068	492,172	227,509	53.77%	516,190	(24,018)	3,626	1,410
13	\$368,562	-	497,143	8,486	874,191	505,629	42.16%	776,514		1,954	1,403
14	\$2,478,282	600,000	1,262,893	1,230	4,342,405	1,864,123	57.07%	6,645,302	(2,302,897)	10,717	6,349
15	\$3,026,977	-	1,838,612	97,696	4,963,285	1,936,308	60.99%	3,803,839		18,066	11,703
16	\$1,495,202	-	867,953	21,672	2,384,827	889,625	62.70%	2,228,267		6,753	5,523
17	\$881,352	-	404,949	10,461	1,296,762	415,409	67.97%	987,632		5,073	2,516
18	\$368,199	-	689,035	2,537	1,059,771	691,571	34.74%	886,284		1,992	1,684
19	\$2,875,393	1,175,048	1,309,972	6,076	5,366,489	2,491,096	53.58%	4,631,109		17,350	12,739
20	\$249,599	45,000	191,621	713	486,933	237,334	51.26%	518,617	(31,683)	1,380	756
21	\$2,346,427	-	1,769,068	103,165	4,218,660	1,872,233	55.62%	3,679,023		13,860	10,160
22	\$2,250,220	89,485	1,296,974	57,951	3,694,629	1,444,409	60.91%	3,498,301		20,118	9,151
23	\$909,756	-	724,237	3,879	1,637,871	728,116	55.55%	1,370,132		7,157	4,973
24	\$2,082,017	-	2,026,095	214,693	4,322,805	2,240,788	48.16%	3,896,907		22,374	8,415
25	\$300,334	-	206,097	-	506,431	206,097	59.30%	365,980		1,281	976
26	\$1,590,306	-	771,043	3,383	2,364,732	774,426	67.25%	2,403,513	(38,781)	13,825	6,187
27	\$672,597	-	510,298	87,775	1,270,669	598,073	52.93%	1,189,265		6,193	4,854
28	\$216,592	-	40,733	1,107	258,432	41,840	83.81%	230,498		565	346
29	\$484,848	-	826,002	34,935	1,345,785	860,937	36.03%	1,271,093		1,973	1,379
30	\$541,475	-	284,457	1,420	827,352	285,877	65.45%	879,138	(51,786)	1,816	1,031
31	\$266,882	-	364,677	711	632,269	365,387	42.21%	563,119		2,364	1,508
32	\$1,130,763	-	624,611	4,452	1,759,826	629,063	64.25%	1,392,263		5,278	2,618
33	\$78,375	-	256,577	1,896	336,848	258,472	23.27%	279,676		904	850
34	\$455,877	-	129,118	16,974	601,969	146,092	75.73%	602,868	(898)	1,841	1,316
35	\$437,898	-	138,234	1,129	577,260	139,363	75.86%	499,265		1,065	753
36	\$304,668	-	276,466	243	581,376	276,708	52.40%	510,029		1,818	1,153
37	\$271,984	-	30,100	-	302,084	30,100	90.04%	295,501		486	434
38	\$86	-	68,715	2,151	70,951	70,866	0.12%	162,086	(91,135)	364	238
39	\$142,304	-	30,265	259	172,828	30,524	82.34%	167,485		768	455
40	\$514,718	-	375,372	179	890,269	375,551	57.82%	853,143		2,925	1,661
41	\$3,461,281	10,395,980	1,519,659	638,248	16,015,168	12,553,887	21.61%	12,178,301		17,618	11,586
42	\$103,462	-	340,752	3,416	447,630	344,168	23.11%	399,557		1,466	1,099
Totals	37,835,942.68	12,307,763	24,233,039	1,399,817	75,776,562	37,940,619	49.93%	69,240,657	(2,704,673)	240,186	146,744

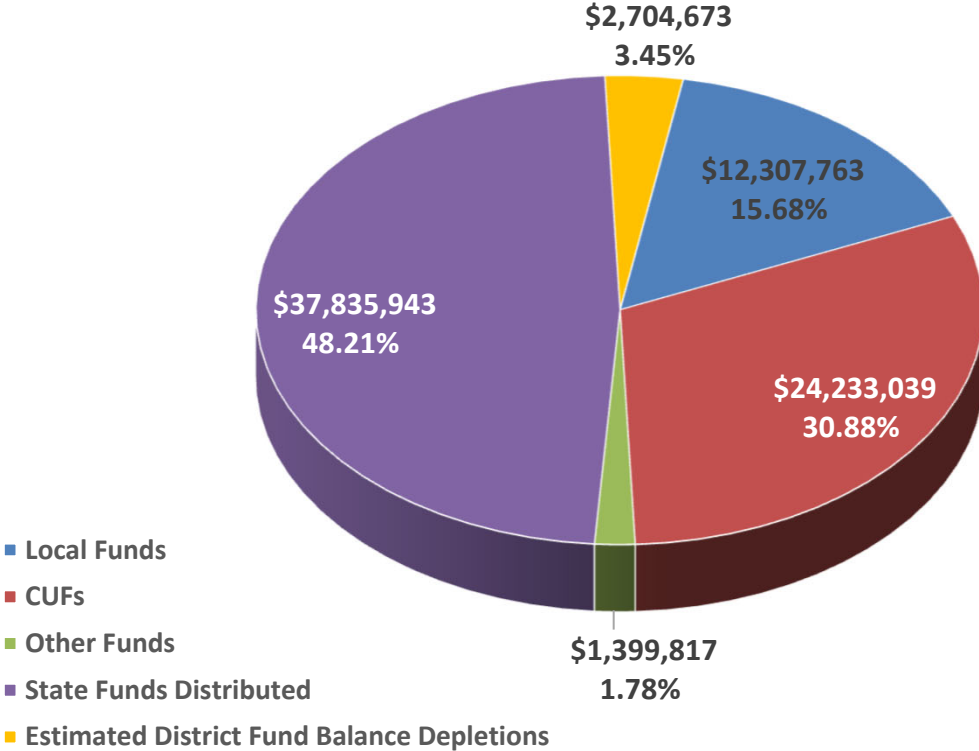
Local Funds \$ 12,307,763  
 CUFs \$ 24,233,039  
 Other Funds \$ 1,399,817  
 State Funds Distributed \$ 37,835,943  
 Estimated District Fund Balance Depletions \$ 2,704,673

**NOTE:** The individual District Estimated CY23 Fund Balance Depletion is estimated by subtracting district expenditures from combined State, Local, CUFs and Other funds. Note also that the large \$2.4M depletion in District 14 is an artifact of using fund balance monies from the prior year to help purchase the \$3.8M office building in Lake Charles. Further note that "Total State Funds" include a special State appropriation of \$900,000 to District 14 for the building purchase. There was another \$600,000 grant from the local government in Calcasieu for the building purchase which is reported under "Total Local Funds." Further special State appropriations of \$280,000 to District 32 and \$120,000 to District 35 for building purchases are included under "Total State Funds." Note also that "Total Other Funds" consist of various funding sources ranging from private donations to corporate and philanthropic grants. Further note that because state funding is appropriated for the Fiscal Year and this report is for the Calendar Year, totals must be derived from parts of FY23 & FY24. Finally, please note that some data in this report may change over time due to districts' future corrections or revisions.

**Statewide Revenues by Funding Source for CY 2023**



**Statewide Revenues & Fund Balance Depletions for CY 2023**



### All Districts Aggregate CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

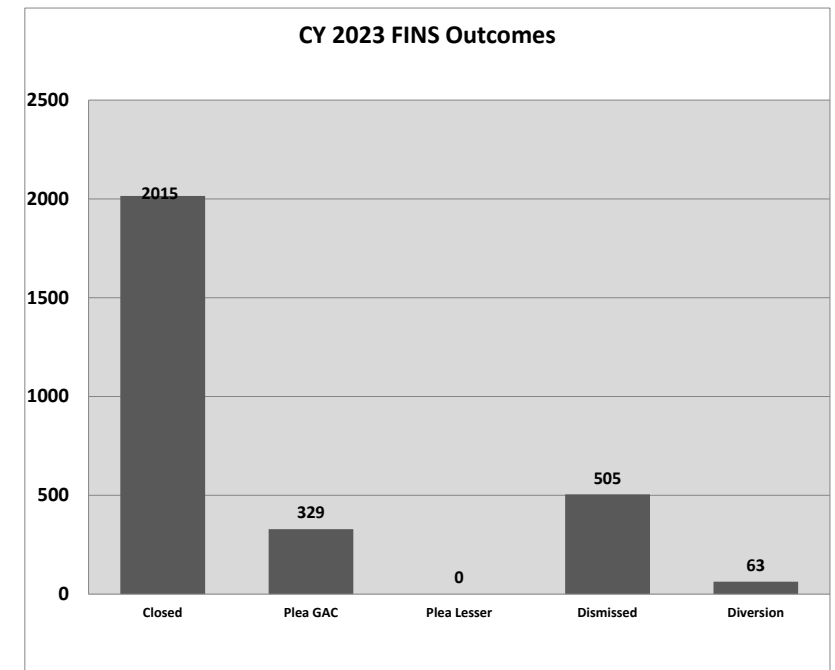
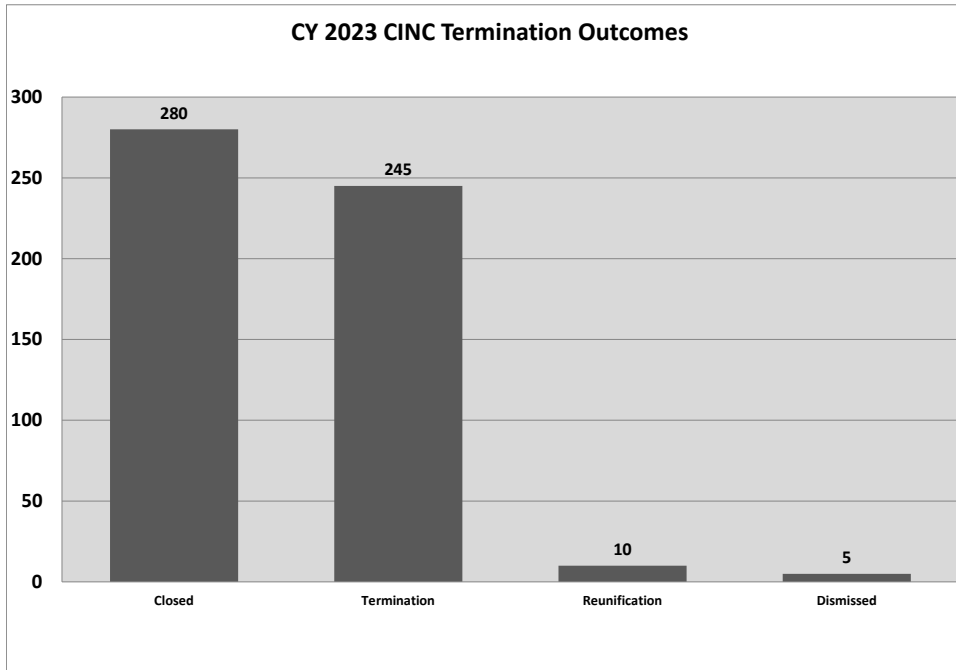
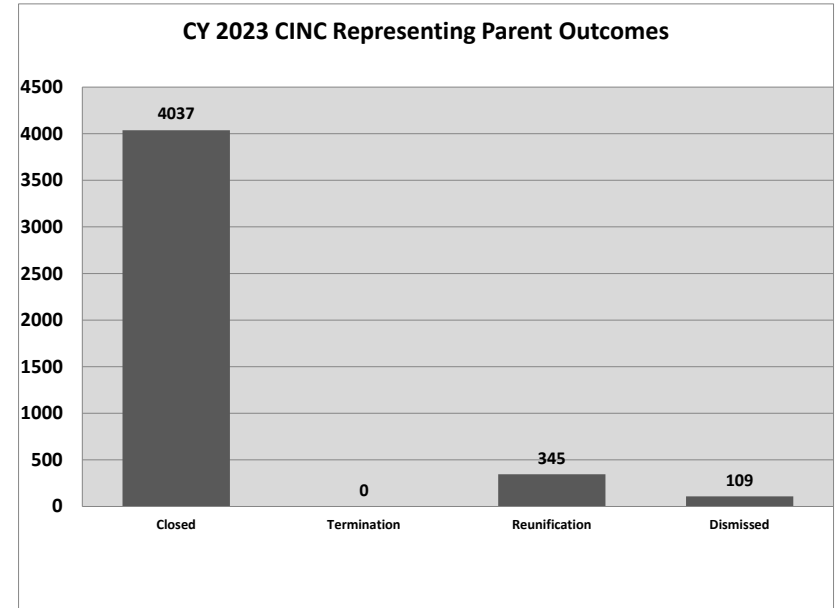
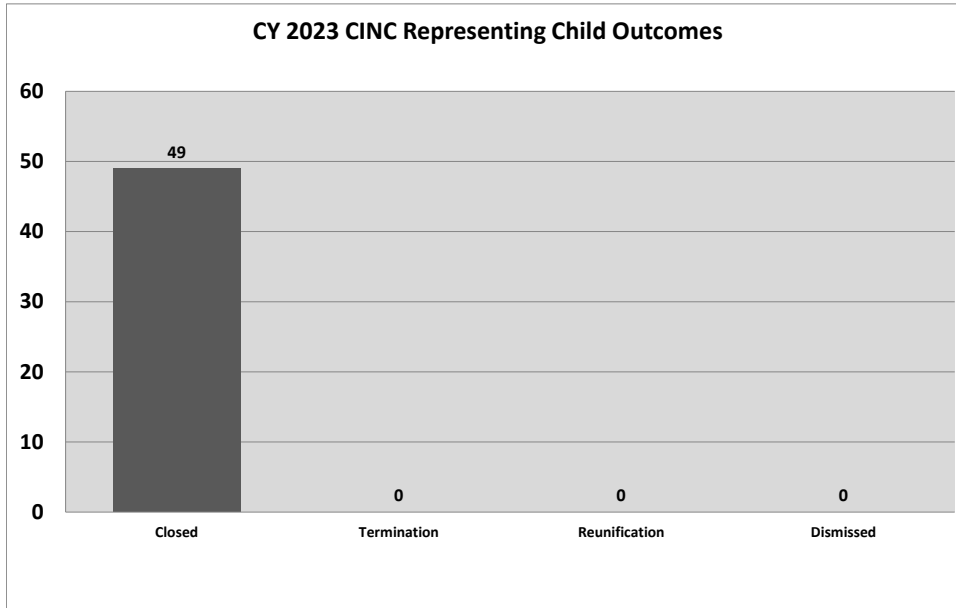
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	1814	4308	3014	4808	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
CINC-Child	0	49	71	71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CINC-Parent	4346	4037	5016	9361	0	345	0	0	109	0	0	0	0	0	0
Termination	239	280	249	488	245	10	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
FINS	1813	2015	956	2745	0	0	329	0	505	63	0	0	0	0	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	6318	5459	3083	8943	0	0	1542	102	1782	447	0	0	9	19	28
Delinquency Felony	4195	4113	3454	7599	0	0	1441	230	1822	223	0	0	20	62	82
Delinquency-Life	87	61	43	128	0	0	17	3	18	3	0	0	0	1	1
Juvenile Revocations	71	267	85	156	0	0	217	3	24	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	55353	54030	39861	93221	0	0	23699	2611	23751	55	7	21	114	160	302
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	54104	53556	48863	102967	0	0	25104	6426	28884	18	33	191	42	224	490
Adult LWOP	692	636	1234	1926	0	0	175	136	248	0	10	63	1	11	85
Capital***	11	20	25	36	0	0	4	0	8	0	0	2	0	0	2
Revocations	2485	3626	5202	7687	0	0	78	3	388	0	0	0	0	0	0
PCR	10	27	34	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	15	17
SOAP	0	2	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

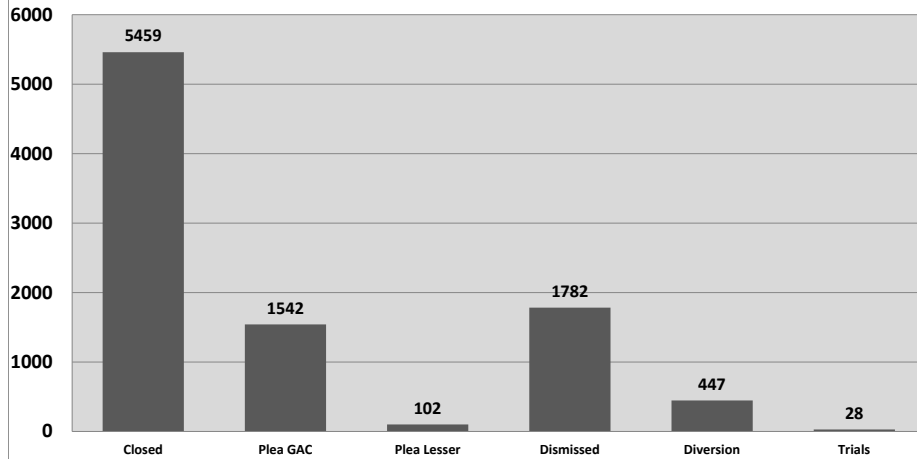
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

\*\*Life Without Parole

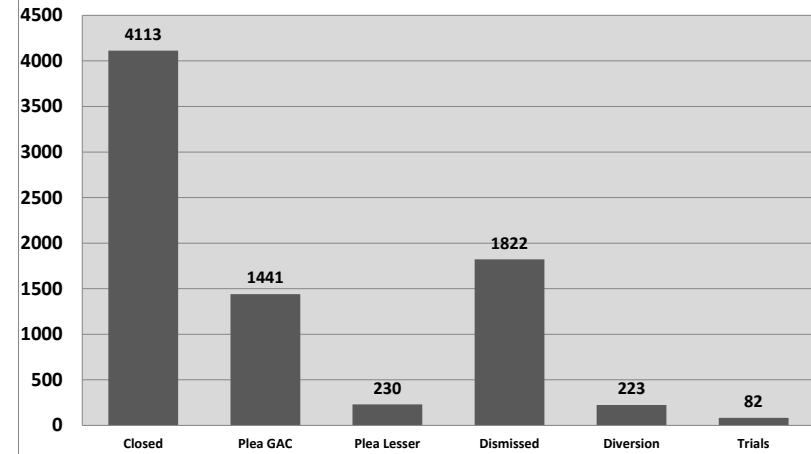
\*\*\*Capital cases may include cases initially opened by the district office and transferred to a program office at some later stage in the proceedings.



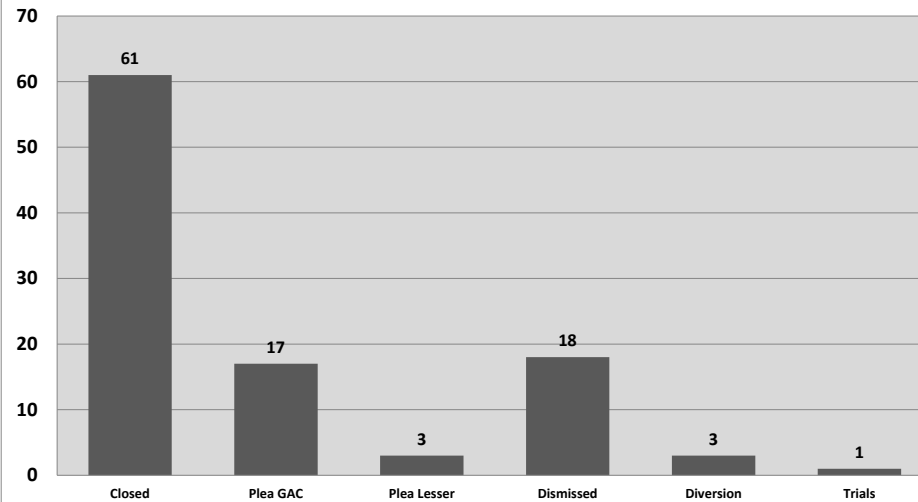
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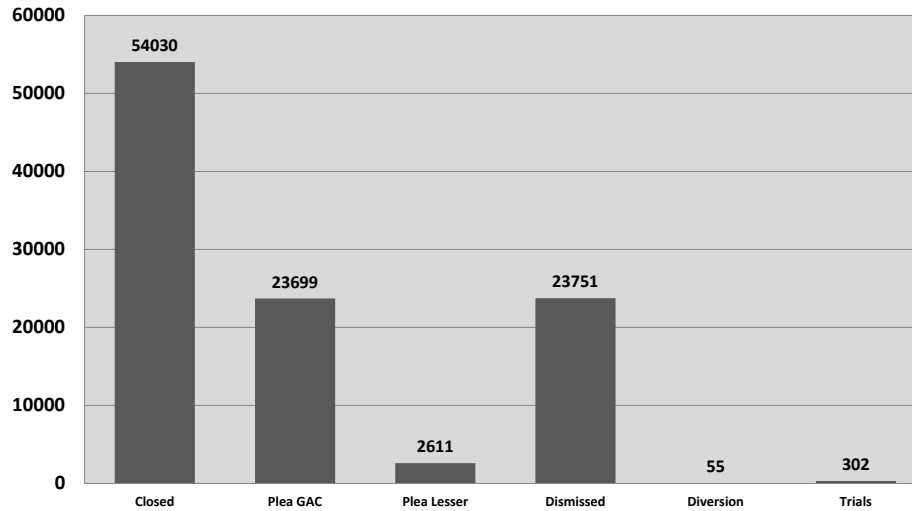
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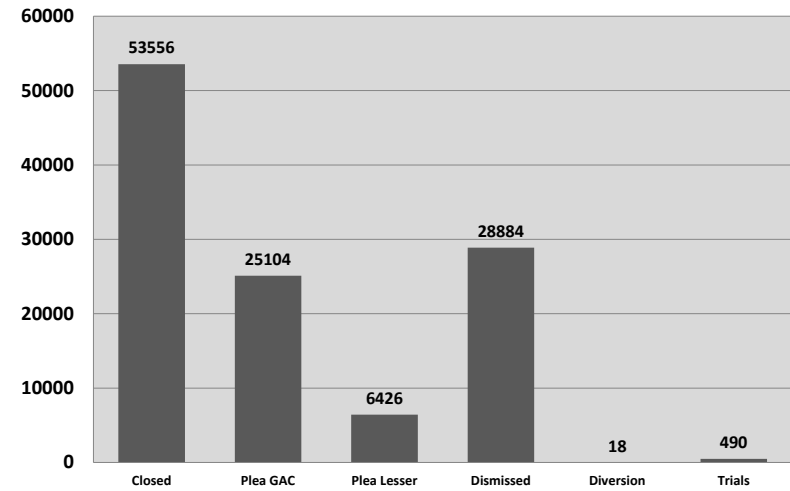
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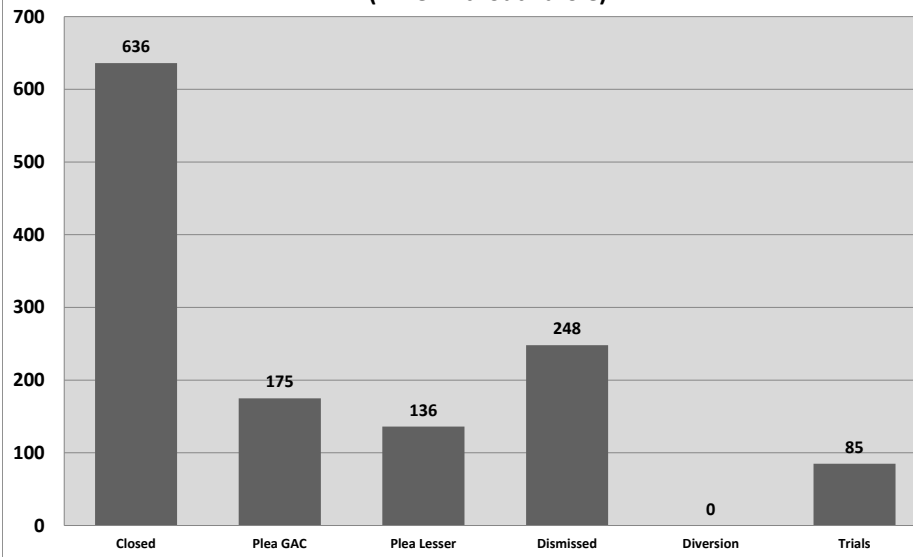
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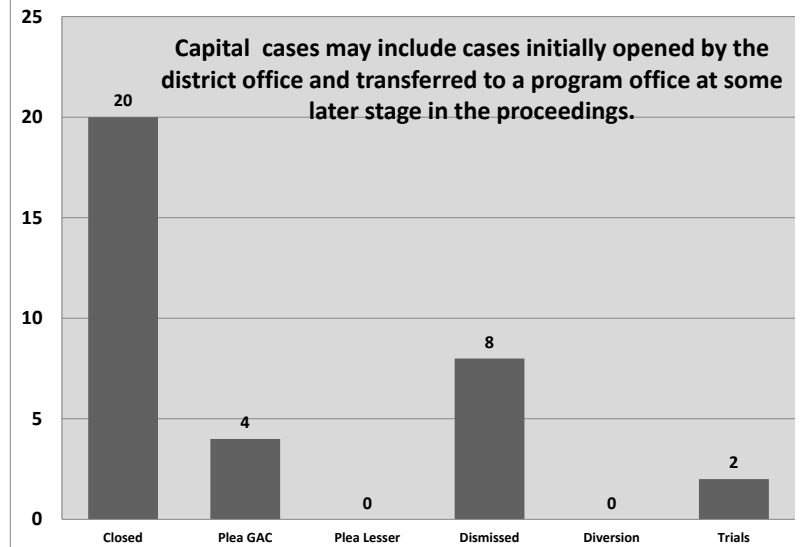
**CY 2023 Adult Felony Non-LWOP\* Outcomes  
(\*Life Without Parole)**



**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
(\*Life Without Parole)**



**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**



## **DISTRICT REPORTS DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY (CY23)**

This methodology discussion covers the techniques employed to help the district offices produce their annual reports. These district reports are required per R.S.15:174, which provides that each district defender is required to submit to LPDB a detailed annual report on the prior year's "workload, resources, employees, and expenditures for each district or service region." The following 42 individual district reports cover each individual Judicial District Public Defenders' Office (PDOs) regarding several factors: basic office information, district structures, caseload information, and budget information. This information is reported to LPDB by the District Defenders to the best of their knowledge and belief at the time of the submission.

Preceding each district's report is an executive summary produced by LPDB staff using the self-reported information from each district as well as LPDB analytics, including: information regarding the percentages of cases handled by the nature of the cases (Offenses Against Persons, Drug Possession, Drug Distribution, etc.); total numbers of Felonies, Misdemeanors, Delinquencies and Child in Need of Care cases; Conviction and User's Fees (CUFs), State Funding, Local Funding, and Other Funding (federal, corporate or philanthropic funds) over the past six years; criminal and traffic ticket filing information from the Louisiana Supreme Court Annual Reports since 2014 (CY23 data is unavailable until Spring of 2024). These district report executive summaries are analytics based on each district's self-reported information on their caseload and fiscal activity and can vary in part due to their differing local procedures and environments.

Following the executive summary is the first section of each district report. This is a narrative produced by district offices which lists: basic contact information, including emergency contact information; listing of local government cash and in-kind support; descriptions of the structure of the local office and the local criminal justice system, including key figures in the local system; the staffing information and supervisory structure of the district public defenders' office; contact information for the assistant public defenders (provided only in the hardcopy and digital versions for protection of privacy); and an inventory of the office's present technology, hardware and software. (It should be noted that district staffing information in the narratives represents a "snapshot" of the staff collected near year's end, typically in November or December, and is subject to change at any time due to staffing changes.) With the exception of the district's population statistics, these data are self-reported by the districts through the web-based annual survey questionnaire distributed to each District Defender near year's end. Population data is captured using the U.S. Census Bureau estimates.

The second section reports caseloads for each district, aggregating new and pending cases (from prior years) and outcomes of charges disposed in CY23. These data are also self-reported by the district offices, gathered through each district's data entry in the case management system. The data are collected throughout the year by each attorney or the attorney's designee through data entry to the LPDB online database. In 2011, the LPDB purchased a new case management system for the districts and deployed it in June 2011. Data from an earlier database preceding June 2011



## DISTRICT REPORTS DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY (CY23)

(as far back as 2007) was converted and migrated into the new database from the old database also in June of 2011. Data are reported on new cases received in the year of report, cases from prior years which were closed that year, cases from prior years which were still active that year, and the total of new and pending cases for the year of the report. Some cases listed as pending have been open for several years yet have been periodically reviewed by the districts to ensure these are truly still open cases, noting that complex cases such as juvenile, felony, capital and life without parole (LWOP) cases may indeed remain active even after several years or may have been declared dormant for some time (thus not counted in workloads or caseloads) but had been re-opened during the year of the report (e.g., fugitive cases re-opened months or even years later when the client is found).

It is important to note that the database periodically, automatically changes the status from any of the several active statuses to “Auto-dormant” for every case which has sat idly untouched in the database for excessive periods of time in order to discount cases which are accidentally left UNCLOSED. **Cases which are in fugitive or other inactive statuses or in auto-dormant status, or which have not been reviewed periodically and confirmed as active cases are EXCLUDED from the case counts that support caseload analyses. Further, cases untouched for excessive periods of time are set to a status of “Auto-Closed” signifying that the case is not to be counted as part of a workload or caseload, but have not been officially disposed by the Court or DA and yet are unlikely to be re-opened at a later date—although it IS possible to do so.** These measures help ensure the accuracy of case counts and guard against overcounting.

Additionally, data are reported in this annual report regarding the disposition of charges in a manageable number of very broad categories for presentation purposes, with labels such as “Guilty as Charged,” “Dismissed” and “Plea to Lesser Charge,” for example, each of which include numerous nuanced outcomes similar and relevant to these broad labels. Nonetheless, the disposition data reported give a useful graphic impression of the outcomes of cases and charges. Given the February 1, 2024 deadline for submission of this Calendar Year 2023 annual report, a small number of case closings and pending cases may not be completely up to date. This is particularly true for cases handled very near the end of the calendar year, as the time-lag between case activity at year's end and case data entry may preclude some small amount of activity from being entered in time for this report.

The District CY23 Financial Summary Tables, the third and final section of the districts’ reports, address revenues and expenditures by individual line item in a very granular fashion. All information contained in this section of the districts’ reports was compiled automatically through the Financial Management System (FMS) component of the LPDB database. This was done through the online FMS report query using data from each district’s monthly financial reports for the year of the annual report. These data were submitted online to the Louisiana Public Defender Board by the individual Public Defender Offices monthly and reviewed by LPDB’s staff monthly. All monthly reports since August 2012 have been reported online, and all prior hard-copy

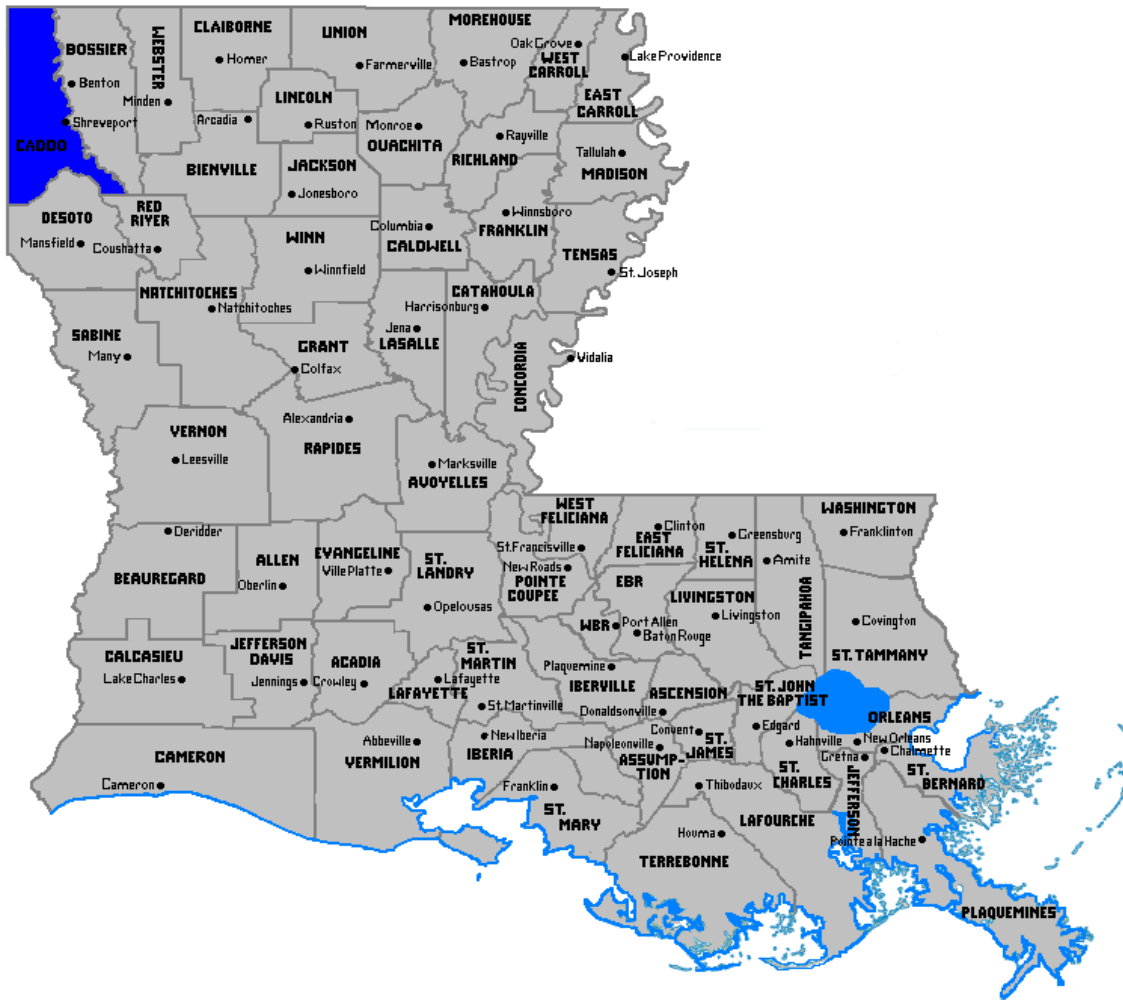
## **DISTRICT REPORTS DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY (CY23)**

monthly reports from 2008 through 2012 were converted to digital data and migrated into the database.

“Revenues” include the statutorily mandated Conviction and Users’ Fees (CUFs), as well as several other statutorily mandated fees, and “Other” funding sources such as federal, private, or corporate grants, or donations, and in a very few districts, local special or general appropriations from local governments, and in District 19, a modest tax from car rentals. These are reported in this third and final section and show the actual amounts of state funding received in the calendar year regardless of which fiscal year the funds were appropriated. To report the amount of fiscal-year state funds actually received by a district on a calendar year basis, the state revenue portion of the financial summaries were computed by adding all the District Assistance Funds, along with all other emergency or supplemental state funds disbursed to the district office between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> of 2023 (i.e., the second half of FY23, January to June, and the first half of FY24, July to December).

While the data reported herein are believed and known to be accurate at the time of this writing, should the need for any corrections become evident in the future, changes will be made in the database and will be reflected in future reports.

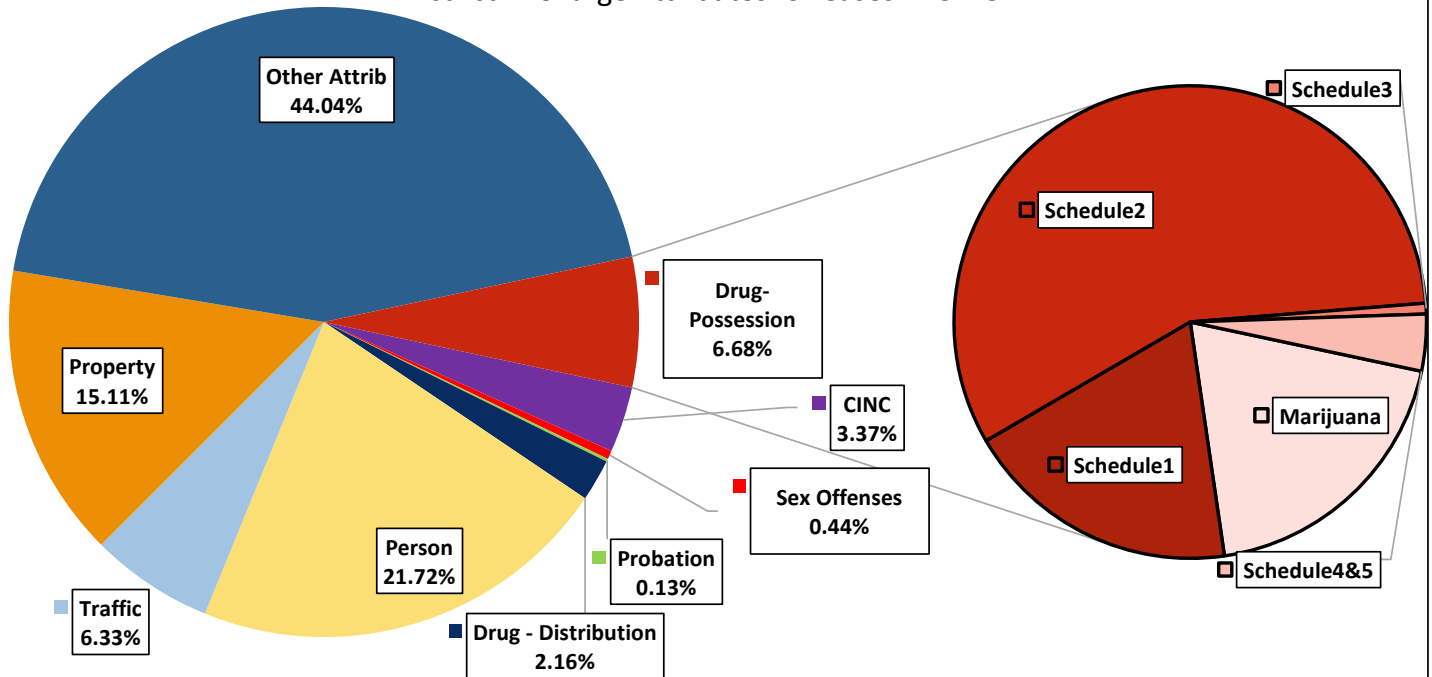
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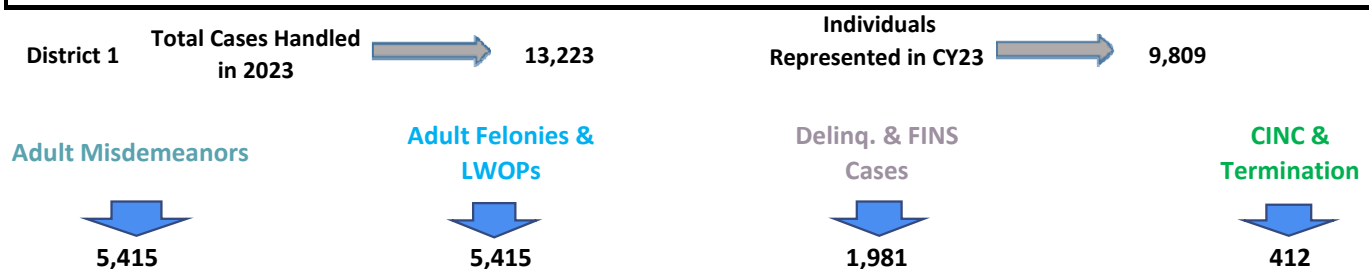
THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
CADDO (SHREVEPORT)

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District 1 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

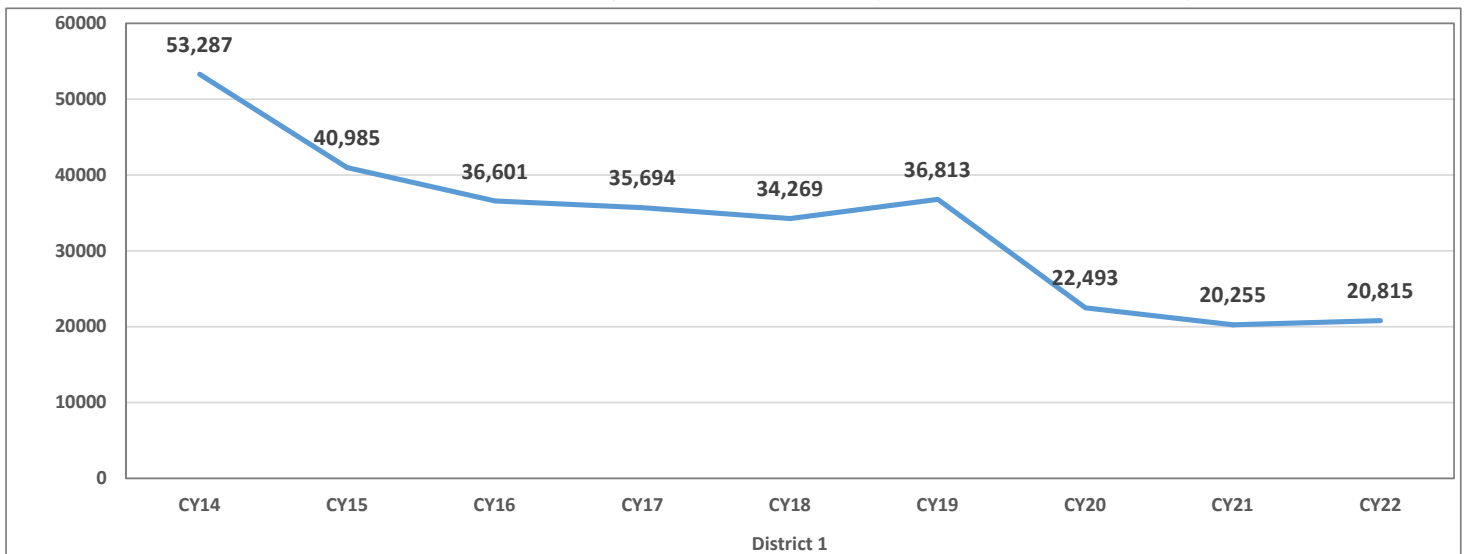


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 6.68% (883) of the 13,223 cases handled by the 1st Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 56.9% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



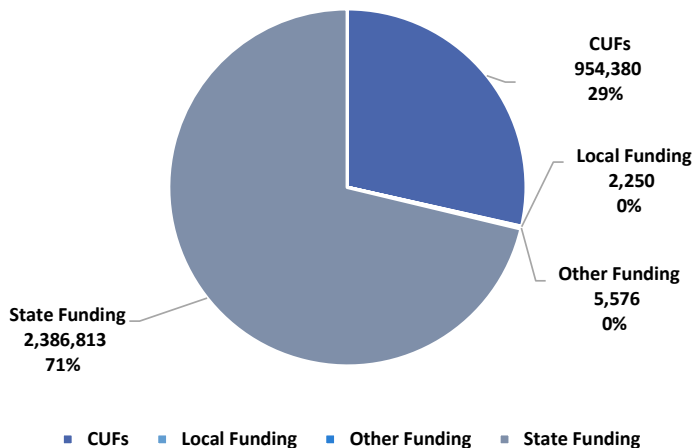
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



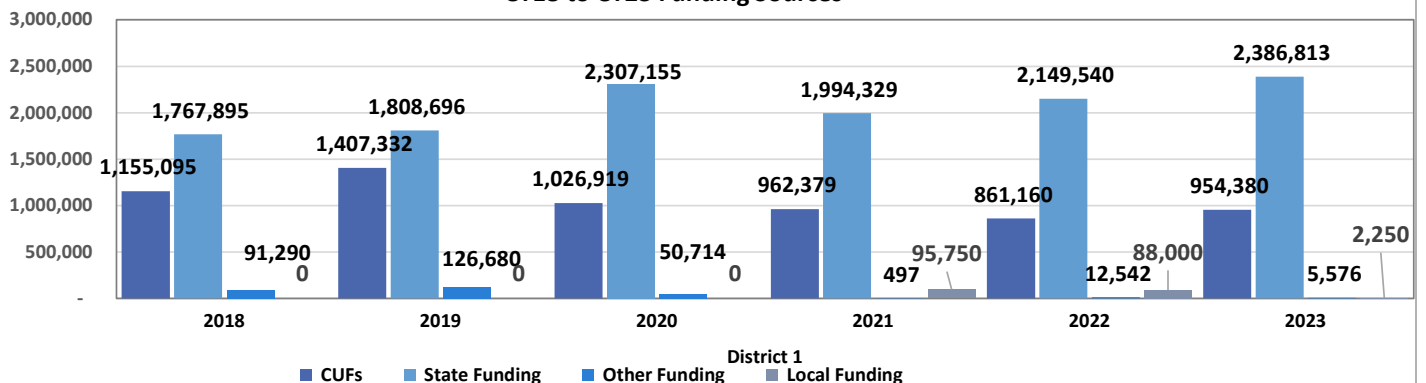
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 1st Judicial District increased slightly from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUF collections, filing rates are expected to be slightly lower than the previous year.

**District 1 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 1st Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$3,349,019 in total revenues. Only 29% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the 45% received during 2019. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$90,000, however during that same time period, the office lost \$85,000 in funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Caddo - Shreveport
<b>Population</b>	229,025
<b>District Defender</b>	Michelle M. AndrePont
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	3 years, 10 months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	29
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Lisa Akins
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	400 Travis Street, Suite 2000
<b>City</b>	Shreveport
<b>ZIP</b>	71101
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M - F; 8:30 - 4:45
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-221-2220
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	Same
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-221-2247
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Michelle M. AndrePont
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-347-8532 (cell)
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Lisa Akins
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-426-9126 Cell
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	Juvenile Office - same address as District Office. 318-212-1801. City Court Office, 1234 Texas Ave., Shreveport, LA 71101. 318-673-5481
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	George Harp (Juvenile Office) 318-272-1193. Julia Cloud (City Court Office) 318-673-5480.
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Avant Properties/Beck Building (District & Juvenile Offices); City of Shreveport (City Court Office)
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Office space at Shreveport City Court provided by the Court at no cost to PDO. Also small office at Caddo District Court and at Caddo Juvenile Court at no cost to PDO.
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	\$2,250 provided by Caddo Juvenile Court for services in Family Preservation Court.

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	Funds from Caddo Juvenile Court used for services in Family Preservation Court.
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	\$2,250.00
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	See above. Office space at Shreveport City Court, small office at Caddo Parish Courthouse, small office at Caddo Juvenile Court.
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	1st Judicial District Court, 501 Texas St., Shreveport, LA 71101; Caddo Parish Juvenile Court, 1835 N. Spring St., Shreveport, LA 71101; Shreveport City Court, 1244 Texas Ave., Shreveport, LA 71101
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Also provide representation in Juvenile Specialty Courts: Truancy, Individualized Deferred Disposition Court (helps juveniles with mental health issues with compliance), & Juvenile Drug Court.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Caddo Correctional Center & Shreveport City Jail
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Natchitoches Detention Center, Union Parish Detention Center, Bayou Dorcheat Detention Center (Webster Parish), Bossier Parish Jails, Claiborne Parish Jail, and Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola. David Wade Correctional Center, Concordia Parish Correctional Center, Tensas Parish Detention Center, DeSoto Parish Detention Center, Madison Parish Correctional Center, Elayn Hunt Correctional Center, Beauregard Parish Detention Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	The Caddo Juvenile Correctional Center, Shreveport, LA. Rutherford House, Brandon House, Brentwood Hospital.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Johnny Gray Jones (but closed 11/30/23), Ware Detention Center, Ware Intensive Residential (but no longer available), Ware Youth Center Group Home, Ware Youth Center Substance Abuse Group Home, Swanson Center for Youth (Monroe) Acadiana Center for Youth (Bunkie), Bridge City Center for Youth (Bridge City), Johnny Robinson Group Home for Boys, Christian Acres Transitional Living Program (Monroe), Christian Acres Group Home (Tallulah), Harmony Center (Baton Rouge), Youth Oasis Transitional Living Program (Baton Rouge), Methodist Children's Home (Ruston).



<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No juveniles are shackled.
<b>District Attorney</b>	James Stewart
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Ramona Emanuel
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	David Matlock (retired on June 1, 2023), Ree Casey-Jones, Natalie Howell, Justin Courtney (as of November 2023)
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Erin Garrett & Craig Marcotte (District Court); Natalie Howell (Juvenile Court)
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	(see below)
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	District Court - Veterans Court; Juvenile Court - Family Preservation Court I (in-patient and out-patient counseling), Family Preservation Court II (overflow from Family Preservation Court I); S.T.A.R. Court (Succeeding Through Achievement & Resilience, for suspected victims of sex-trafficking), Individualized Deferred Disposition Court (helps juveniles with mental health issues with compliance); Truancy Court, Child Support Court. District Court - Drug Court; Juvenile Court has all of these plus Juvenile Drug Court.
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	This office still seeks additional funding to provide more attorneys and more competitive pay for staffing. While we do have some funding in reserves, we cannot depend on fund balances to support ongoing expenses such as salaries.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Still need attorneys, a social worker for District Court, and support staff to assist with the additional staffing.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	This office has, once again, had many successes in the courtrooms by way of not guilty verdicts or responsive verdicts at trials. We continue to work tirelessly as zealous advocates for our clients. Attorneys from this office have taken more than 20 writs this year.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The District Defender supervises all staff assisted by the Deputy District Defender. The Office Manager and Assistant to the District Defender supervise the support staff including administrative assistants and investigators. The Juvenile Court Section Chief oversees Juvenile Court personnel.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	PDO pays 75% of health premium for employees and 25% for family. Coverage for other types of health-related insurance is made available but the employee pays 100% of those premiums. This is for the basic health insurance. We offer a buy-up plan, but the employees are responsible for the full difference over what we would pay for them &/or their family for the basic plan.

<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	19
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senators: Barry Milligan, Barrow Peacock, Gregory Tarver. Representatives: Lawrence "Larry" Bagley, Cedric Glover, Sam Jenkins, Danny McCormick, Tammy Phelps, Thomas Pressly, & Alan Sebaugh
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	I continue to seek to expand my staff to include more attorneys. I have increased salaries to help in recruitment and retention. Working with ULMPDTA, we have had numerous trainings here in Caddo which have been well-attended by our staff.

## 1st District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

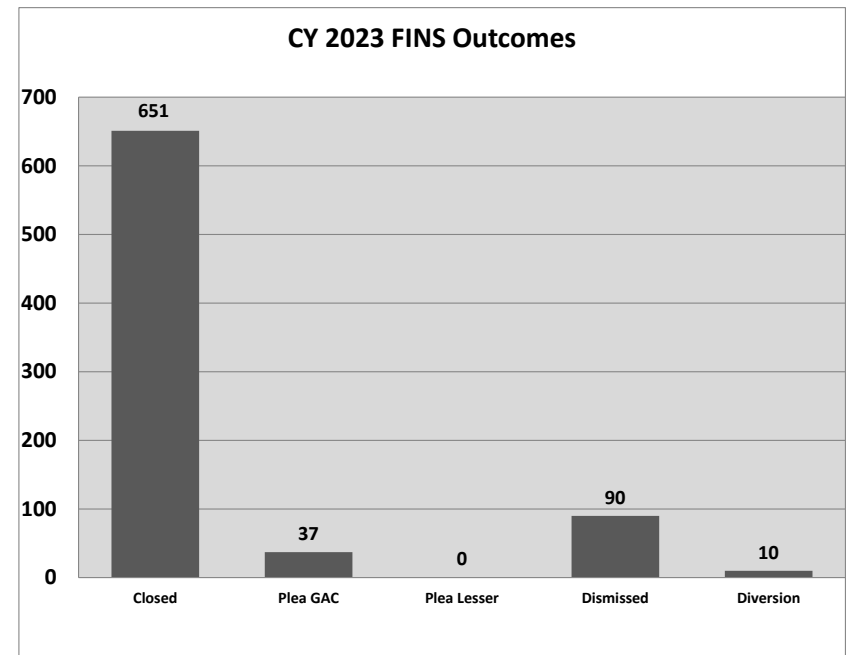
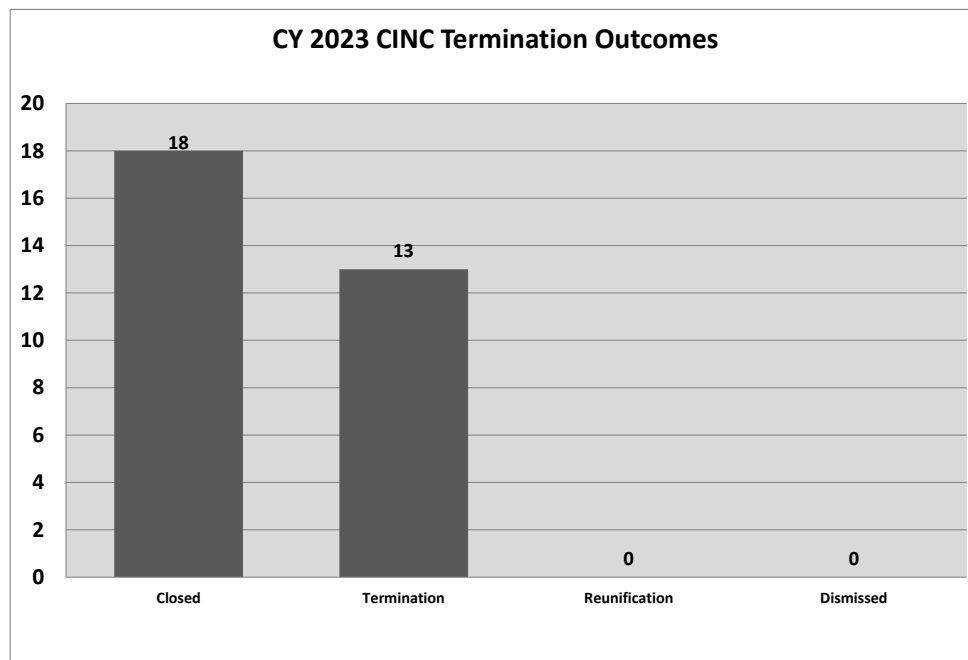
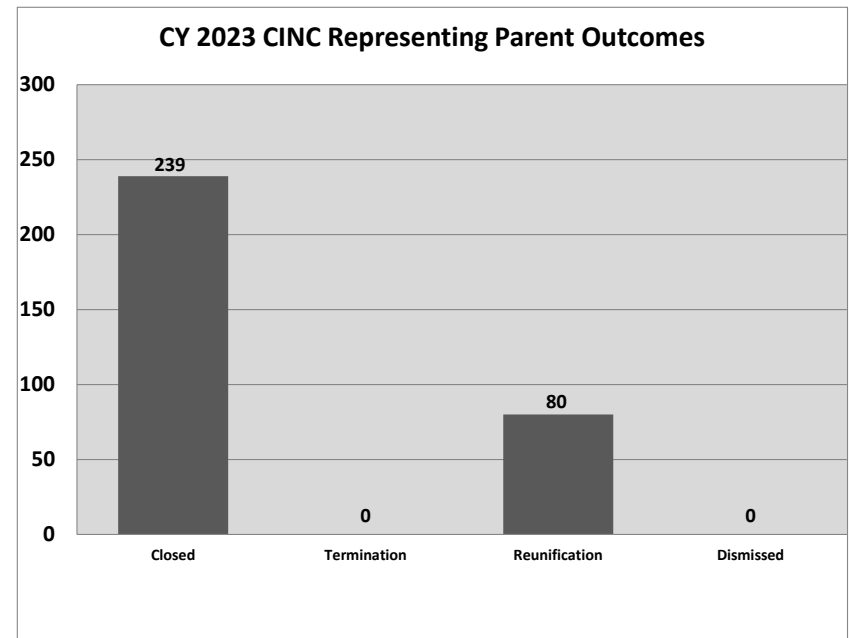
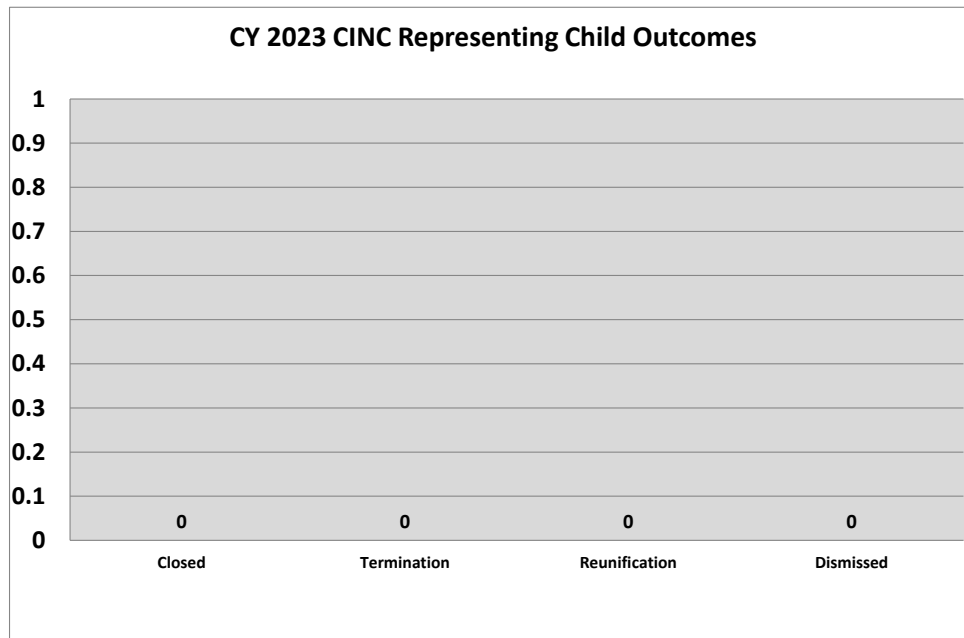
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	239	239	148	387	0	80	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	23	18	2	25	13	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	431	651	279	710	N/A	N/A	37	0	90	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	504	530	223	727	N/A	N/A	227	10	231	4	N/A	N/A	2	7	9
Delinquency Felony	354	359	177	531	N/A	N/A	221	42	157	0	N/A	N/A	0	13	13
Delinquency-Life	12	10	1	13	N/A	N/A	4	0	4	0	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	4461	4354	954	5415	N/A	N/A	3426	231	2312	0	1	1	3	7	12
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	2828	3202	2360	5188	N/A	N/A	1974	355	1892	0	2	26	1	9	38
Adult LWOP	52	43	99	151	N/A	N/A	9	6	3	0	0	13	0	1	14
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	18	258	57	75	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

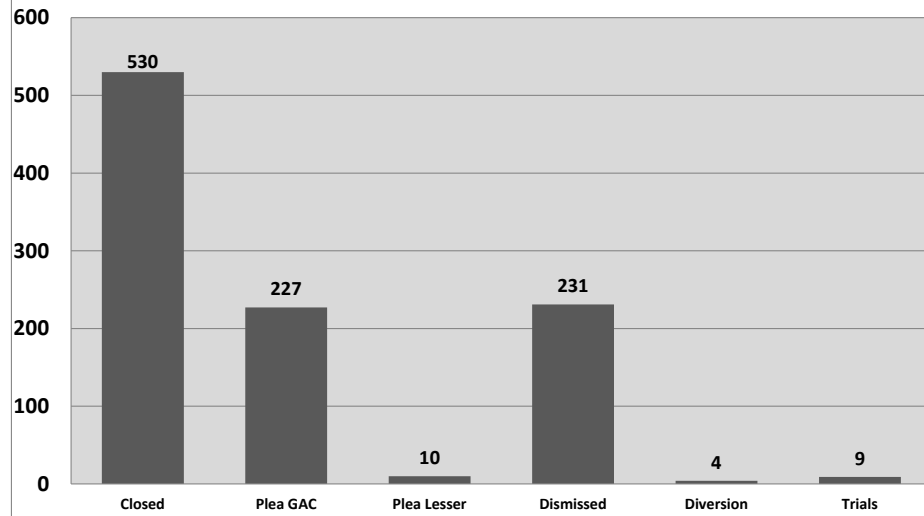
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

\*\*Life Without Parole

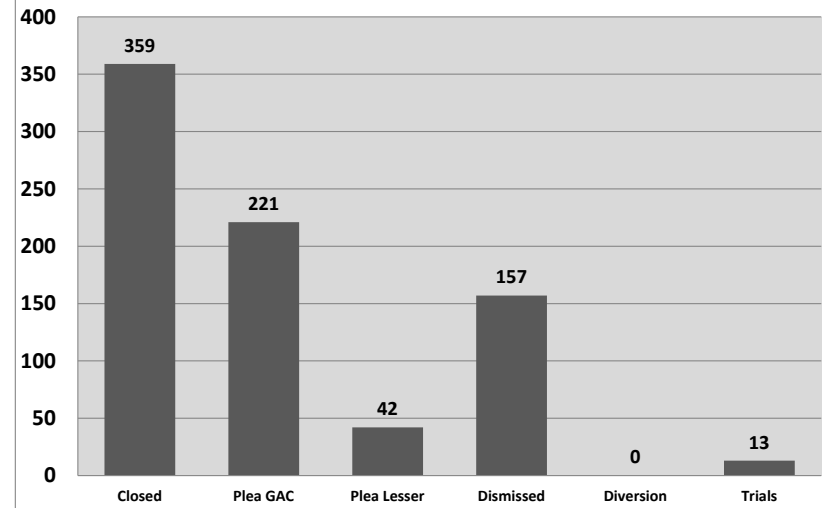
\*\*\*Capital cases may include cases initially opened by the district office and transferred to a program office at some later stage in the proceedings.



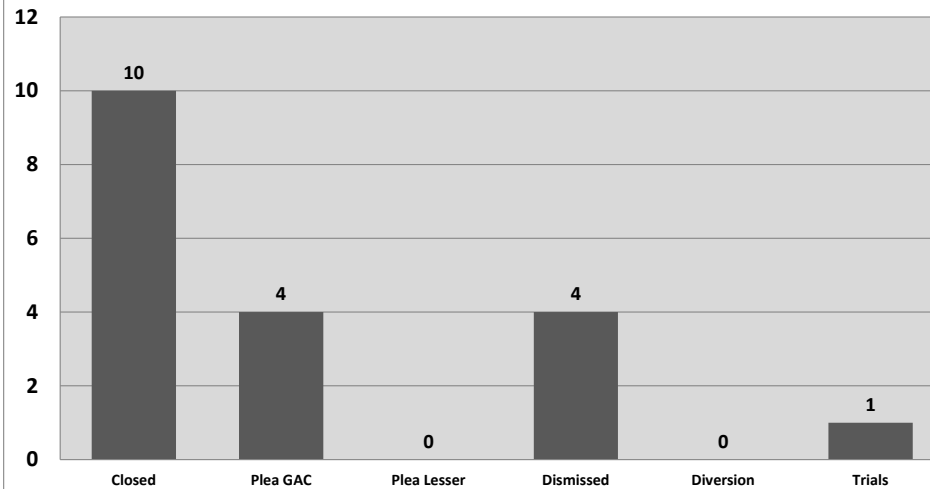
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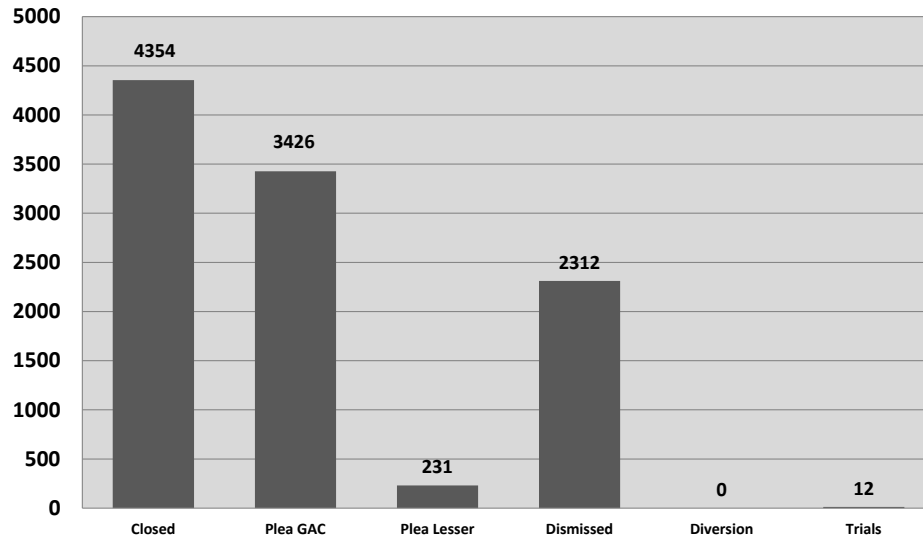
**CY 2023 Delinquency Felony-Grade Outcomes**



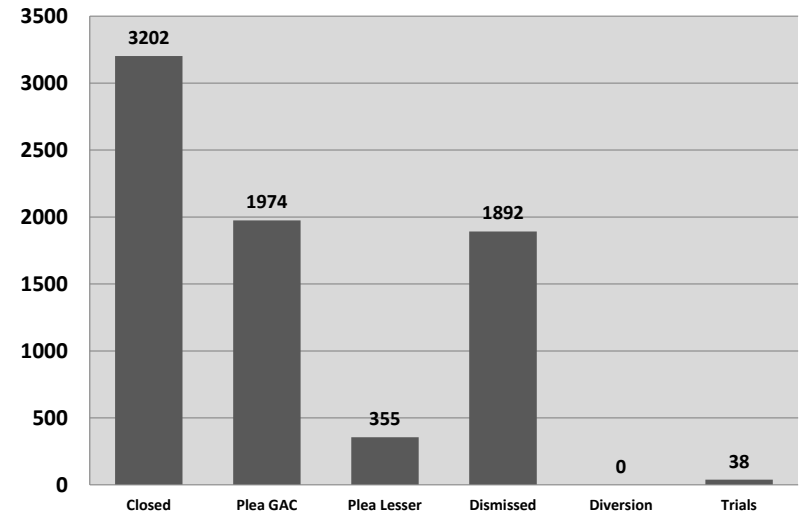
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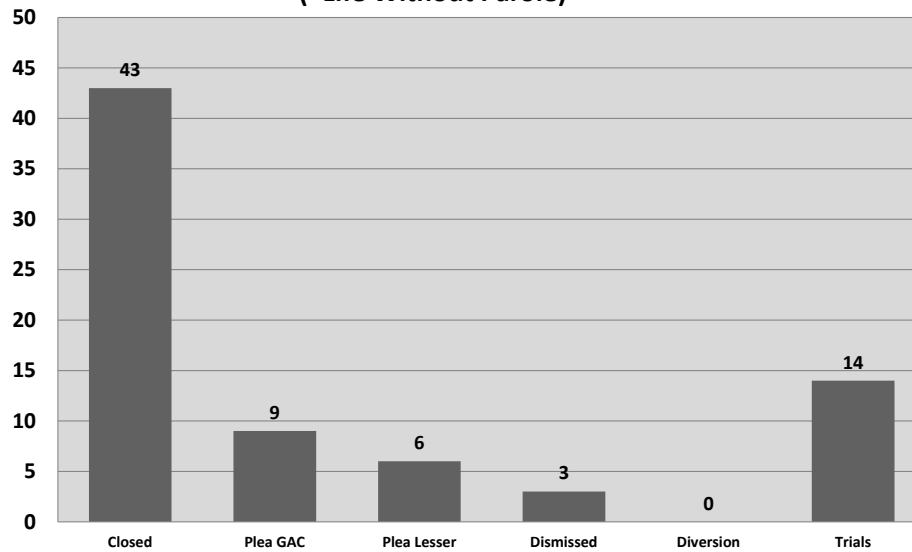
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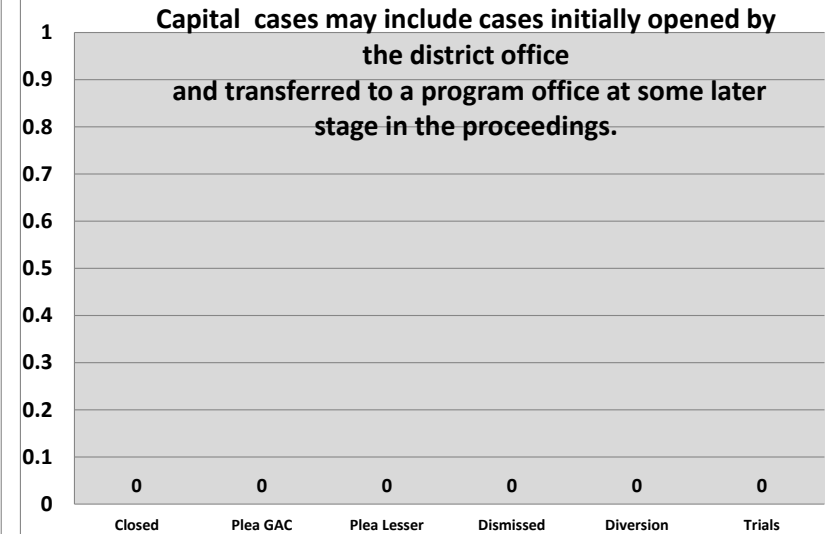
**CY 2023 Adult Felony Non-LWOP\* Outcomes  
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**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**

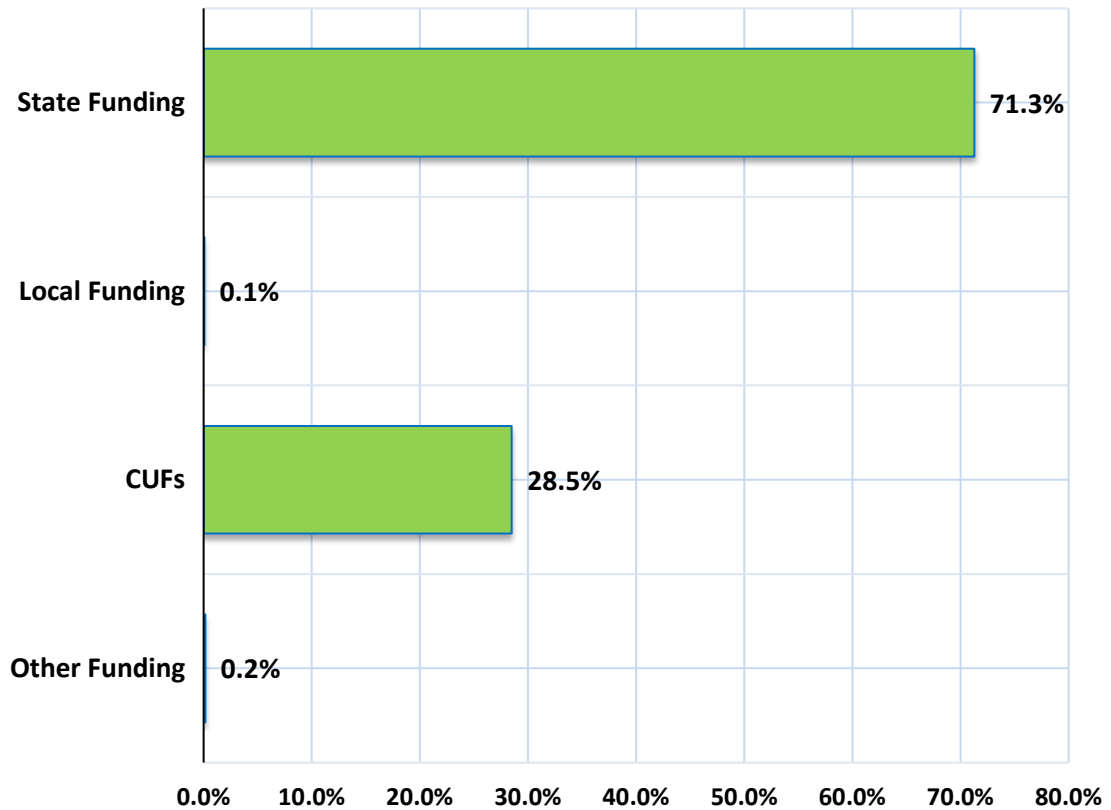


District 1 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Michelle M. AndrePont</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	48,656
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>48,656</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	257
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	119,840
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	2,218,318
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>2,338,414</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	2,250
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	4,271
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	411,990
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	152,521
City & City-Ward Courts	327,794
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>480,315</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	37,937
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	19,609
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	125
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>57,671</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>956,498</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	5,451
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>5,451</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>3,349,019</b>

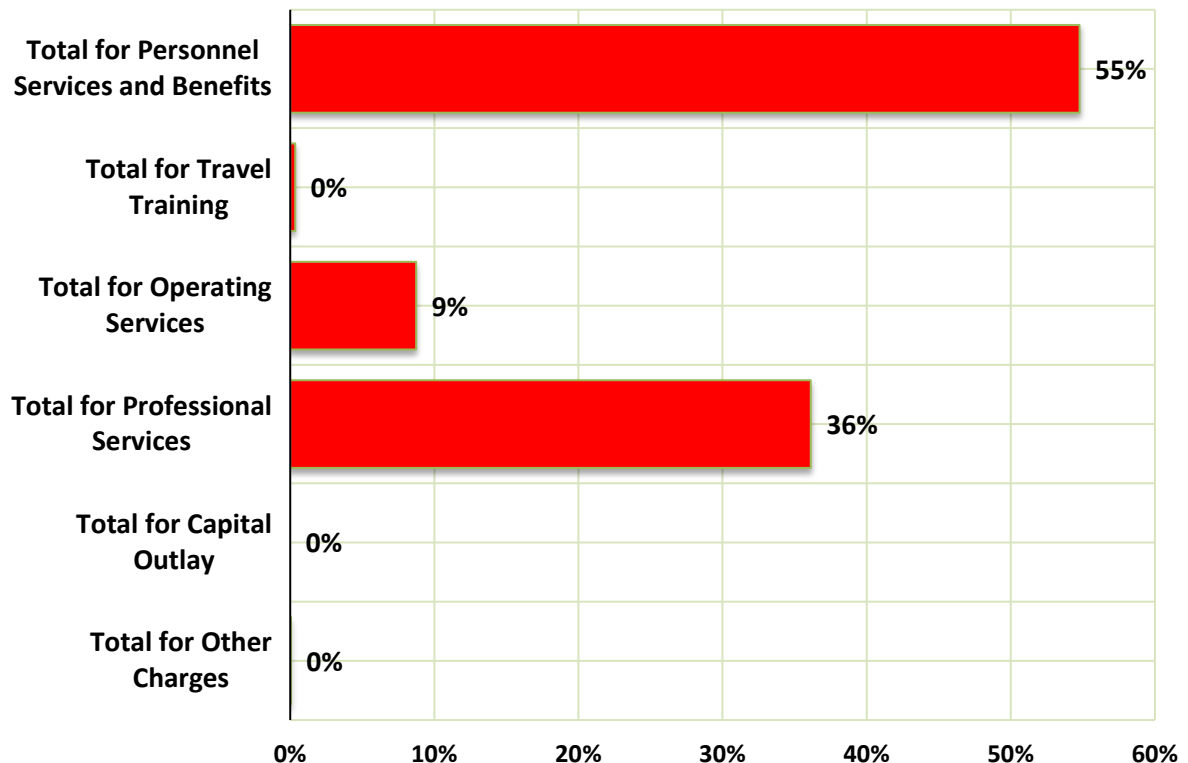
District 1 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Michelle M. AndrePont</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	1,571,699
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	26,542
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	123,180
Retirement	123,948
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>1,845,370</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	110
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	11,451
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>11,561</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	150
Workers' Compensation	3,294
Insurance - Malpractice	20,334
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	2,342
Lease - Office	190,513
Lease - Auto/Equipment	7,385
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	593
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	25,680
Dues and Seminars	7,736
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	28,235
Office Supplies	8,147
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>294,409</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	37,406
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	20,000
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	43,000
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	332,500
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	468,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	71,558
Contract Attorneys - all other	220,727
IT/Technical Support	24,000
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>1,217,190</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	1,144
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>1,144</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,369,674</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

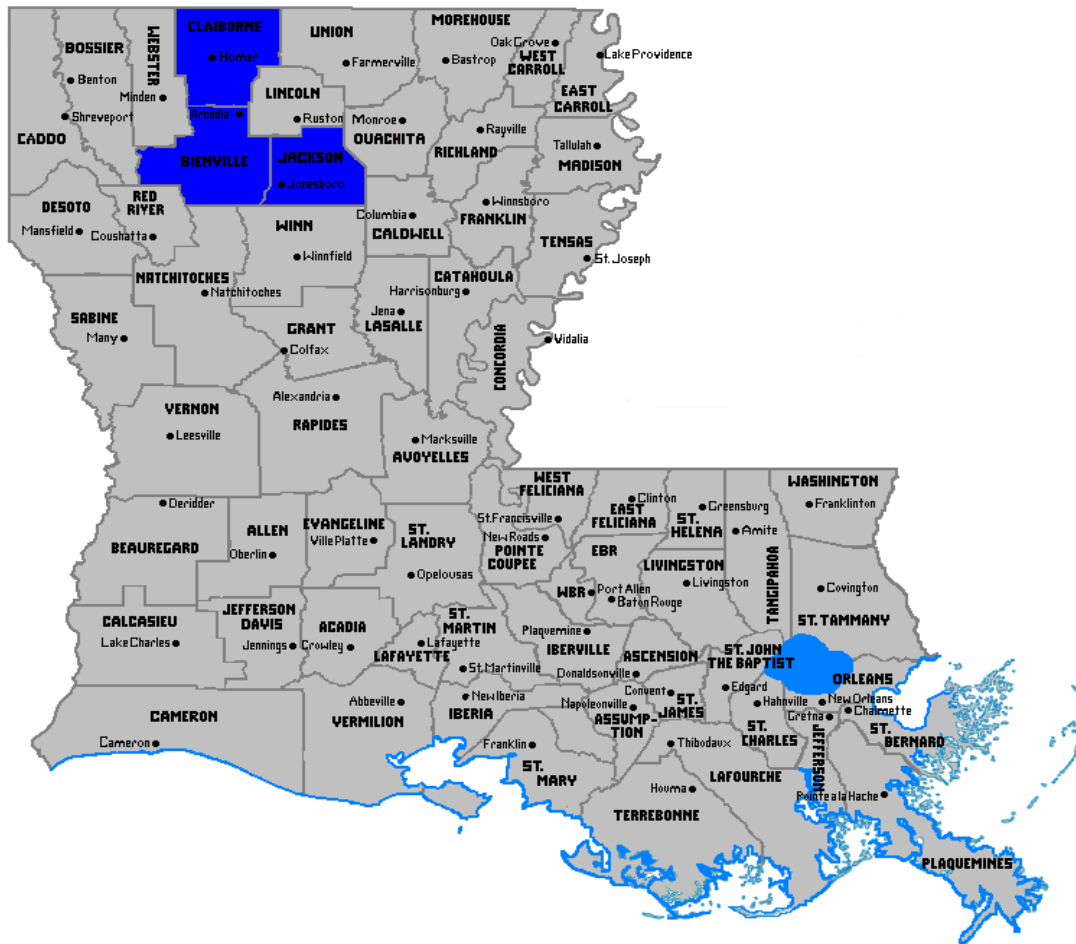


## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



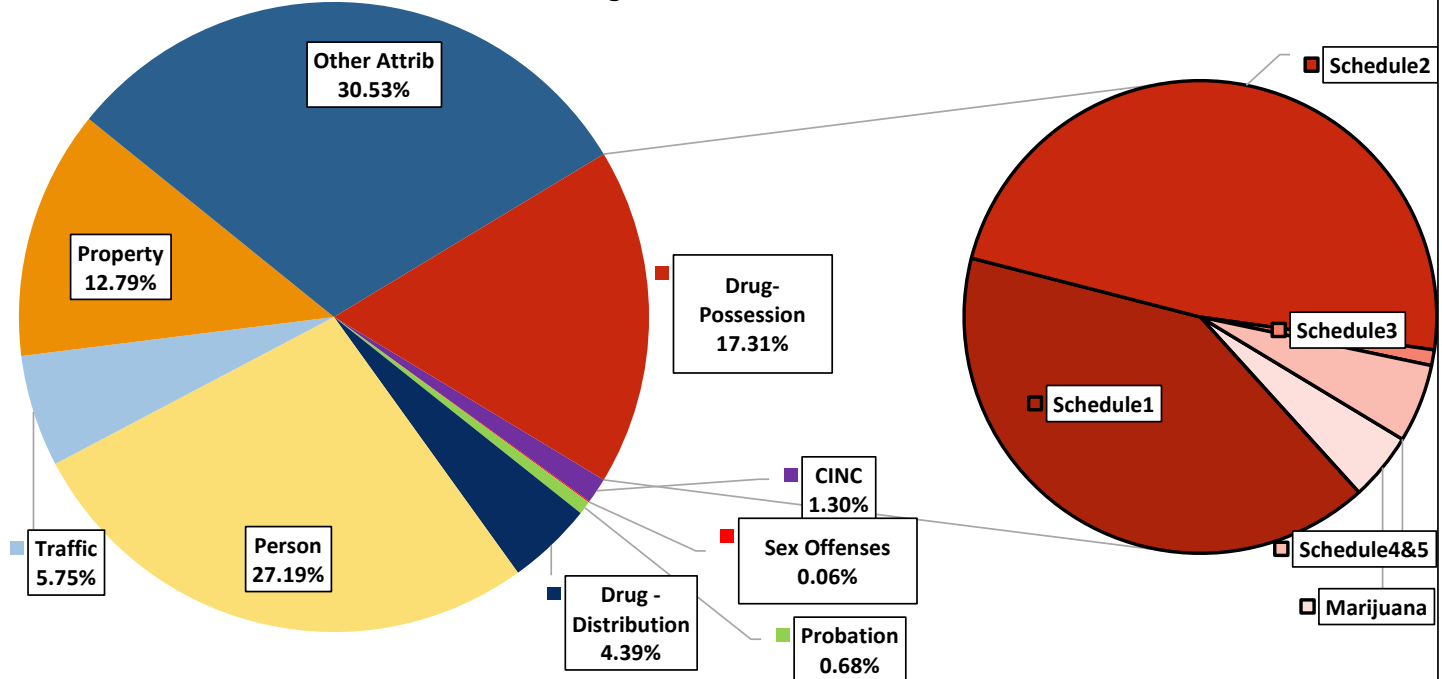


## THE 2<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

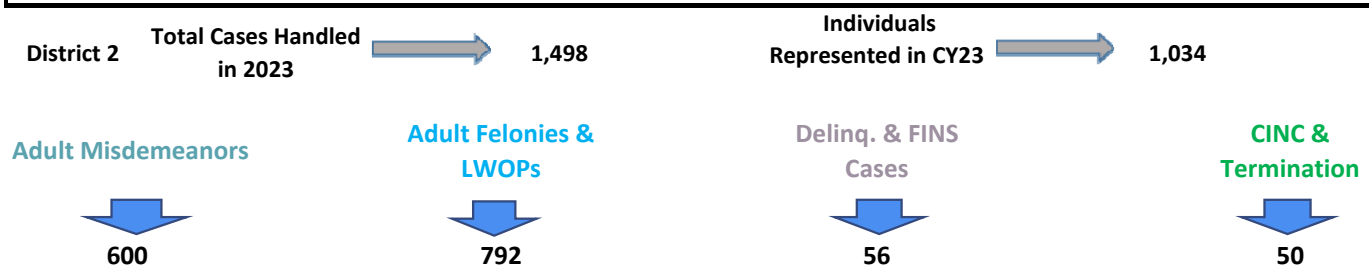
BIENVILLE (ARCADIA) - CLAIBORNE (HOMER) - JACKSON (JONESBORO)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: STEVEN M. GATLIN  
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ARCADIA, LA 71001  
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**District 2 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23**

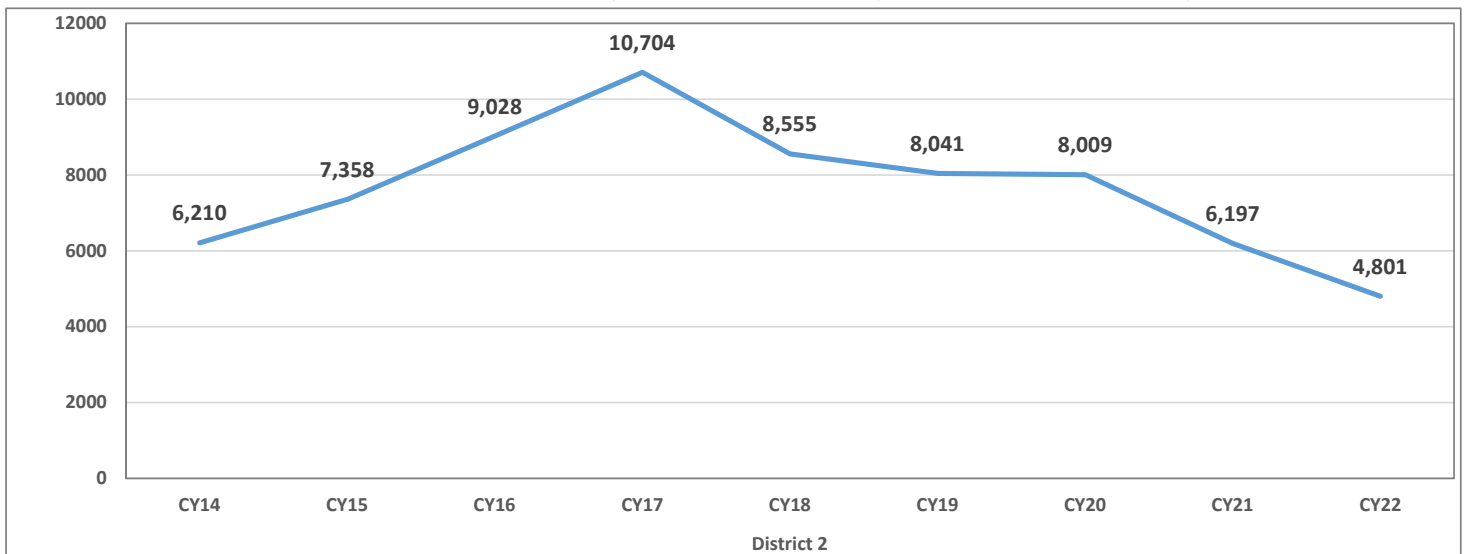


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 17.31% (259) of the 1,498 cases handled by the 2nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 47.9% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug and 40.4% were charged with a Schedule I drug. Schedule I drugs include heroin and hallucinogens like LSD and ecstasy. Marijuana is also a Schedule I drug, but for the purposes of this analysis have been separated into a separate category. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



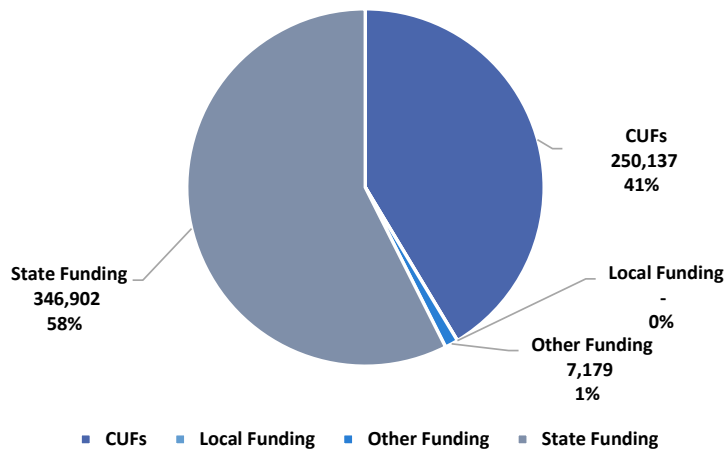
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



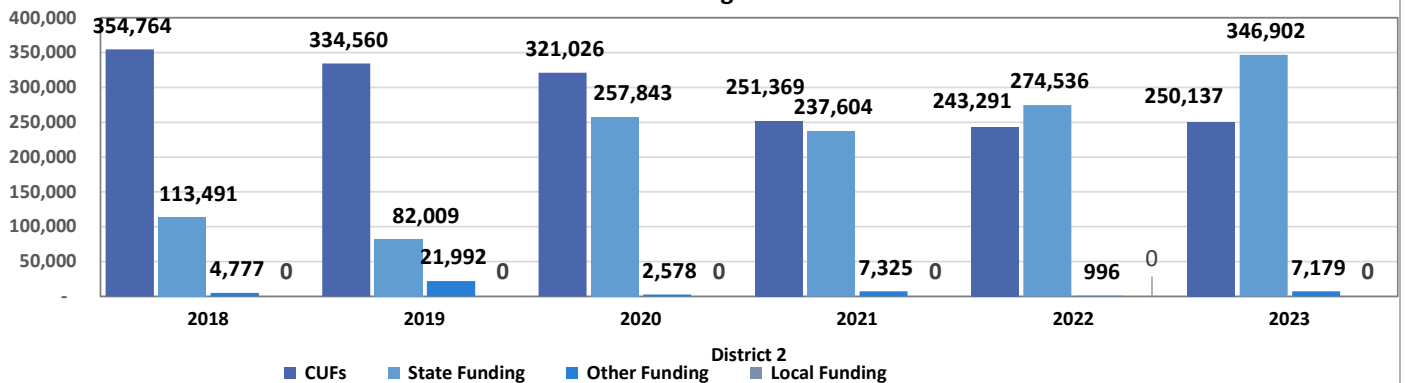
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 2nd Judicial District decreased by 23% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUF collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to those of the previous year.

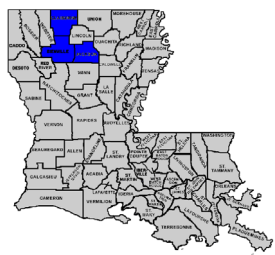
**District 2 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 2nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$604,218 in total revenues. Forty-one percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to 81% during 2019. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs were collected at a rate similar to the previous year. The district office did not receive funding from any city or parish government within the tri-parish district.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 2<sup>ND</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Bienville - Arcadia; Claiborne - Homer; Jackson - Jonesboro
<b>Population</b>	41,690
<b>District Defender</b>	Steven M. Gatlin
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	2
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	6
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	64
<b>Office Manager</b>	Jessica Walker
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	100 Courthouse Drive, Suite 2400
<b>City</b>	Arcadia
<b>ZIP</b>	71001
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	8:30-4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-263-7435
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 471, Jonesboro, 71251-0471
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-576-1900
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Steven M. Gatlin
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-243-5283
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Jessica Walker
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-263-7435
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	525 East Court Street, 2nd Floor, Jonesboro, LA 71251
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Lee Brown
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Bienville Parish Police Jury & Jackson Parish Police Jury
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Bienville Parish Police Jury
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	Starting in 2024 the Jackson Parish Police Jury will provide financial support in the amount of \$5,000.00.
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	2nd JDC Div. A, 513 N. Main St., Homer, LA 71040; 2nd JDC Div. B, 200 Courthouse, 500 E. Court St., Jonesboro, LA 71251; 2nd JDC Div. C, 208 Courthouse, 100 Courthouse Dr., Arcadia, LA 71001
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	3 divisions
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Jackson Parish Jail, Jonesboro; Claiborne Parish Detention Center; Homer; David Wade Correctional Center, Homer, Bienville Parish Jail, Arcadia, LA.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Bayou Dorchet Corr. Cntr, Minden; Richland Parish Det. Cntr, Rayville; LaSalle Corr. Cntr, Olla; Union Parish Det. Cntr., Farmerville
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Jackson Parish Jail
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center, Coushatta; Green Oaks Detention Center, Monroe
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No. While there is no policy the shackles are usually removed prior to entering the courtroom
<b>District Attorney</b>	Daniel "Danny" W. Newell
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Glen Fallin became chief judge upon Judge Clason's retirement which was effective September 30, 2020.
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	N/A
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Decrease in local funds. Lack of Sheriff's Offices to actively work traffic and LACE has reduced CUF's.

<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	4 Juveniles arrested in Homer for Obstruction Justice, Homer Police Chief arrested for malfeasance & Article about the Jackson Parish Jail housing juveniles without a DCFS license
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender supervises all attorneys and the office staff. One defender has supervisory duties over the office staff.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	2
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Stewart Cathey, Jr, Senator, Jay Luneau, Senator, Robert Mills, Senator, Jay Morris, Senator, Jack McFarland, Representative, Rashid Young, Representative to replace Patrick Jefferson at the first of the year; Louie Bernard, Senator
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Added back the 7th Line Defender to primarily handle CINC and juvenile.

## 2nd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	32	18	17	49	0	6	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	1	1	0	1	1	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	41	26	8	49	N/A	N/A	7	0	6	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	5	2	1	6	N/A	N/A	1	2	2	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	424	367	176	600	N/A	N/A	206	5	296	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	422	457	320	742	N/A	N/A	280	34	182	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult LWOP	5	0	7	12	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	11	23	27	38	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

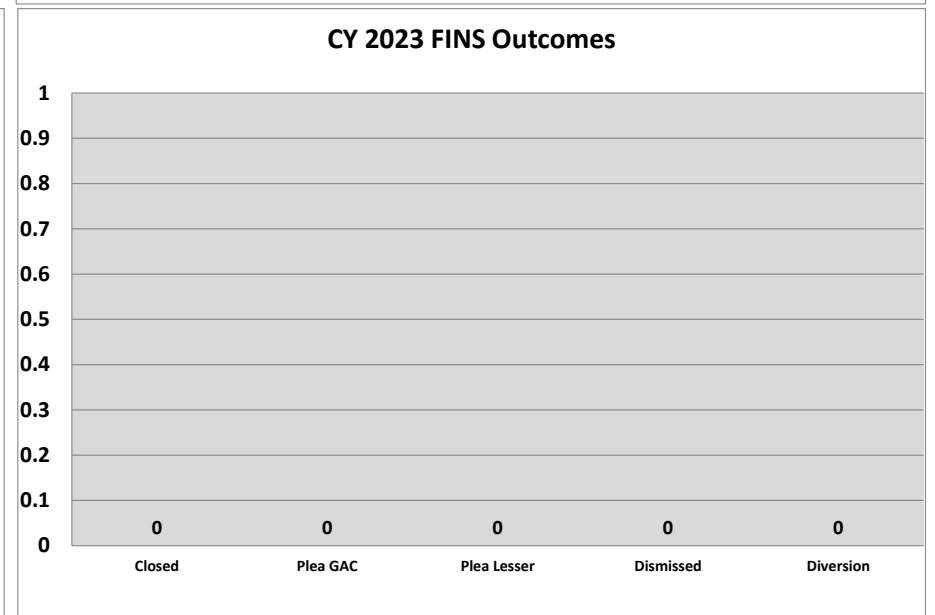
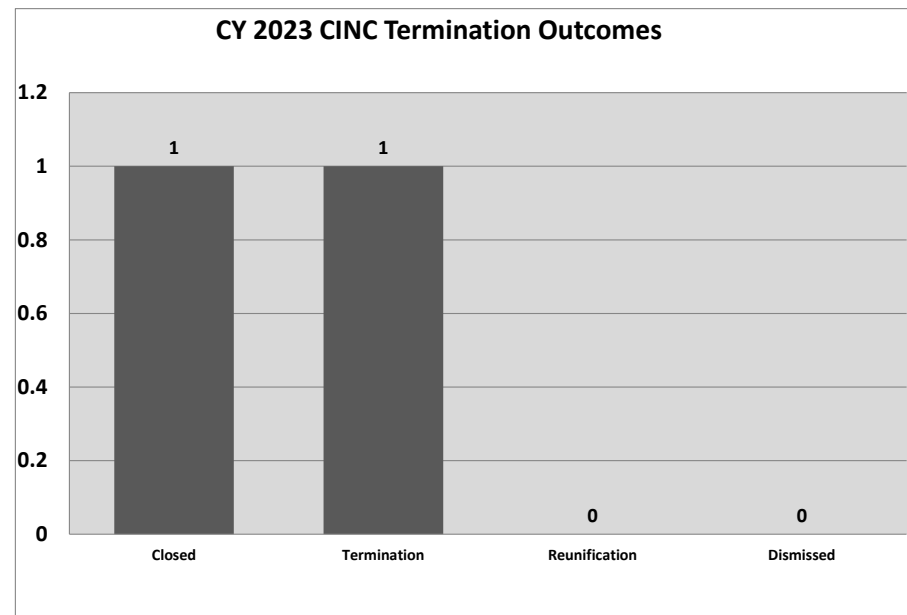
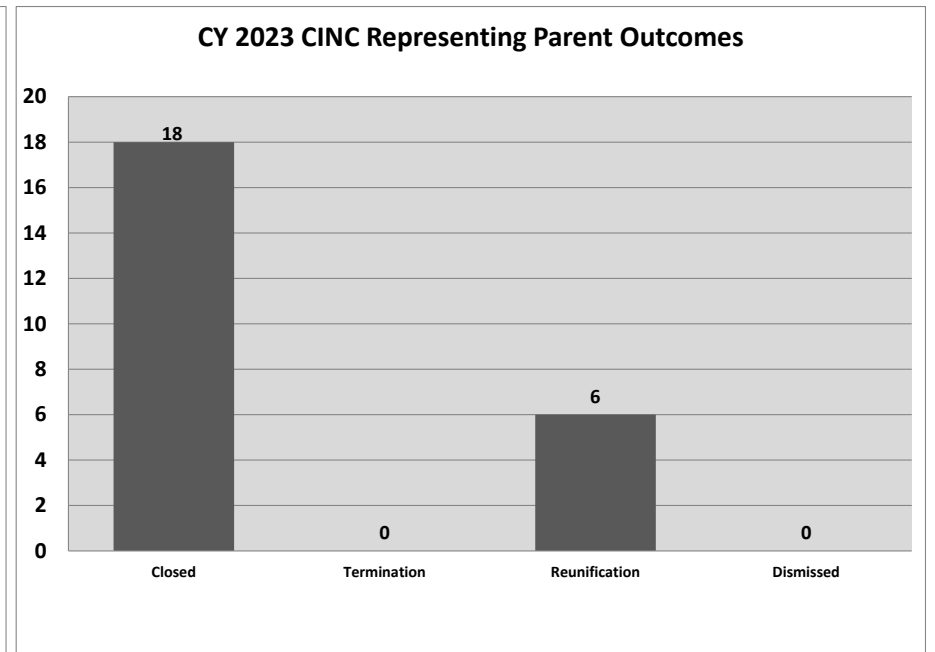
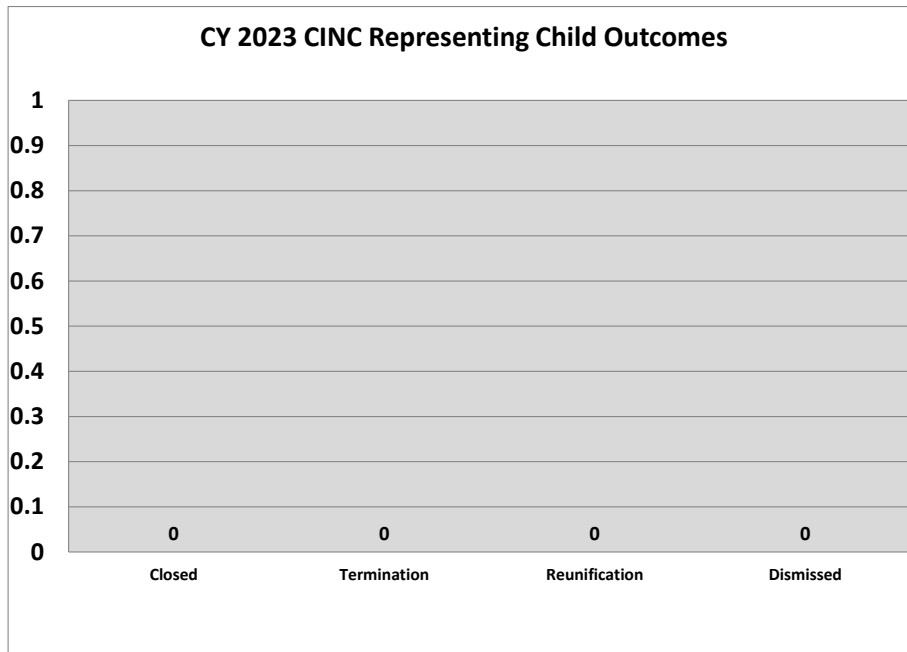
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\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

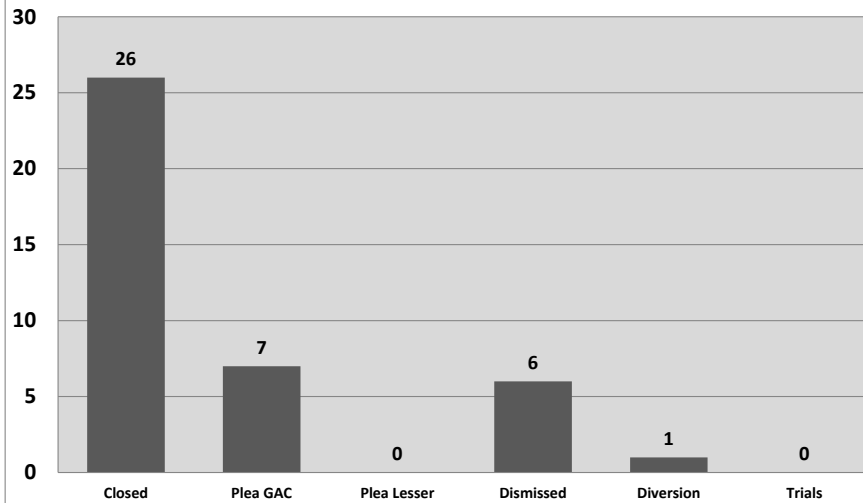
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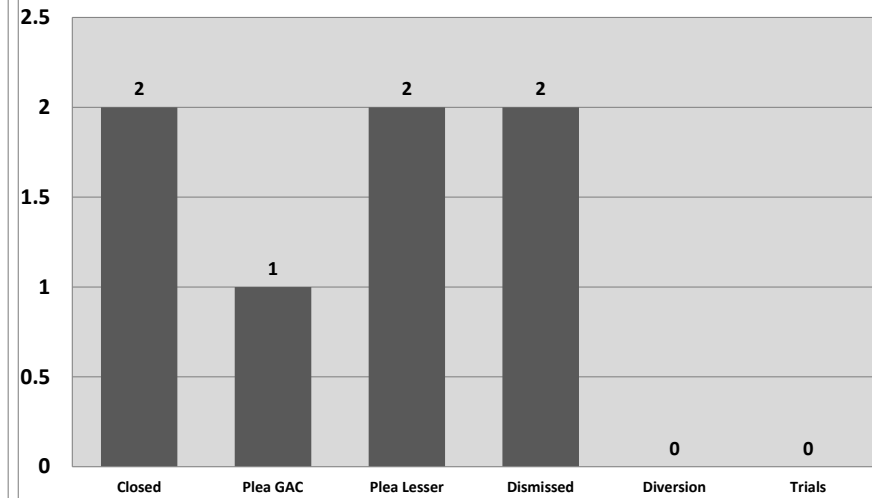




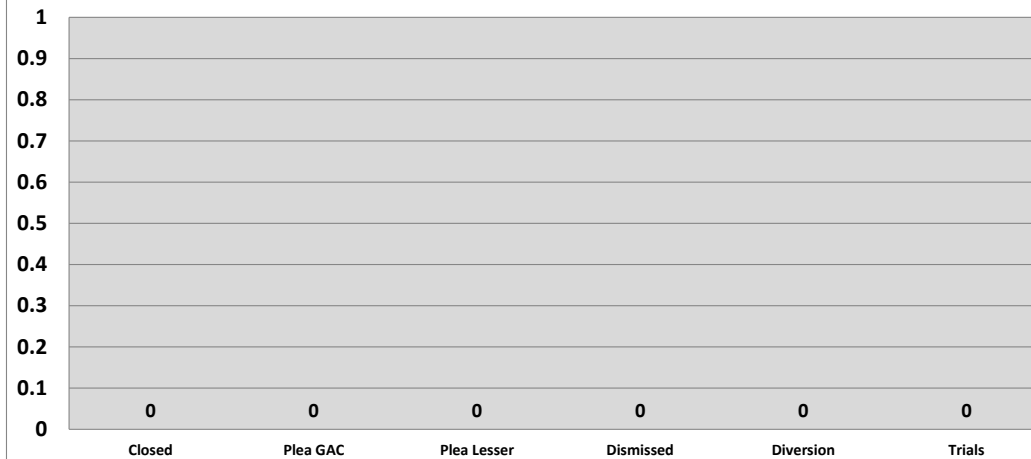
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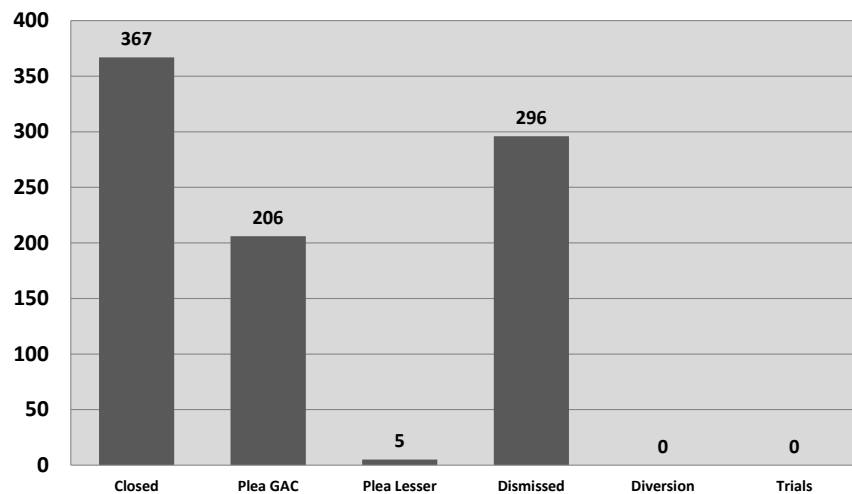
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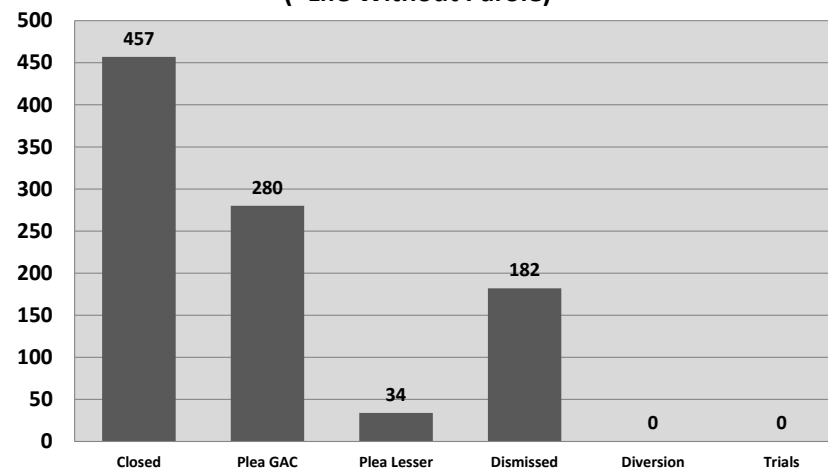
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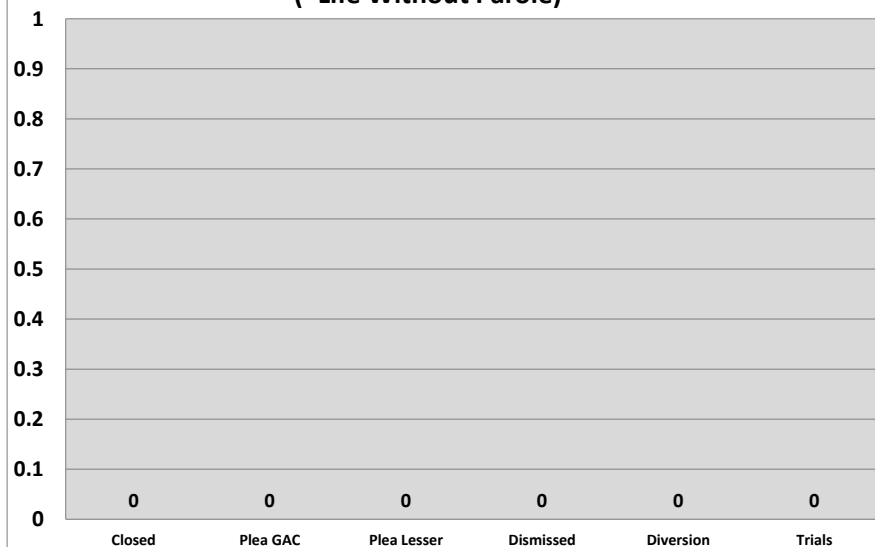
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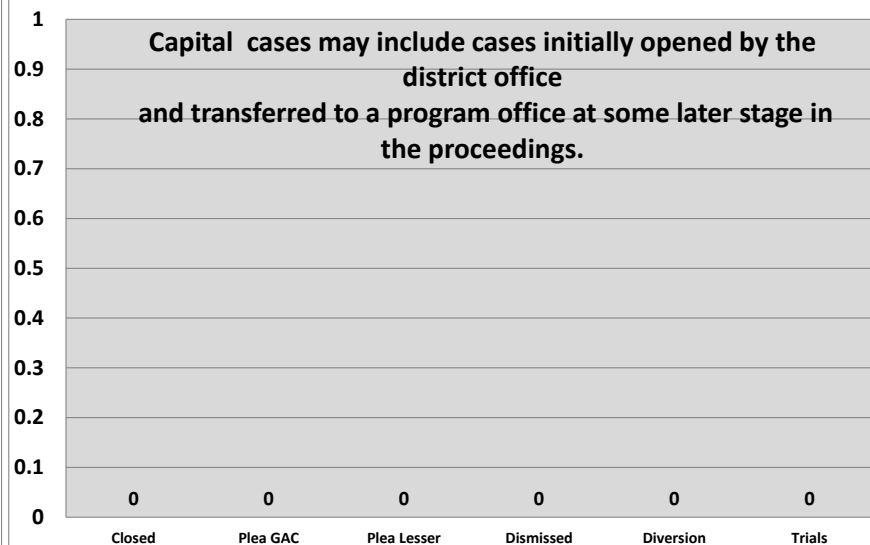
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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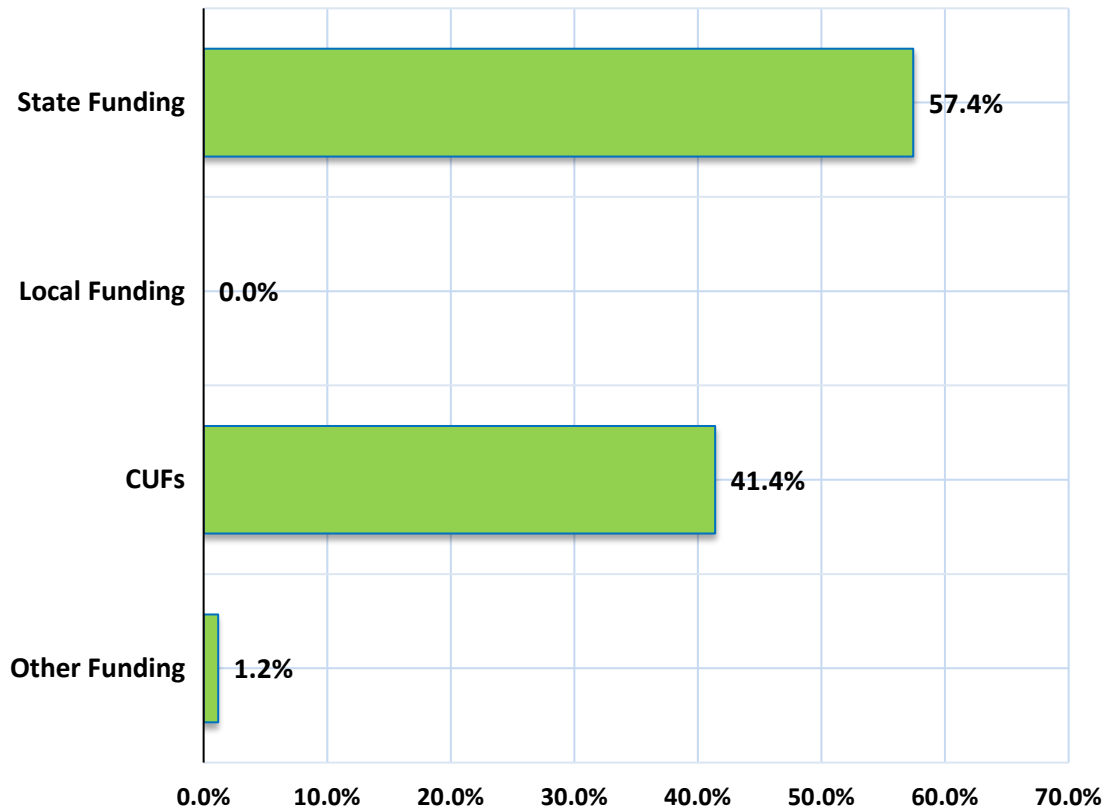
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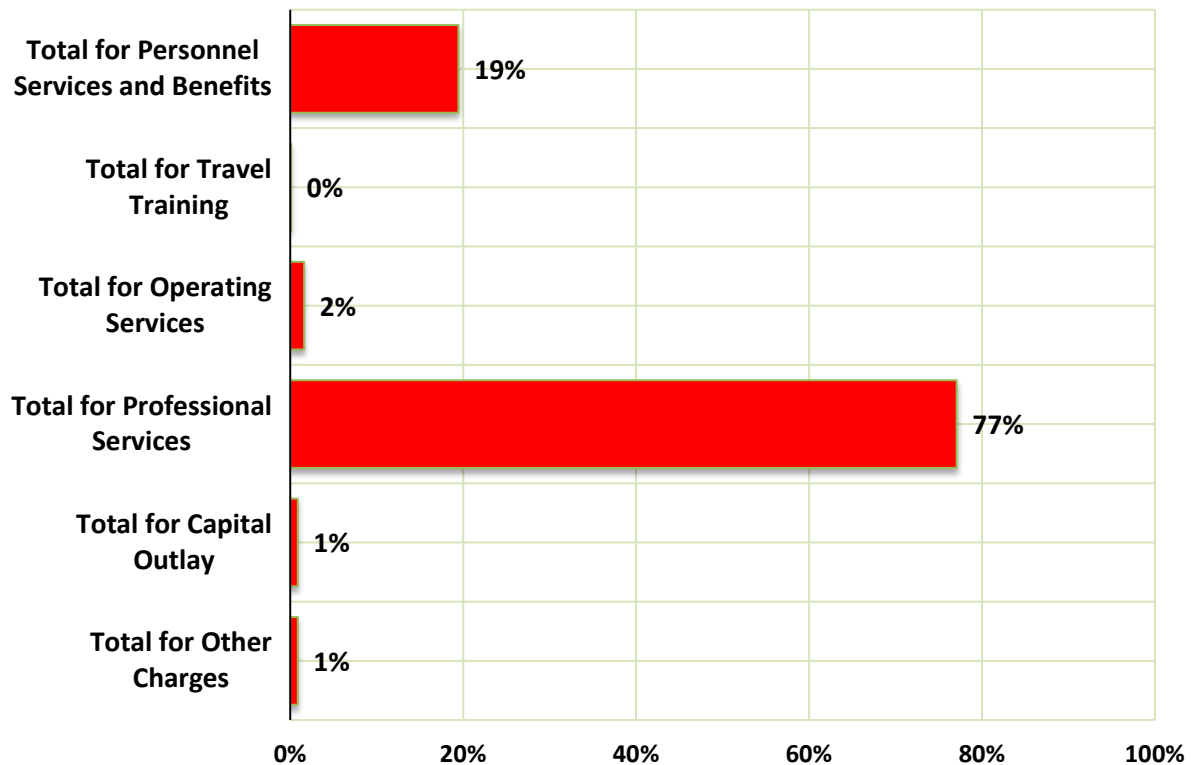
District 2 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Steven M. Gatlin</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	379
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>379</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	37,952
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	308,571
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>346,523</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	34,128
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	500
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	6,329
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	92,774
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	37,861
Traffic Court	76,889
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>213,852</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	1,082
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	1,075
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>2,157</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>250,637</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	1,950
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>1,950</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	4,729
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>4,729</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>604,217</b>

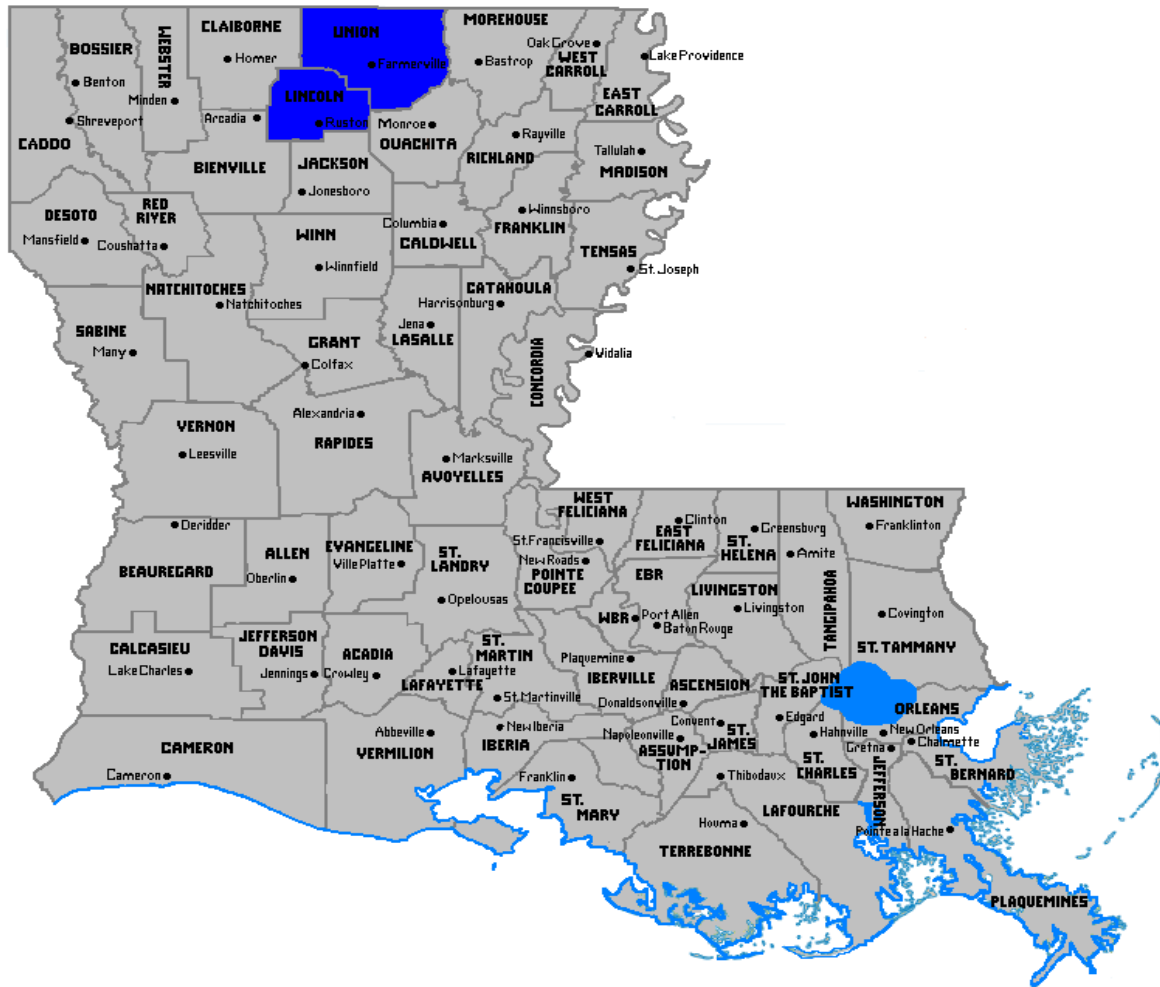
District 2 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Steven M. Gatlin</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	104,630
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	8,280
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>112,910</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	598
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>598</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	33
Workers' Compensation	4,099
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	1,300
Dues and Seminars	375
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	2,274
Office Supplies	1,265
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>9,346</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	14,323
Contract Clerical	505
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	2,080
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	76,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	142,000
Contract Attorneys - all other	211,900
IT/Technical Support	250
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>447,058</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	4,975
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>4,975</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	5,041
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>5,041</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>579,927</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

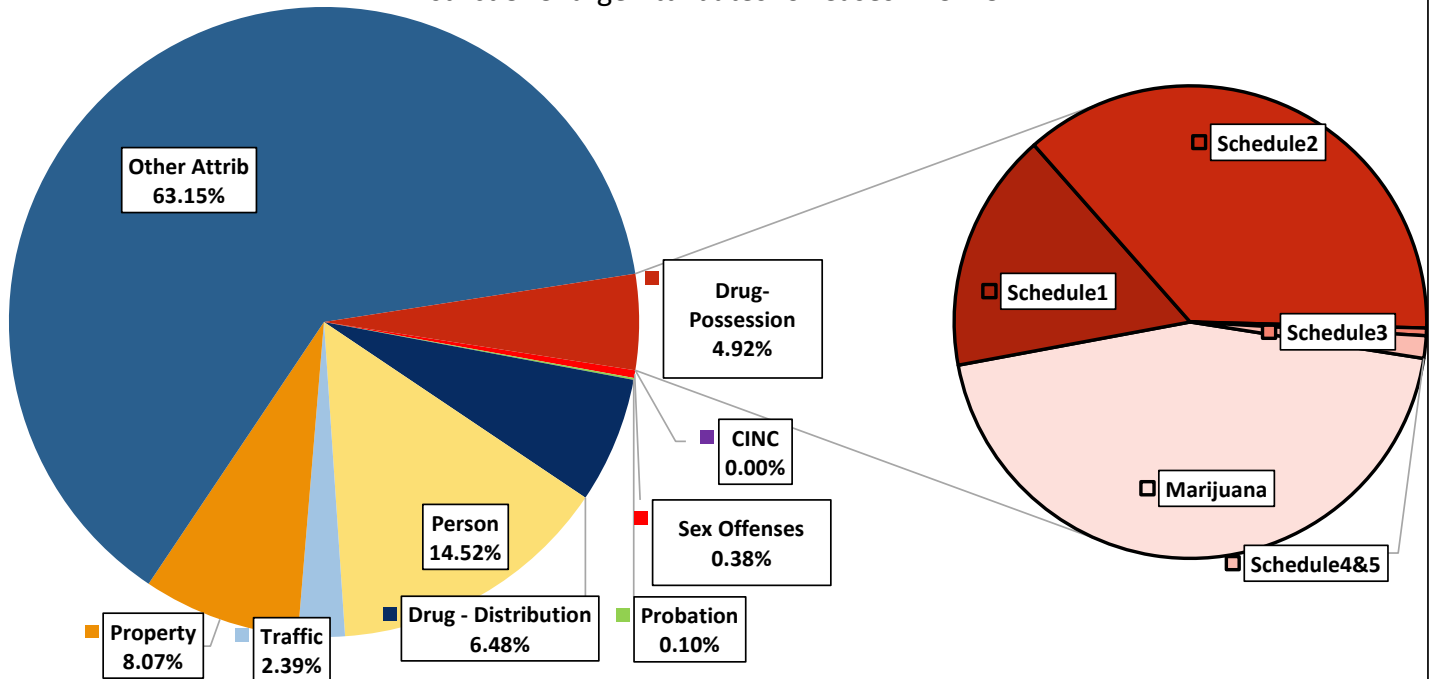




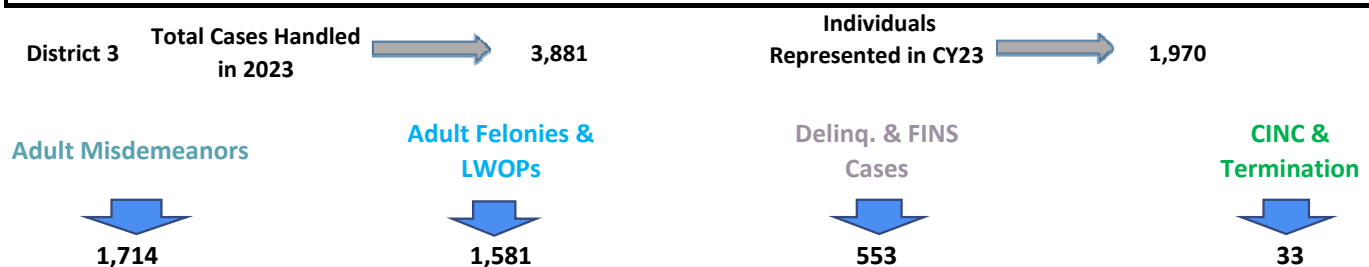
THE 3<sup>RD</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
LINCOLN (RUSTON) - UNION (FARMERVILLE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: RICK L. CANDLER  
609 NORTH TRENTON  
RUSTON, LA 71270  
(318) 254-0070

District 3 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23



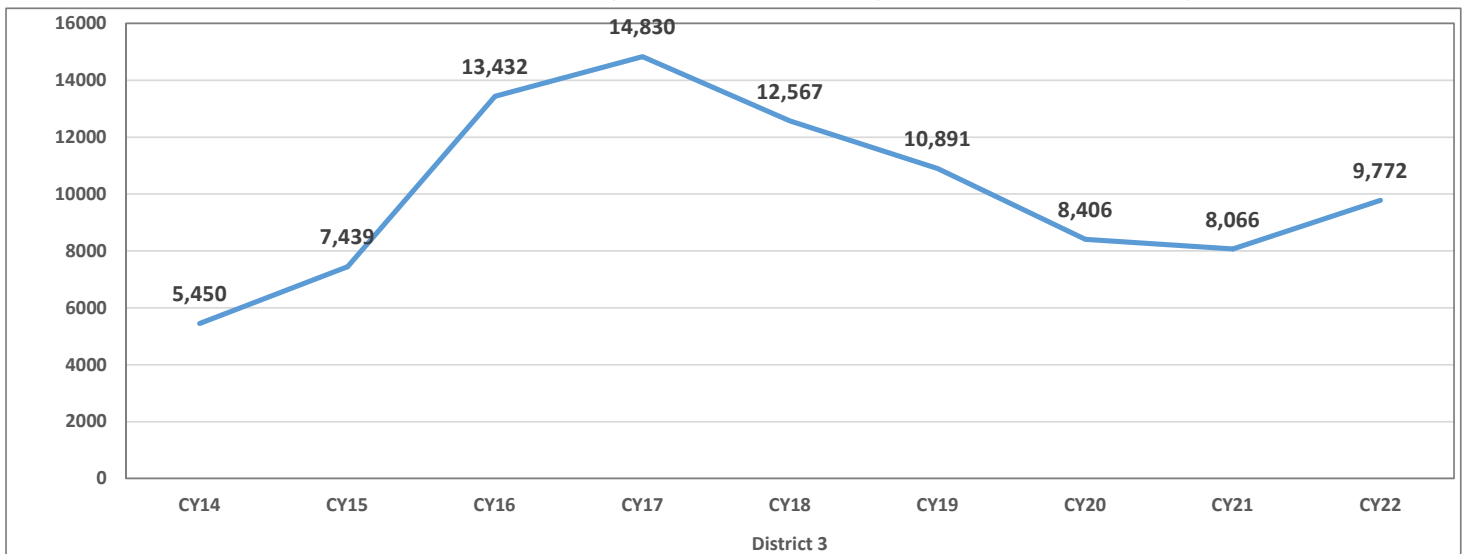
Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in less than 5% (191) of the 3,881 cases handled by the 3rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 44.7% were charged with Marijuana Possession. An additional 36.6% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II Drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

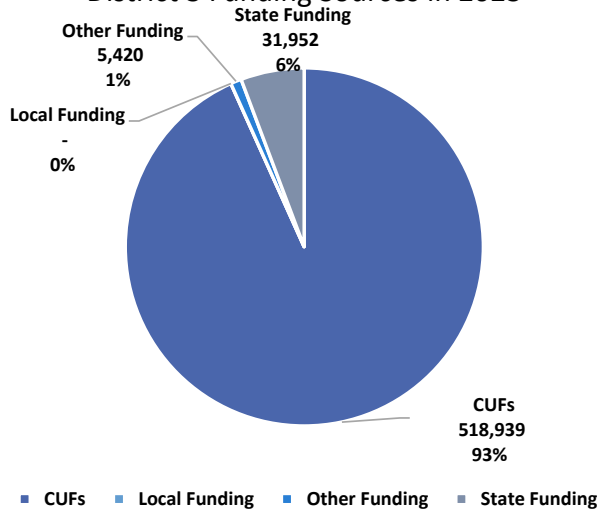


**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



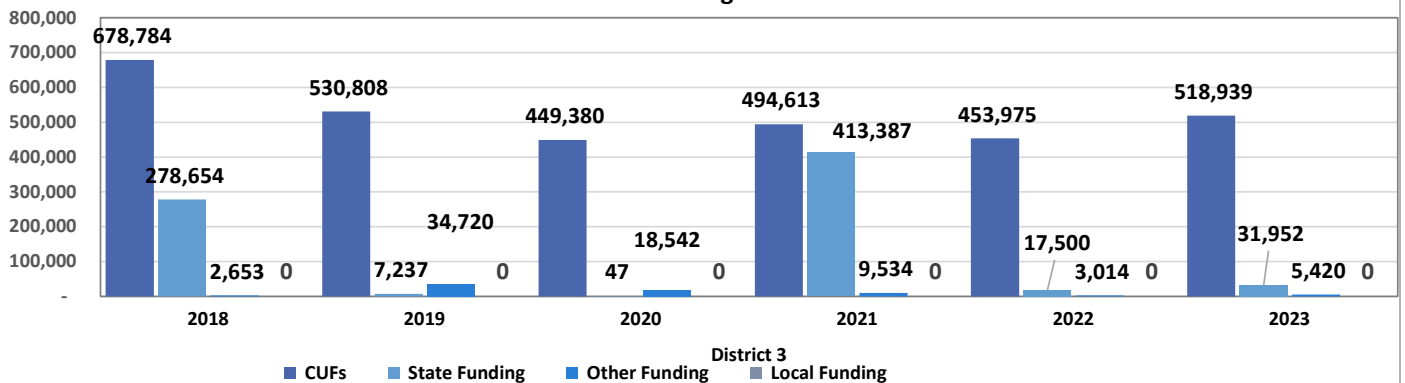
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 3rd Judicial District increased by 21% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to have increased from the previous year.

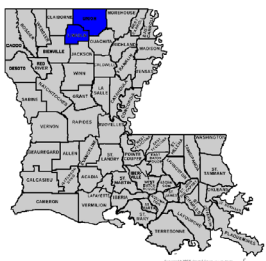
**District 3 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 3rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$556,311 in total revenues. Ninety-three percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs). CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by 14%. In CY21, the state provided \$395,000 to the district for the purchase of a Public Defender Office building. This funding was appropriated by the Legislature in Act 45 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session. The loss of this one-time money accounts for the decrease in state funding from 2021 to 2022. The office did not receive any funding from city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 3<sup>RD</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Lincoln - Ruston; Union - Farmerville
<b>Population</b>	68,850
<b>District Defender</b>	Rick L. Candler, Director
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	7
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	17
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	29.5
<b>Office Manager</b>	Yvette Robinson
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	609 North Trenton
<b>City</b>	Ruston
<b>ZIP</b>	71270
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8:00am - 5:00pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-254-0070
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	609 North Trenton
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-255-0383
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Rick L. Candler
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-573-0452 (cell)
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	None
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	None
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	State of Louisiana
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO Owns building
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	3rd Judicial District Court, Lincoln Parish, Ruston; Ruston City Court; 3rd Judicial District Court, Union Parish, Farmerville
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	3 divisions in Lincoln District, 3 divisions in Union District, 1 in Ruston City Court, and a Drug Court in Lincoln and Union District Courts.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Lincoln Parish Detention Center and Union Parish Detention Center
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Jackson Parish Correctional Center (Jonesboro) and Wade Correctional Center (Homer)
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	There are no "juvenile detention facilities"; however, juveniles are sometimes held at the Methodist Children's Home in Ruston.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Johnny Gray Detention Center (Bossier City), Ware Detention (Coushatta), Green Oaks Detention Center (Monroe)
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Court does not have a written shackling procedure. Generally, they are not brought into the courtroom in leg restraints or hand cuffs. There is usually a bailiff at each courtroom door, but the juvenile is not restrained in the courtroom.
<b>District Attorney</b>	John F. Belton, as of 1/12/15
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Monique Clement
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Bruce Hampton and Monique Clement
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Bruce Hampton, Monique Clement and Tommy Rodgers
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	None
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Sufficient funding.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Sufficient funding.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None

<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Other than the district defender we have 9 attorneys. All attorneys are directly supervised by the district defender. All attorneys are contract and therefore supervise their own support staff
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No medical benefits provided.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representatives are Patrick Jefferson and Christopher Turner. Senators are Stewart Cathey, Jr. and Patrick Jefferson
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Better communication with line defenders on a weekly and monthly basis.

### 3rd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

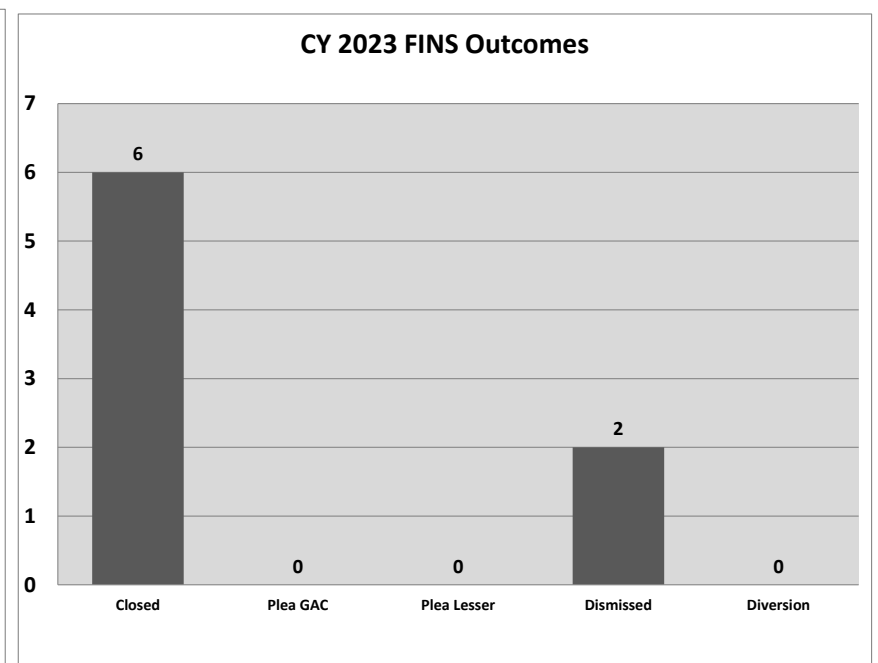
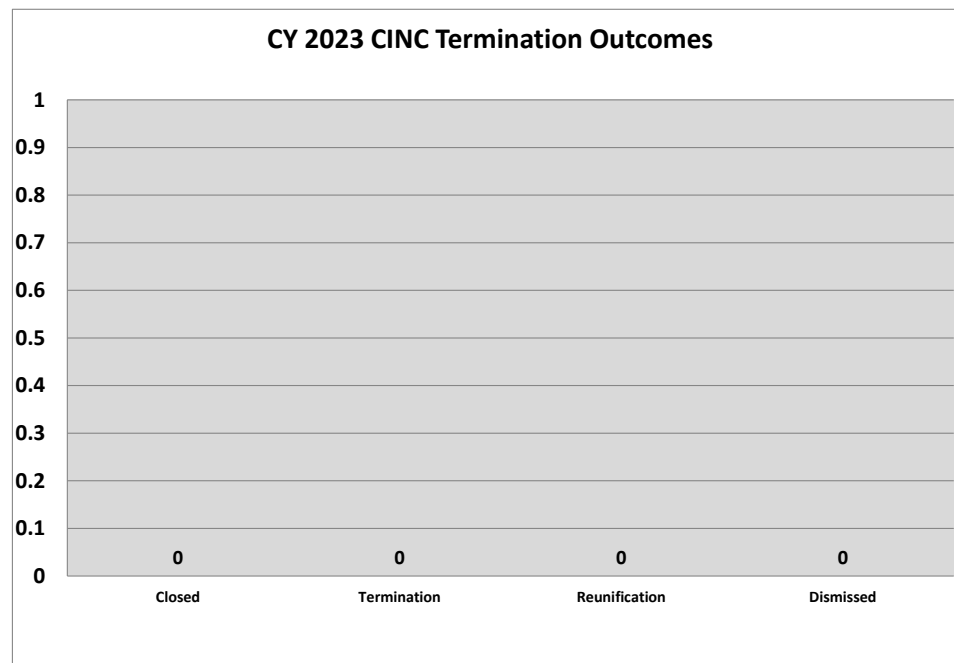
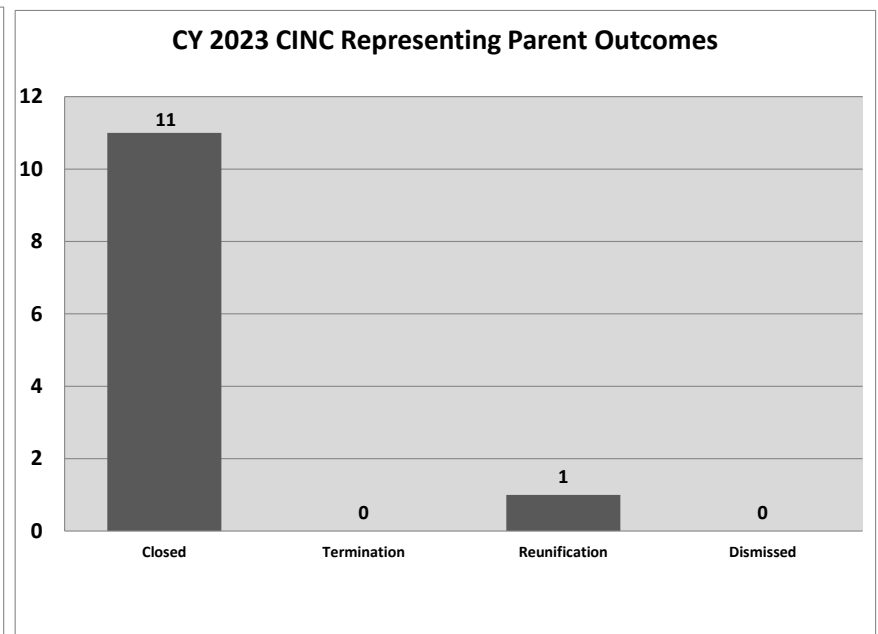
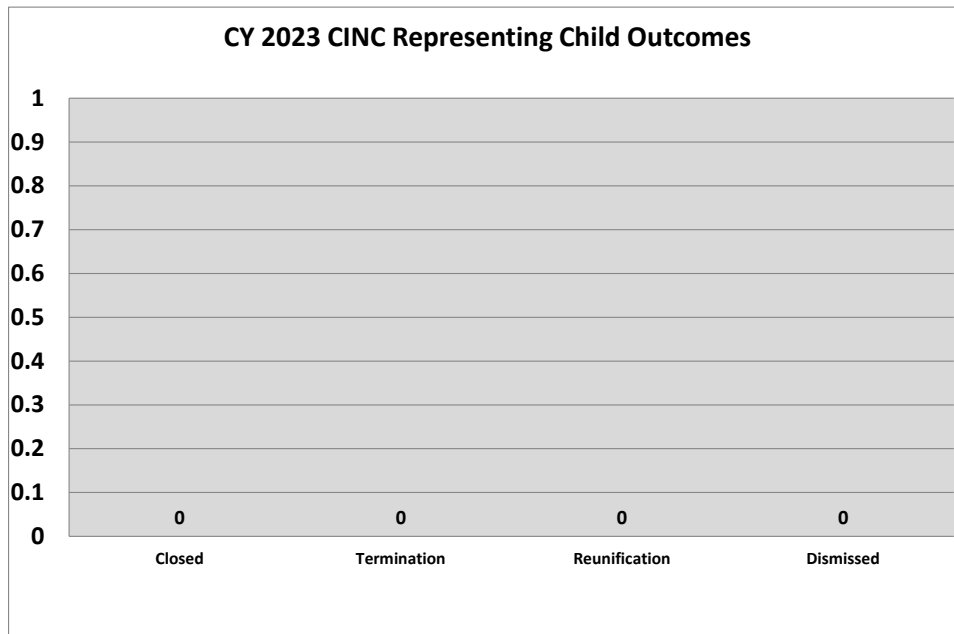
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	31	11	2	33	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	10	6	0	10	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	355	259	21	376	N/A	N/A	15	0	10	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	153	78	14	167	N/A	N/A	10	1	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	1212	1115	502	1714	N/A	N/A	116	21	68	0	0	0	0	1	1
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	759	724	809	1568	N/A	N/A	69	51	69	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult LWOP	2	1	1	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	9	5	1	10	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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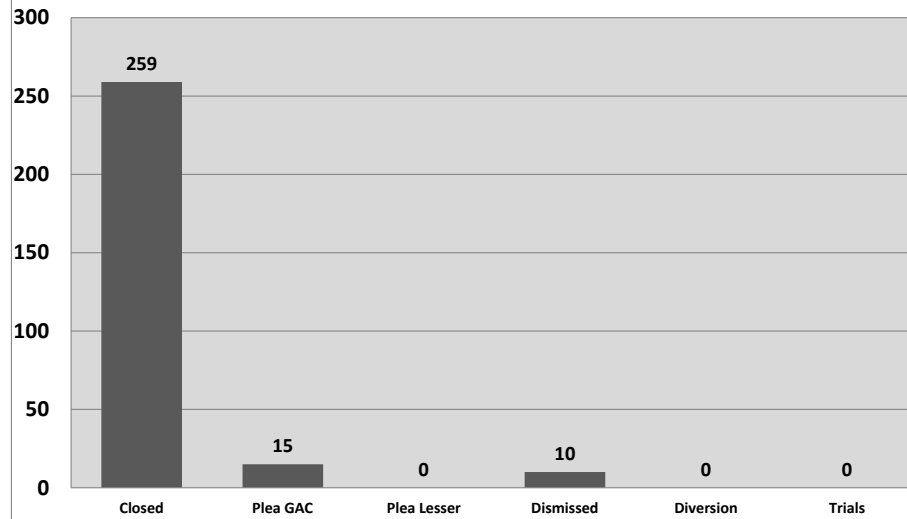
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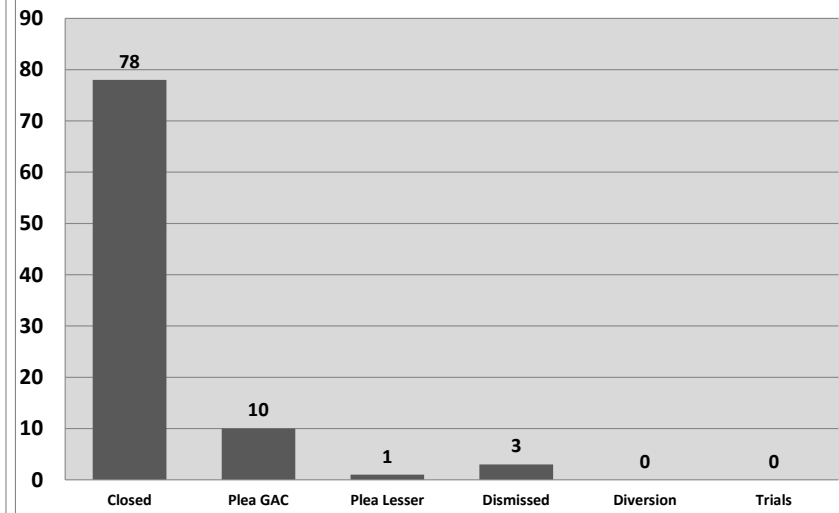
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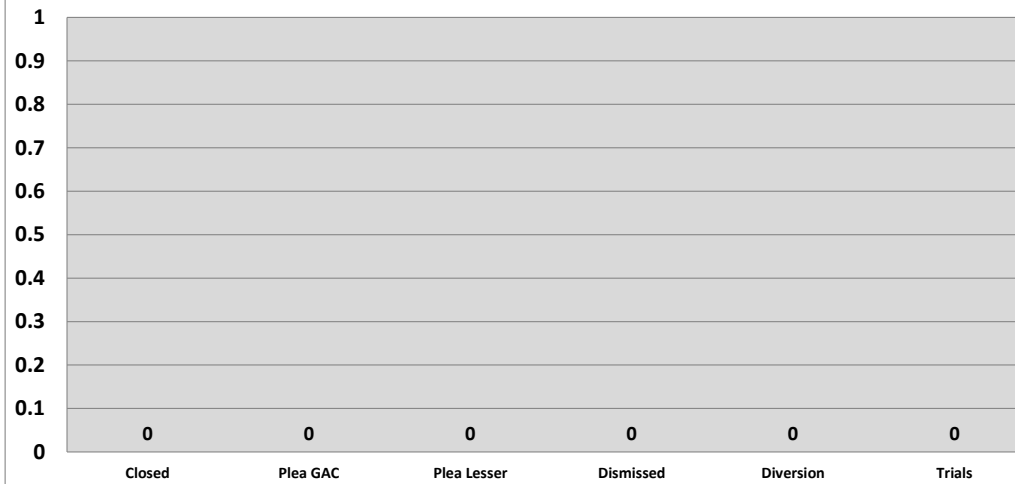
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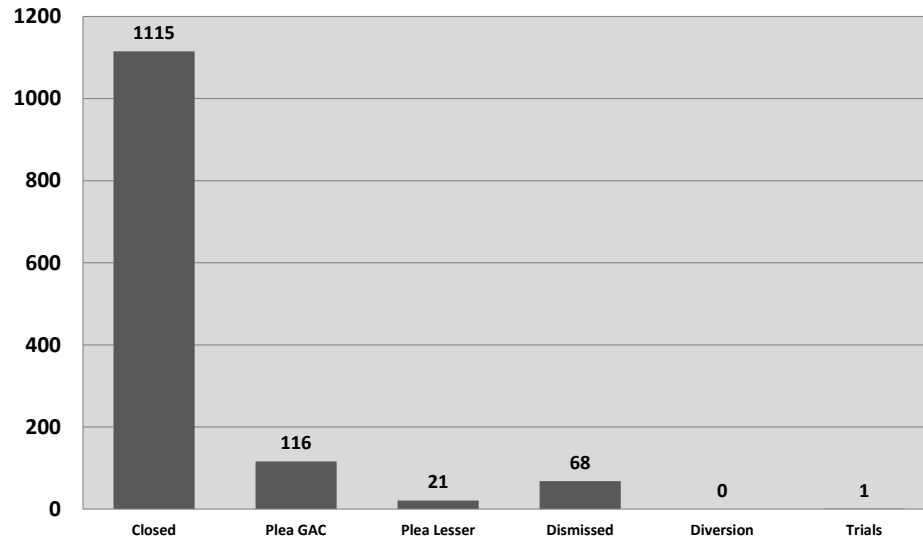
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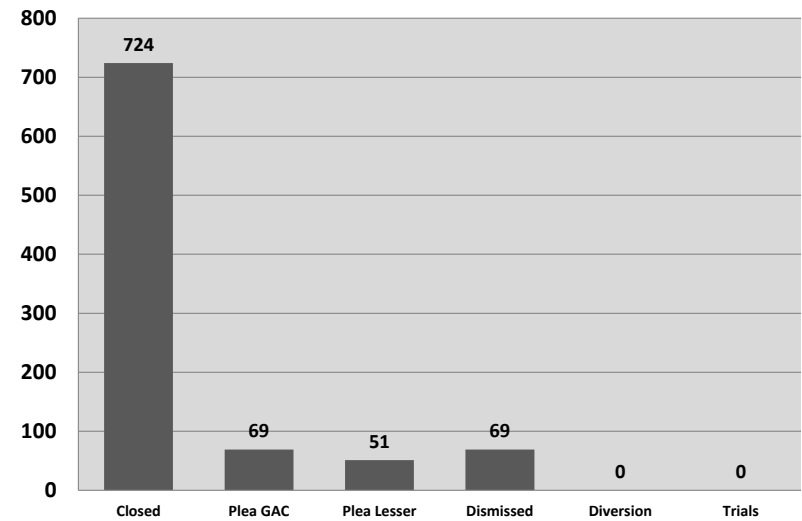
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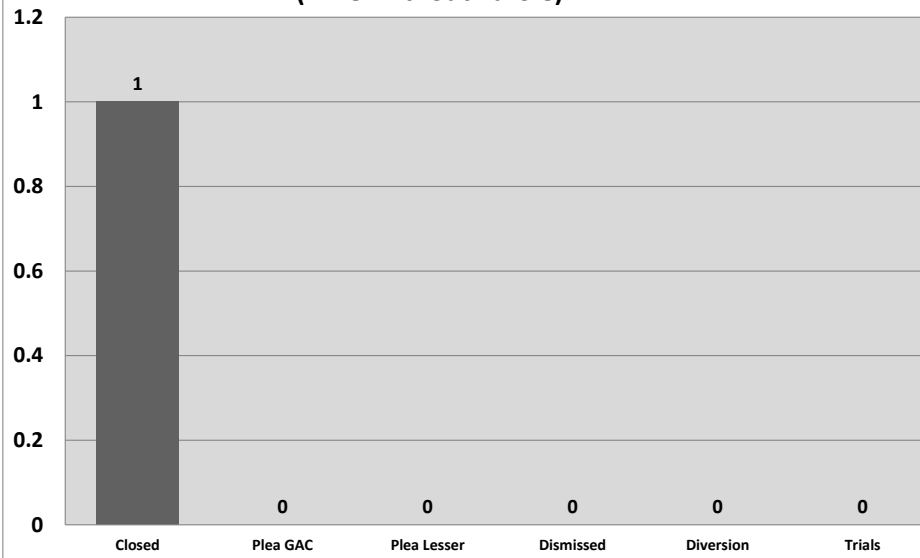
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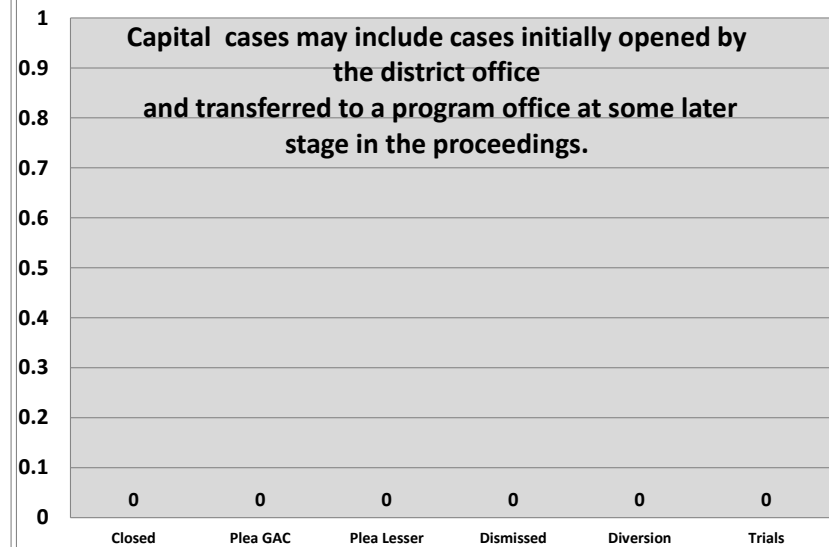
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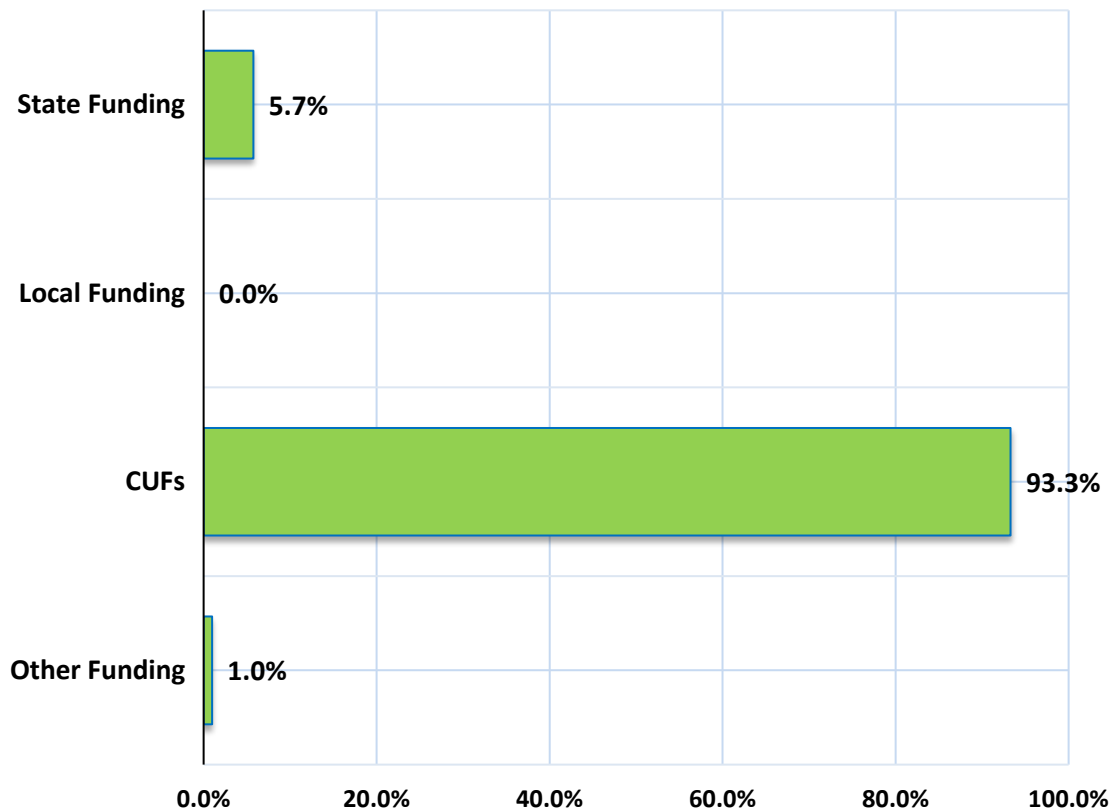




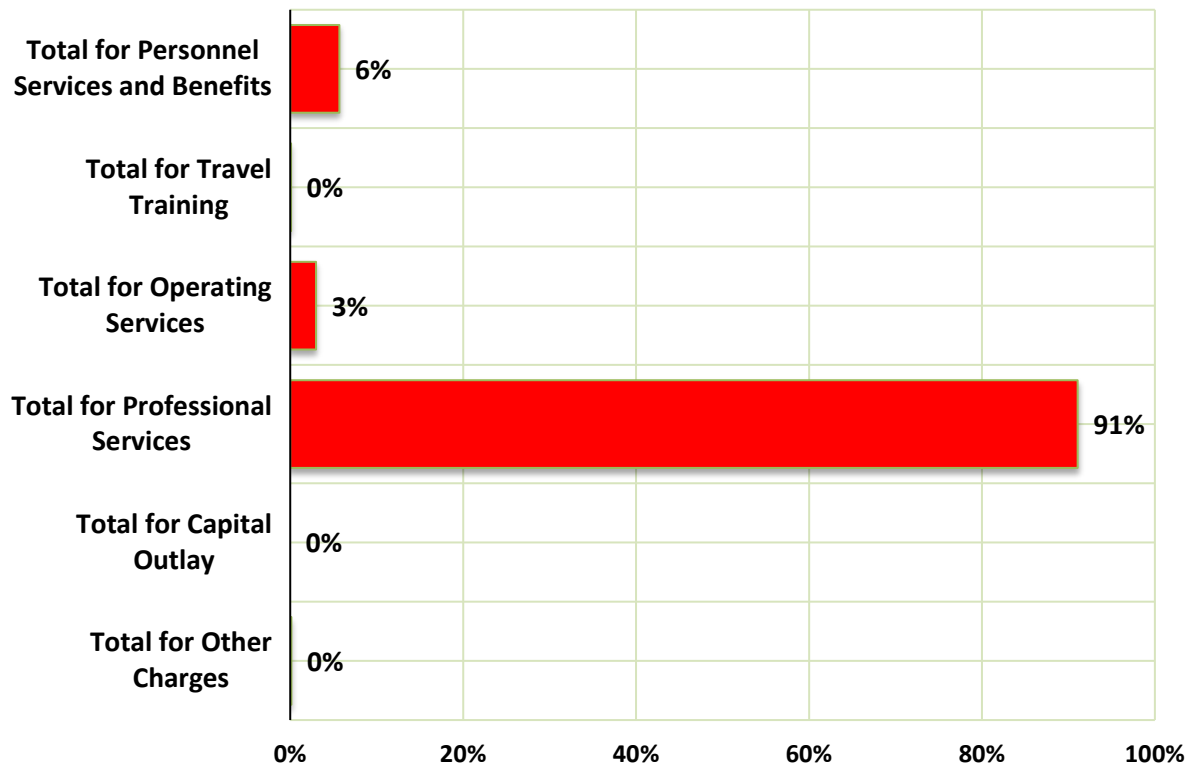
District 3 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Rick Candler</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	-
Total for Federal Government	-
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	3,000
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	28,952
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
Total for State Government	31,952
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	91,960
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	-
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	190,363
Judicial District Courts	181,162
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	12,573
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	384,098
Charges For Services	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	23,811
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	19,069
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
Total for Charges For Services	42,881
Total for Local Government	518,939
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	5,420
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
Total for Investment Earnings	5,420
Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
Total for Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	-
Total for REVENUE	556,310

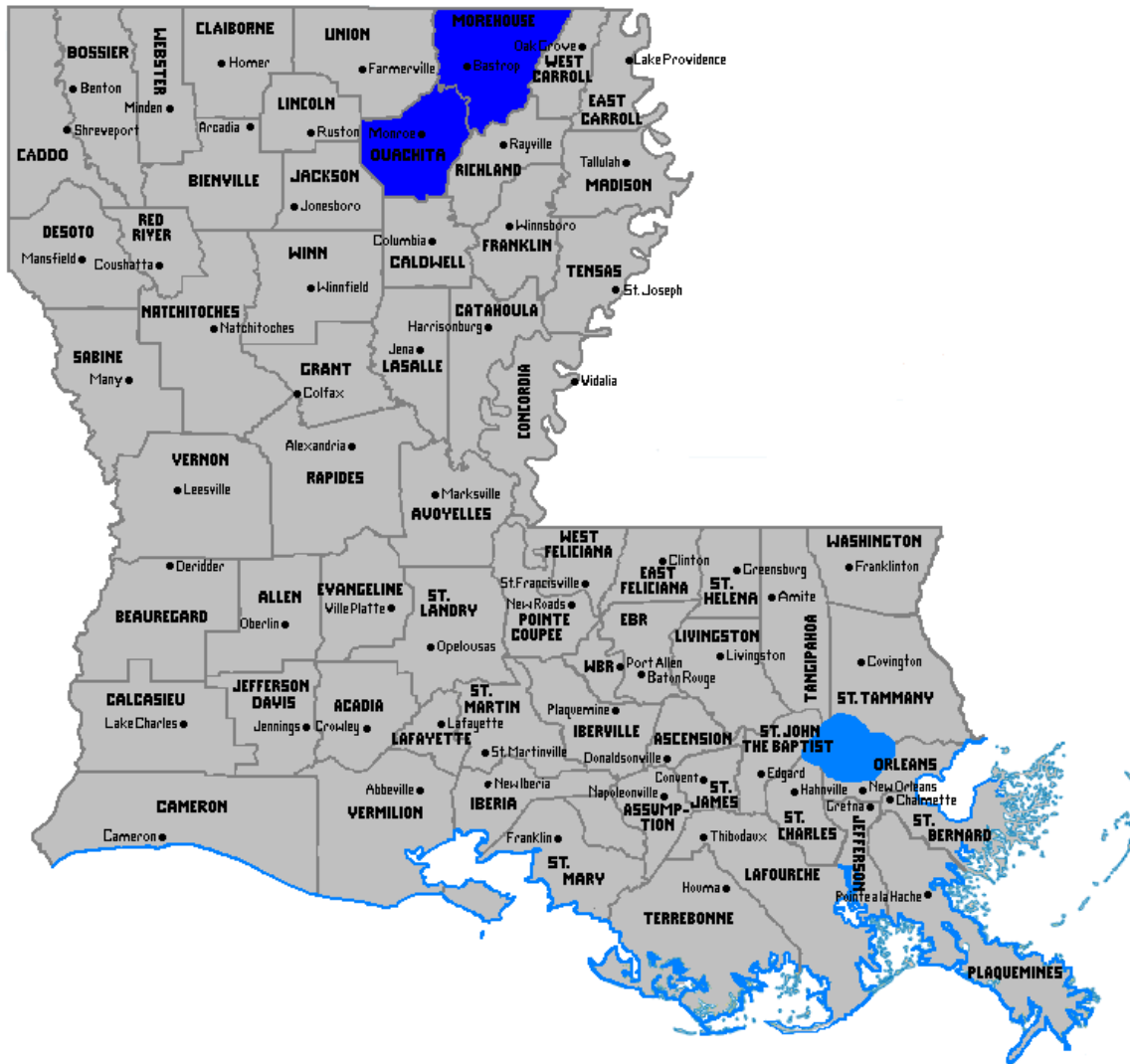
District 3 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Rick Candler</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	33,180
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	488
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	3,690
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>37,358</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	594
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>594</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	-
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	4,149
Lease - Office	162
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	486
Office Repair and Maintenance	2,855
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	7,529
Dues and Seminars	-
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	2,599
Office Supplies	1,768
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>19,549</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	12,873
Contract Clerical	354
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	86,500
Contract Attorneys - all other	497,125
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>596,852</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	971
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>971</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>655,324</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

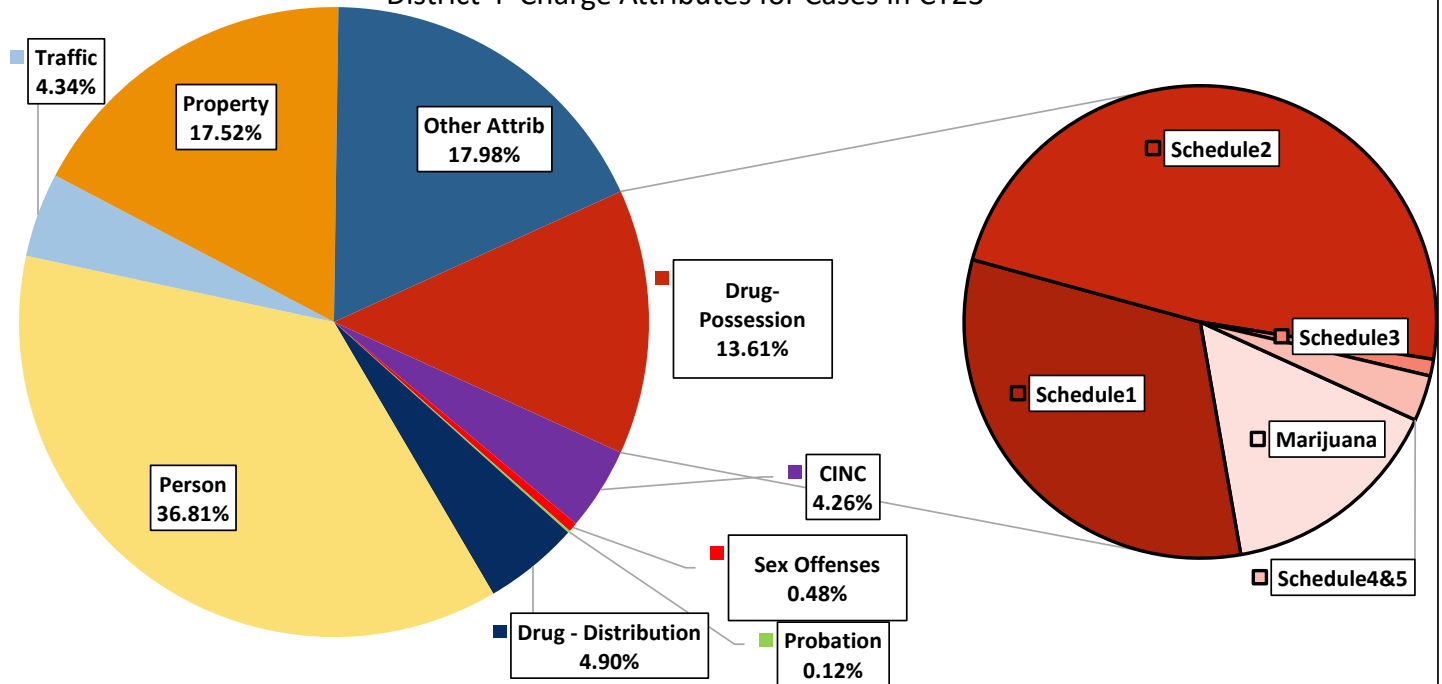




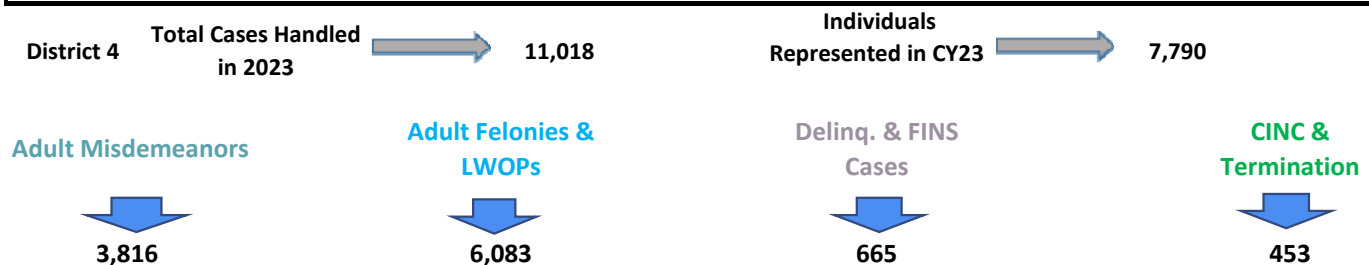
THE 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
MOREHOUSE (BASTROP) - OUACHITA (MONROE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: MICHAEL A. COURTEAU  
714 ST. JOHN STREET  
MONROE, LA 71201  
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District 4 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

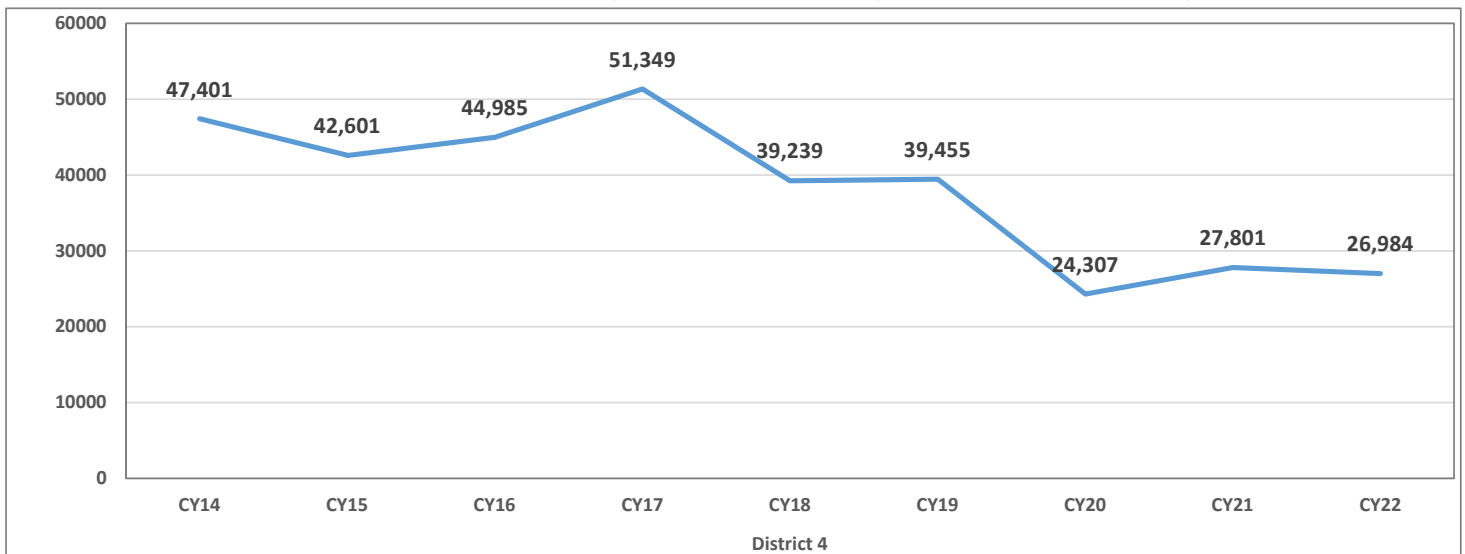


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 13.61% (1,500) of the 11,018 cases handled by the 4th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 48.49% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II Drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



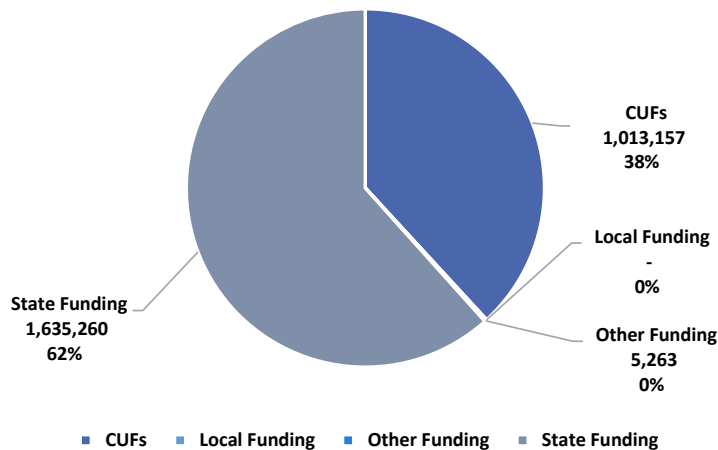
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



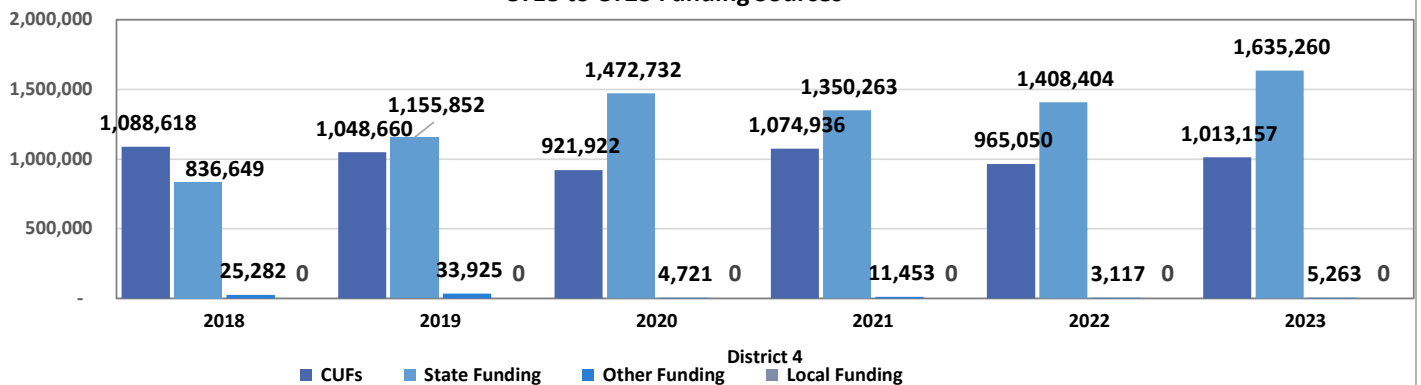
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 4th Judicial District decreased slightly from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be slightly lower than the previous year.

**District 4 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 4th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$2,653,680 in total revenues. Only 38% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the 44% received during 2021. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased slightly, state funding also increased. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 4<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Ouachita Parish- Monroe, Morehouse Parish- Bastrop
<b>Population</b>	182,148
<b>District Defender</b>	Michael A. Courteau
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	31
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	10
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Zulika Quinn-King
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	714 St. John Street
<b>City</b>	Monroe
<b>ZIP</b>	71201
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	m-f and 8:30 , 12:00 - 1:00 - 4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-322-6643
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	714 Saint John Street
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-325-7814
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Michael A. Courteau
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-614-4727
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Peggy Sullivan
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-855-6038
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Owned by 4th JDC Public Defender Office
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO Owns building
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	4th JDC, Ouachita and Morehouse Parishes in Monroe and Bastrop (includes juvenile courts); Monroe City, West Monroe City, Green Oaks Detention Center.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	4 Sections in Ouachita Parish; 2 Sections in Morehouse Parish; 3 Districts in Monroe City Court; 1 district in West Monroe City Court; 1 District in Bastrop City Court.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Ouachita Correctional Center; Morehouse Correctional; Bastrop City Jail
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Collingston Correctional Center, Richwood Detention Center, Richland Parish Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Green Oaks Detention Center; Swanson's
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Christian Acres
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Yes, unless requested by Attorney and approved over hearing by judge.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Robert Tew
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Larry Jefferson
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Sharon Marchman, Aisha Clark, Tammy Lee, Jim Norris
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Yes. Judge Sharon Marchman
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Re-entry court



<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	<p>This program combines the supervision of the courts, correctional system, the economic opportunity of Louisiana's business community, and the guidance of mentors and social service organizations to reverse the effects of Louisiana's high incarceration rates.</p> <p>Once chosen to participate, the participant spends at least two years at the Louisiana State Penitentiary where he or she receives workforce development training, substance abuse therapy, educational resources, and vocational and rehabilitative training.</p> <p>Upon reentry to the populace, the returning citizen is placed on probation under the intensive supervision of a Reentry Court, where he/she will continue to receive the services needed to succeed, including community support, substance abuse treatment and counseling.</p>
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Efforts to increase local funding
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Consistent, reliable funding. Overloaded Misdemeanor Attorneys are facing a constant high workload.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	No
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	See attached Chart.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Staff: Angel Champagne. Contract Attorneys: Peggy Sullivan, Scotty Lowrey, Glenn Fleming, Janet Floyd. All health dues are 100% paid for by the individual.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	5
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	<p>Senators - Stewart Cathy Jr, Glen Womack, Jay Morris, Katrina Jackson</p> <p>Representatives - Michael Charles Echols, Foy Bryan Gadberry, Jack G. McFarland, Patricia "Pat" Moore, Francis C. Thompson</p>
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Modification of Mentoring Program.

#### 4th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	183	156	245	428	0	19	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	13	14	12	25	12	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	9	10	12	21	N/A	N/A	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	219	251	290	509	N/A	N/A	27	11	61	0	N/A	N/A	0	2	2
Delinquency Felony	65	55	54	119	N/A	N/A	4	2	15	0	N/A	N/A	0	4	4
Delinquency-Life	8	5	5	13	N/A	N/A	1	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	1	2	2	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	2579	2432	1237	3816	N/A	N/A	1161	262	995	0	0	0	17	18	35
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	3104	2535	2777	5881	N/A	N/A	744	544	1809	1	1	17	2	22	42
Adult LWOP	60	56	116	176	N/A	N/A	9	12	35	0	0	2	0	4	6
Capital***	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	4	9	19	23	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	3	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

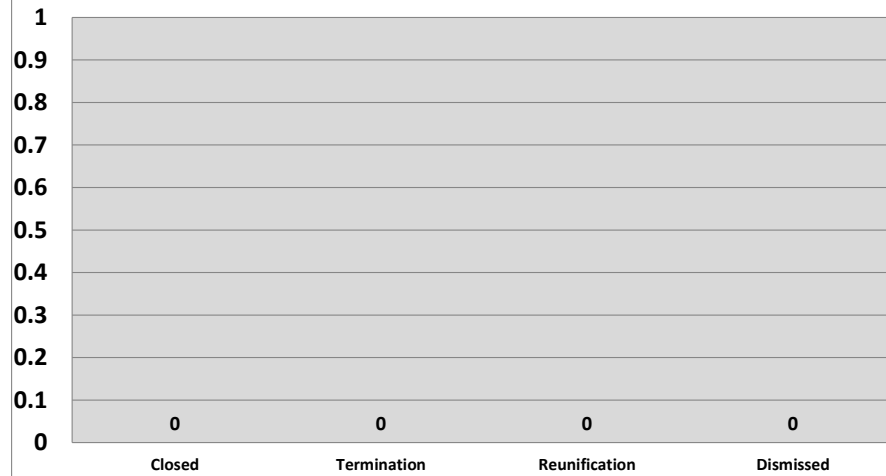
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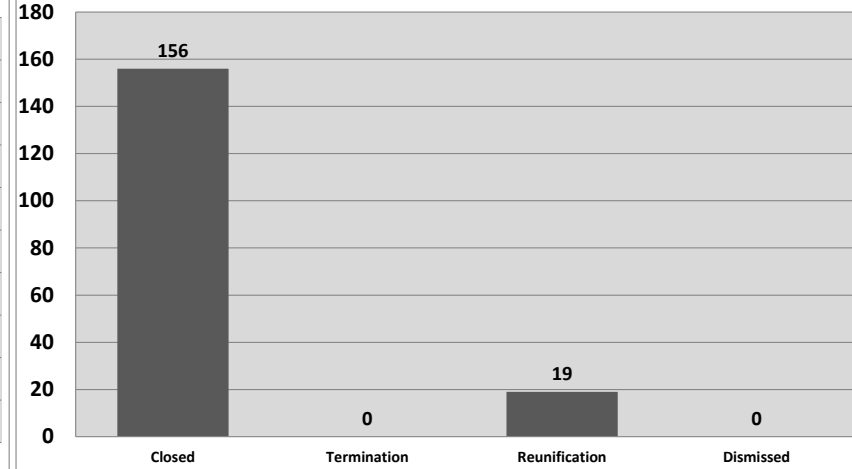
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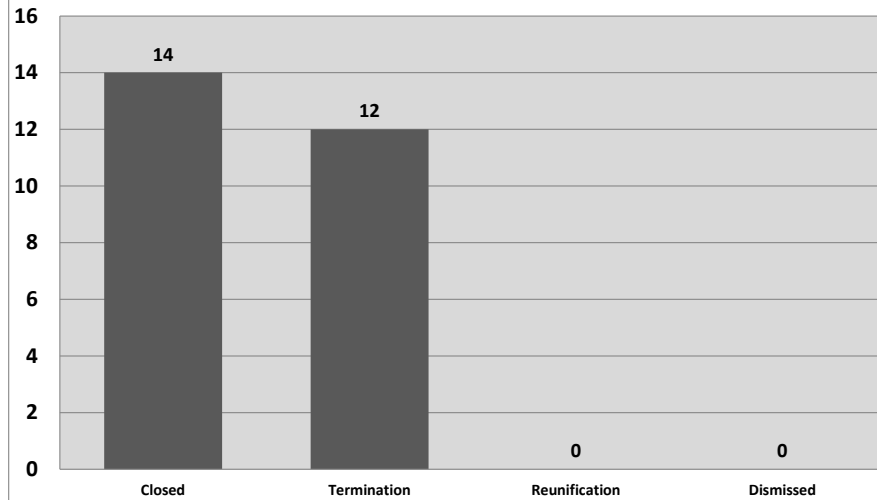
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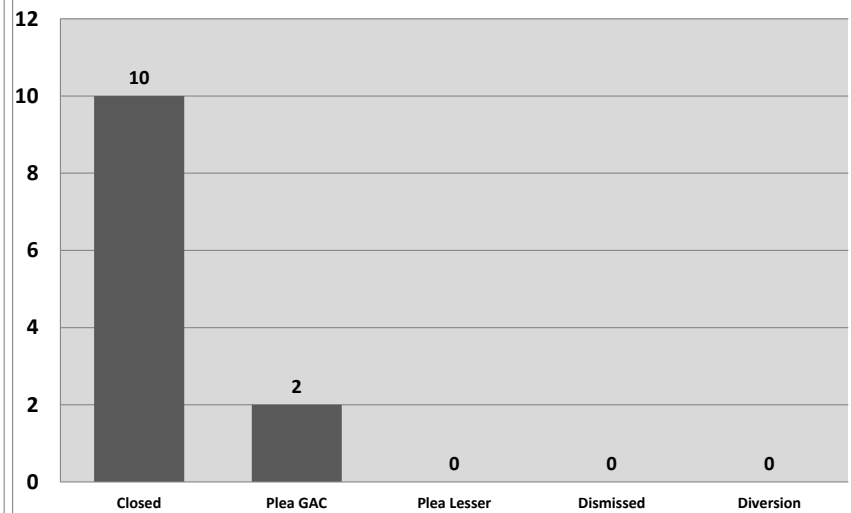
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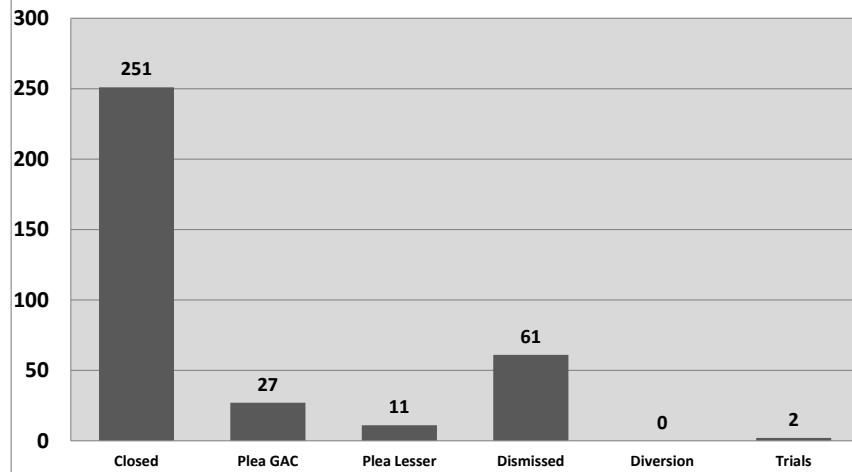
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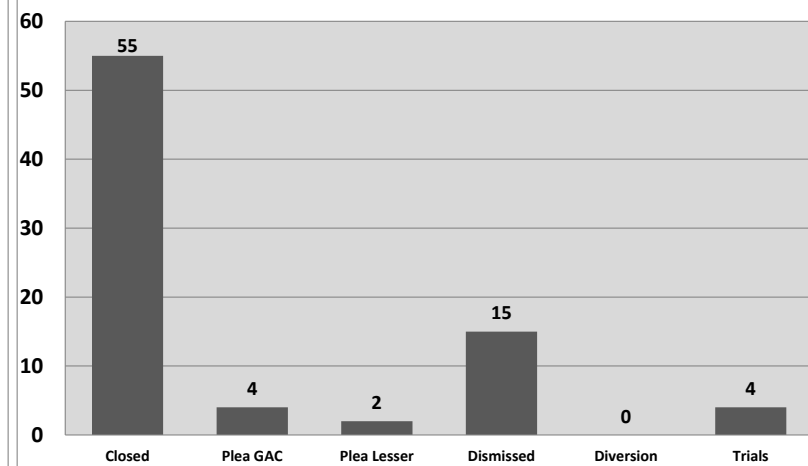
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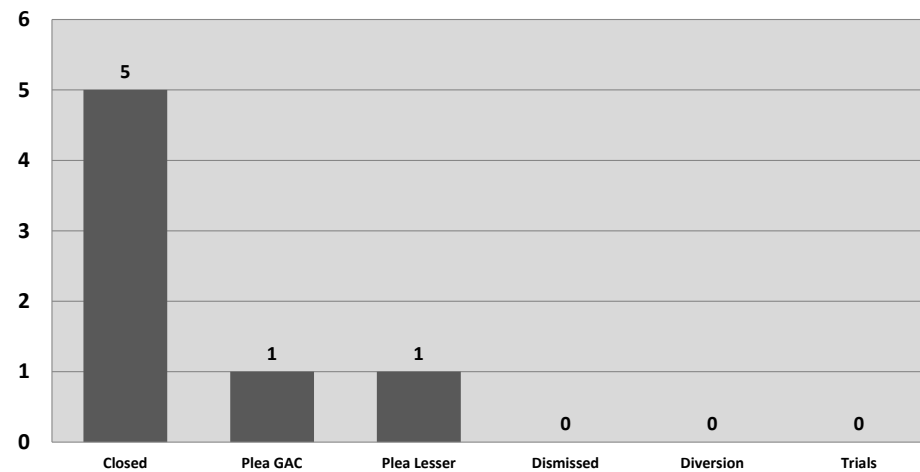
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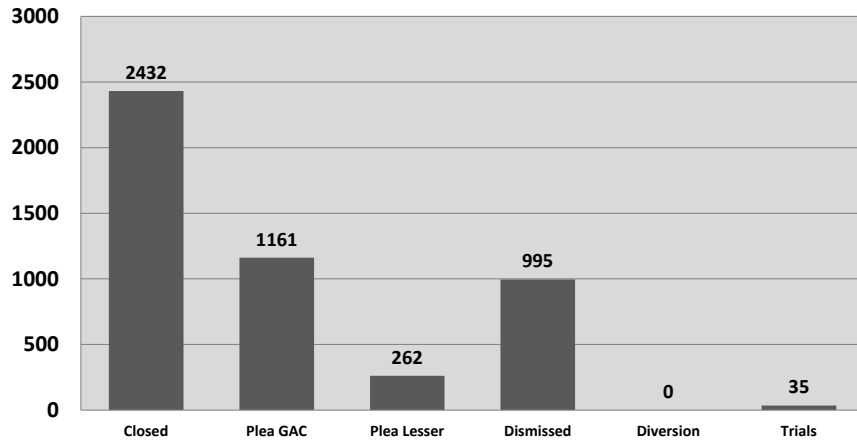
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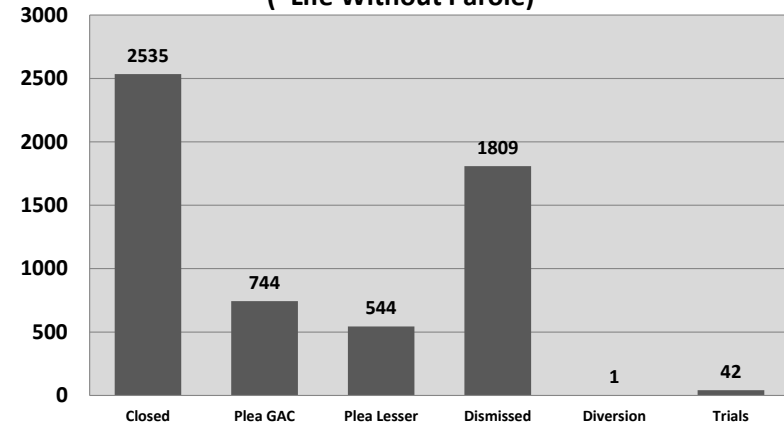
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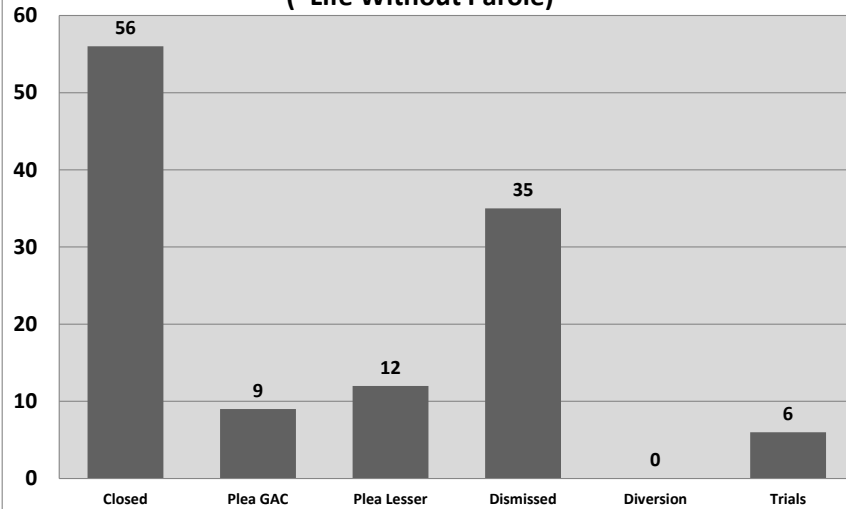
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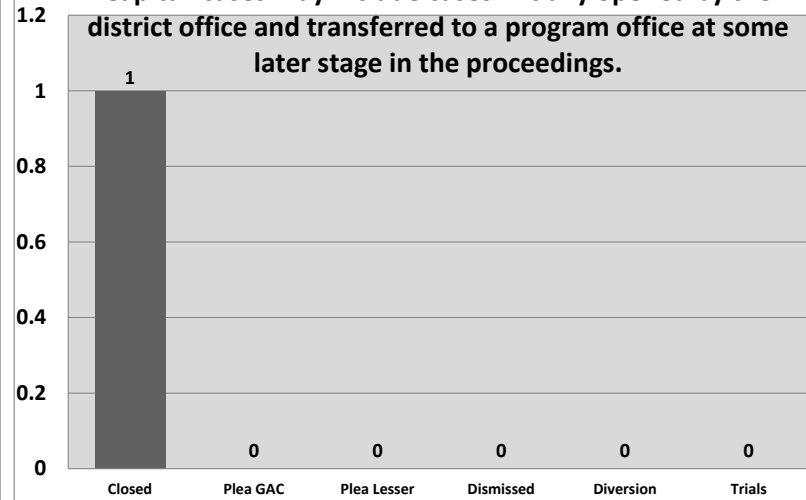
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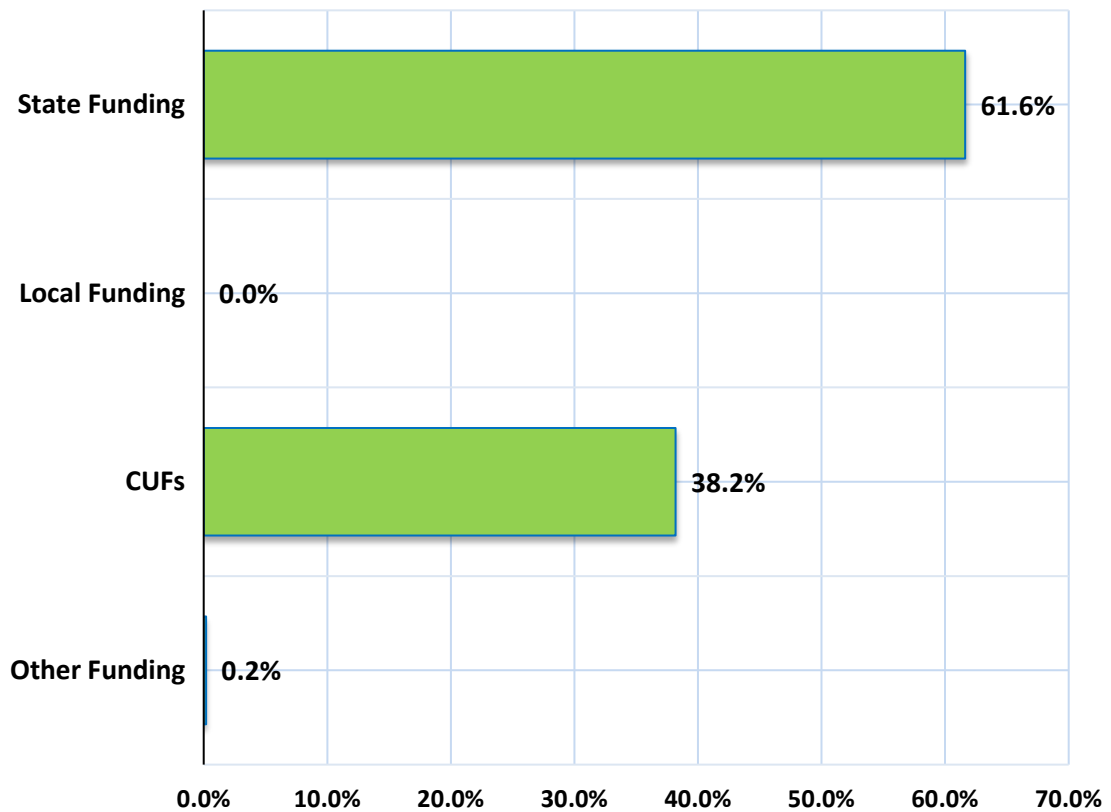
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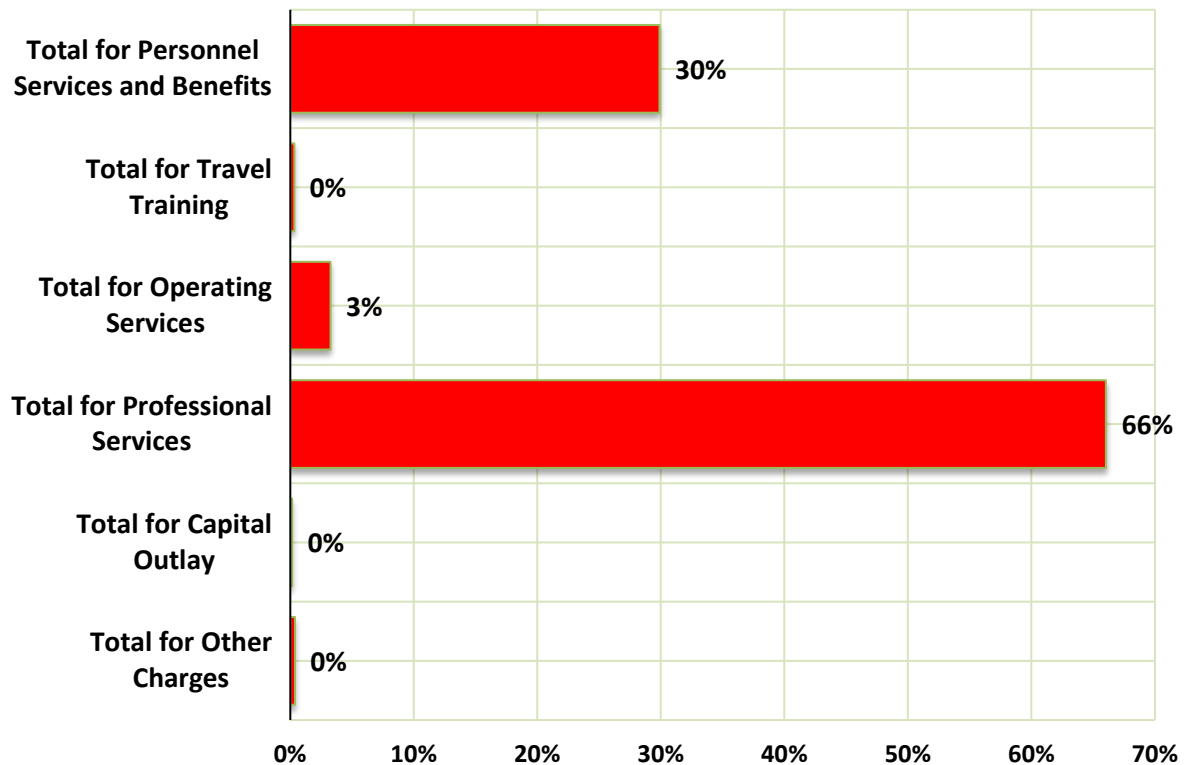
District 4 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Michael A. Courteau</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	84,436
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>84,436</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	28,252
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	1,522,573
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>1,550,824</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	54,291
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	261,392
Judicial District Courts	611,711
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>873,102</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	44,815
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	40,949
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>85,764</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>1,013,157</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	3,605
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	1,659
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>5,263</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>2,653,680</b>

District 4 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Michael A. Courteau</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	717,469
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	55,904
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>773,373</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	8,148
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>8,148</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	6,234
Insurance - Malpractice	945
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	6,043
Insurance - Other	2,829
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	9,361
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	21,711
Dues and Seminars	7,812
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	6,498
Office Supplies	22,877
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>84,311</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	29,500
Contract Clerical	7,417
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	94
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	268,900
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	397,000
Contract Attorneys - all other	1,005,913
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>1,708,824</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	3,571
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>3,571</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	9,493
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>9,493</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,587,721</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



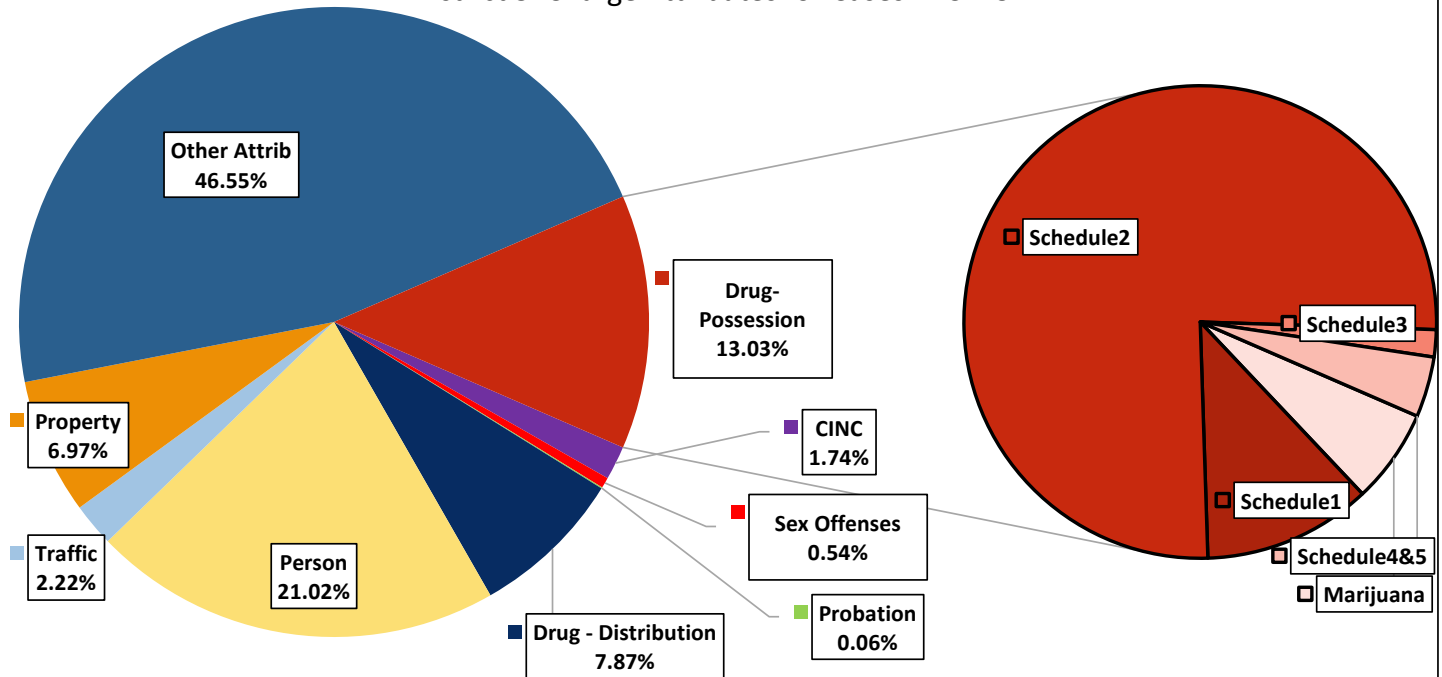
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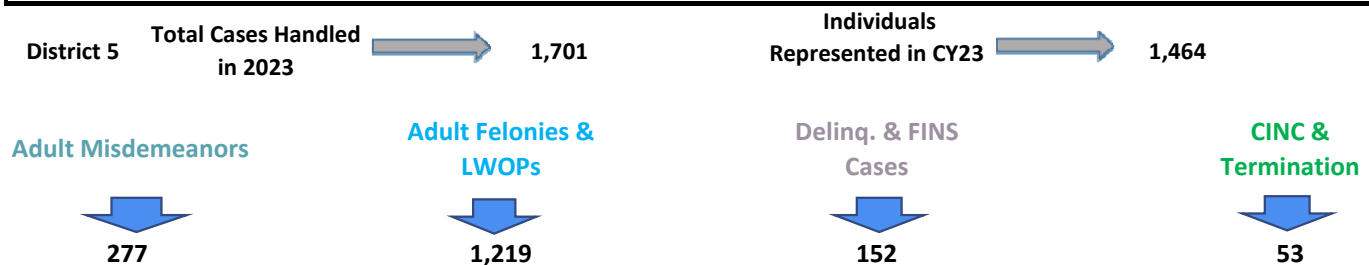




**District 5 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23**

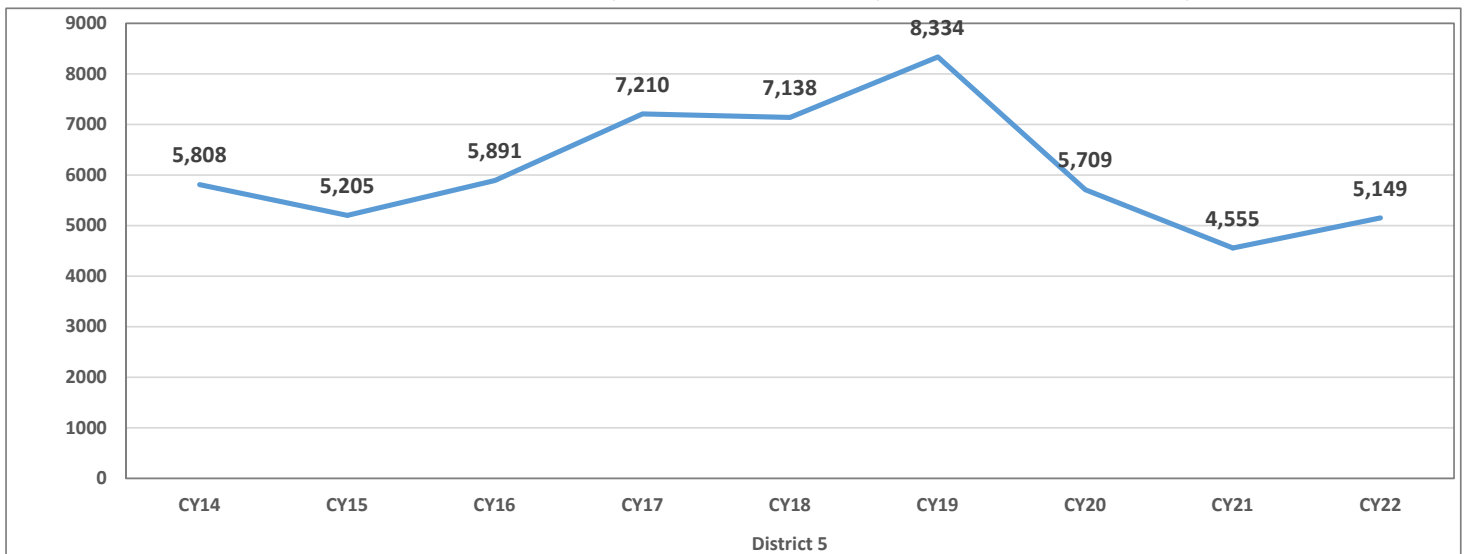


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 13.03% (221) of the 1,701 cases handled by the 5th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 76% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II Drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



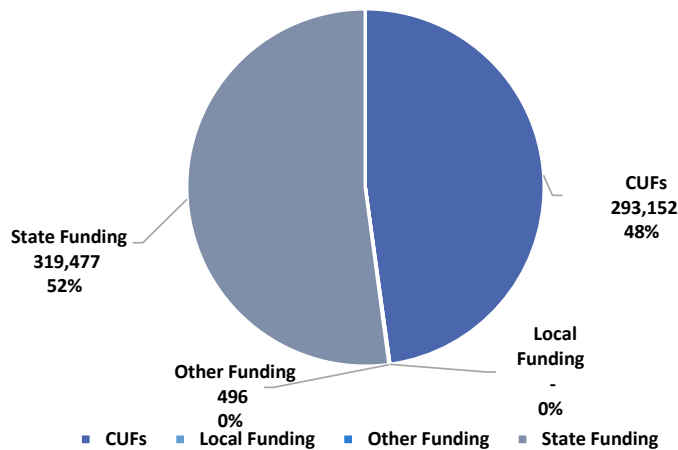
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



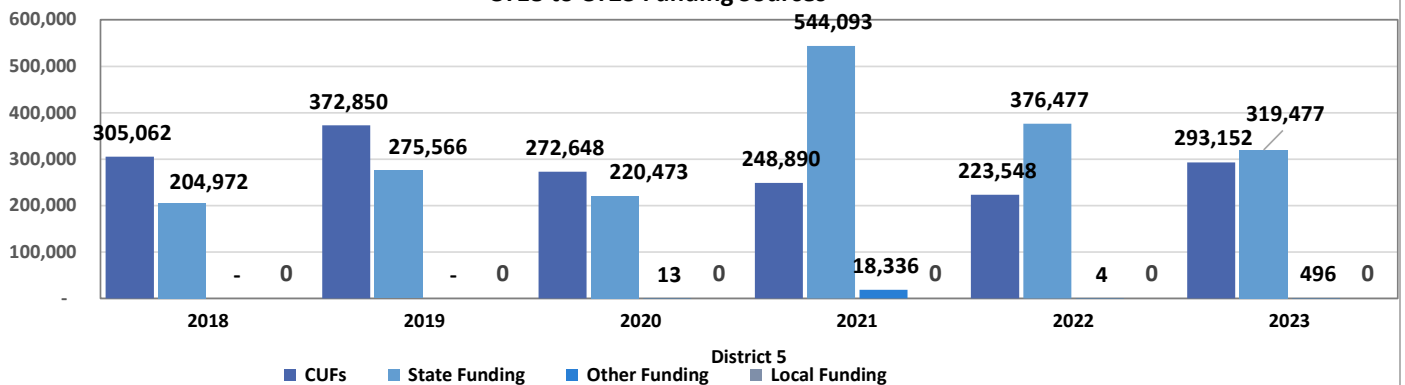
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 5th Judicial District increased by nearly 15% from the previous year. Filings remain 38% lower than 2019 filing levels. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be higher than the previous year.

**District 5 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 5th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$613,125 in total revenues. Forty-eight percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), exceeding the state average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$70,000, while state funding decreased by \$57,000. In CY21, the state provided \$165,000 to the district for the purchase of a Public Defender Office building. This funding was appropriated by the Legislature in Act 45 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session. The loss of this one-time money accounts for the decrease in state funding from CY21 to CY22. The office did not receive any funding from city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 5<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Franklin - Winnsboro; Richland - Rayville; West Carroll - Oak Grove
<b>Population</b>	Richland Parish Pop (2023):19,839, Franklin Parish Pop (2023):19,477, West Carroll Parish Pop (2023) 9,196, District Total Pop (2023):48,512
<b>District Defender</b>	John Albert Ellis
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	5
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	16
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Victoria Credit, Legal Assistant/Data Entry
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	108 Courthouse Square
<b>City</b>	Rayville
<b>ZIP</b>	71269
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-TH:8:30AM-4:30PM FRI:8:00AM-12PM
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-728-1117
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 717, Rayville, LA 71269
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-728-1118
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	John Albert Ellis
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-201-4212
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Victoria Credit
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-334-4778
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	The Fifth District purchased an office at 6909 Prairie Road, Winnsboro, LA to service Franklin Parish and an office at 110 Briggs Street, Oak Grove, LA to service West Carroll Parish with special one-time funding from the State. Both offices were scheduled to open in the Spring of 2022. Opening have been delayed by budgetary shortfalls caused by Post COVID drop in CUFS.
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None

<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Billy Coenen
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO owns building in 2 Of 3 parishes
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	Franklin Parish District Court, Winnsboro; Richland Parish District Court, Rayville; West Carroll Parish District Court, Oak Grove; and Winnsboro City Court, Winnsboro.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Three (3) District Court Divisions (A,B,& C) sitting alternately in each of the three parishes on a rotational basis. District A is also the dedicated District Juvenile Court for the District in all three parishes. One (1) Division of Municipal Court, Winnsboro City Court, sitting separately in both Adult Misdemeanor and Juvenile Jurisdictions.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Franklin Detention Center; Winnsboro; Richland Detention Center, Rayville; West Carroll Parish Jail, Oak Grove.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Madison Parish Detention Center, Ouachita Correctional Center, Riverbend Detention Center, Morehouse Parish Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Green Oaks, Monroe, LA; Jackson Parish Correctional, Jonesboro, LA

<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	During 2018, the District Defender has attended the majority of Juvenile Court dates. More than 90% of our Juvenile Clients are in the custody of their parents are therefore not shackled. Additionally, even Juveniles in custody have routinely appeared in court for review hearings, well dressed and groomed without any form of physical restraint. Judge Clay Hamilton, newly elected in July 2018, has become the permanent Juvenile Judge. Judge Hamilton accords the Juveniles and their parents a tremendous amount of courtesies and respect and does not require restraints.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Hon. Penny Dociecer
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge Clay Hamilton-Div. A (2023). Term expiring 12/31/2023. Judge Stephen Dean-Div C. Term commencing 01/01/2024.
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Judge Clay Hamilton is the Juvenile Court Judge
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Clay Hamilton
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Non-support court and domestic disputes are handled by a Magistrate Judge.
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Funding from the State
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Funding from the State
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The District Defender supervises two (02) workers in Central Office. One Legal Assistant and one Investigator, and nine (09) attorneys.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	1
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Katrinia Jackson, Representative Francis Thompson, Representative Neil Riser, Senator Stewart Cathey, Jr., Senator Glen Womack
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Moved to paperless applications.</li> <li>2. Daily Jail checks for detained defendants.</li> <li>3. Same day appointment of defense counsel and notification.</li> <li>4. Centralize Discovery Bank for all cases to facilitate seamless reassignment of counsel when necessary.</li> <li>5. Continuous Training. Pairing Teams-co-assigning younger attorneys (less experienced) with season attorney on major cases.</li> </ol>

### 5th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

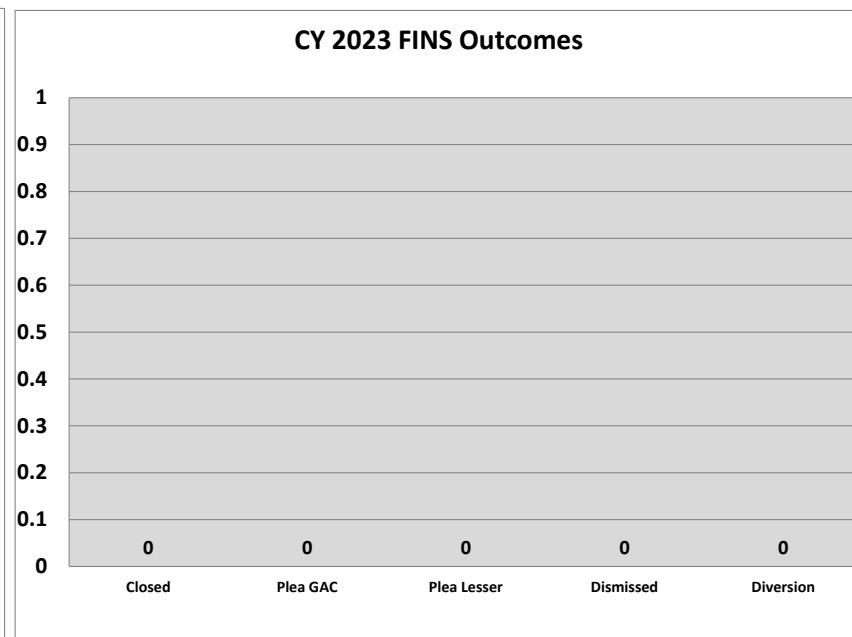
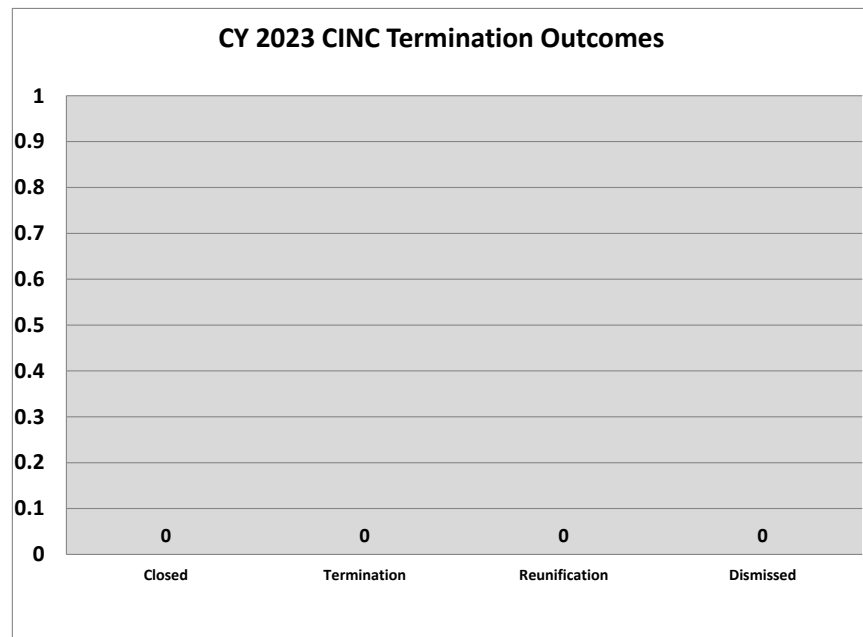
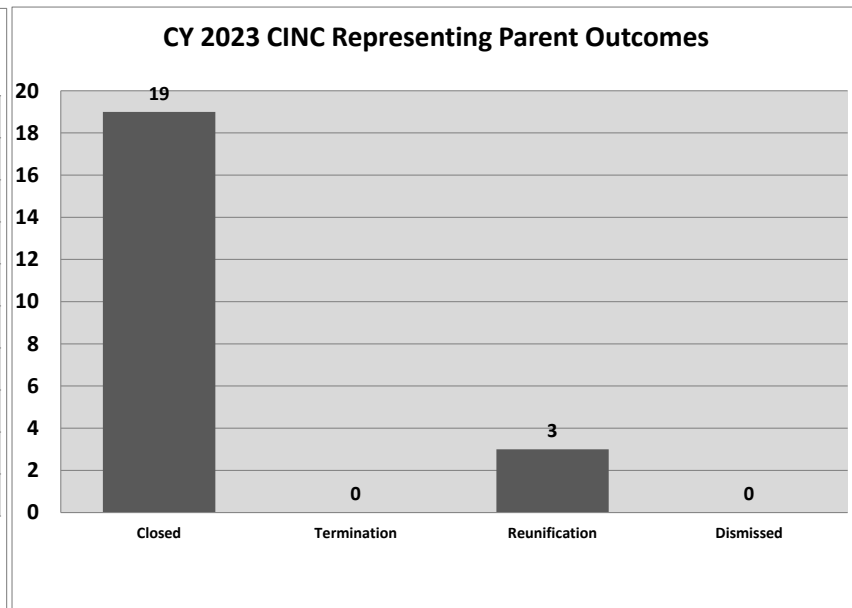
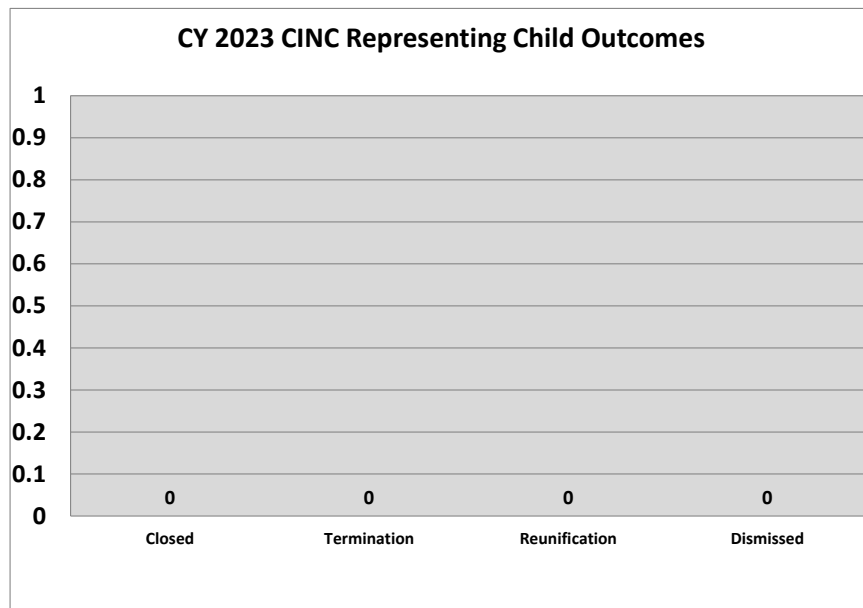
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	16	19	37	53	0	3	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	22	9	16	38	N/A	N/A	0	2	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	48	28	65	113	N/A	N/A	8	1	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency-Life	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	113	123	164	277	N/A	N/A	119	0	15	0	0	1	0	0	1
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	655	682	551	1206	N/A	N/A	229	43	322	0	0	1	0	1	2
Adult LWOP	2	4	7	9	N/A	N/A	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	4	4	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

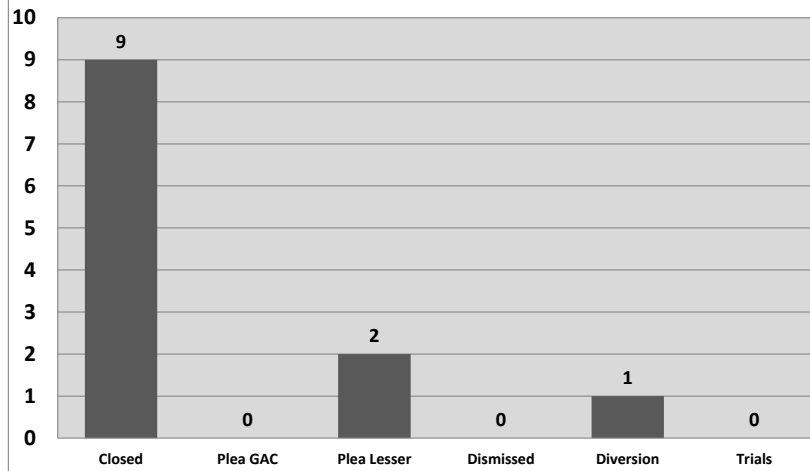
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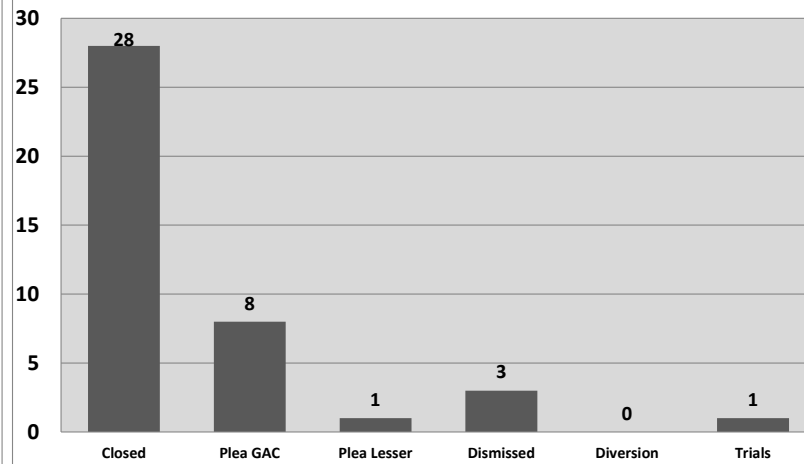




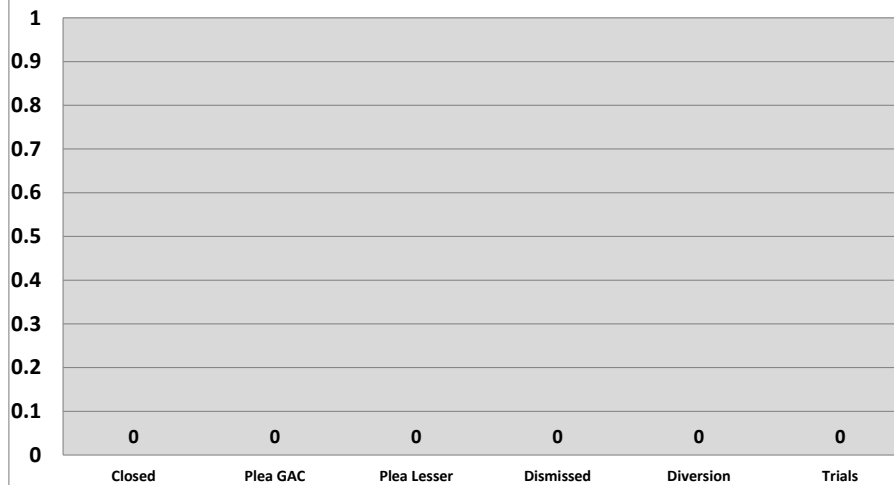
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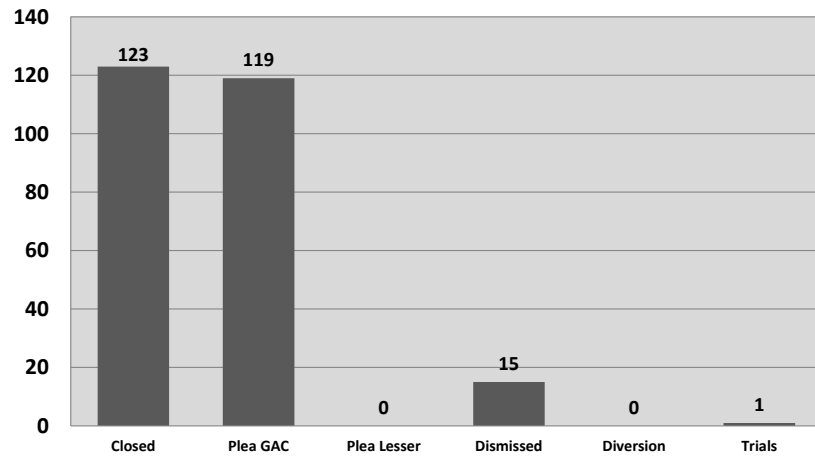
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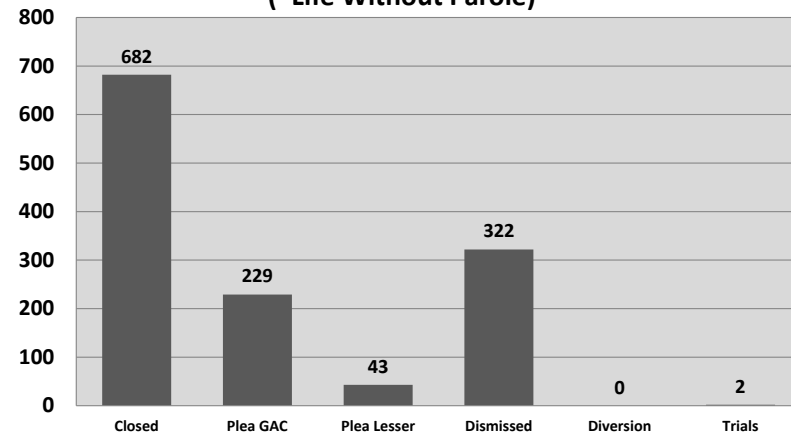
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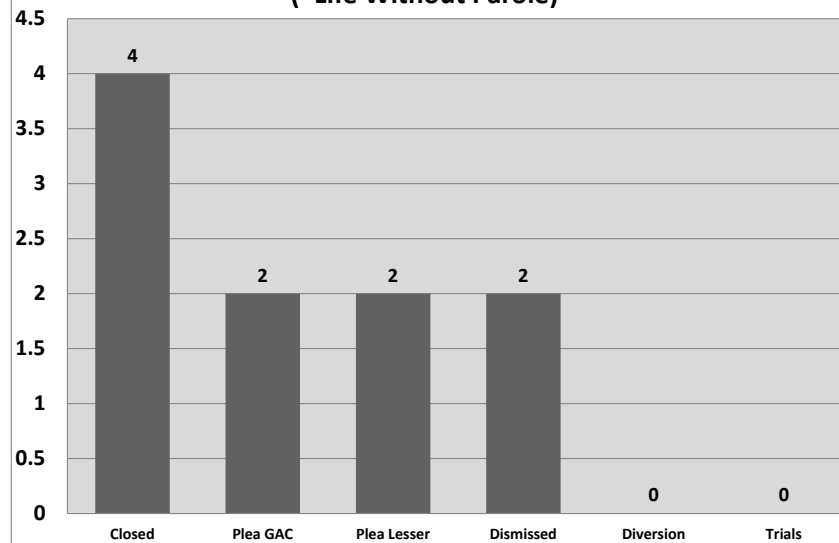
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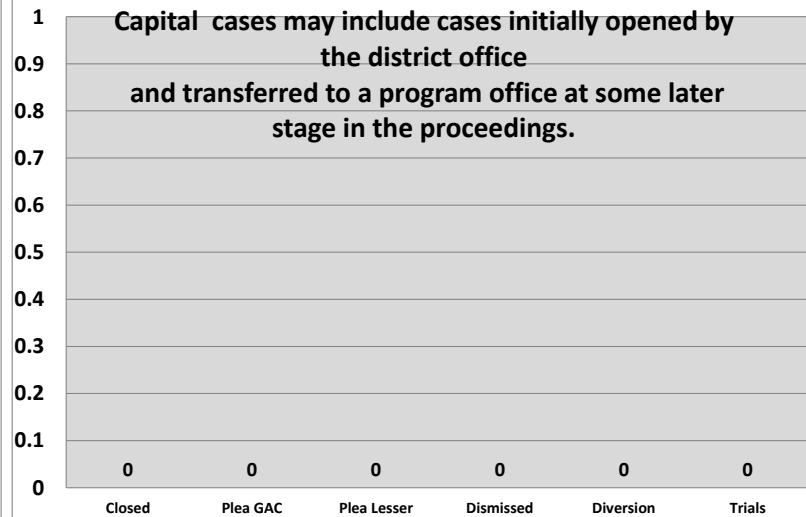
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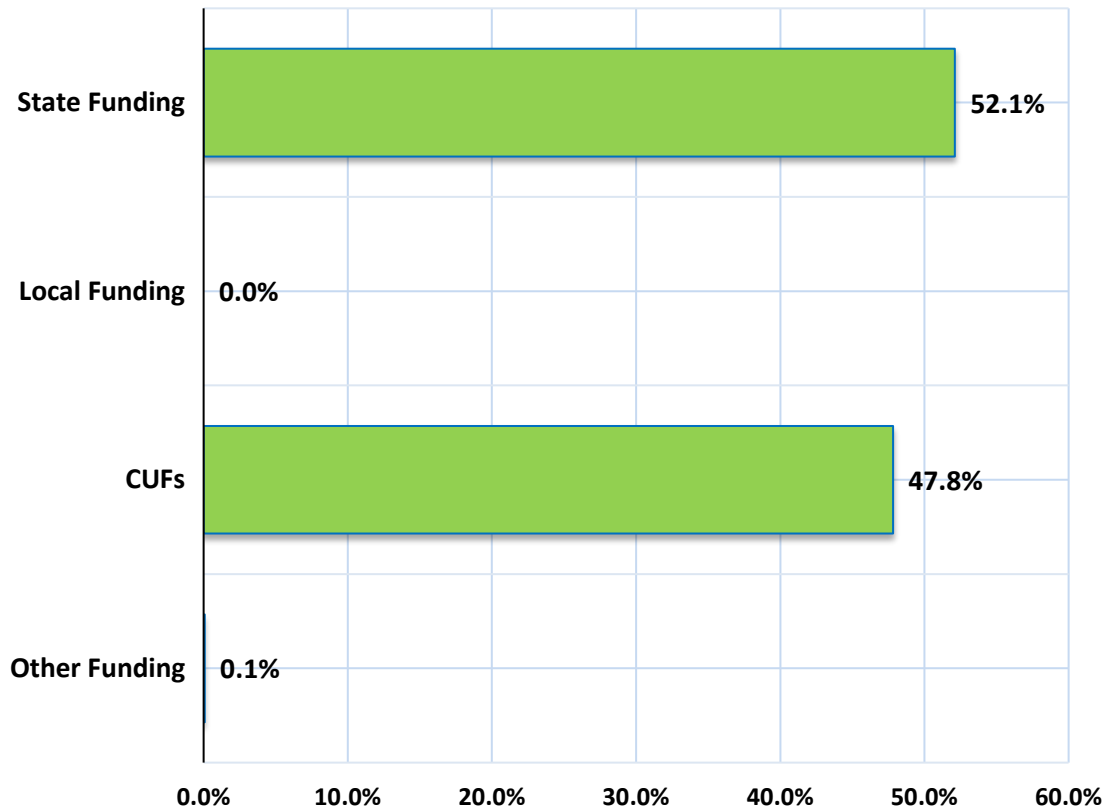
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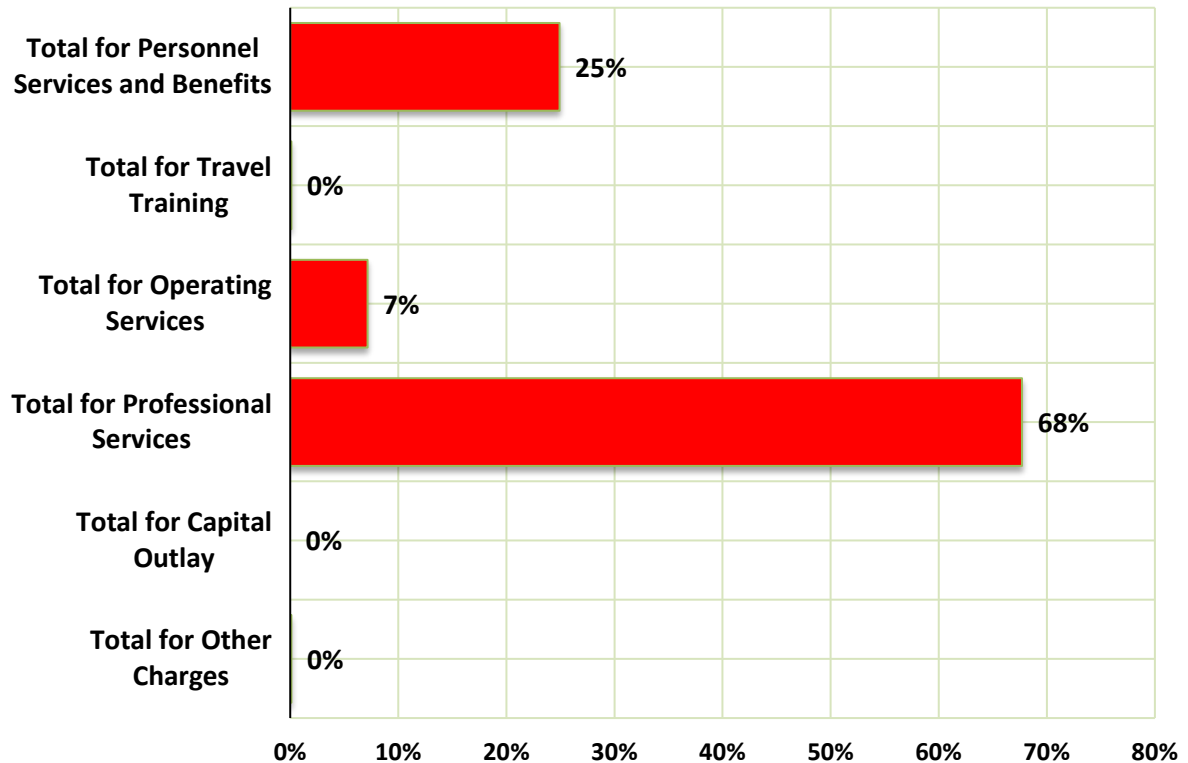
District 5 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: John Albert Ellis</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	374
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>374</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	319,103
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>319,103</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	250
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	67,908
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	38,597
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	5,632
Parish Courts	1,170
Traffic Court	179,127
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>224,527</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	467
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	483
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>950</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>293,635</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	14
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>613,126</b>

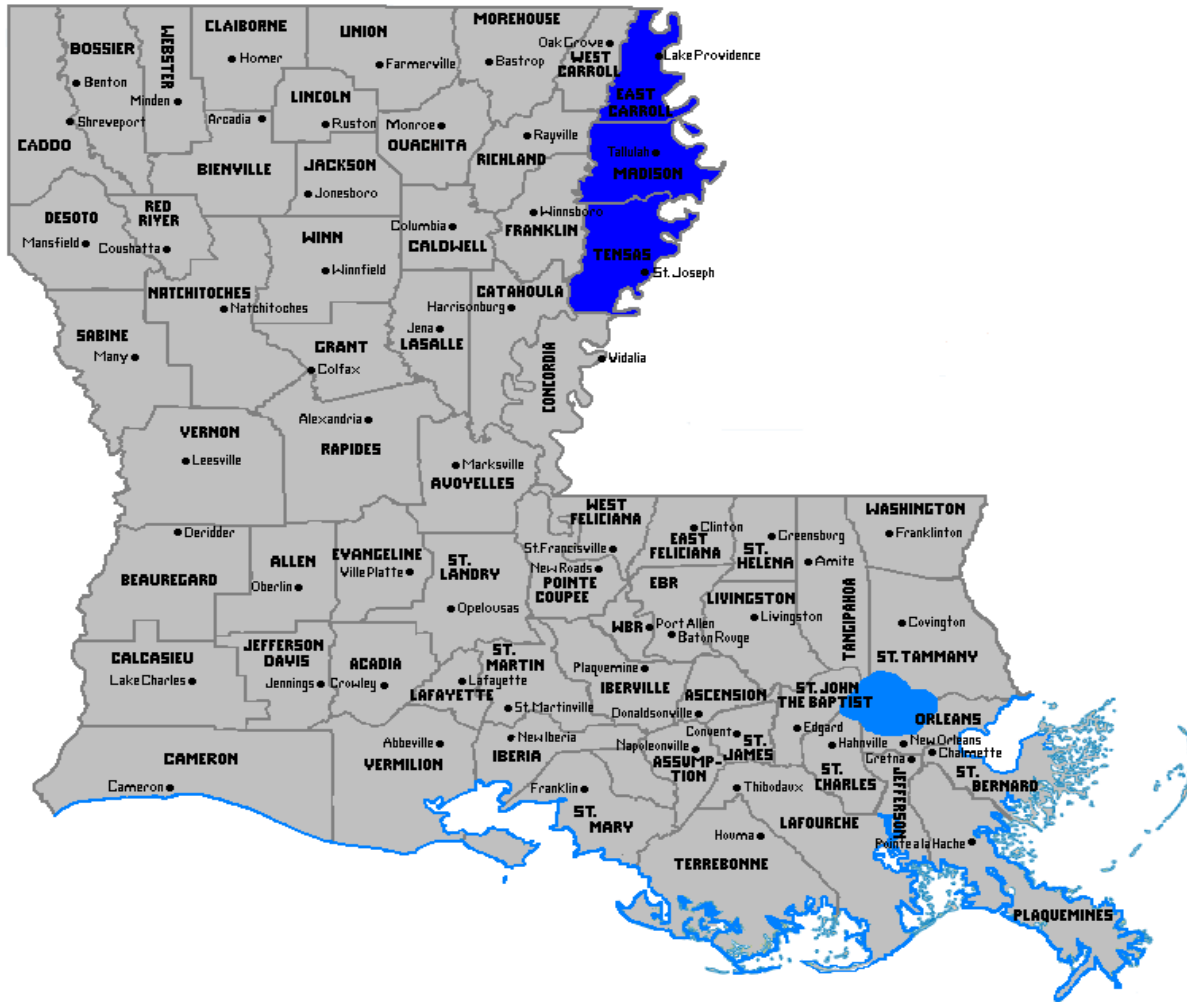
District 5 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: John Albert Ellis</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	132,531
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	10,489
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>143,020</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	598
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>598</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	187
Workers' Compensation	1,492
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	1,985
Insurance - Other	3,302
Lease - Office	12,000
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	638
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	11,159
Dues and Seminars	2,296
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	5,785
Office Supplies	2,224
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>41,069</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	21,901
Contract Clerical	11,250
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	44,900
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	37,400
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	33,000
Contract Attorneys - all other	240,250
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>388,701</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	694
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>694</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>574,082</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



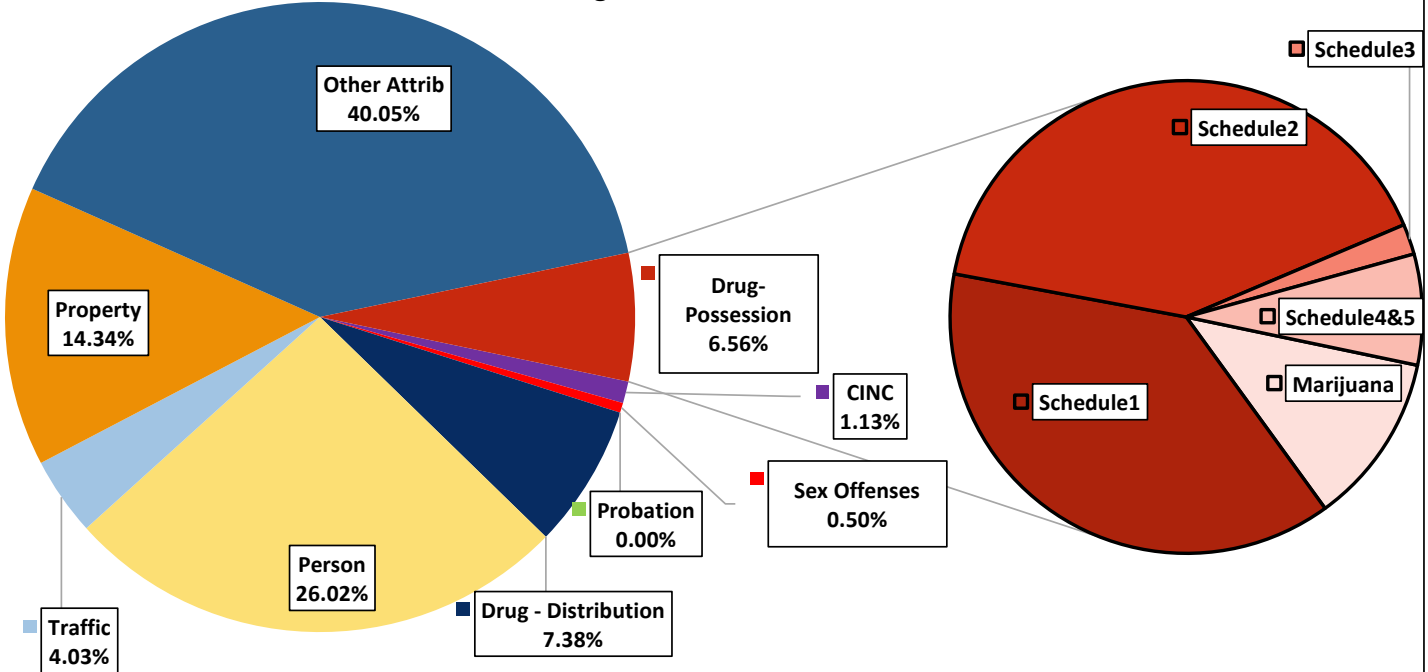


## THE 6<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

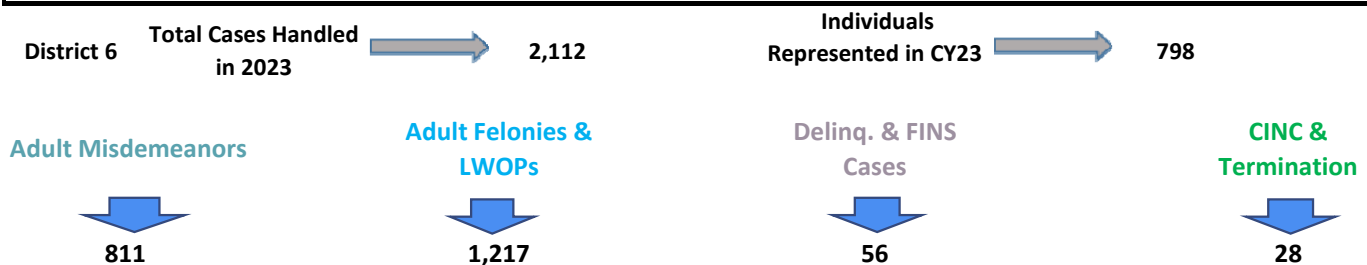
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DISTRICT DEFENDER: JOHN HOGUE, III  
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**District 6 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23**

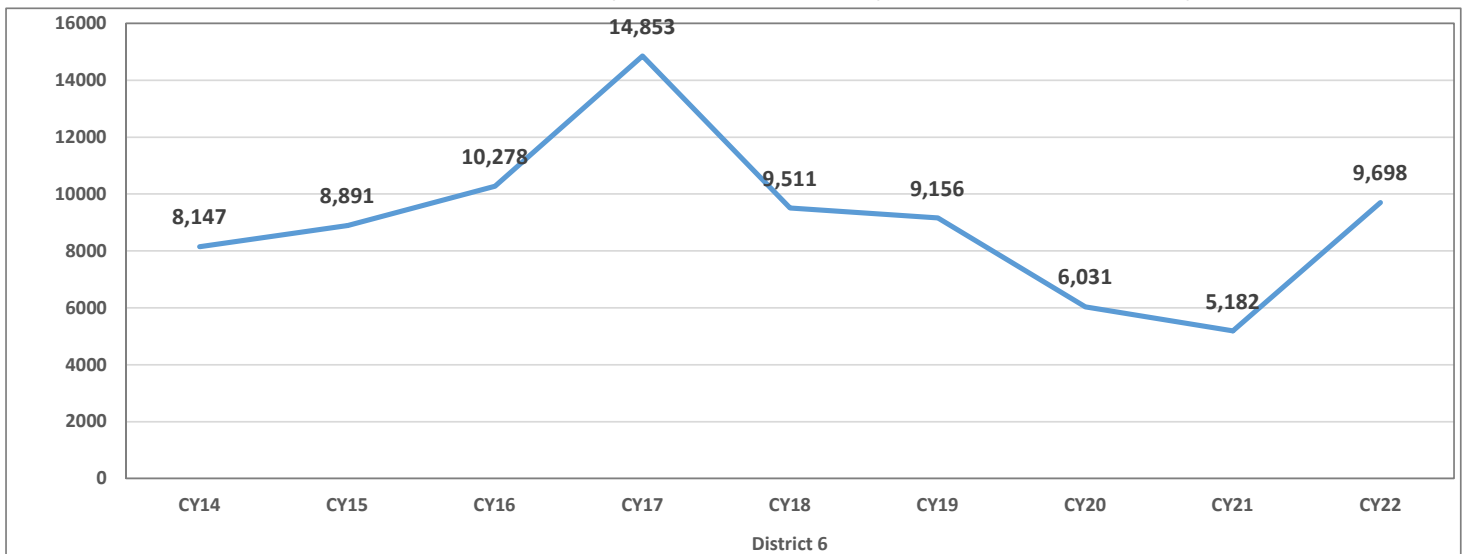


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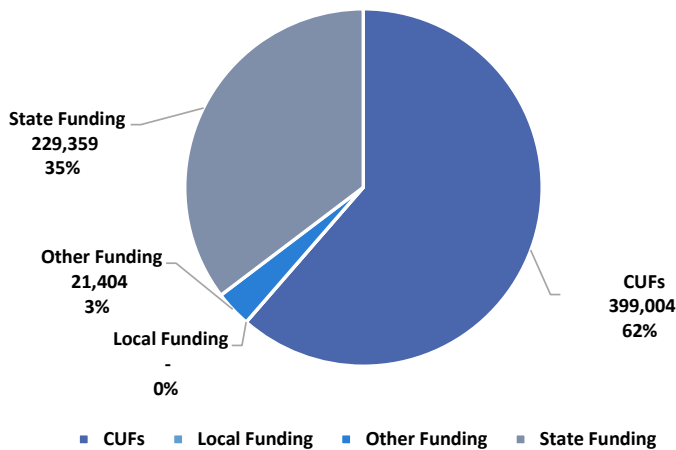
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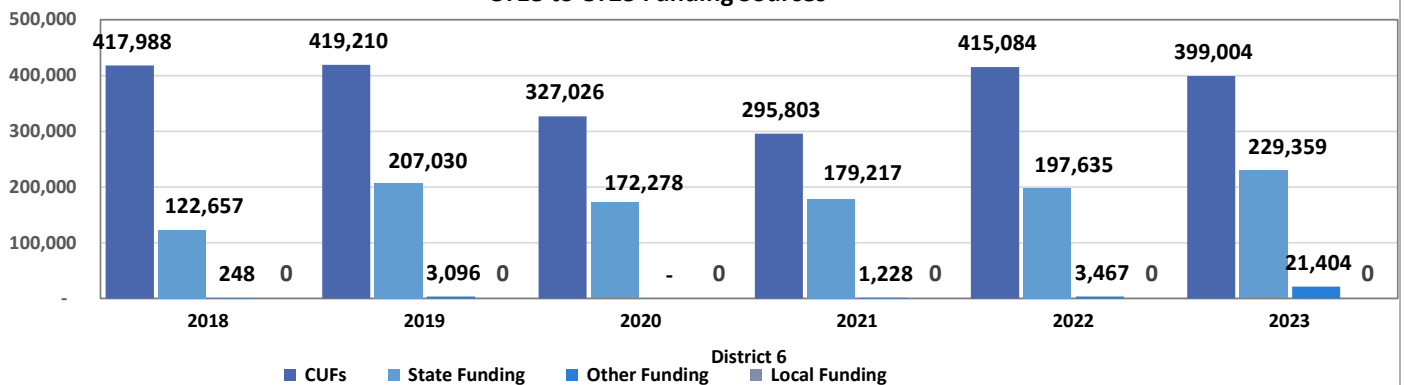
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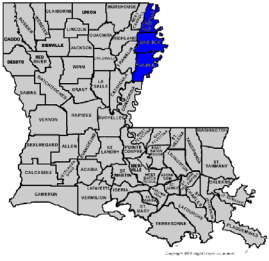


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**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**







## THE 6<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	East Carroll - Lake Providence; Madison - Tallulah; Tensas - St. Joseph.
<b>Population</b>	20,864
<b>District Defender</b>	John Hogue III
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	2 YEARS
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	23 YEARS
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Kathy Grady
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	1602 A Felicia Drive
<b>City</b>	Tallulah
<b>ZIP</b>	71282
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. FRIDAY 8:00 A.M.- 12:00 P.M.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-574-2554
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	1602 A Felicia Drive, Tallulah, LA 71282
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-574-2536
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	John Hogue III
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	985-789-4680
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Kathy Grady (Office Manager)
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-341-0667
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Craig Clark; Owner.
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0

# And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government	0
Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u>	0
# of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u>	0
Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")	0
# of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government	0
Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")	0
List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government	0
Courts and Locations	6th JDC- Madison Court-- Tallulah, LA; Tensas Court-- St Joseph, LA; East Carroll Court--Lake Providence, LA.
Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation	Division A Judge Angela Claxton Division B Judge Laurie Brister
Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District	Bayou Correctional Center, Madison Detention Center, Louisiana Transitional Center for Women, Madison Parish Jail, Tallulah, La; Tensas Detention Center, Waterproof, La ; Riverbend Correctional Center, Lake Providence, La
Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	Franklin Parish Detention Center, Winnsboro, La, Richland Parish Detention Center, Rayville, La Concordia Parish Correctional Center, Ferriday, La, Catahoula Correctional Center, Harrisonburg, La
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District	Christian Acres - Tallulah, LA
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	Swanson Correctional Center Youth, Monroe, La
Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling	No
District Attorney	James Paxton
Chief Judge of Criminal District Court	Judge Laurie Brister
Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District or City Court)	Judge Laurie Brister & Judge Angela Claxton
Drug Court Judges	Judge Laurie Brister
Mental Health Court Judges	None
Other Specialty Court	None
Name of Specialty and Brief Description:	None
Short Term Critical Issue Areas	0

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Shortage of attorneys to hire for public defense
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Article on awarded opiate settlement funds and articles on graduates that have completed our Drug Court program.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender and Office Manager review case loads and assignments
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Yes. Office pays health insurance for staff employees.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	1
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Rep. Francis Thompson (East Carroll/Madison), Rep. C. Travis Johnson (East Carroll/Tensas), Senator Katrina Jackson (East Carroll/Madison), Senator Neal Riser (Tensas)
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	NONE

## 6th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

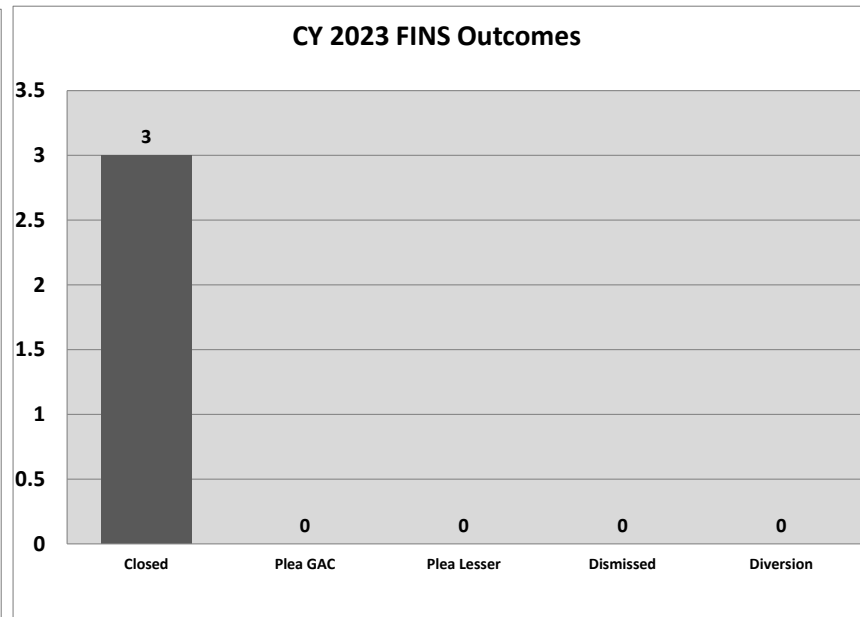
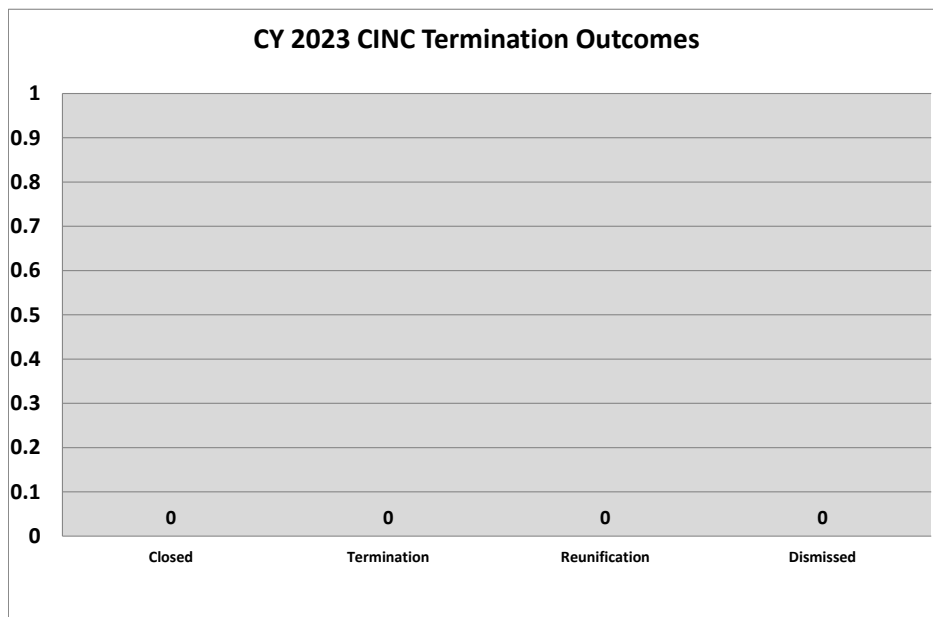
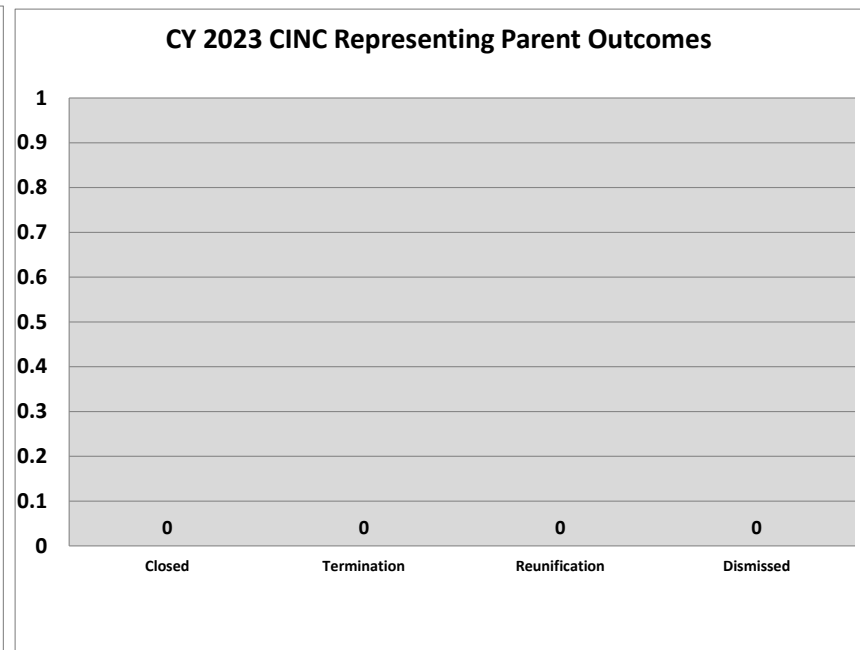
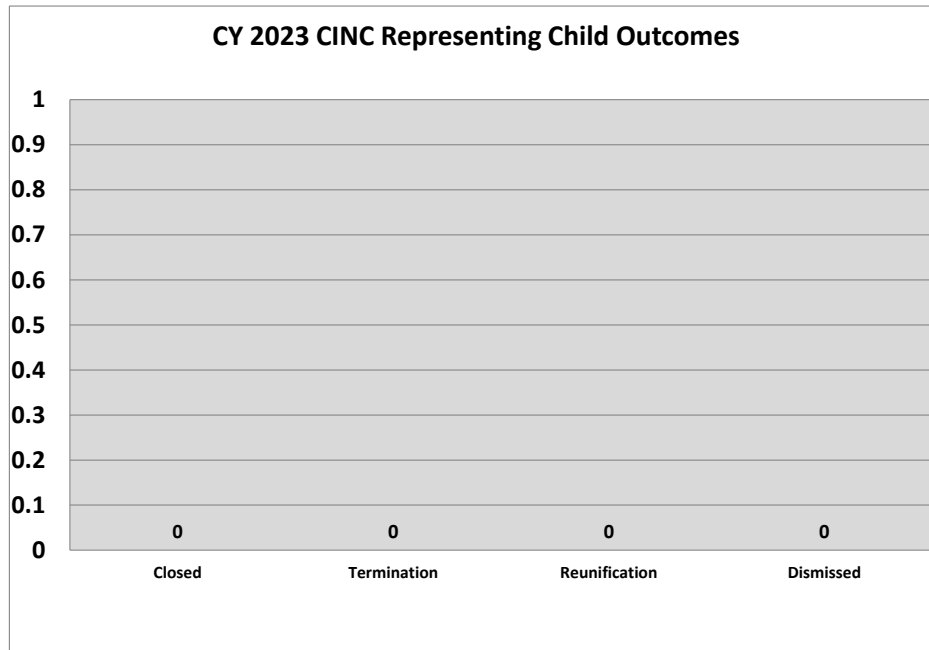
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	4	0	24	28	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	3	3	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	18	10	5	23	N/A	N/A	4	0	9	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	22	8	8	30	N/A	N/A	2	0	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	443	334	368	811	N/A	N/A	63	21	250	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	517	484	678	1195	N/A	N/A	77	94	293	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult LWOP	8	8	14	22	N/A	N/A	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

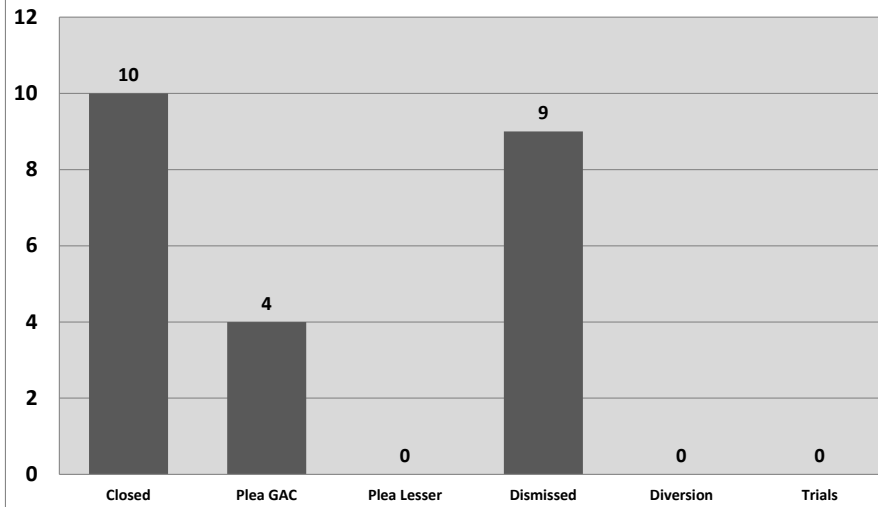
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

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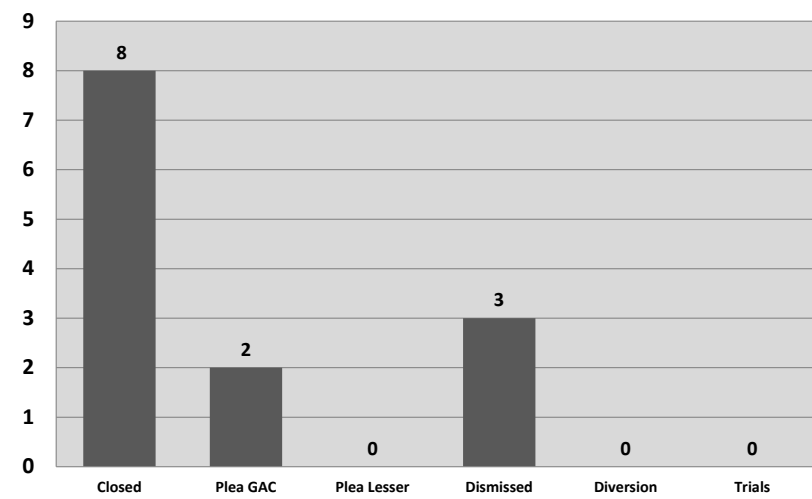
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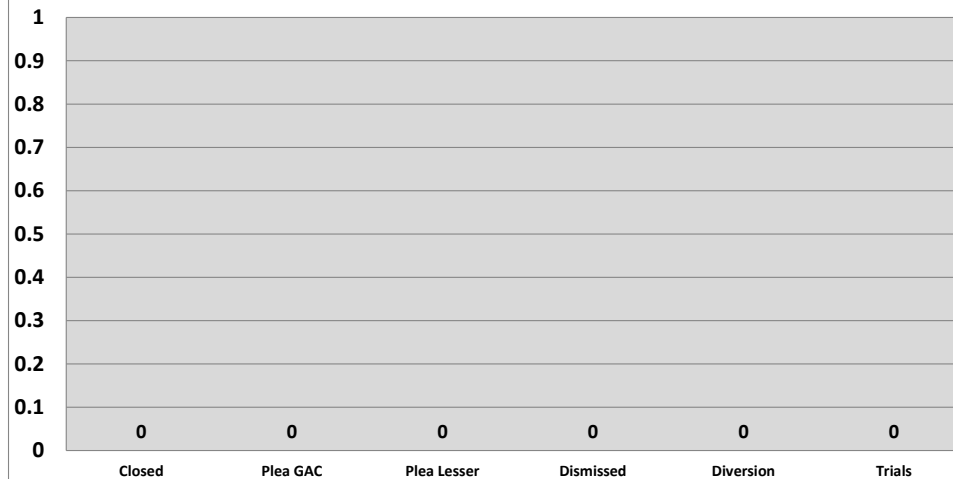
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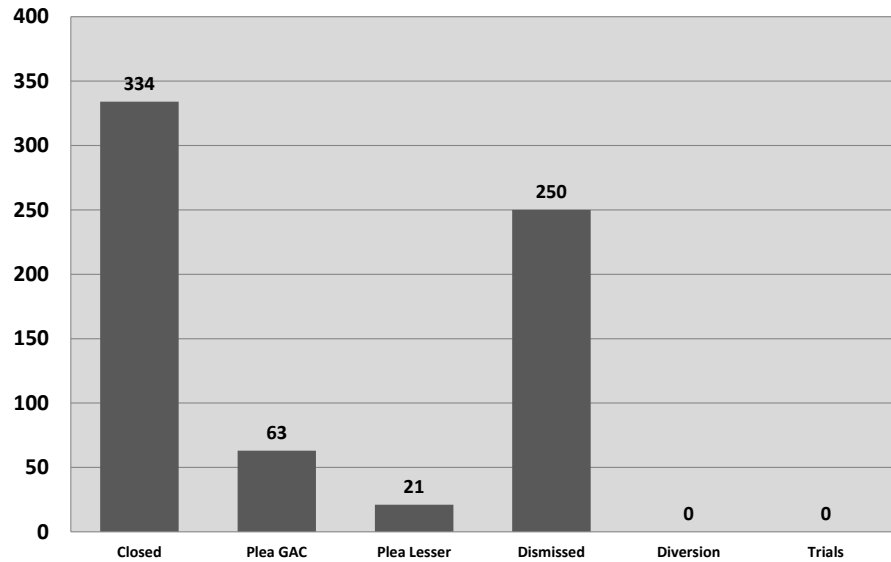
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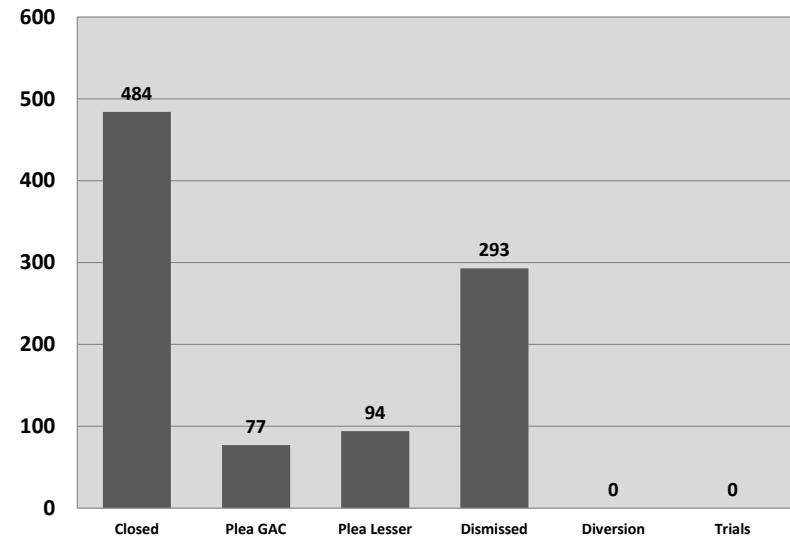
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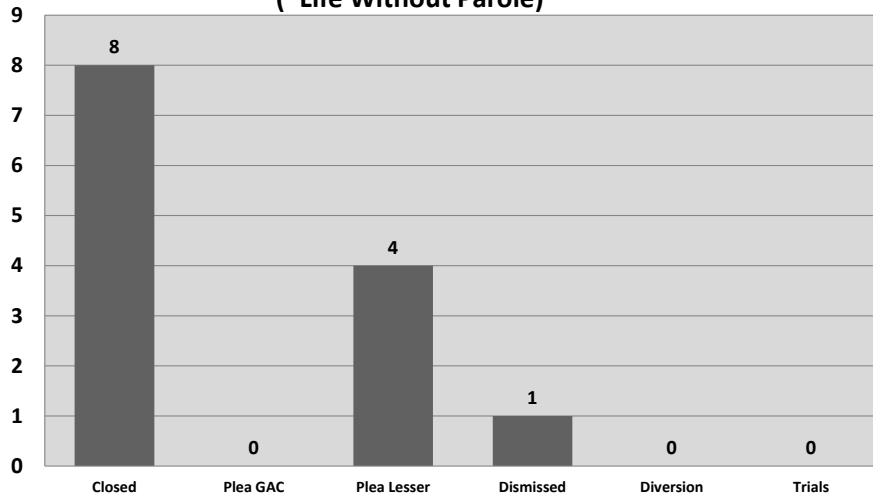
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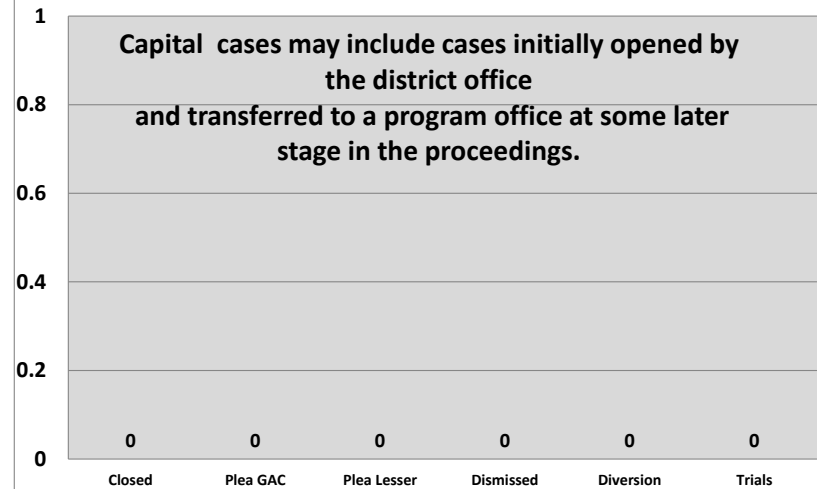
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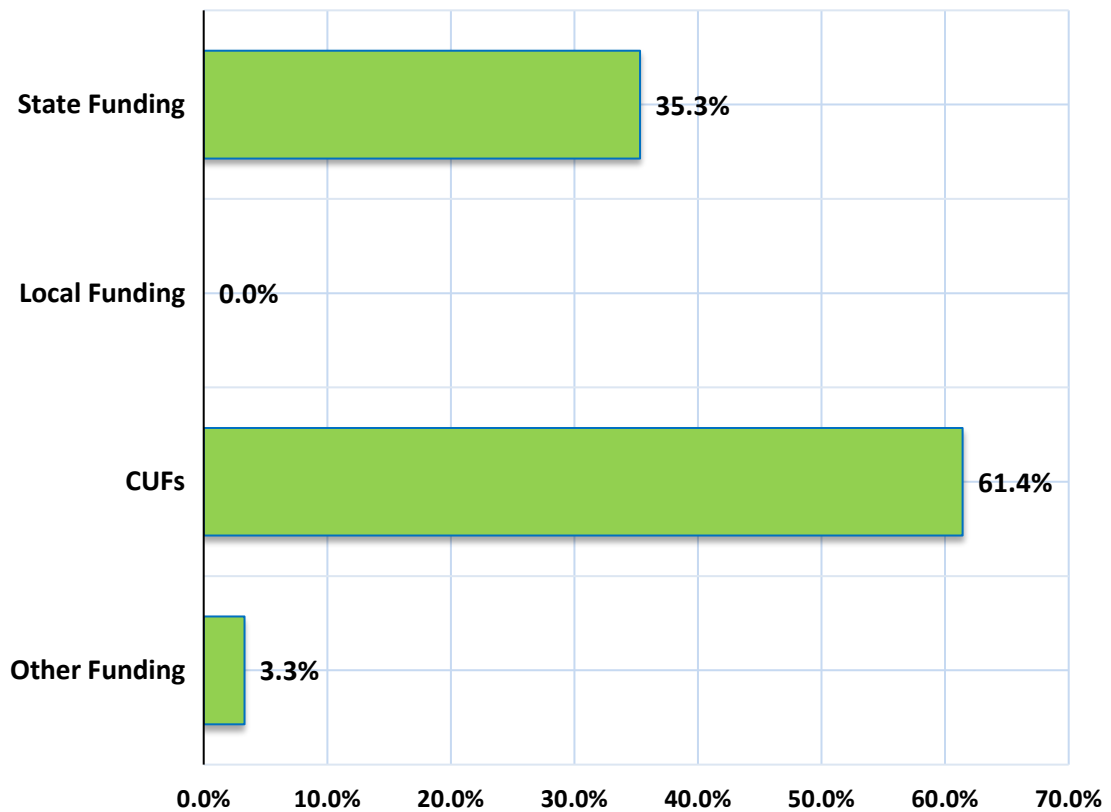


District 6 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: John Hogue</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	293
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>293</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	26,841
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	202,225
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>229,066</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	35,104
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	15,717
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	358,550
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>358,550</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	2,238
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	3,112
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	4,601
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>9,950</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>419,321</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	1,086
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>1,086</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>649,766</b>

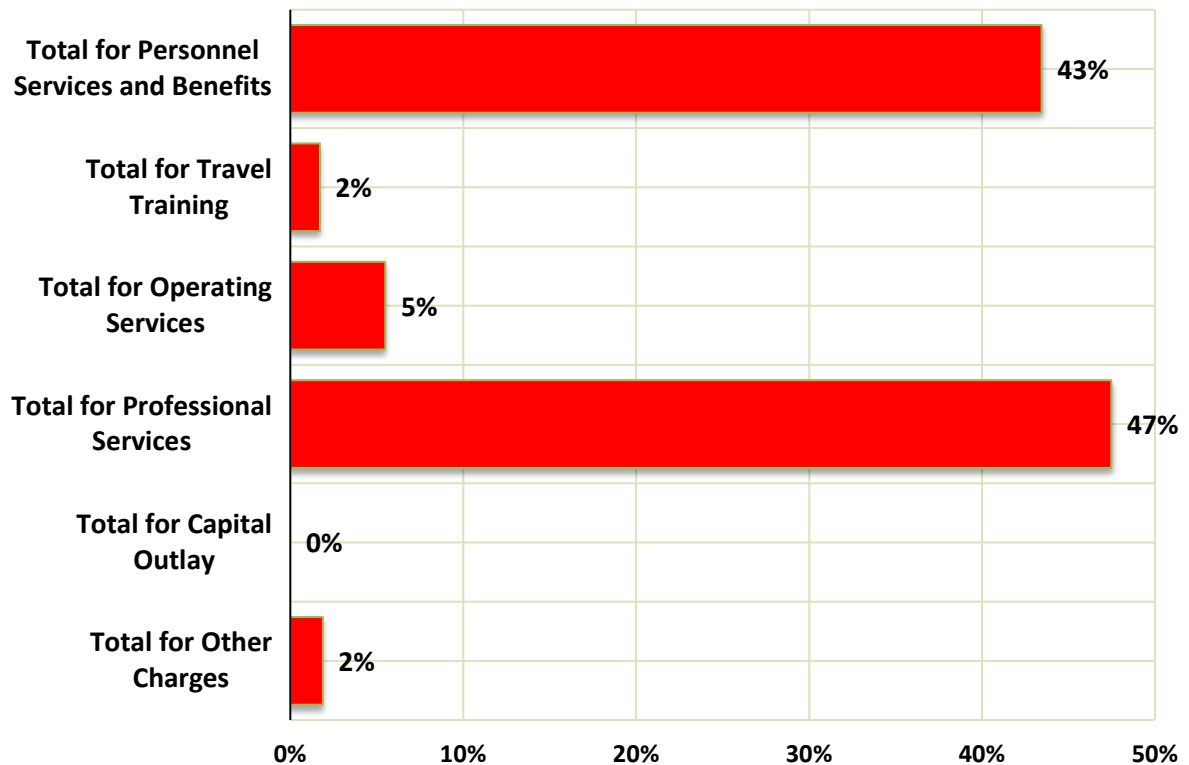


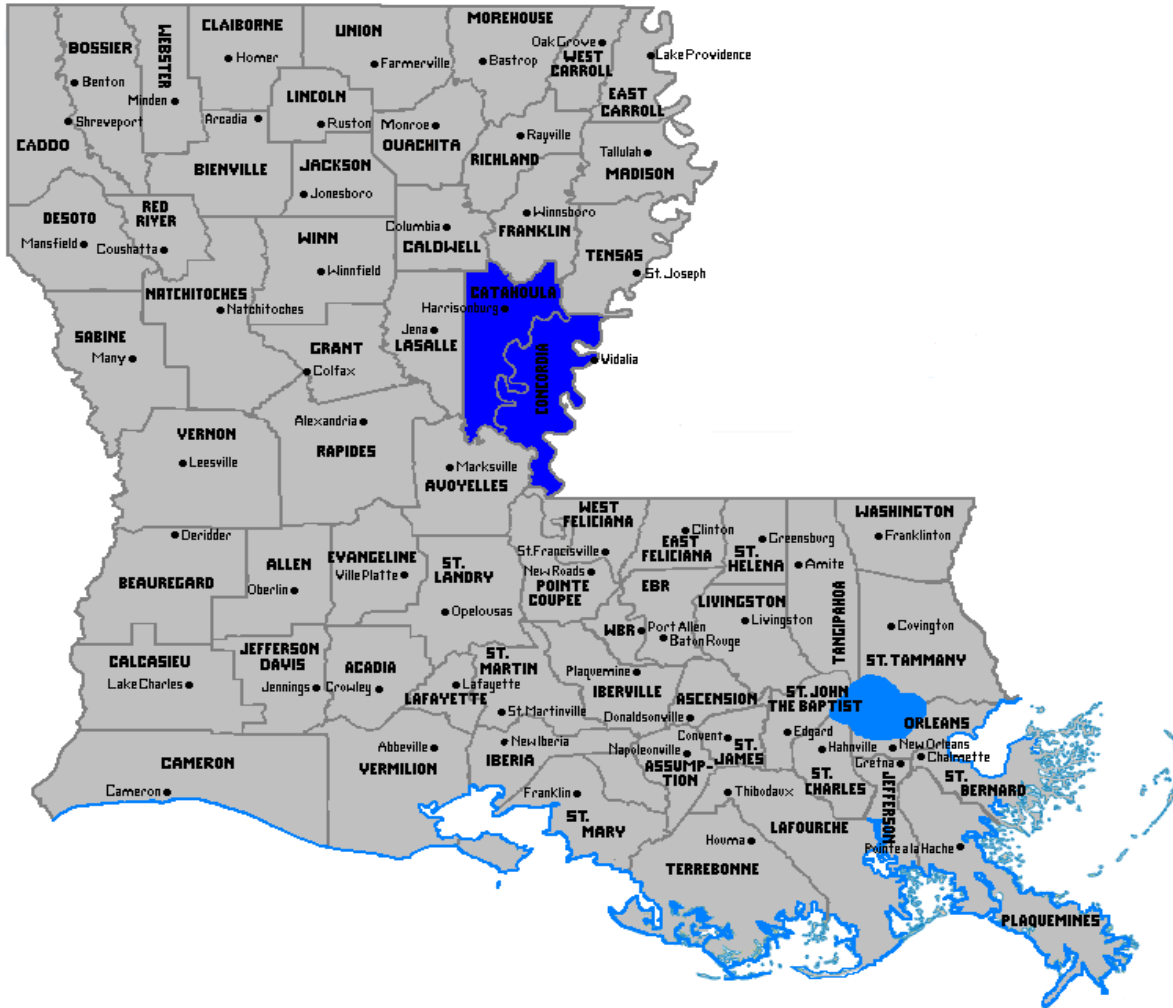
District 6 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: John Hogue</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	206,308
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	16,024
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	46,612
Retirement	-
Other	(32)
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>268,912</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	25
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	10,567
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>10,592</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	372
Workers' Compensation	2,544
Insurance - Malpractice	3,374
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	8,400
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	2,682
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	10,685
Dues and Seminars	2,170
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	1,664
Office Supplies	2,137
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>34,027</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	18,491
Contract Clerical	13,300
Expert Witness	875
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	2,500
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	102,300
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	156,386
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>293,851</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	11,600
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>11,600</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>618,983</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



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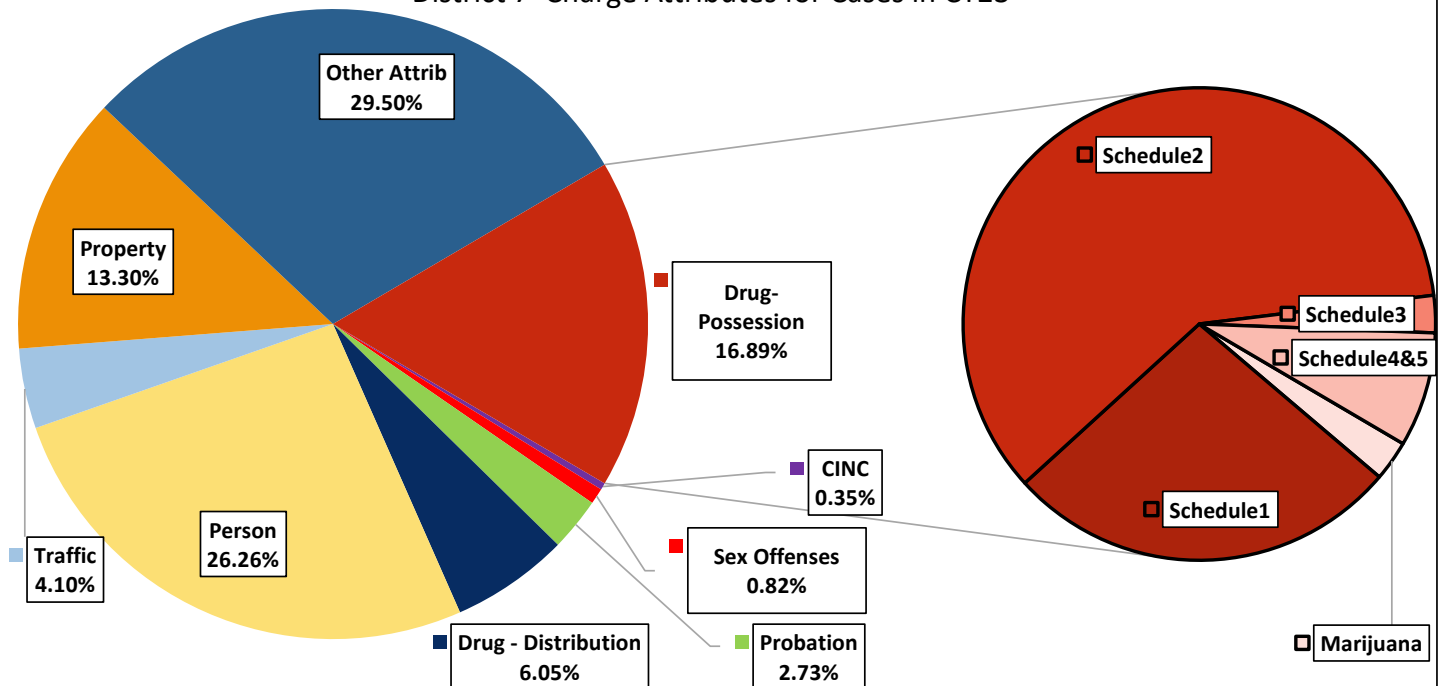




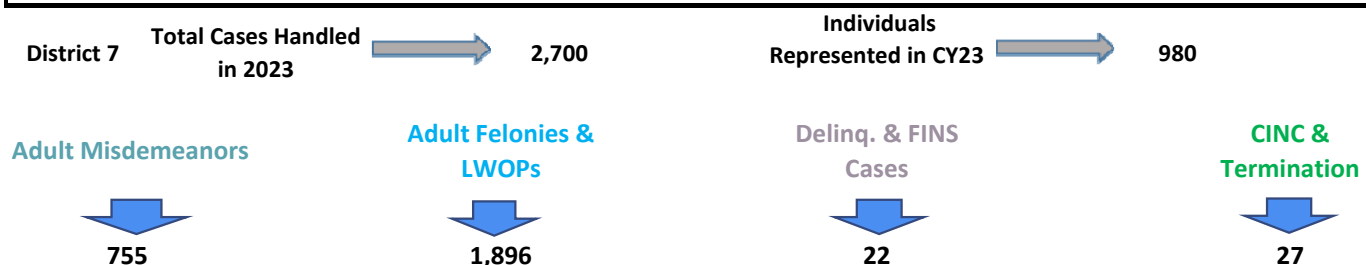
THE 7<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
CATAHOULA (HARRISONBURG) - CONCORDIA (VIDALIA)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: DERRICK CARSON  
4001 CARTER STREET, ROOM 4  
VIDALIA, LA 71373  
(318) 336-7548

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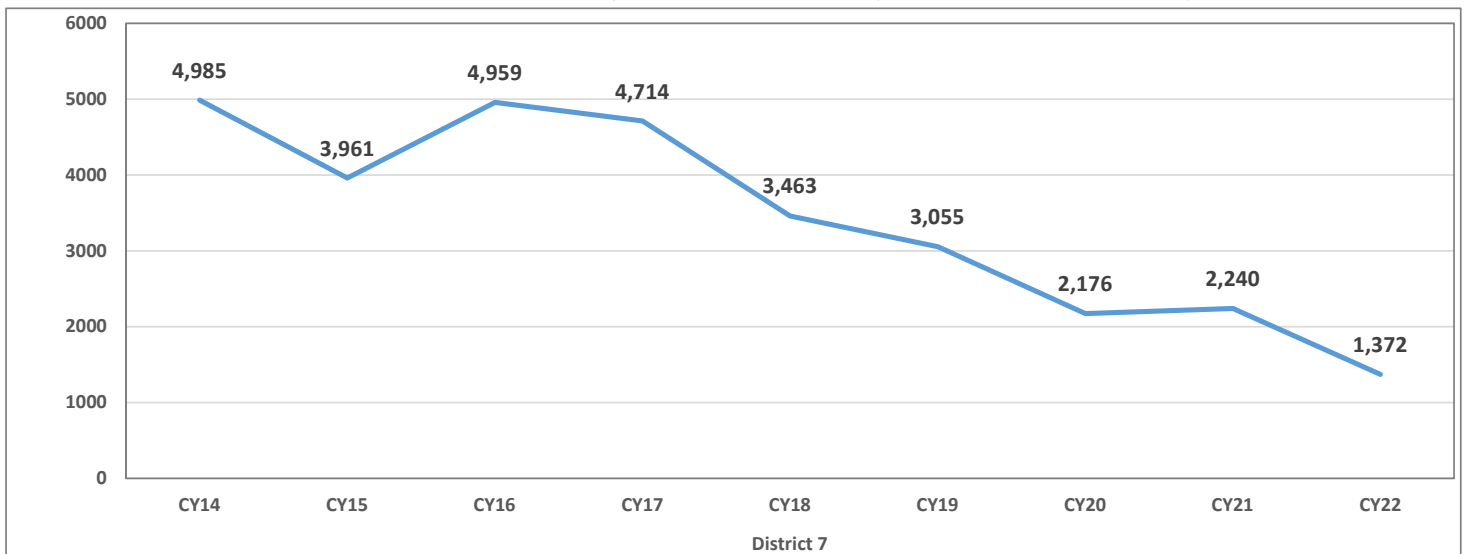


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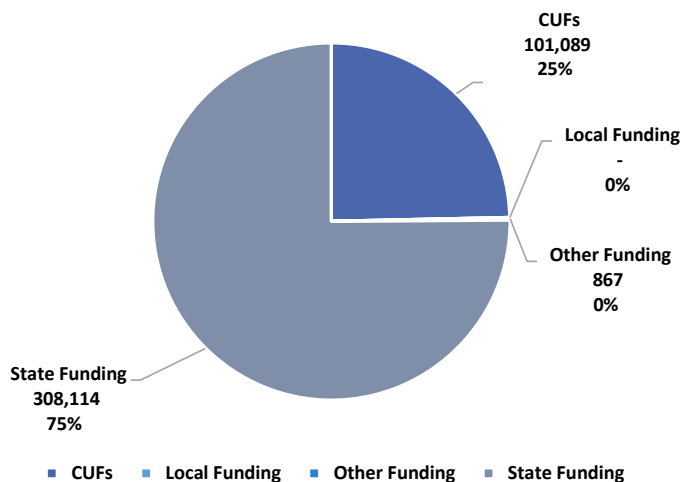
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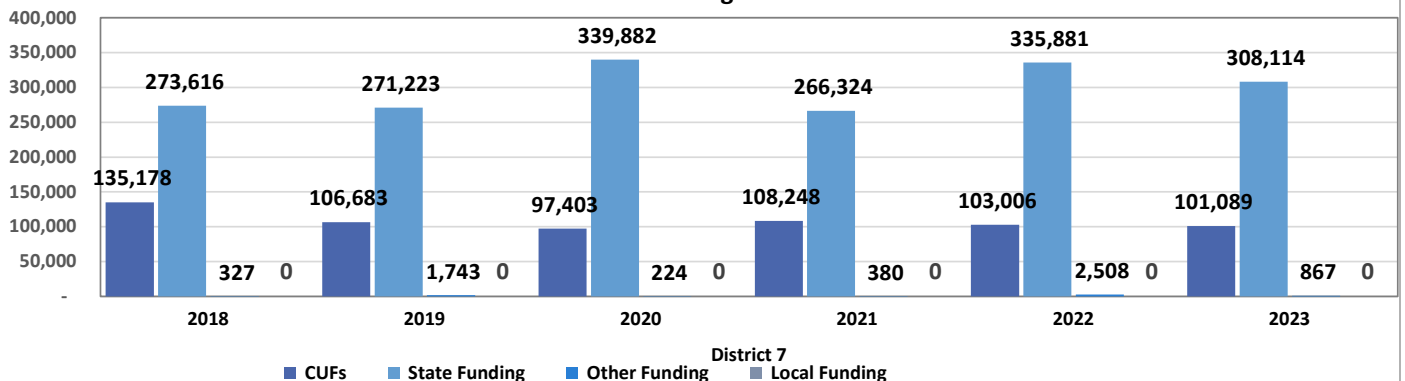
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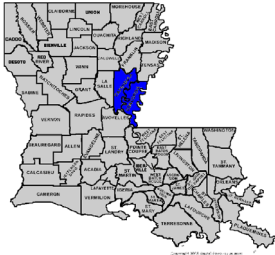
**District 7 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 7th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$410,070 in total revenues. The district is heavily reliant on state supplemental assistance as only 25% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs). CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs remained consistent with previous years. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 7<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Concordia - Vidalia; Catahoula - Harrisonburg
<b>Population</b>	27,181 Catahoula & Concordia
<b>District Defender</b>	Derrick Carson
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	23
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	23
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	25
<b>Office Manager</b>	Judy Pugh
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	4001 Carter Street, Room 4
<b>City</b>	Vidalia
<b>ZIP</b>	71373
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	8-4 Mon-Thursday, Friday 8-12
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-336-7548
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	4001 Carter Street, Room 4, Vidalia, LA 71373
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-336-2179
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Judy Pugh
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-452-5746; 318-336-7548; 318-757-2870
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Derrick Carson
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-623-0390; 318-757-0473
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Concordia Parish Police Jury
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Parish provides
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u></b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	3 computers & monitors provided by Concordia Parish Police Jury
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	7th Judicial District Court; Vidalia, Concordia Parish; 7th Judicial District Court, Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish; Vidalia City Court, Vidalia, LA; (Ferriday Mayor's Court and Jonesville Mayor's Court we do not represent nor get funds from these two courts).
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Div. A, Judge Kathy Johnson, Div. B. Judge John Reeves, Vidalia City Court Judge Scott McLemore. Vidalia City Court Judge HuCheryl Walker
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Concordia Parish Correctional Facility; Catahoula Correctional Facility.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Franklin Detention Center, Winnsboro, LA, and women are held at Richland Corrections, Monroe, LA.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None in parish.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	The district used the St. James Juvenile Detention Center until its closure had been housed at Assumption Youth Center and other facilities around the state at different times: Using Juvenile Facility in Natchez, Ms.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Yes
<b>District Attorney</b>	Brad Burgett
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge John Reeves
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Div. A, Judge Kathy Johnson, Div. B, Judge John Reeves.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Vidalia City Court, Judge HuCheryl Walker
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Misdemeanor cases within the Vidalia city limits.
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Funding to continue providing services.

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Funding & Training
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	No organization chart District operates under the Chief who oversees and delegates cases to the attorneys. Office Administration and Chief oversee the office.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Glen Womack, Representatives Travis Johnson, Neil Riser
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Had to obtain additional attorneys due to larger case loads



### 7th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	3	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	7	0	17	24	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	1	0	1	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	6	1	14	20	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	516	432	239	755	N/A	N/A	96	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1215	1163	604	1819	N/A	N/A	249	81	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult LWOP	2	3	2	4	N/A	N/A	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	60	55	13	73	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

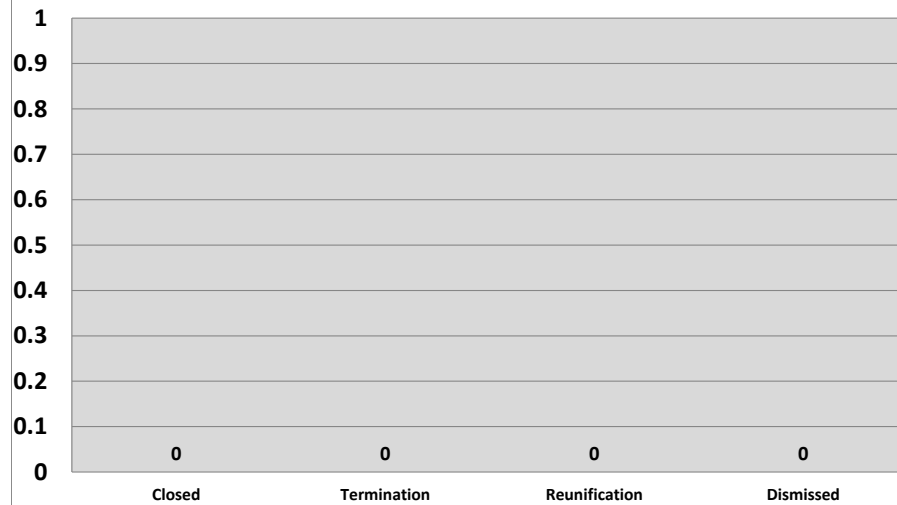
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

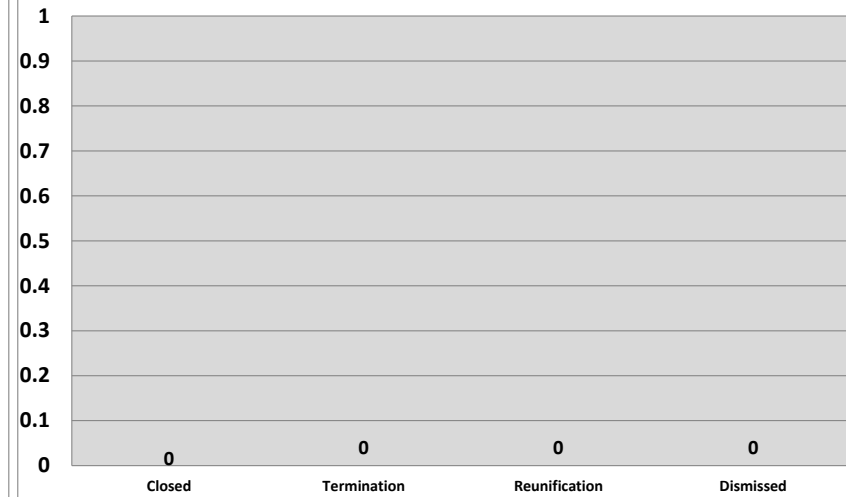
\*\*Life Without Parole

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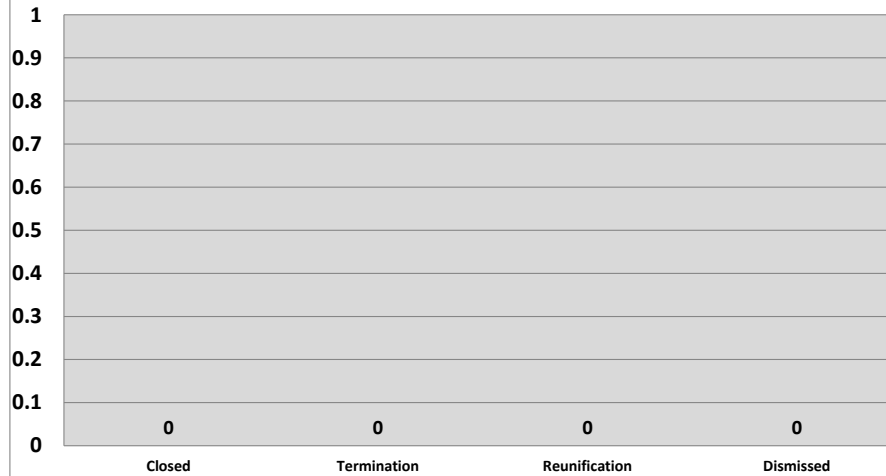
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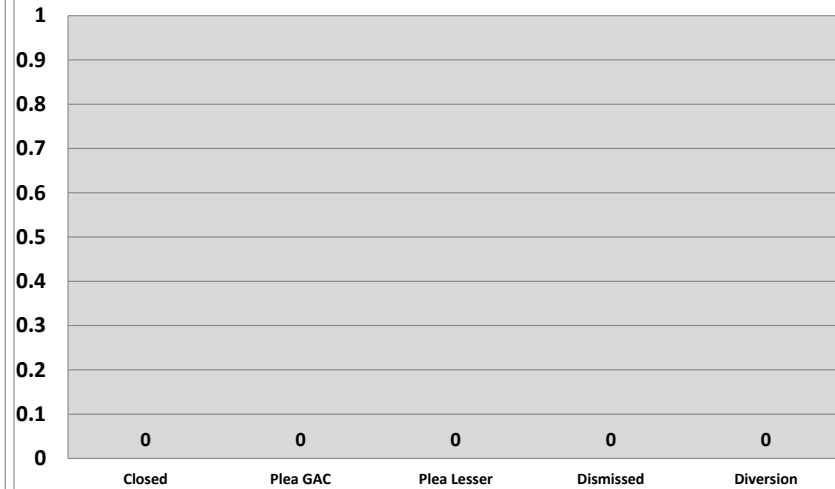
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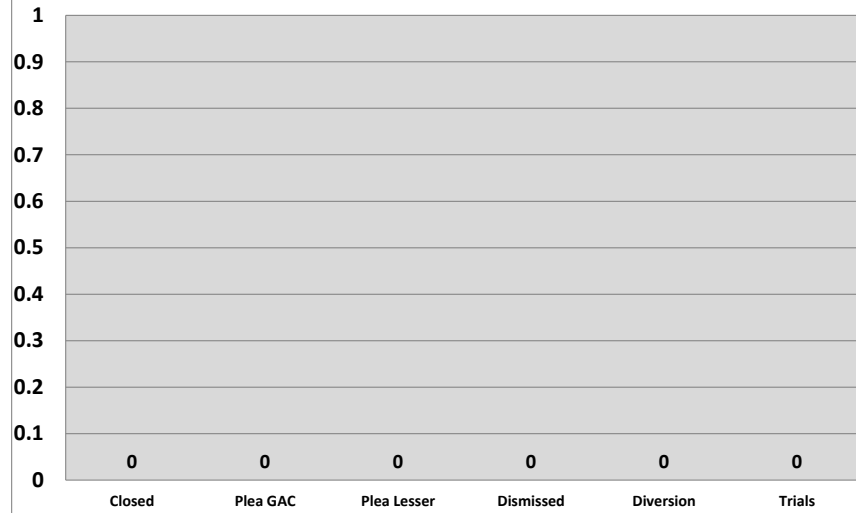
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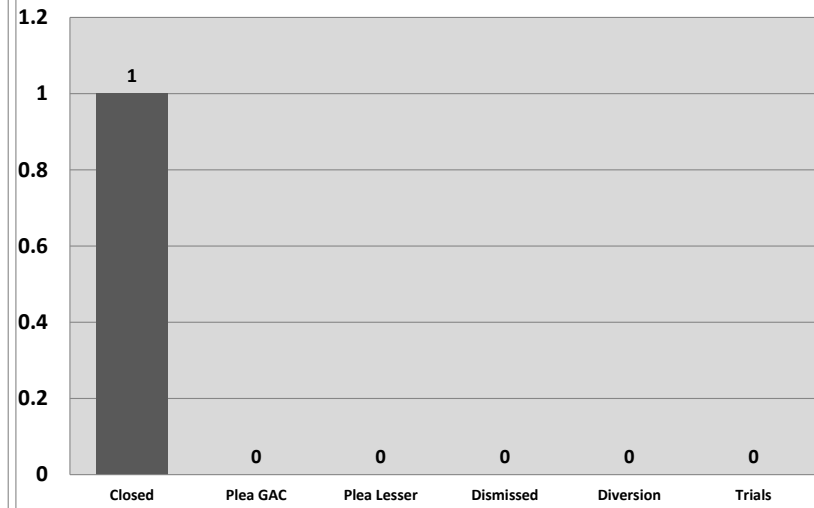
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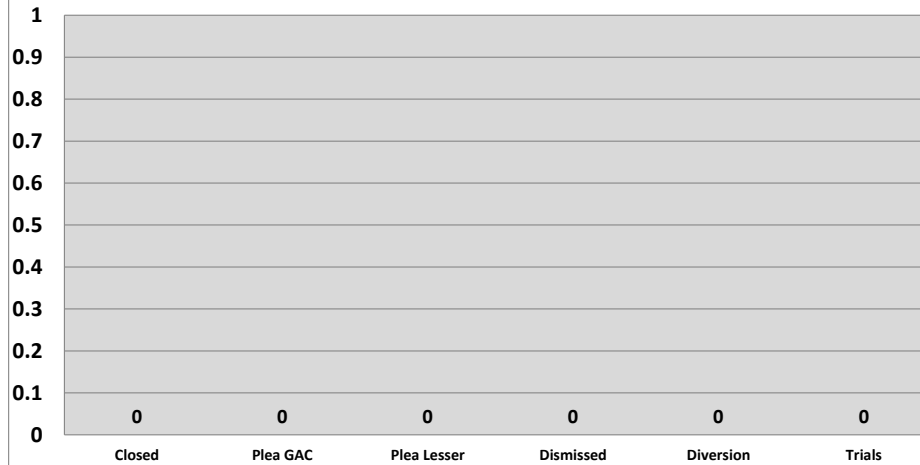
**CY 2023 Delinquency Misdemeanor-Grade Outcomes**



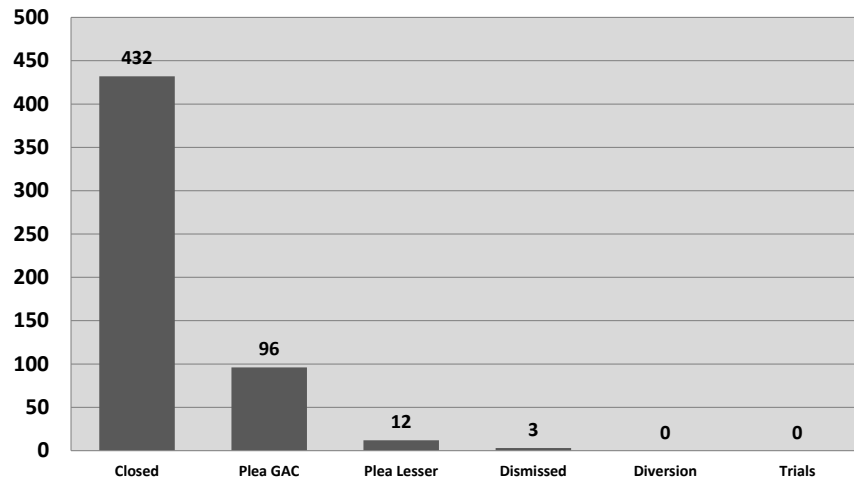
**CY 2023 Delinquency Felony-Grade Outcomes**



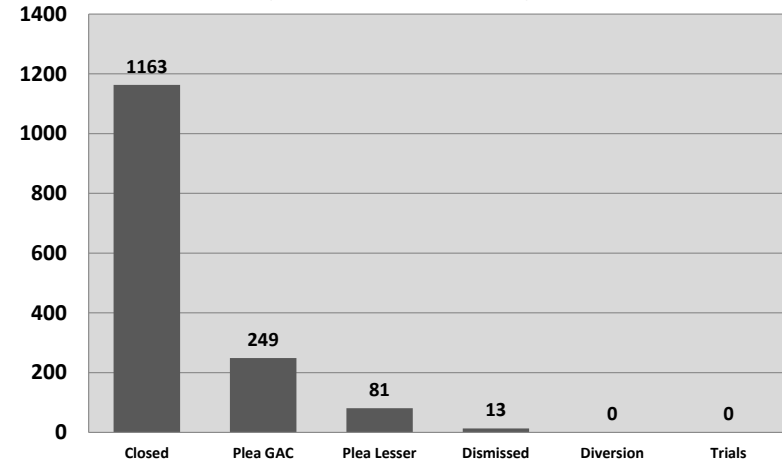
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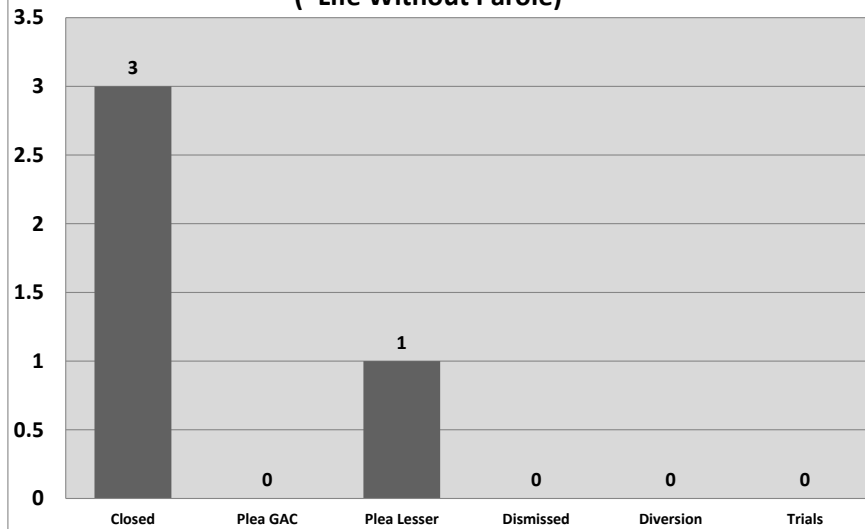
**CY 2023 Adult Misdemeanor Outcomes**



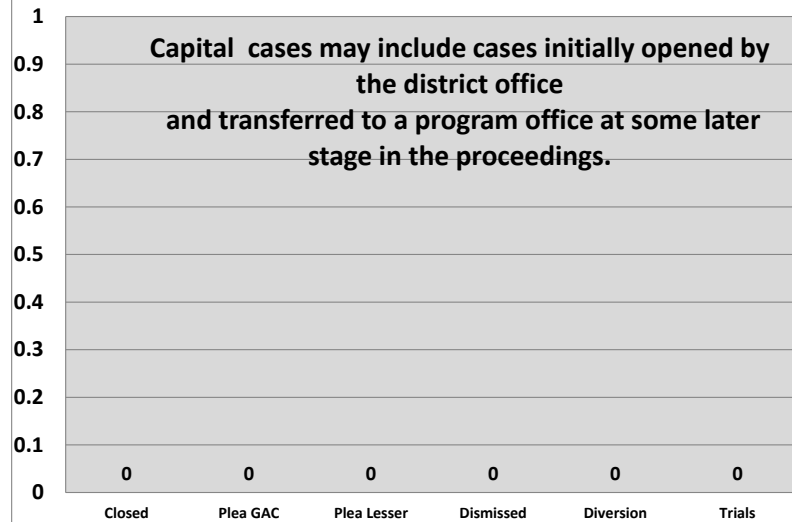
**CY 2023 Adult Felony Non-LWOP\* Outcomes  
(\*Life Without Parole)**



**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
(\*Life Without Parole)**



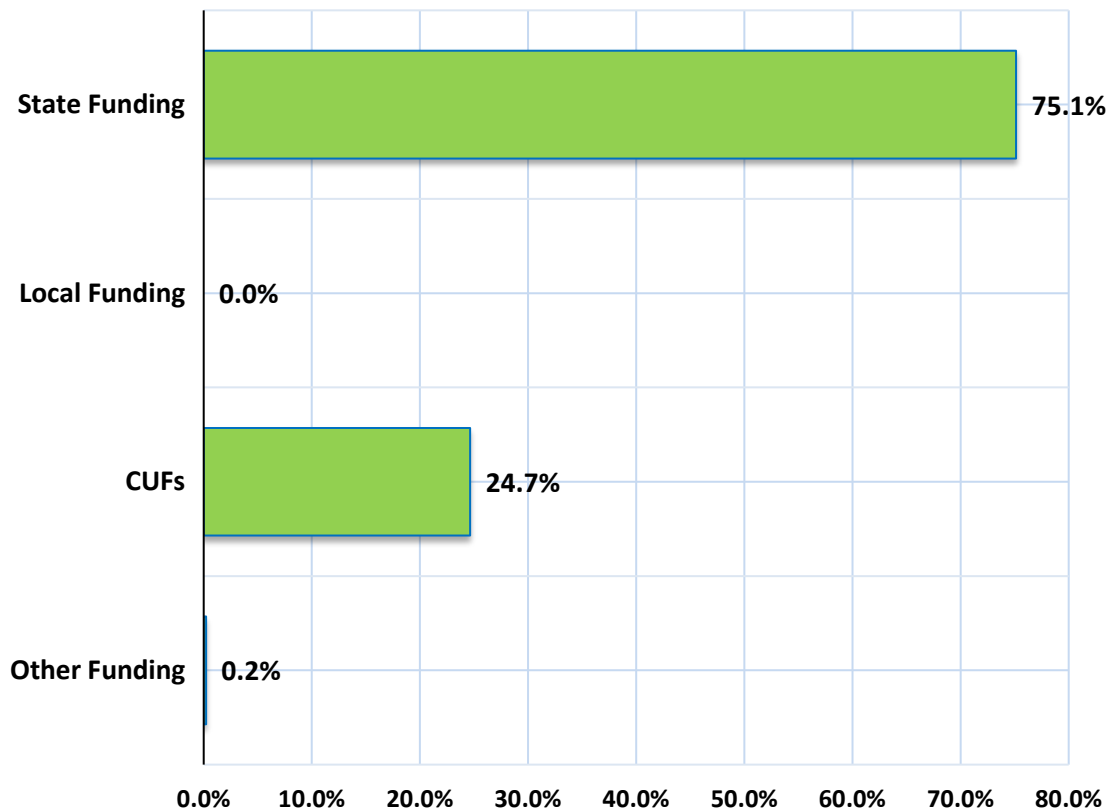
**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**



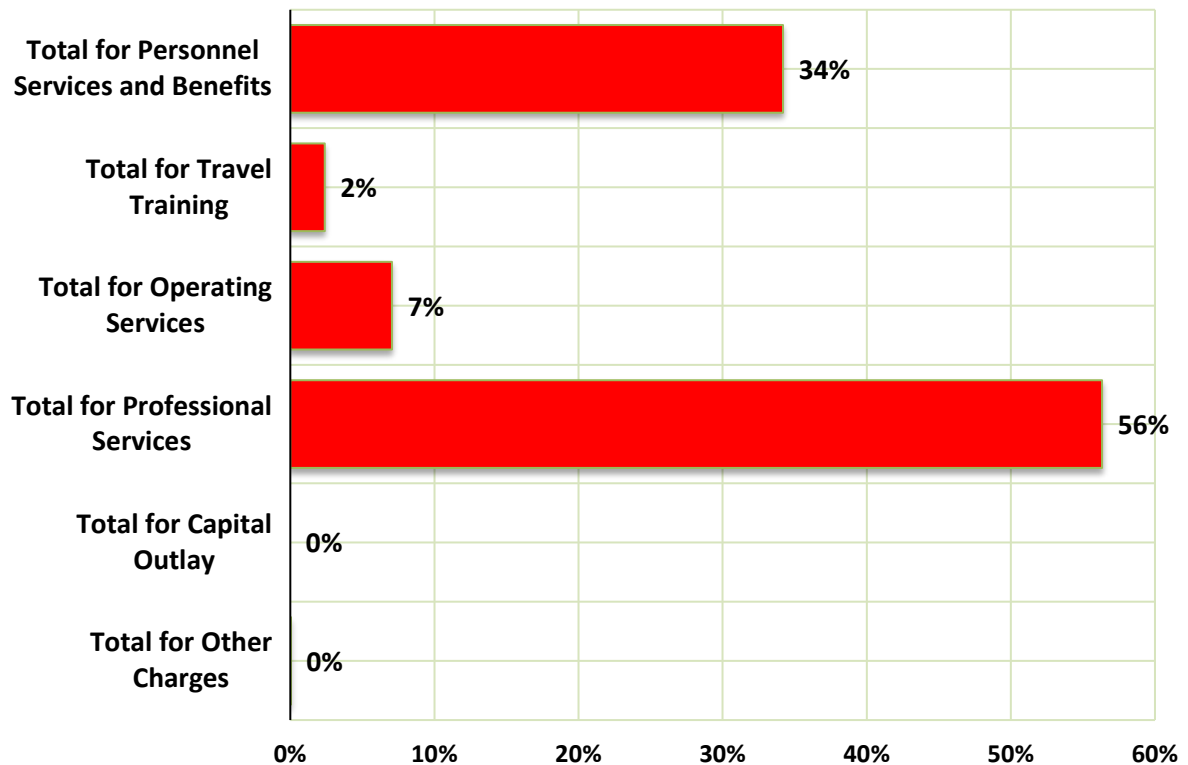
District 7 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Derrick Carson</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	436
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>436</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	307,678
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>307,678</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	-
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	18,810
Parish Courts	76,594
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	230
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>95,634</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	4,150
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	1,306
Other Reimbursements	292
Other Local Income -List source(s)	152
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>5,900</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>101,534</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	422
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>422</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>410,070</b>

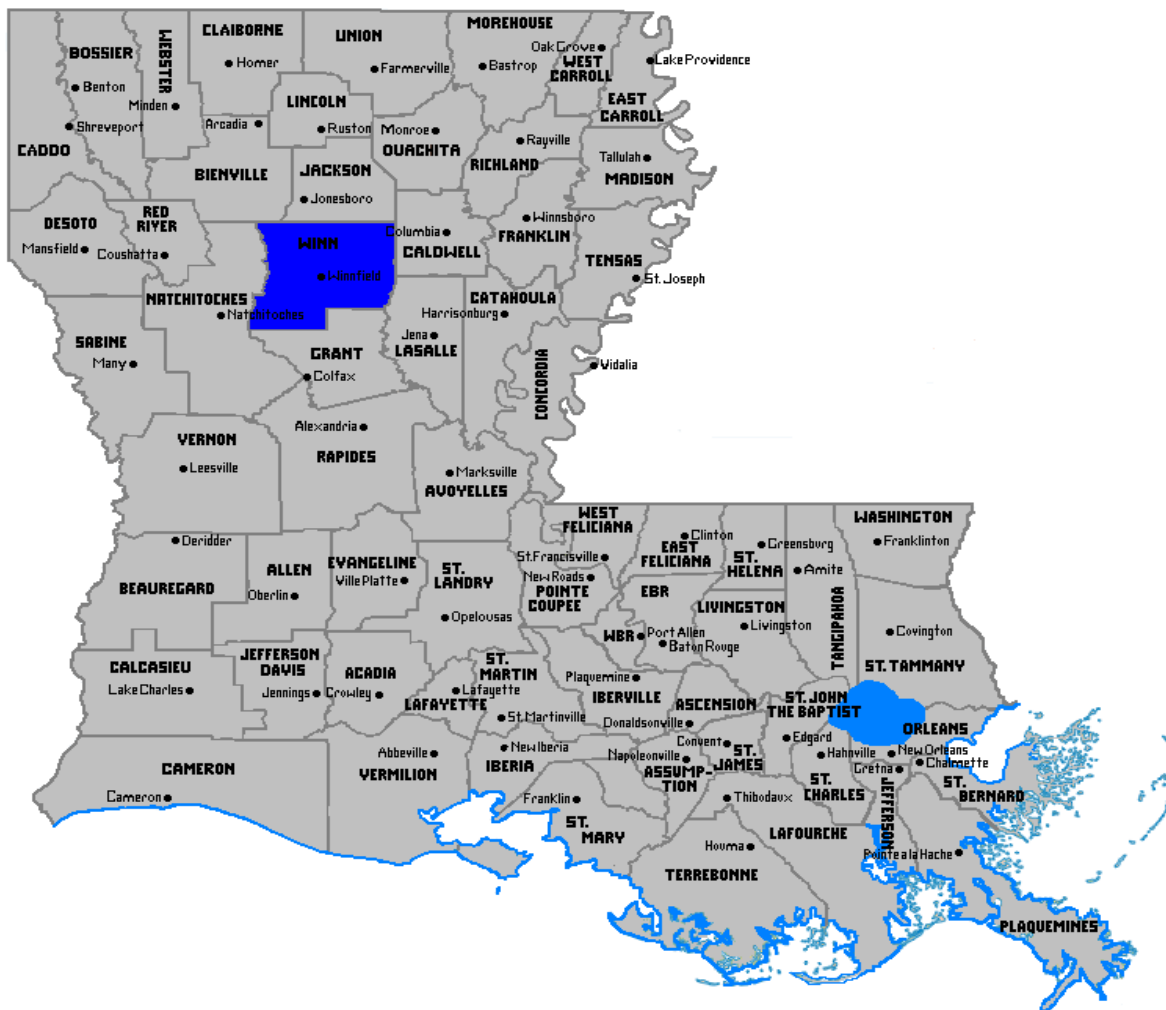
District 7 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Derrick Carson</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	138,803
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	2,581
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	13,759
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>155,143</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	10,896
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>10,896</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	1,662
Insurance - Malpractice	5,788
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	3,356
Office Repair and Maintenance	1,132
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	9,736
Dues and Seminars	1,010
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	4,126
Office Supplies	5,229
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>32,040</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	10,940
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	41,875
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	138,755
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	3,791
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	60,315
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>255,676</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	120
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>453,875</b>
<p style="color: red; text-align: center;">"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



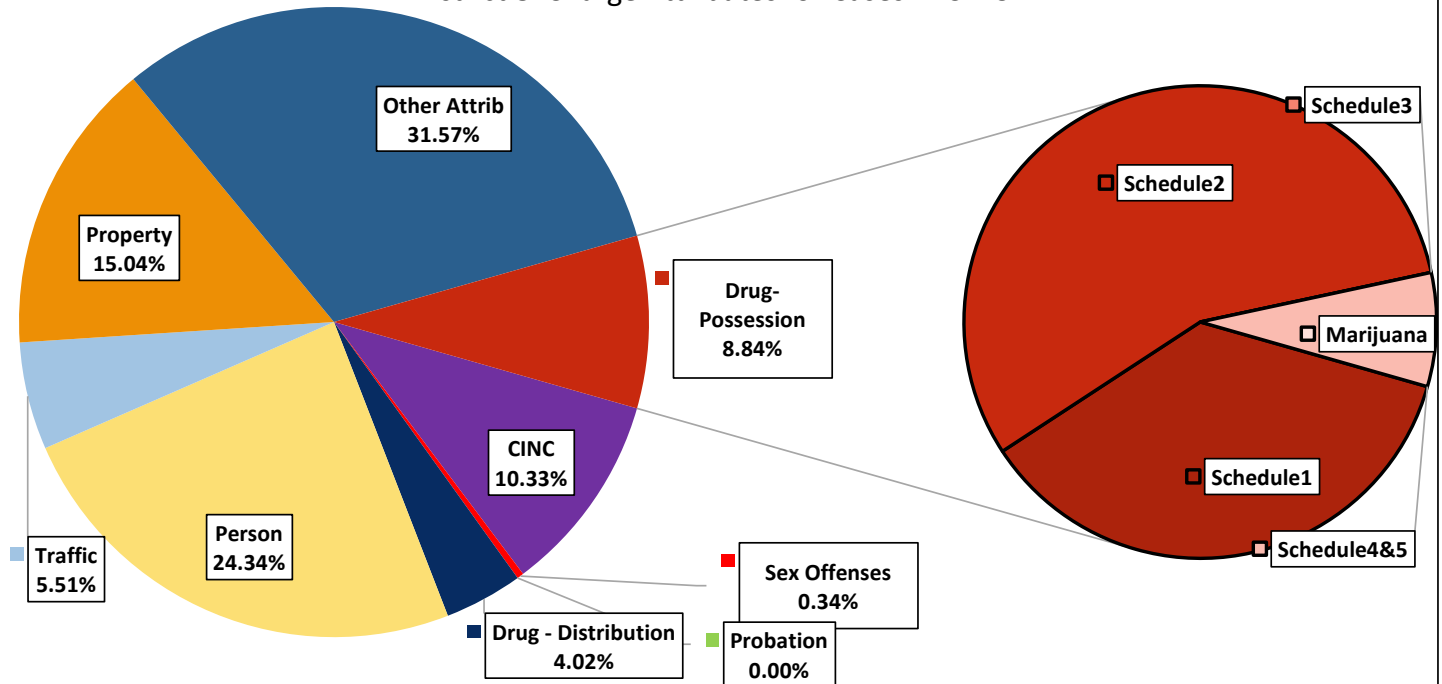


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PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
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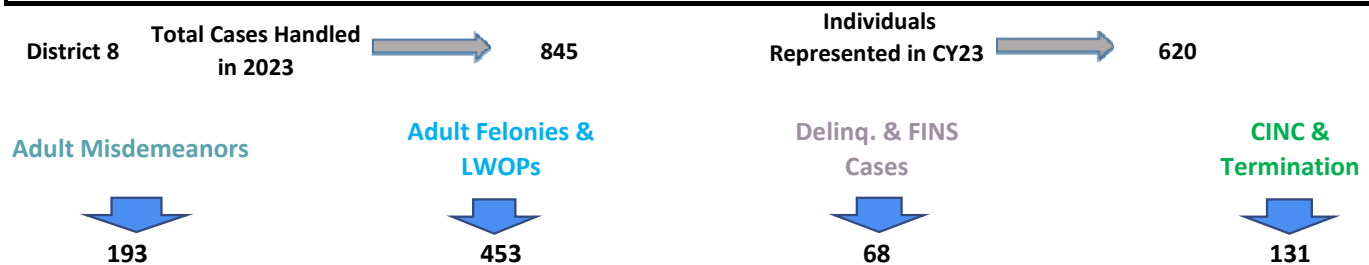
DISTRICT DEFENDER: HERMAN A. CASTETE  
116 WEST MAIN STREET  
WINNFIELD, LA 71483  
(318) 628-3592



District 8 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

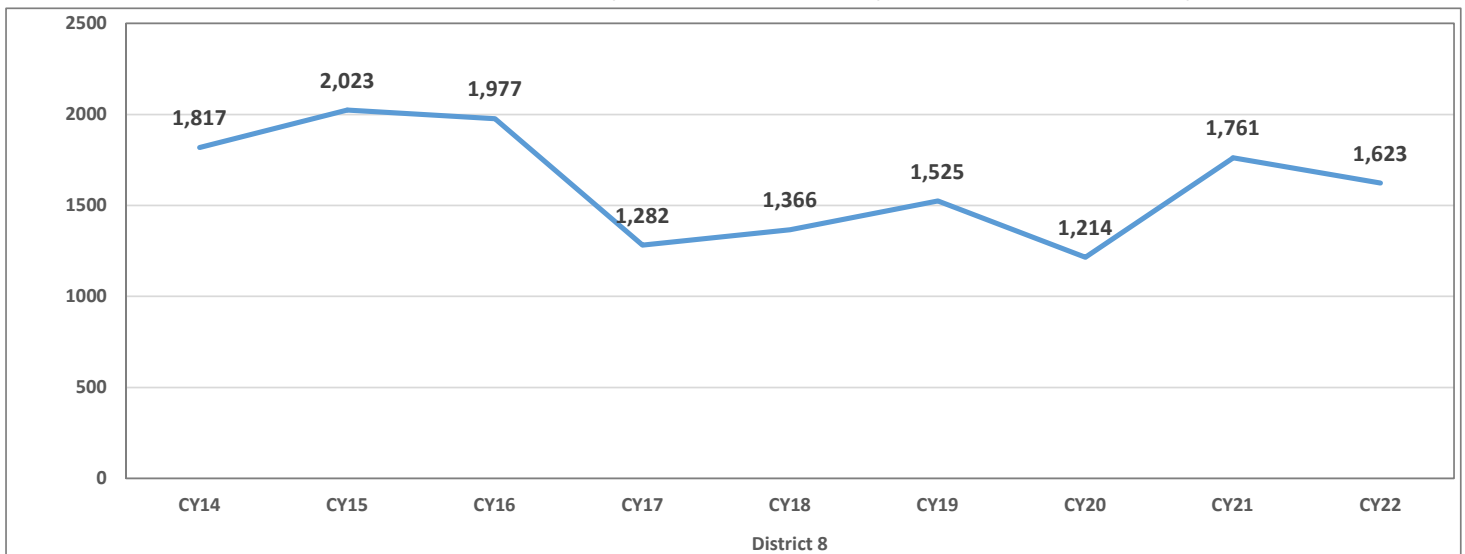


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 8.84% (75) of the 845 cases handled by the 8th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 55.4% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug while 36.2% were charged with a Possession of a Schedule I Drug. Schedule I drugs include heroin and hallucinogens like LSD and ecstasy. Marijuana is also a Schedule I drug, but for the purposes of this analysis have been separated into a separate category. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



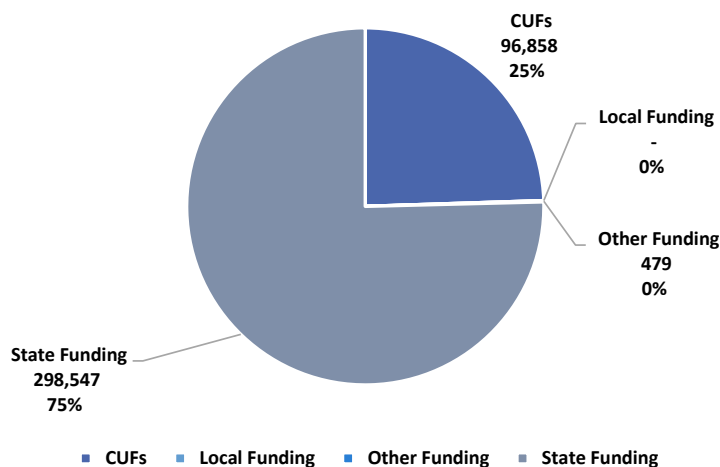
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



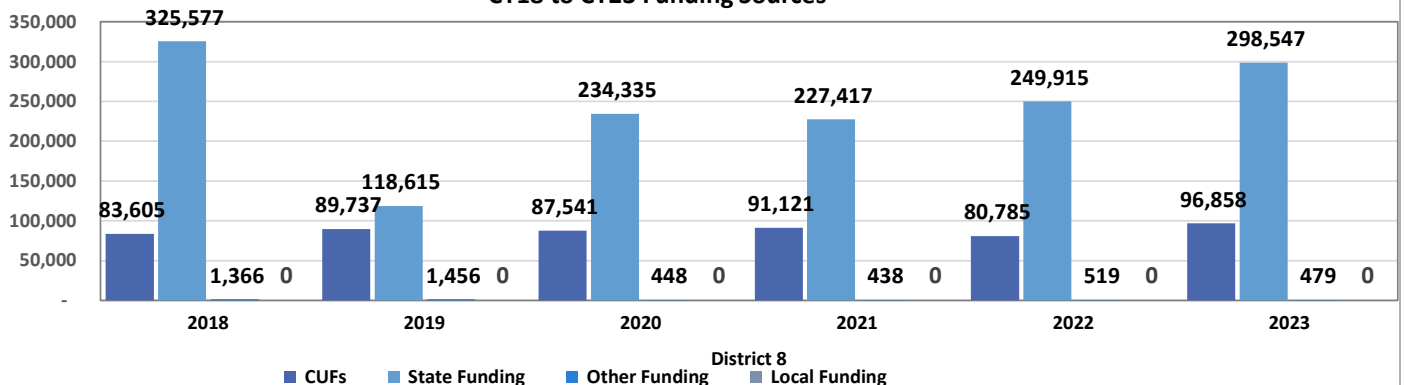
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 8th Judicial District decreased by 8% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison.

**District 8 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 8th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$395,884 in total revenues. The office is reliant on state supplemental assistance as only 25% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs). CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2022, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$16,000. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 8<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Winn - Winnfield
<b>Population</b>	13,287
<b>District Defender</b>	Herman A. Castete
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	22
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	42
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	11
<b>Office Manager</b>	Herman Castete
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	116 West Main Street
<b>City</b>	Winnfield
<b>ZIP</b>	71483
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday - Thursday, 8:30 to 4:30. All court days, Monday - Friday, 8:00 until.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-628-3592
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	Post Office Box 428, Winnfield, LA 71483
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-628-5080
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Herman Castete
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-805-4526
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Deborah C. Castete
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-805-4525
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Lasyone Rentals, Lasyone Building, Winnfield, LA
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	We pay \$600.00 per month rent to Lasyone Rentals
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0

# And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government	0
Total PDO Staff Costs <u>Provided by Local Government</u>	0
# of Workers with Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u>	0
Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits <u>Paid by Local Government</u> (if unknown enter "UNK")	0
# of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government	0
Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")	0
List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government	0
Courts and Locations	8th Judicial District Court, Winnfield, LA; Winnfield City Court, Winnfield, LA; Dodson Mayor's Court, Dodson, LA
Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation	One
Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District	Winn Parish Detention Center
Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	Concordia Correctional Center only on certain occasions Angola State Penitentiary and LaSalle Correctional.
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District	None
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	Ware Detention Center, Coushatta, LA.
Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling	Juveniles are not routinely shackled. The Court's policy is that shackles be used only if they are a flight risk or considered a danger to others.
District Attorney	Christopher Nevils
Chief Judge of Criminal District Court	Anastasia Wiley (1/1/21)
Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)	Anastasia Wiley (1/1/21)
Drug Court Judges	None
Mental Health Court Judges	None
Other Specialty Court	None
Name of Specialty and Brief Description:	N/A
Short Term Critical Issue Areas	None

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	The inability to draw quality attorneys for employment with the Public Defender's Office. Attorney caseload rises every month and the pay they receive for the work required is grossly inadequate. Why would the State of Louisiana not recognize the absolute injustice of paying Public Defenders so much less than District Attorneys and the attorneys employed by them? It's really hard to keep attorneys when pay is not commensurate.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender personally oversees the operation of the office. Attorneys are assigned cases and their progress is supervised as required. Non-attorney personnel have specific task assignments which are supervised by the District Defender.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Jack McFarland, Representative; Gabe Firment, Representative; Louie Bernard, Senator; Jay Morris, Senator; Jay Luneau, Senator
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Zoom meetings are available if necessary, but seldom used.

### 8th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
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CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	47	10	65	112	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	4	19	19	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	26	17	32	58	N/A	N/A	2	1	10	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	2	3	8	10	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	70	98	123	193	N/A	N/A	35	10	103	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	169	218	284	453	N/A	N/A	94	22	226	0	1	3	0	1	5
Adult LWOP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

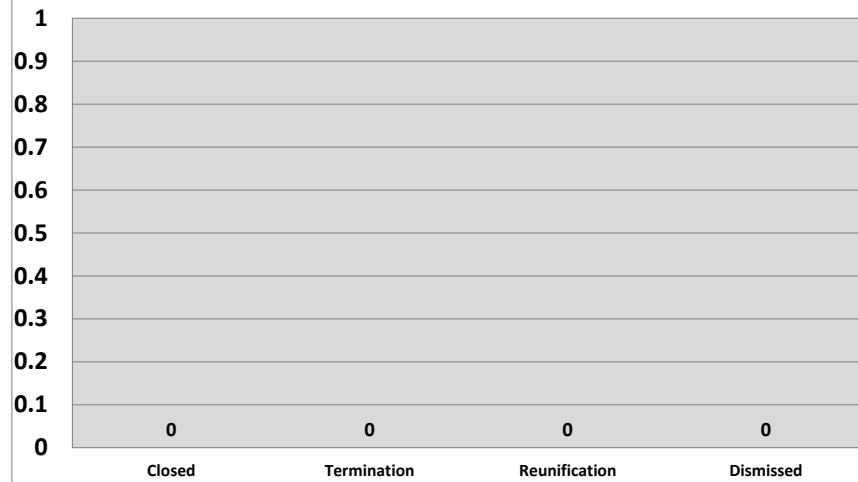
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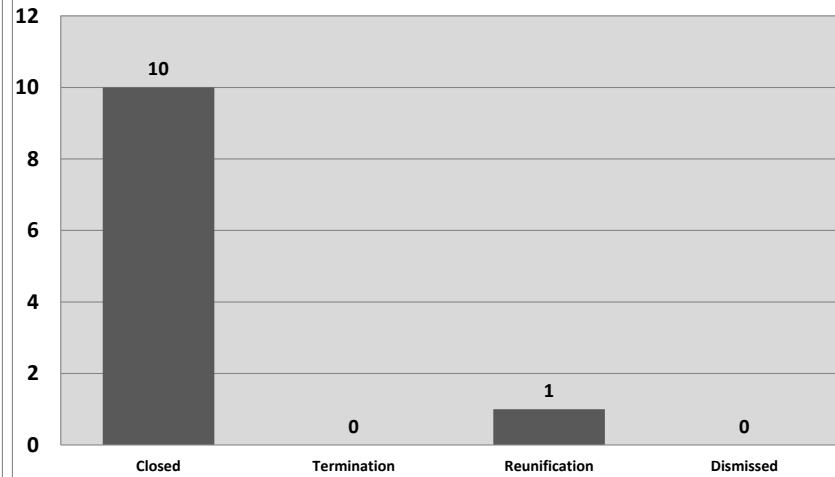
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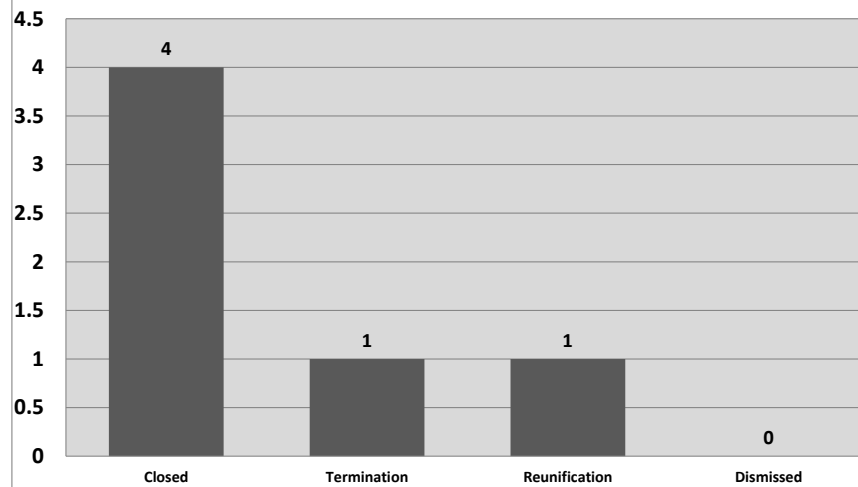
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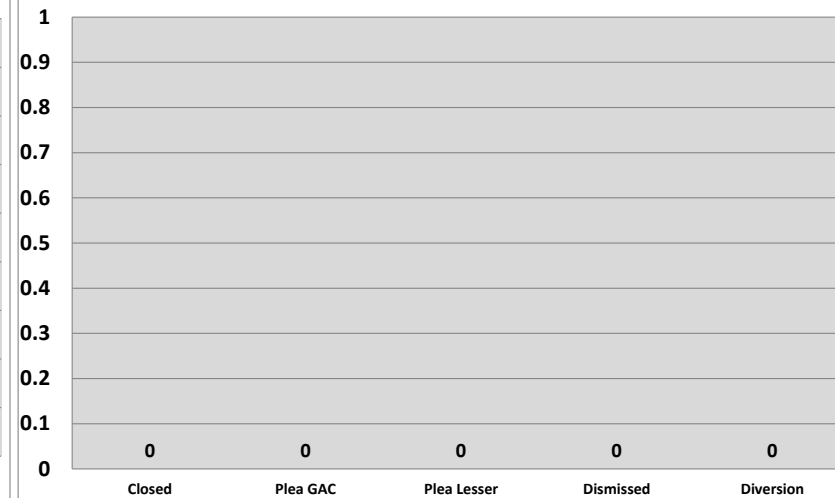
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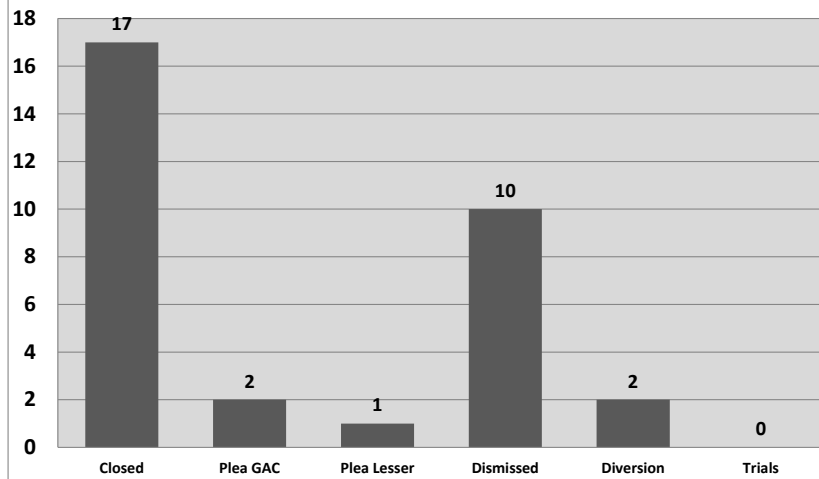
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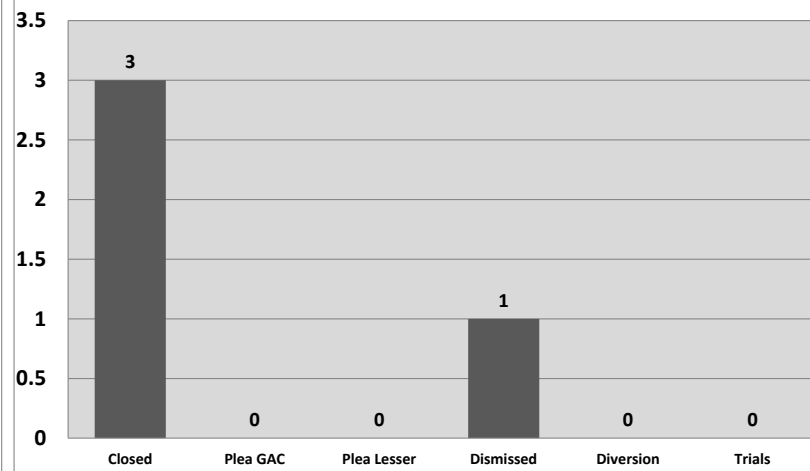
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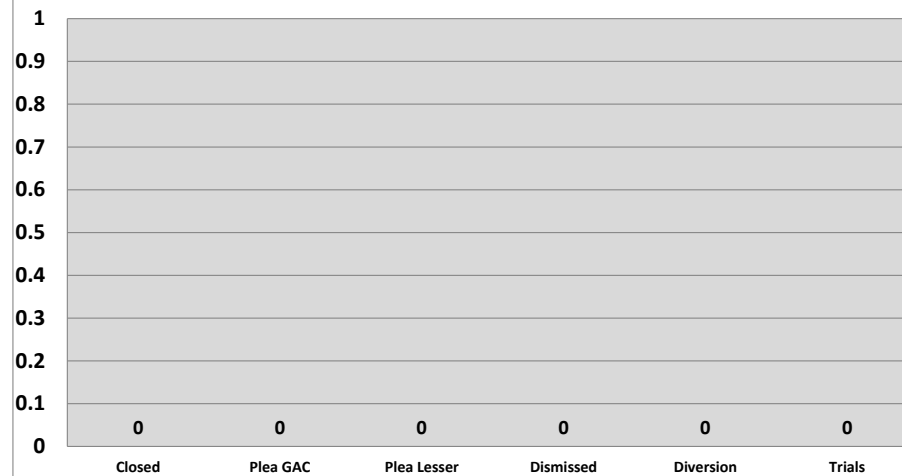
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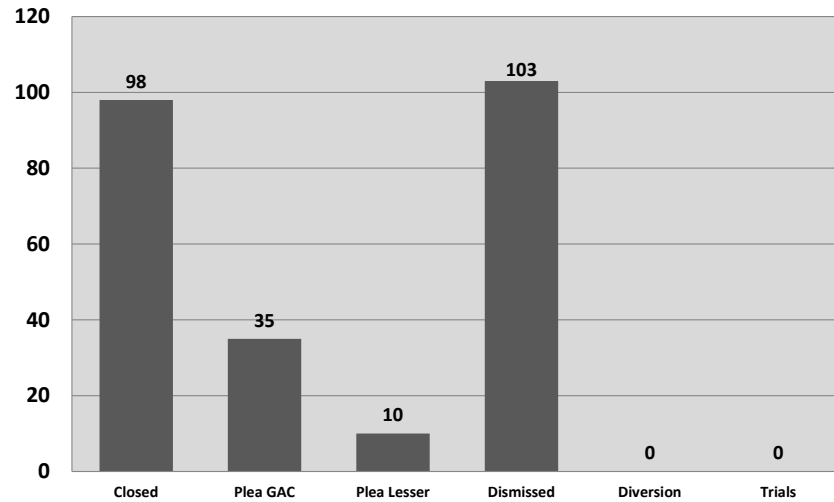


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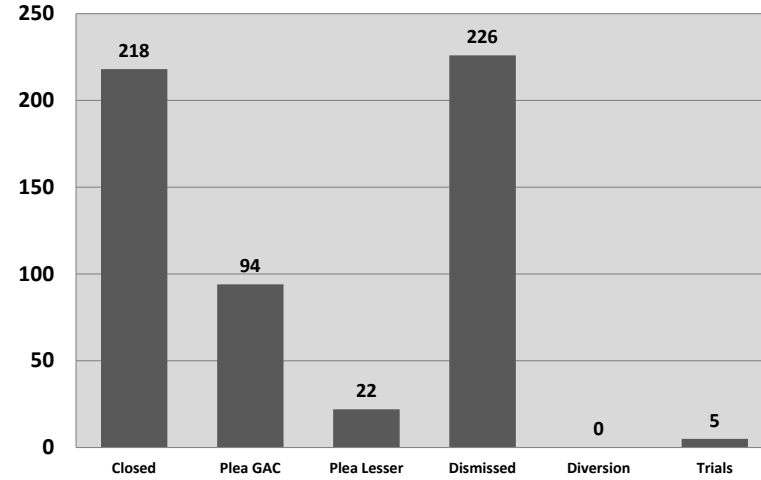




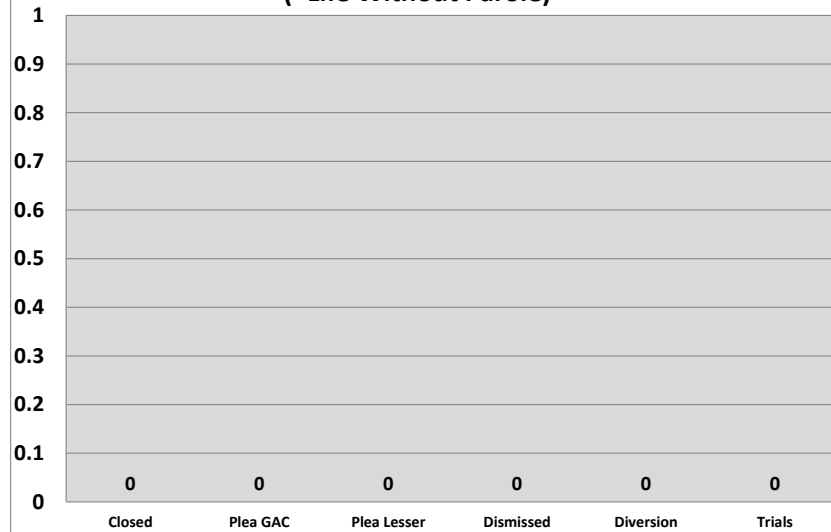
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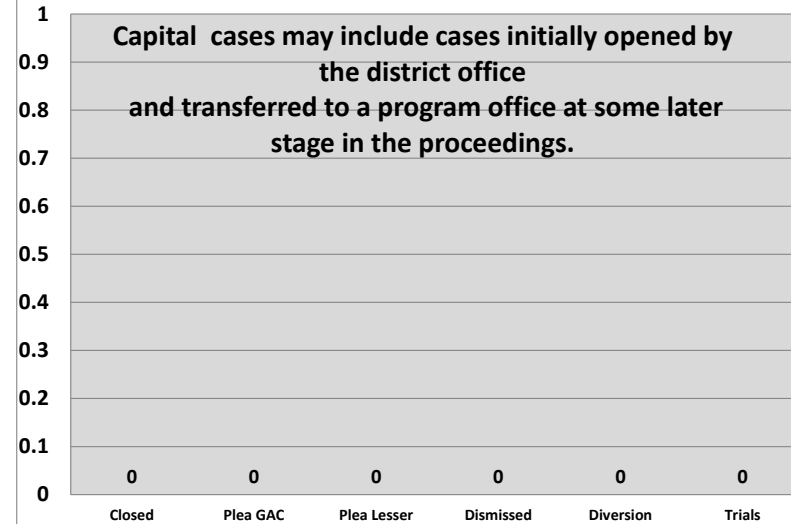
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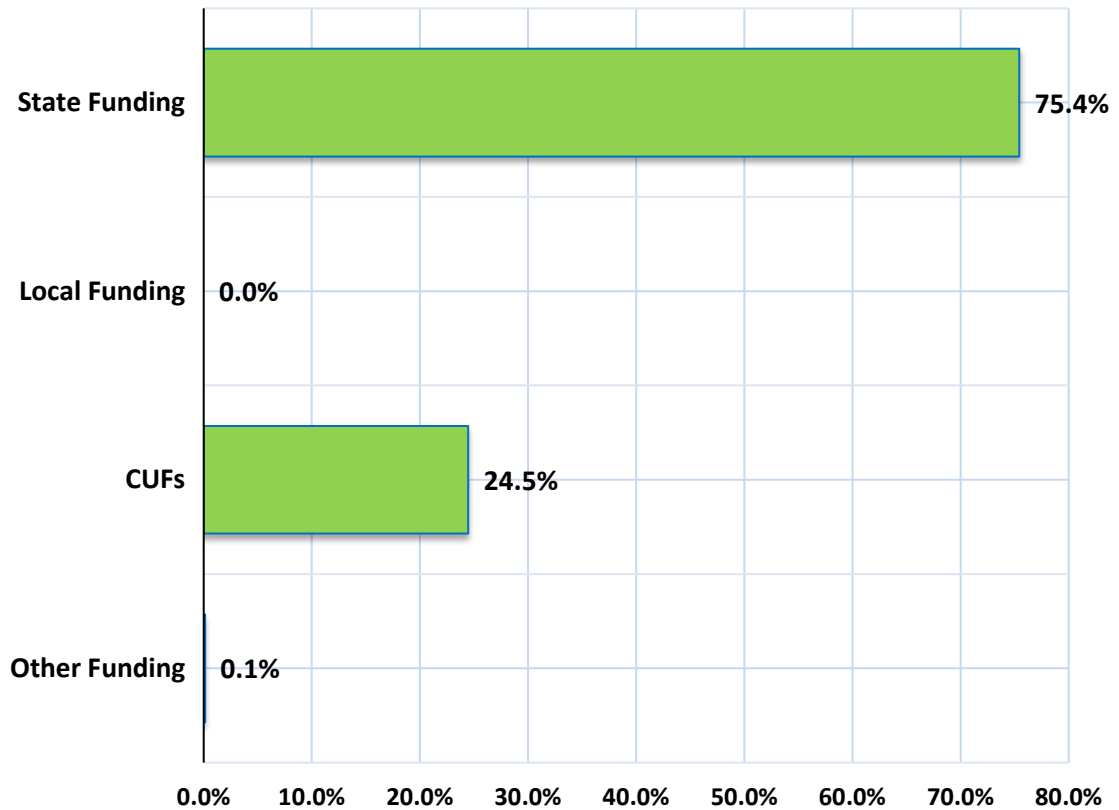
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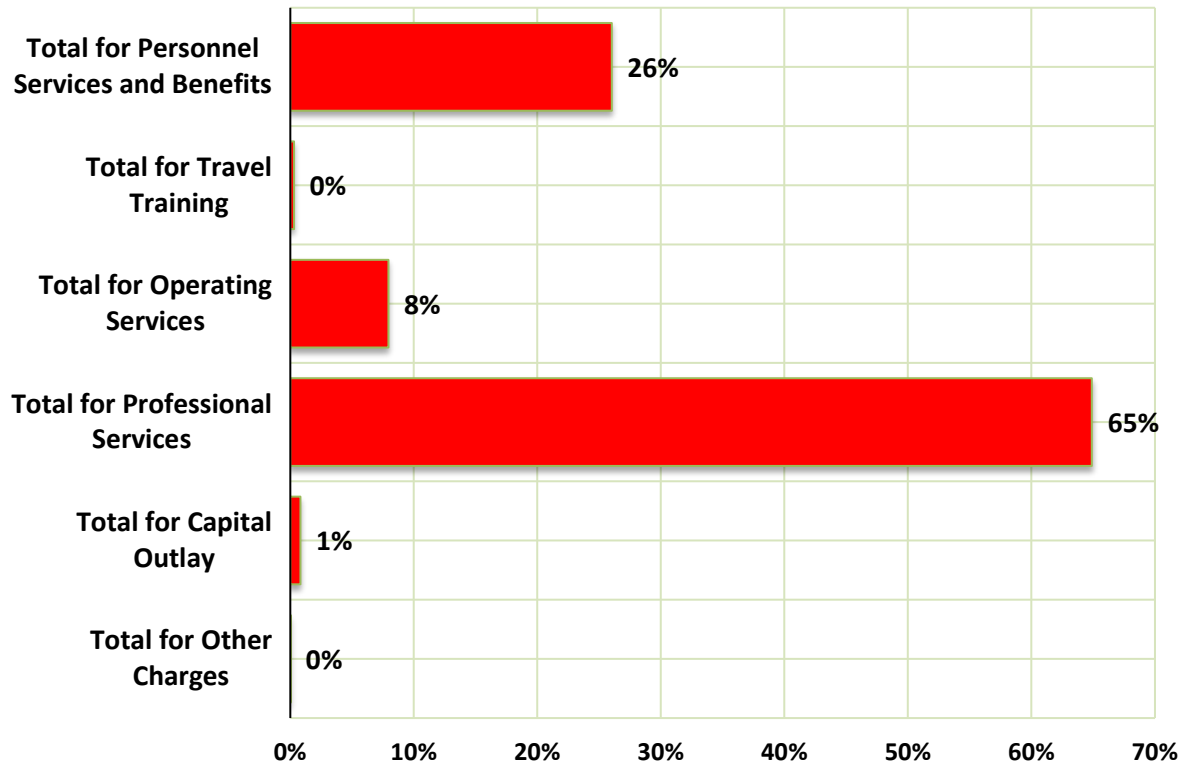
District 8 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Herman A. Castete</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	379
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>379</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	6,891
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	257,794
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	33,483
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>298,169</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	11,462
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	23,490
Judicial District Courts	30,403
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	7,770
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>61,663</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	1,240
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	22,494
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	479
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>24,213</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>97,337</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>395,885</b>

District 8 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Herman A. Castete</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	91,500
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	6,945
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	1,999
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>100,445</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	1,194
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>1,194</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	1,723
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	7,200
Lease - Auto/Equipment	1,874
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	3,825
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	6,897
Dues and Seminars	1,325
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	5,189
Office Supplies	2,658
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>30,690</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	4,500
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	13,800
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	232,200
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>250,500</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	3,161
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>3,161</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	7
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>385,996</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

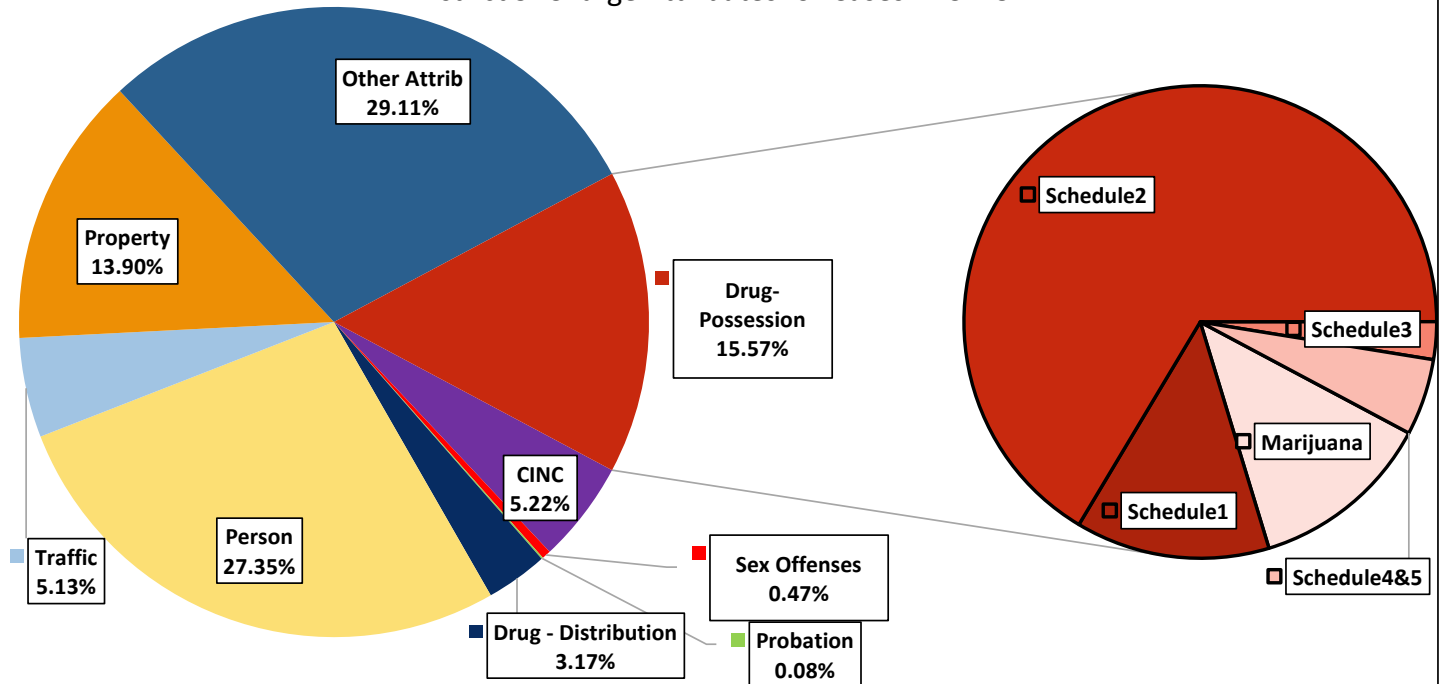




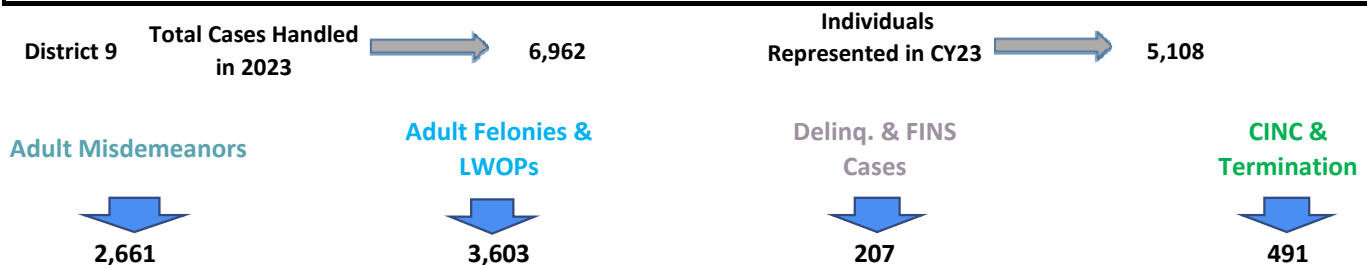
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PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE  
RAPIDES (ALEXANDRIA)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: DEIRDRE FULLER  
620 MURRAY STREET  
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District 9 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

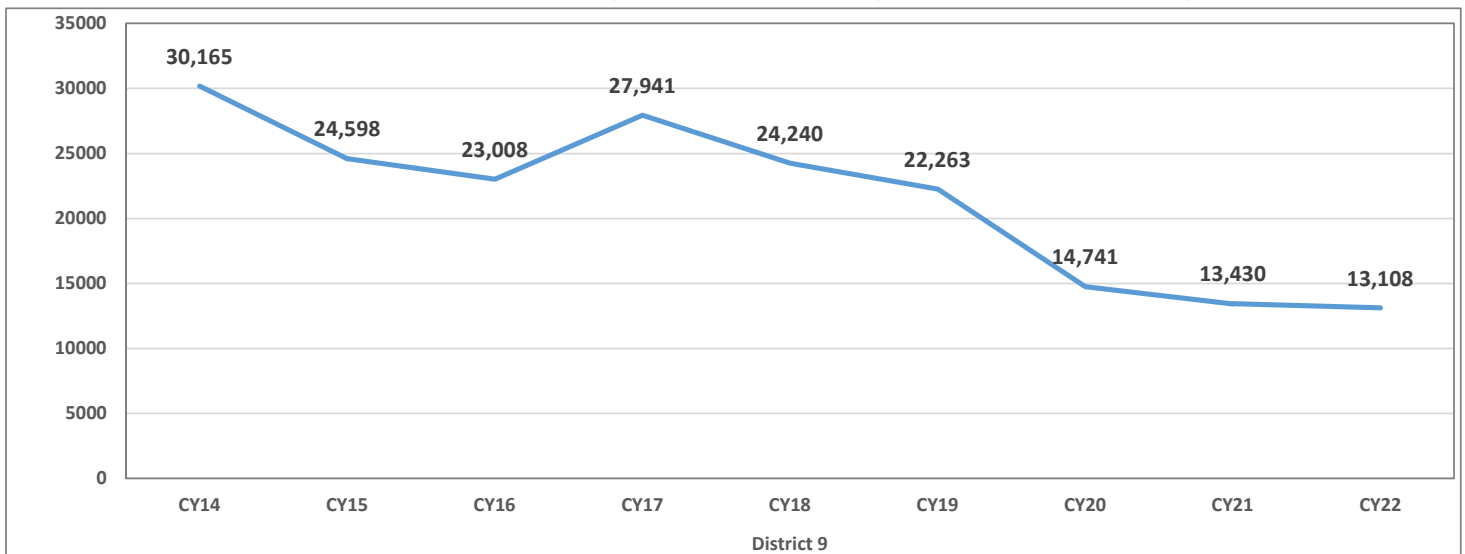


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 15.57% (1,084) of the 6,962 cases handled by the 9th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 66.2% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



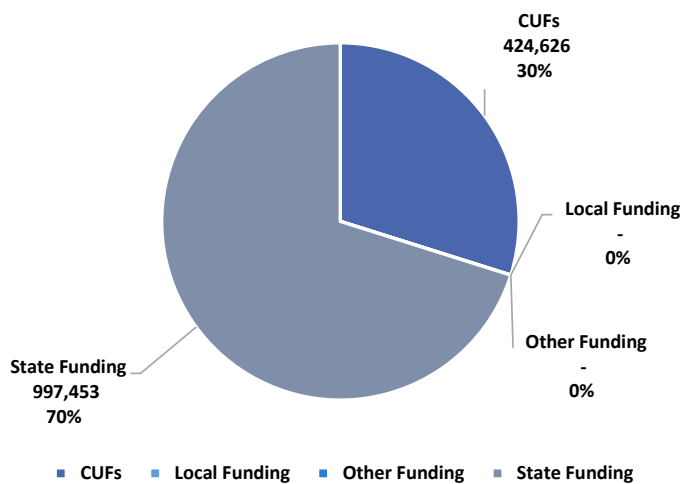
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



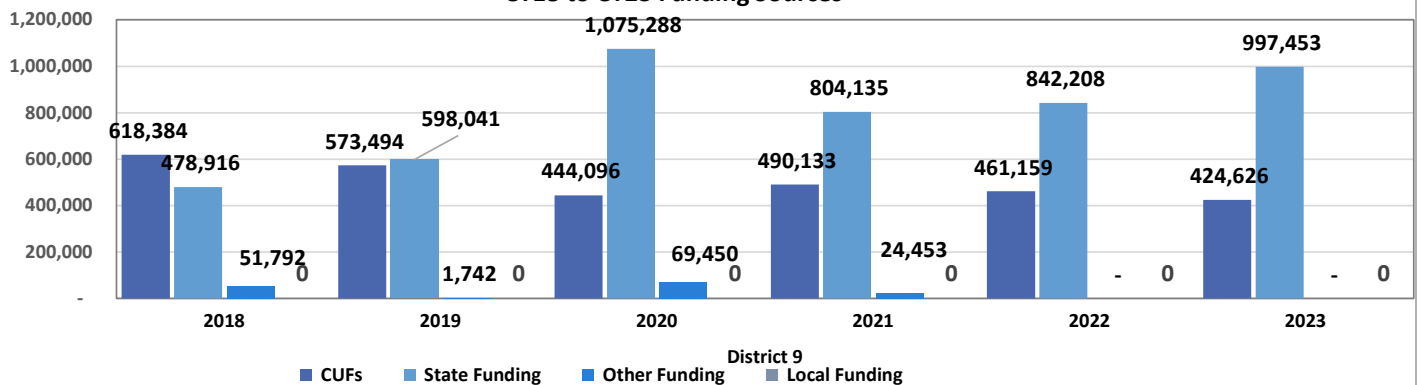
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 9th Judicial District decreased slightly from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year.

**District 9 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 9th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,422,079 in total revenues. Thirty percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), which is similar to the state average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs decreased by more than \$35,000, while state funding increased by more than \$150,000. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 9<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Rapides - Alexandria
<b>Population</b>	129,546
<b>District Defender</b>	Deirdre Fuller
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	7 years 8 months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	15
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	12
<b>Office Manager</b>	Kimberly Sandifer
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	620 Murray Street
<b>City</b>	Alexandria
<b>ZIP</b>	71301
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8:30-4:30 Closed for lunch 12:00-1:00
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-443-7082
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. BOX 8522, Alexandria LA 71306
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-443-7085
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Deirdre Fuller
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-730-4123
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Kimberly Sandifer
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-443-7082 Ext 6
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	620 Murray Street, Alexandria, LA 71301
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Kimberly Sandifer, (318) 443-7082 Ext 6
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Marion French
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	0



<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0; All funding received from local sources is combined with the DAF and not segregated. There is no calculation done by our CPA to determine what portion of local funds is expended for this purpose.
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	Ninth Judicial District Court, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; Ninth Judicial District Juvenile Court, Rapides Parish, Alexandria; Alexandria City Court, Alexandria; Pineville City Court, Pineville.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Ninth Judicial District Court - 3 sections; Alexandria City Court - 1; Pineville City Court - 1.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	DC-1, Rapides Courthouse, Murray Street, Alexandria; DC-2, 400 B John Allison Dr., Alexandria; DC-3, 7400 Academy Drive, Alexandria.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None other than DOC facilities.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Renaissance Home for Youth - 6177 Bayou Rapides Road, Alexandria
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None

<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Yes
<b>District Attorney</b>	Phillip Terrell
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Hon. Mary Doggett is the Chief Judge of the entire 9th Judicial District Court. The 9th JDC doesn't have a Chief Criminal Judge.
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Hon. Harry F Randow
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Hon. Patricia Koch
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	Hon. Patricia Koch
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Yes.
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Juvenile District Court, Hon. Harry F Randow, handles Juvenile drug offenders. Provides skills to live drug free. Veterans Court, Hon. Harry F Randow, handles this court. Mental Health Court, Hon. Judge Koch handles this court.
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Increase DAF.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Adequate Office space.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	We now have WI-FI in the courthouse for our attorney's and staff to access, and also have an IT company handling our account full-time.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Sam Giordano - Misdemeanor Division Supervisor, Dmitrc Burnes - Juvenile Division Supervisor. Each supervisor monitors their division while working closely with the District Defender.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No. Only workmen's compensation coverage for attorneys and staff.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	1
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator: Jay Luneau. Representative: Ed Larvadain III
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Hired additional attorneys. Pineville City court went from weekly Thursday court to 1 dedicated day per month, which has significantly improved services for Pineville residents.

## 9th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

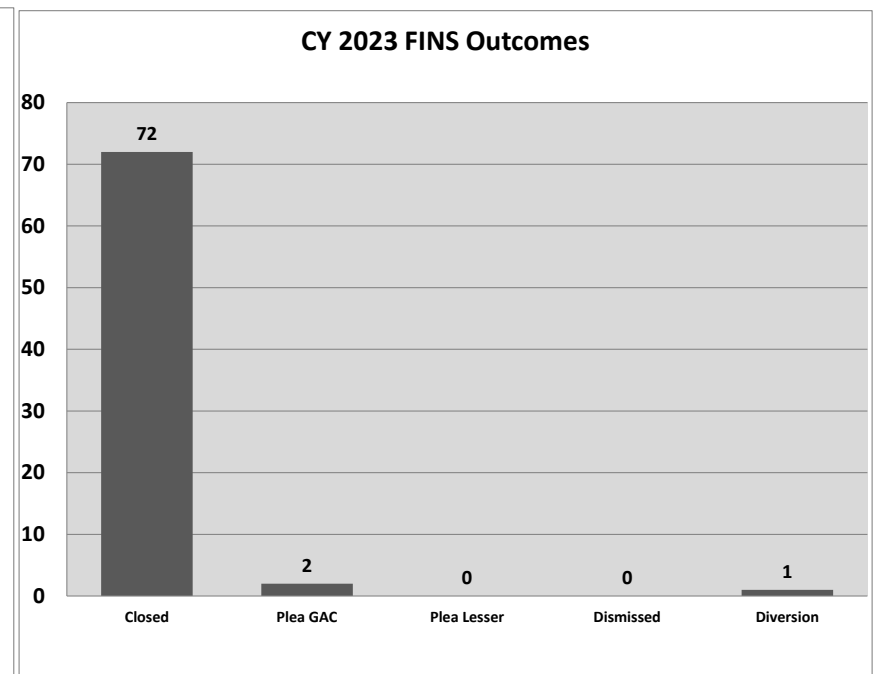
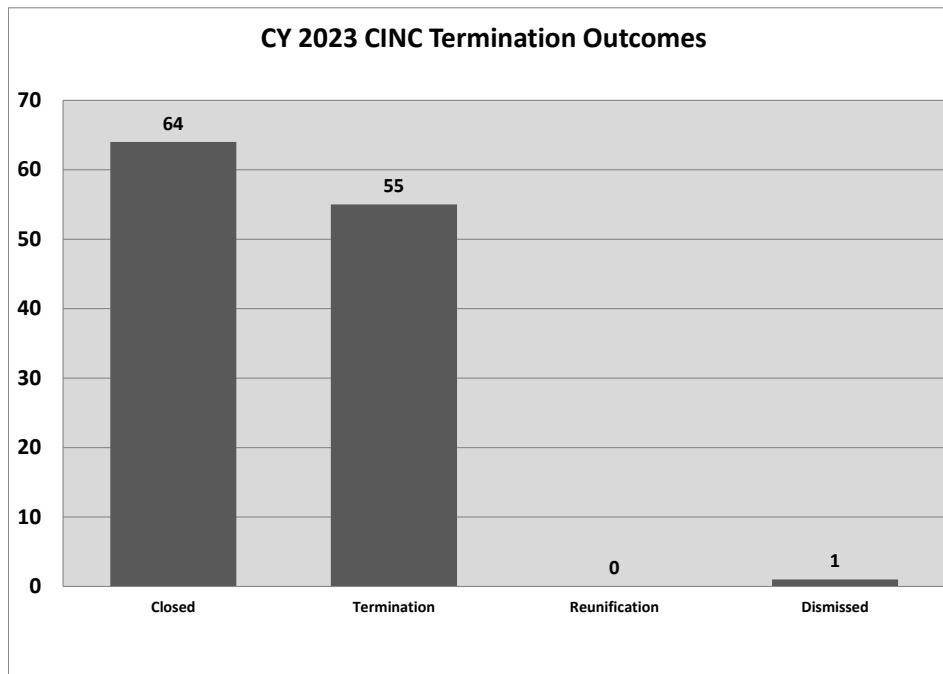
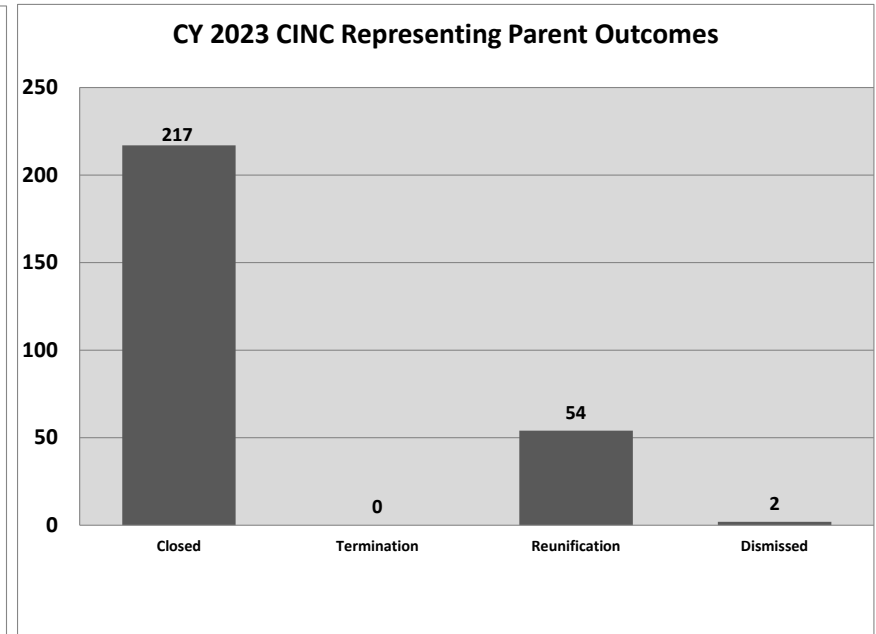
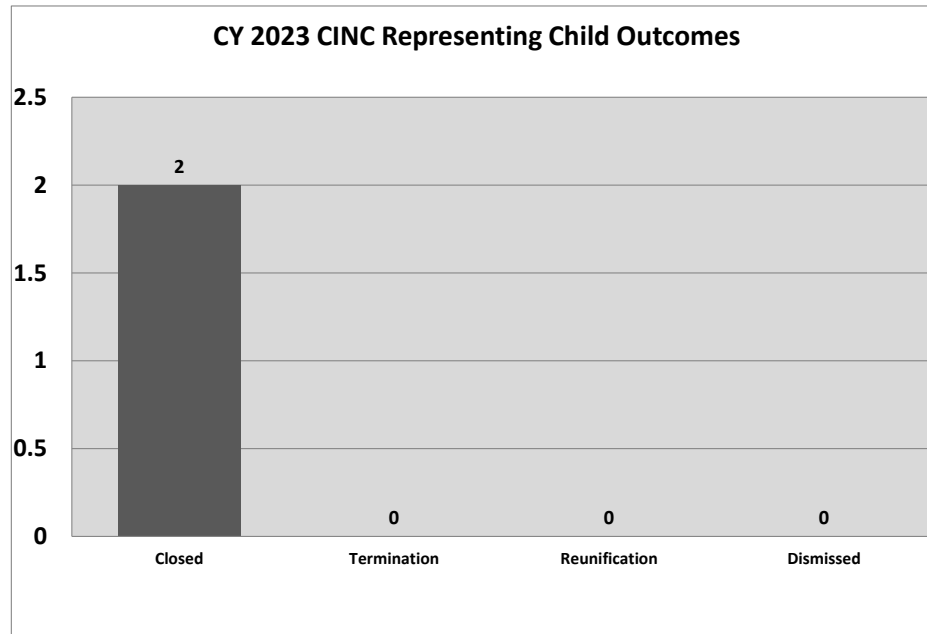
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	2	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	290	217	118	408	0	54	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	62	64	21	83	55	0	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	35	72	15	50	N/A	N/A	2	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	58	49	17	75	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	46	88	36	82	N/A	N/A	2	3	2	0	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	1696	1126	965	2661	N/A	N/A	177	7	439	0	0	2	2	0	4
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1902	1366	1648	3550	N/A	N/A	174	92	143	0	1	4	0	2	7
Adult LWOP	26	25	26	52	N/A	N/A	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	3
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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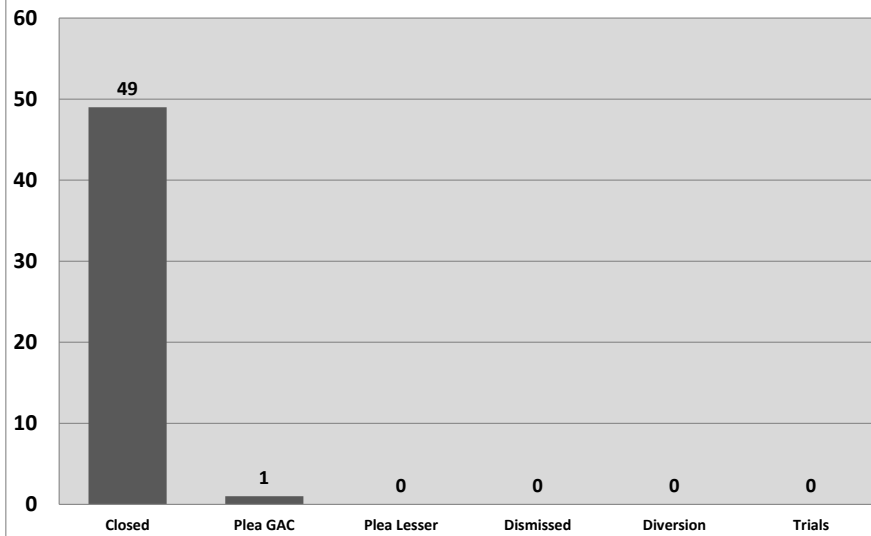
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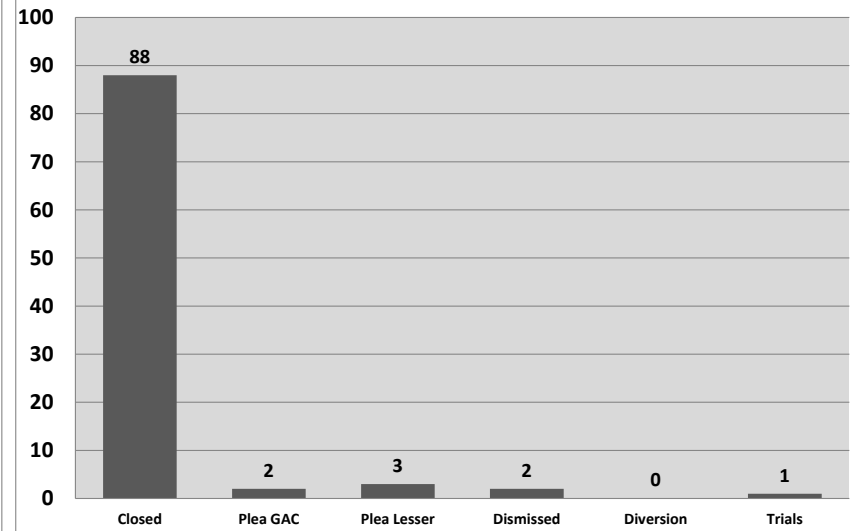
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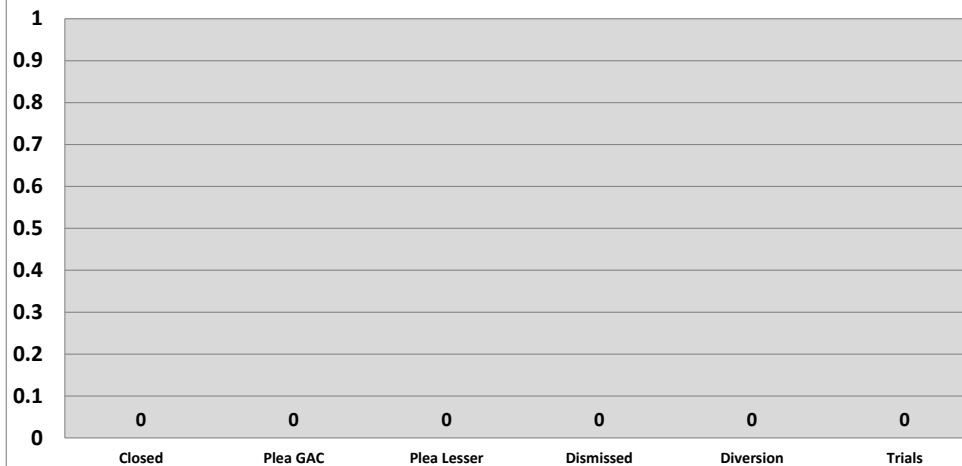
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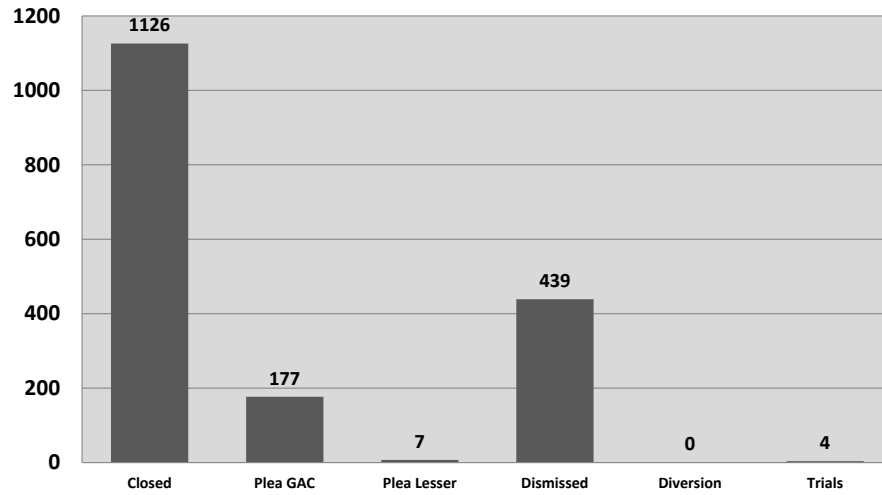
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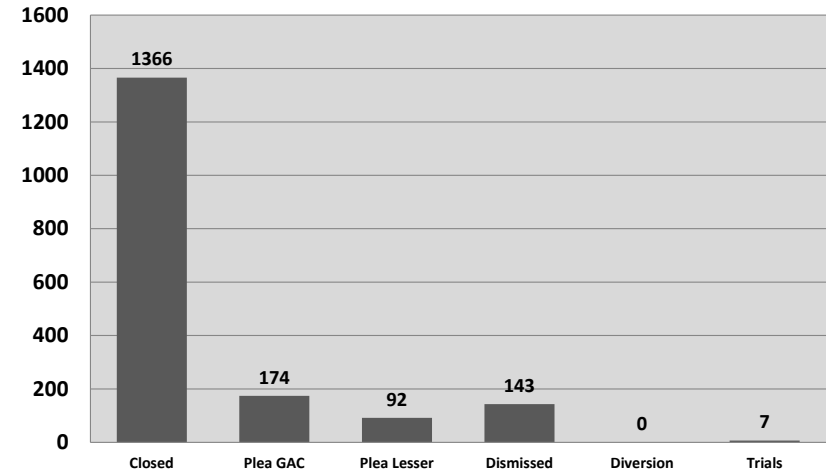
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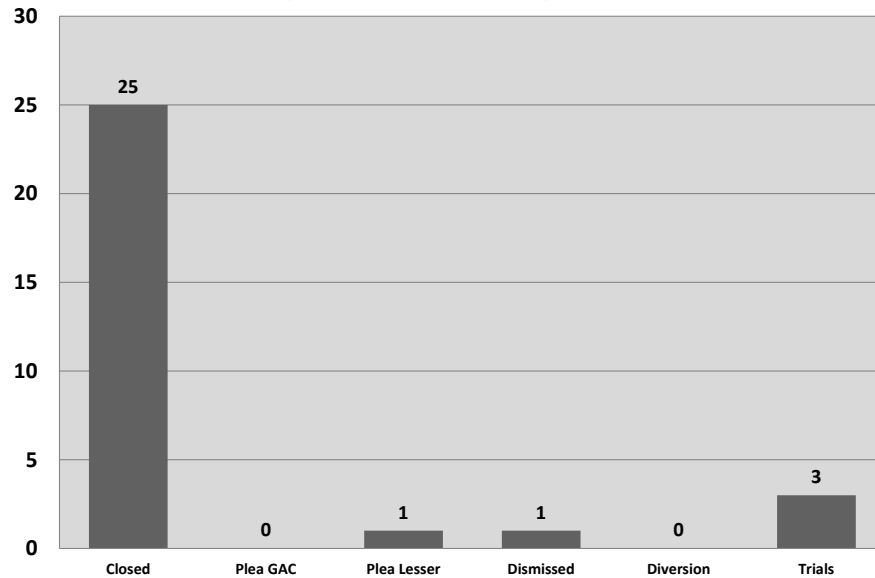
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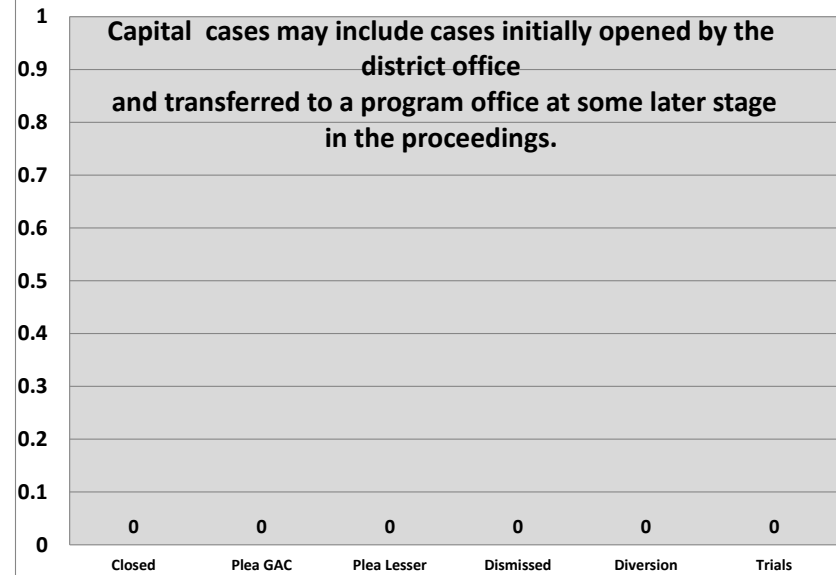
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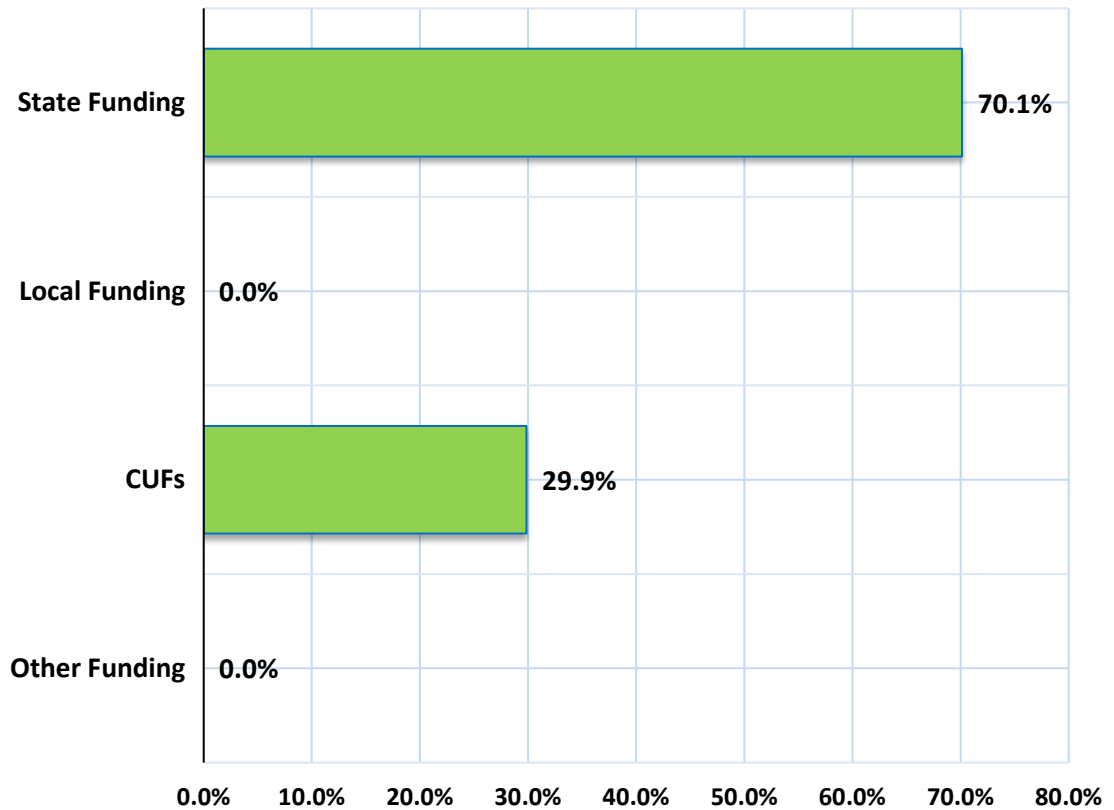


District 9 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Deirdre Fuller</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	43,540
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>43,540</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	25,014
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	904,028
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	24,871
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>953,913</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	101,644
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	189,136
Judicial District Courts	79,222
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	13,772
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>282,130</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	40,853
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>40,853</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>424,626</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,422,079</b>

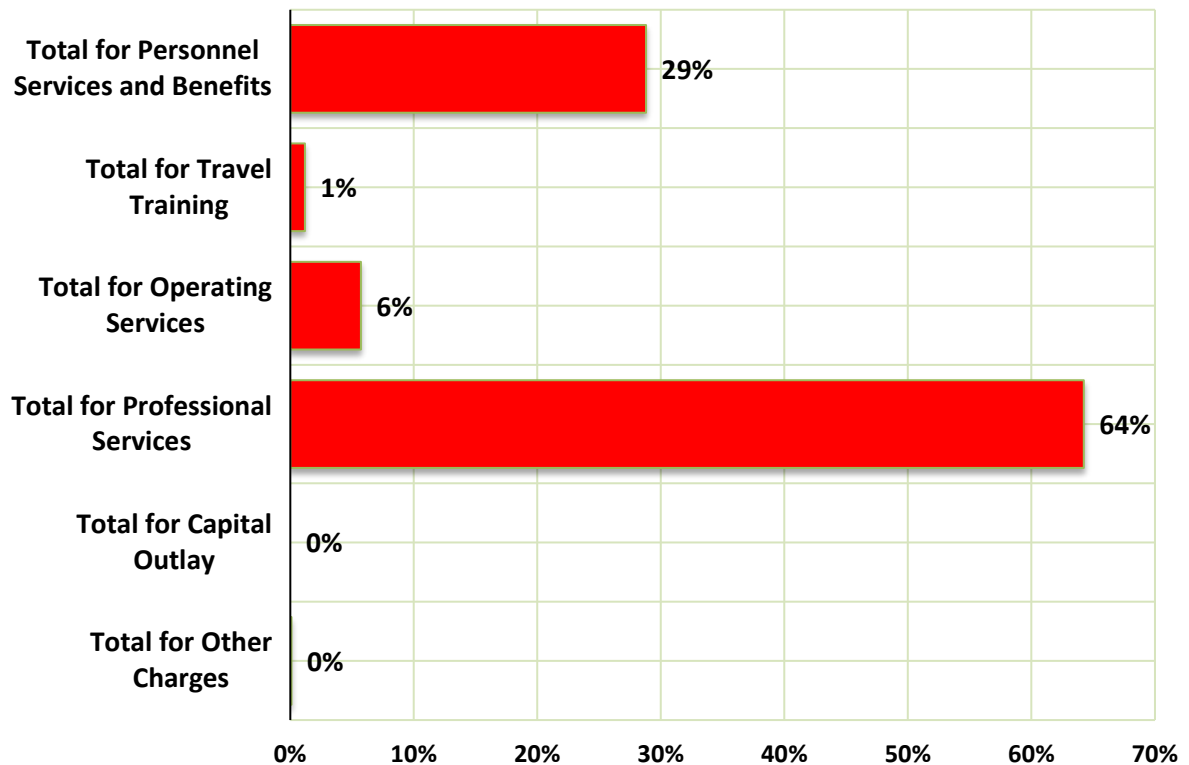
District 9 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Deirdre Fuller</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	353,292
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	6,754
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	37,957
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>398,004</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	16,185
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>16,185</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	25
Workers' Compensation	4,460
Insurance - Malpractice	15,829
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	834
Lease - Office	19,500
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	9,526
Dues and Seminars	6,292
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	3,820
Office Supplies	18,724
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>79,010</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	14,040
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	1,980
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	164,765
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	92,298
Contract Attorneys - all other	602,966
IT/Technical Support	11,975
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>888,024</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	1,400
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>1,400</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,382,622</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

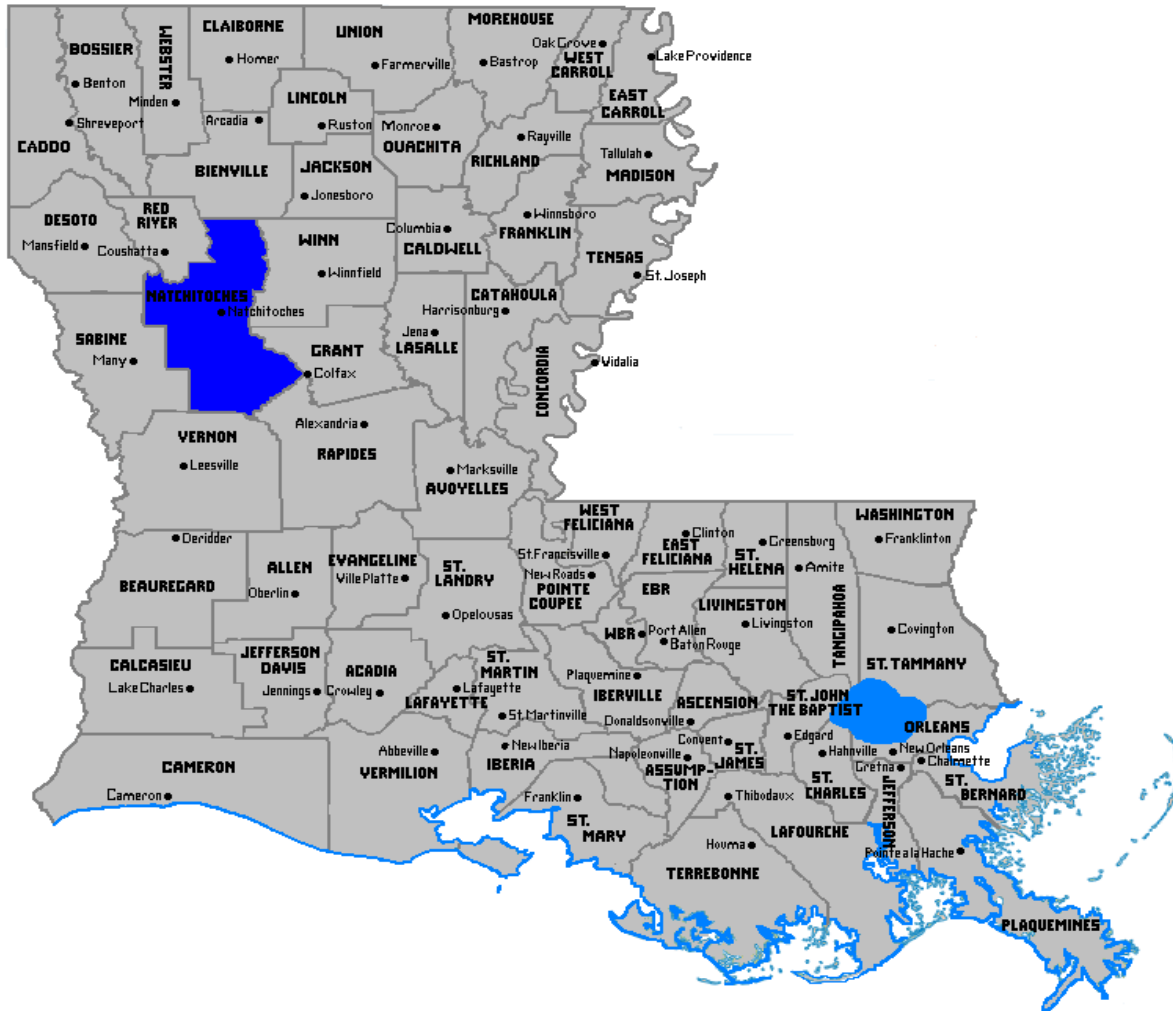


## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

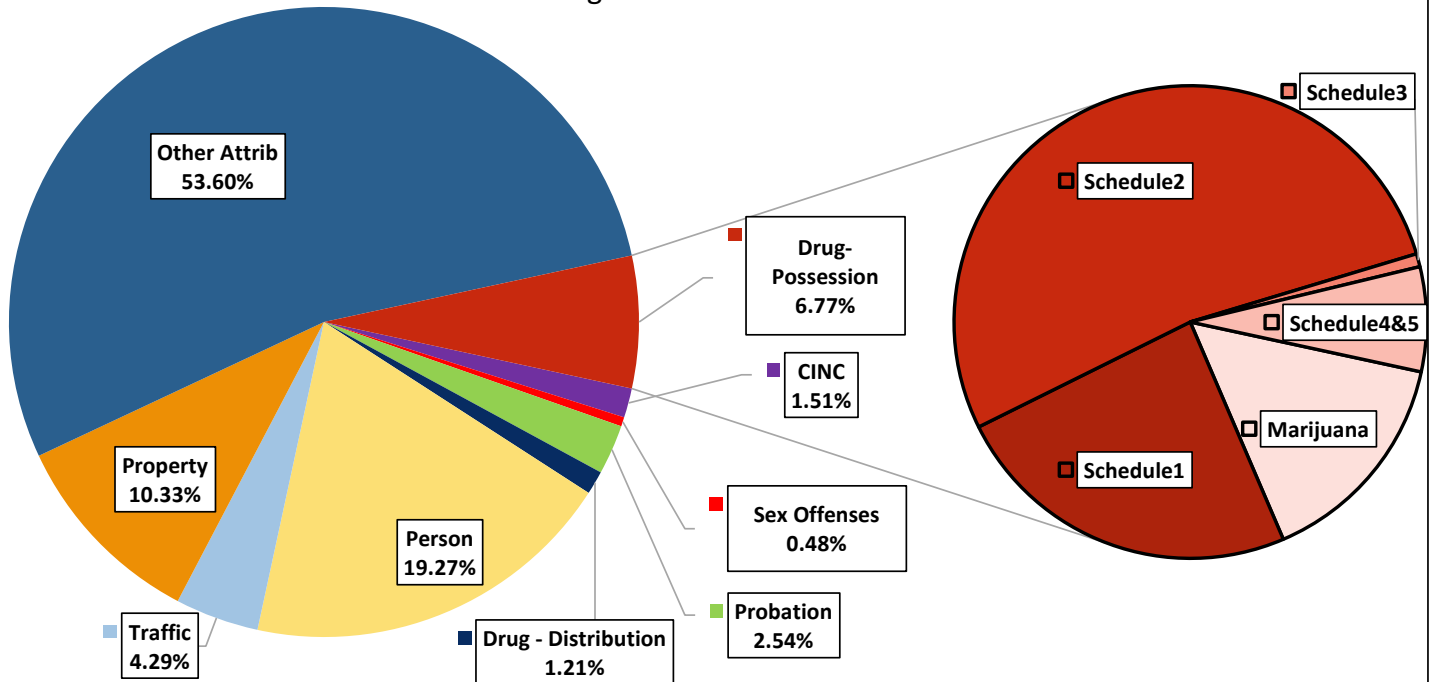




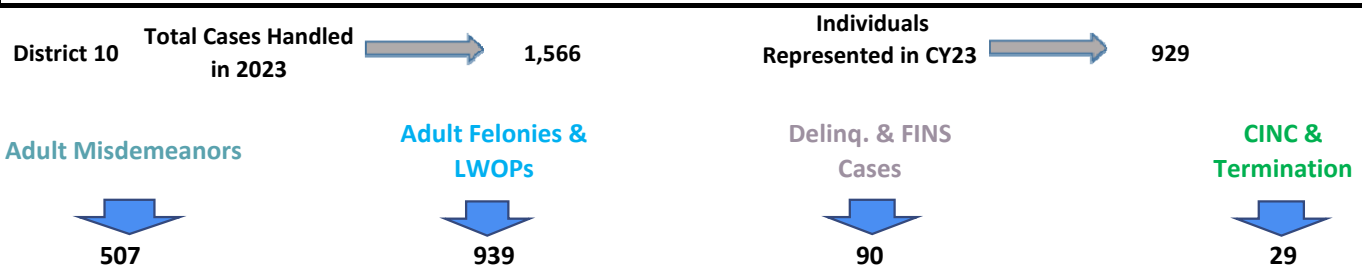
THE 10<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
NATCHITOCHES (NATCHITOCHES)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: BRETT BRUNSON  
710 THIRD STREET  
NATCHITOCHES, LA 71457  
(318) 352-9311

District 10 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

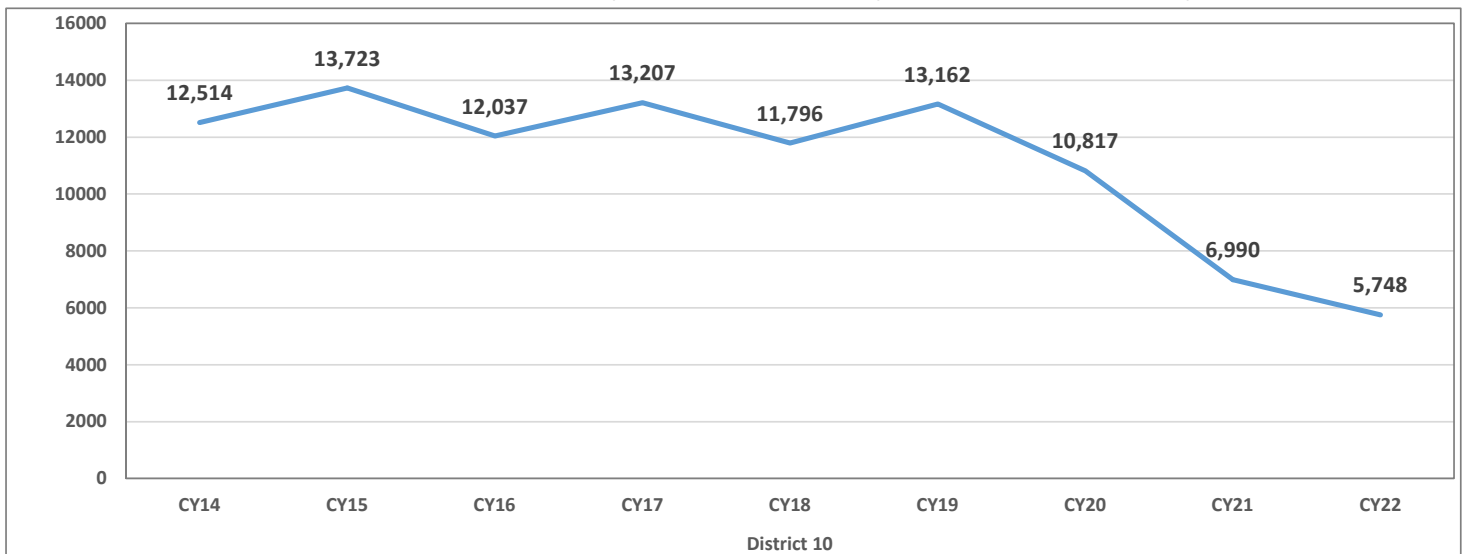


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 6.77% (106) of the 1,566 cases handled by the 10th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 53.2% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II Drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



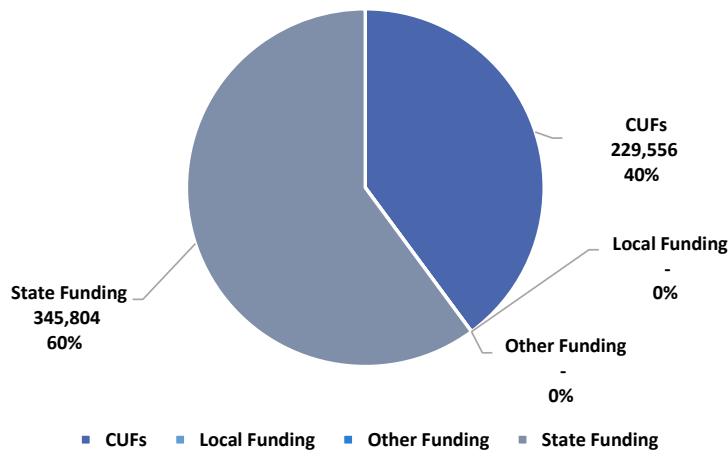
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



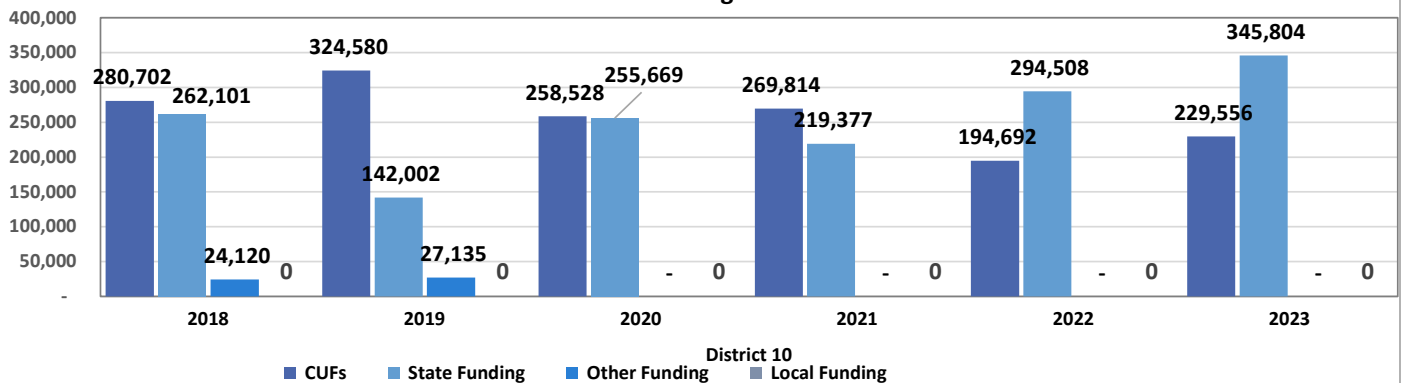
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 10th Judicial District decreased by 18% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be higher than the previous year.

**District 10 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 10th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$575,360 in total revenues. Forty percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$35,000, while state funding increased by \$50,000. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 10TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Natchitoches - Natchitoches
<b>Population</b>	37,026
<b>District Defender</b>	Brett Brunson
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	17
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	6
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Brianna Stelly
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	710 Third Street
<b>City</b>	Natchitoches
<b>ZIP</b>	71457
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M - F 8:30 - 4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-352-9311
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	PO Box 12, Natchitoches, LA 71458
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-352-8019
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Brett Brunson
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-471-9806 - cell
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Alice Martin
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-552-7722
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	McCoy, Roberts & Begnaud, L.L.C.
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A

# of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government	0
Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")	0
# of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government	0
Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")	0
List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government	0
Courts and Locations	10th Judicial District Court, Natchitoches Parish, 200 Church Street, Natchitoches, 71457; Natchitoches City Court, 314 Amulet Street, Natchitoches, 71457.
Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation	3 - 2 District Court Division and 1 City Court
Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District	Natchitoches Parish Detention Center, 299 Edwina Drive, Natchitoches, LA, 71457
Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	Avoyelles Parish Detention Center, Richland Parish Jail.
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District	N/A
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	N/A
Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling	Yes. At request of counsel, they allow removal.
District Attorney	Billy Joe Harrington
Chief Judge of Criminal District Court	Lala Sylvester
Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)	Desiree Dyess
Drug Court Judges	Yes. Lala Sylvester
Mental Health Court Judges	No
Other Specialty Court	Yes. Robert Owsley
Name of Specialty and Brief Description:	City Court - Adult Misdemeanor, FINS, CINC, and Juvenile Delinquency
Short Term Critical Issue Areas	DAF
Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District	DAF

<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	In the past two years the 10th has experienced a complete turnover of contract attorneys handling the caseloads. David Williams was elected judge in Rapides Parish. Joe Beck was hired as the Chief Public Defender in Grant Parish, Verity Gentry was elected judge in Sabine Parish, Kathryn Cooper went into private practice and Ed Colbert became an assistant district attorney.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	We are small, so I directly supervise all staff and contract attorneys.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	N/A
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Jay Luneau and Alan Seabaugh, State Senators. State Representative is Kenny Cox, District 23, Gabe Firment, District 22, Rodney Schamerhorn, District 24.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	We use a rotating schedule for attorneys to attend 72 hr. hearings and encourage them to see their clients at the detention center when we are out there. The District Defender and paralegal assist attorneys in preparing for trial and trying cases. We use a team approach to trials and trial preparation, particularly crime scene investigation and voir dire preparation. Attorneys are encouraged to file motions for preliminary examination, bond reduction and discovery as soon as they receive their appointment notices. They are also encouraged to engage in creative pre-trial motion practice. The use of which creates earlier opportunities for cases to be dismissed or for reaching reasonable plea agreements. Local funding is closely monitored.

### 10th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	14	10	15	29	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	4	2	2	6	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	21	20	11	32	N/A	N/A	3	0	15	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	42	15	10	52	N/A	N/A	3	1	15	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	350	212	157	507	N/A	N/A	44	6	212	0	0	0	0	1	1
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	502	369	354	856	N/A	N/A	71	62	369	0	0	1	0	3	4
Adult LWOP	4	2	3	7	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Capital***	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	52	41	24	76	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

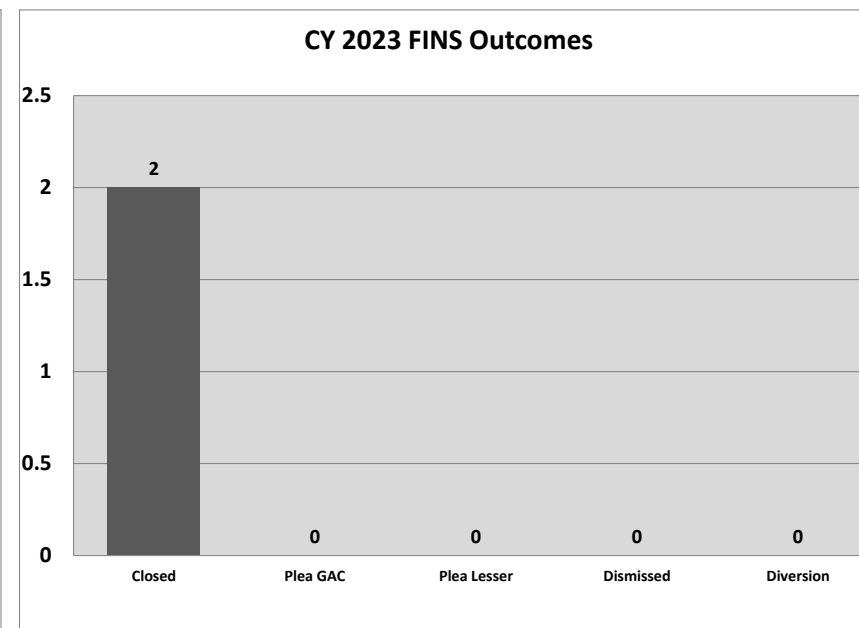
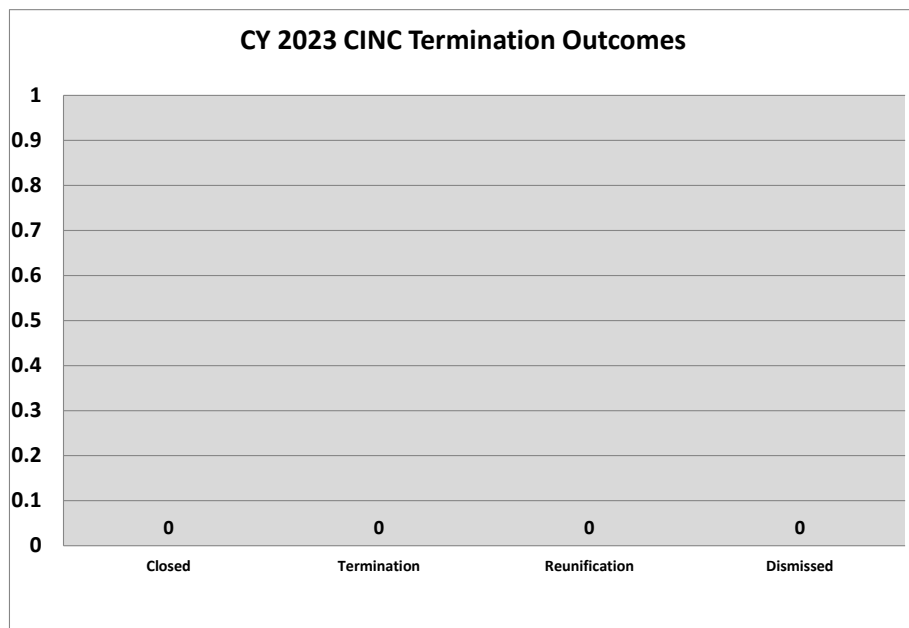
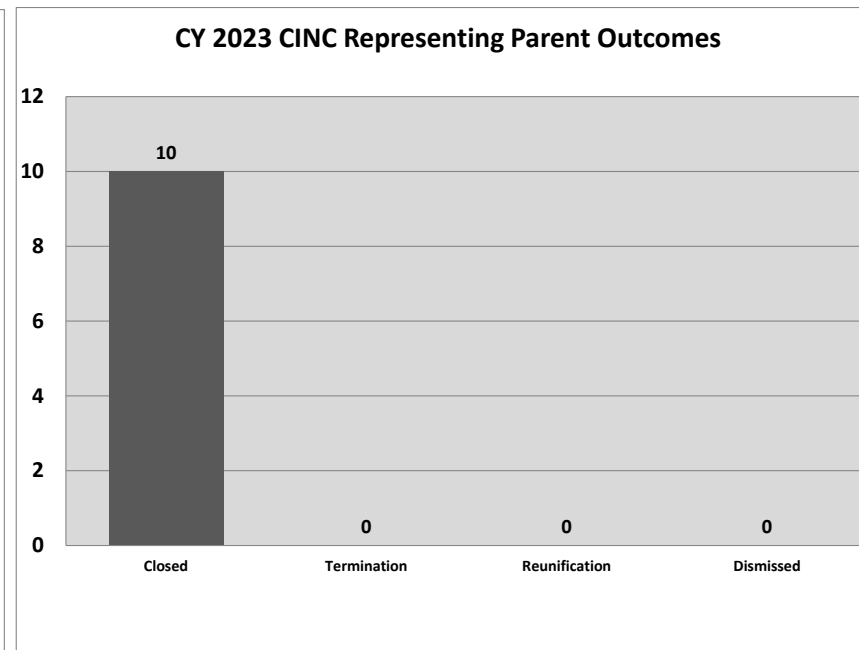
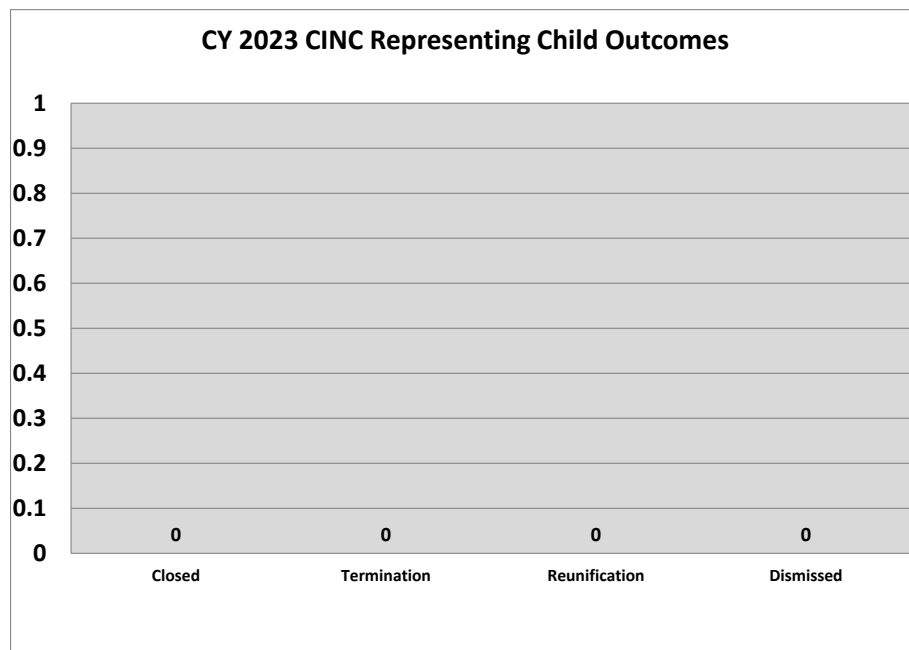
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

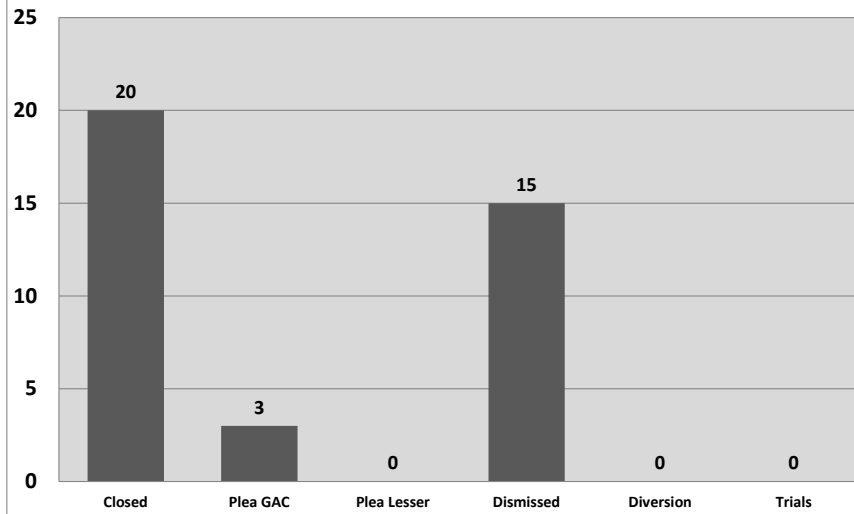
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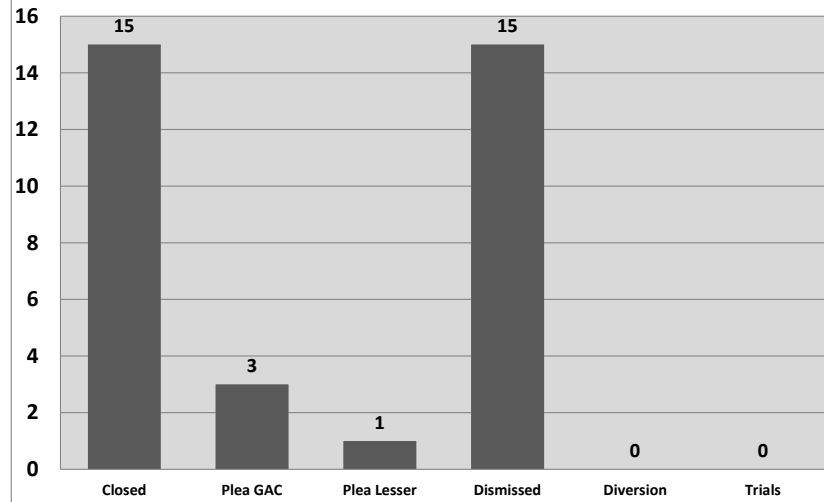




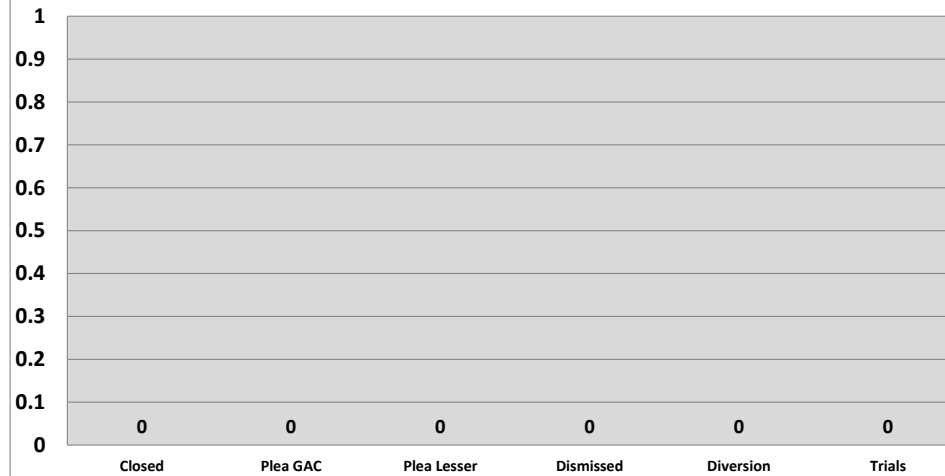
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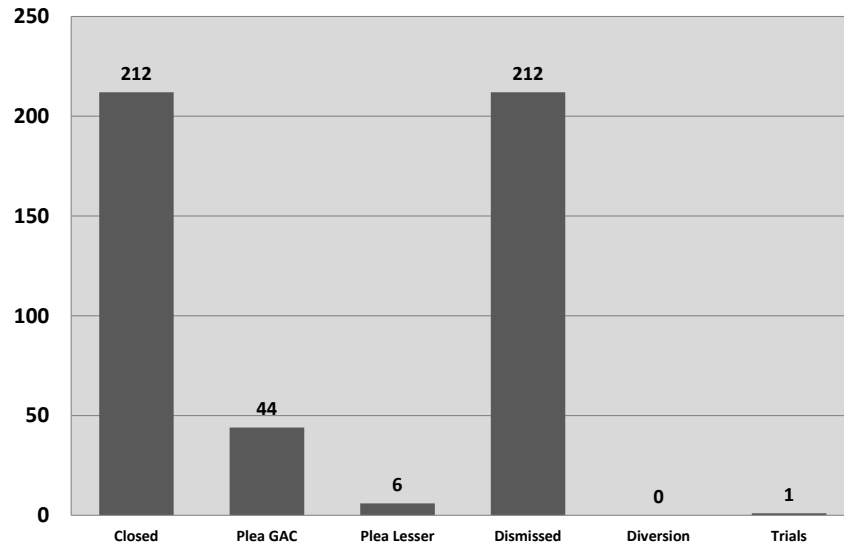
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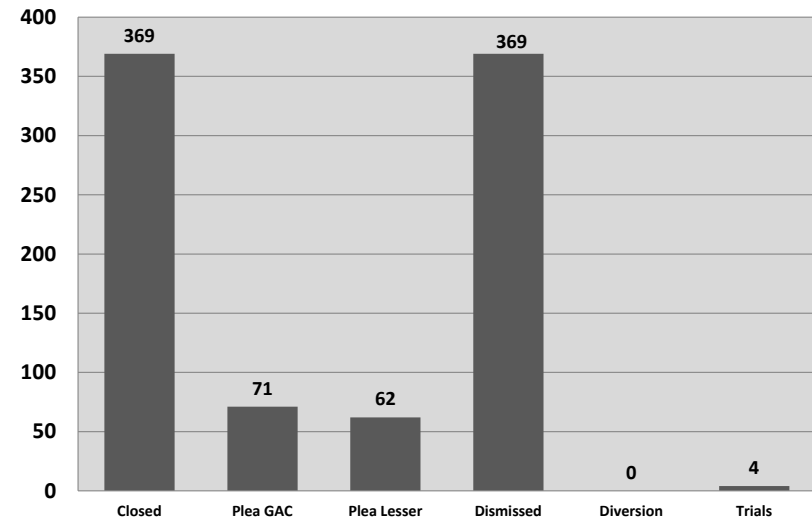
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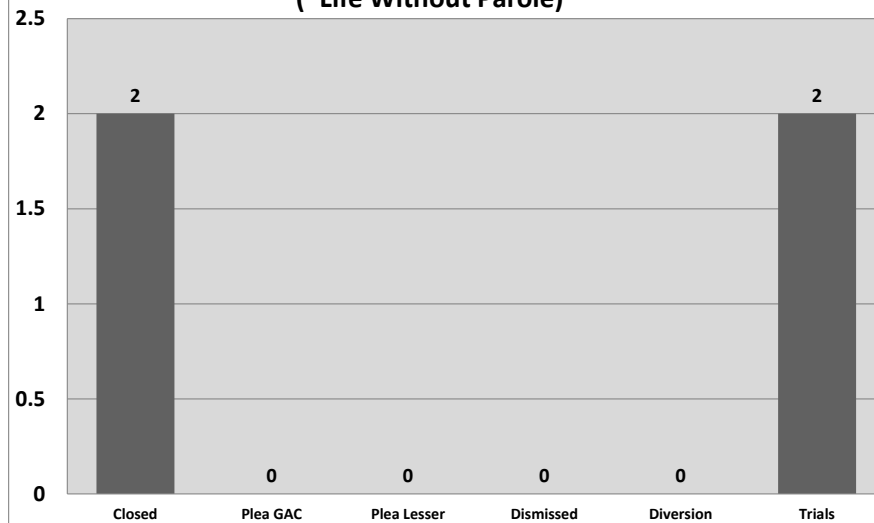
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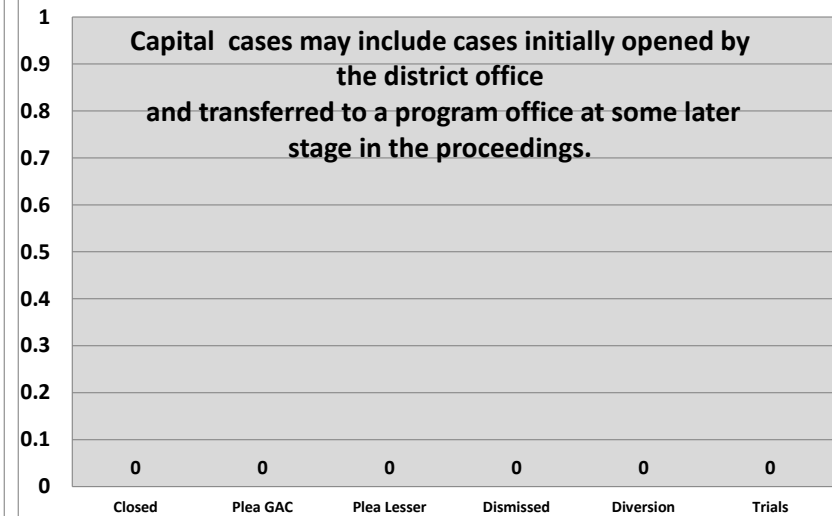
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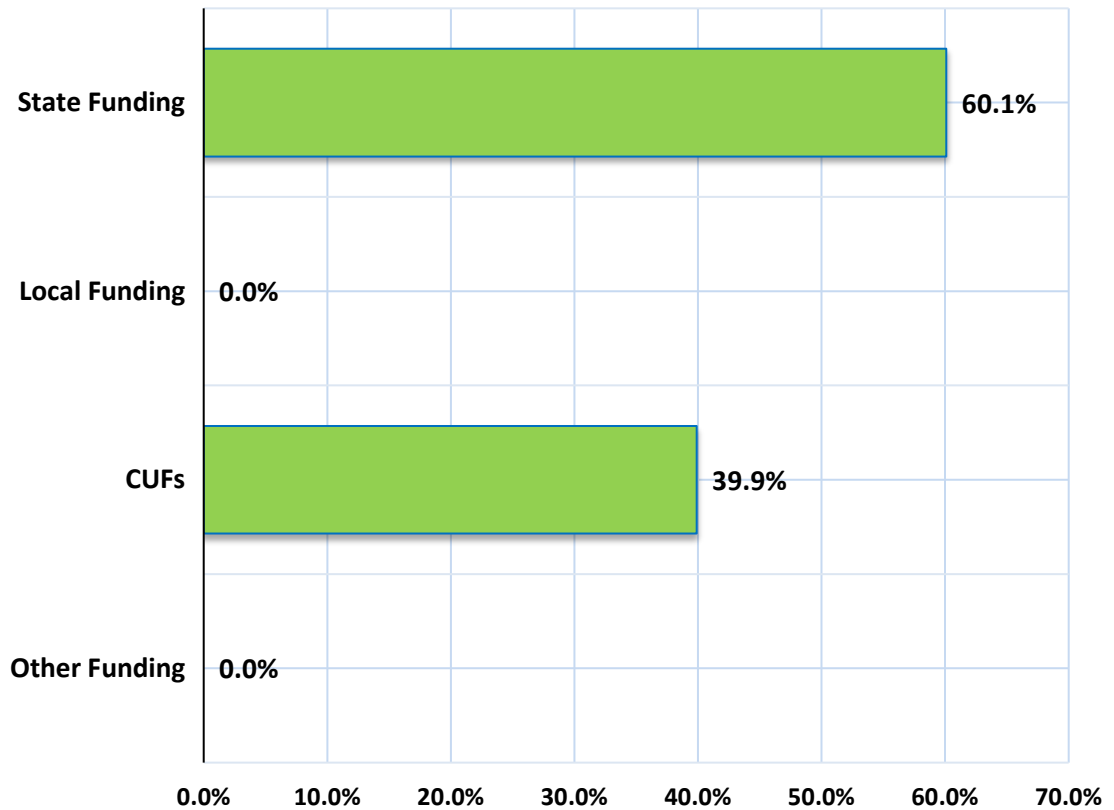
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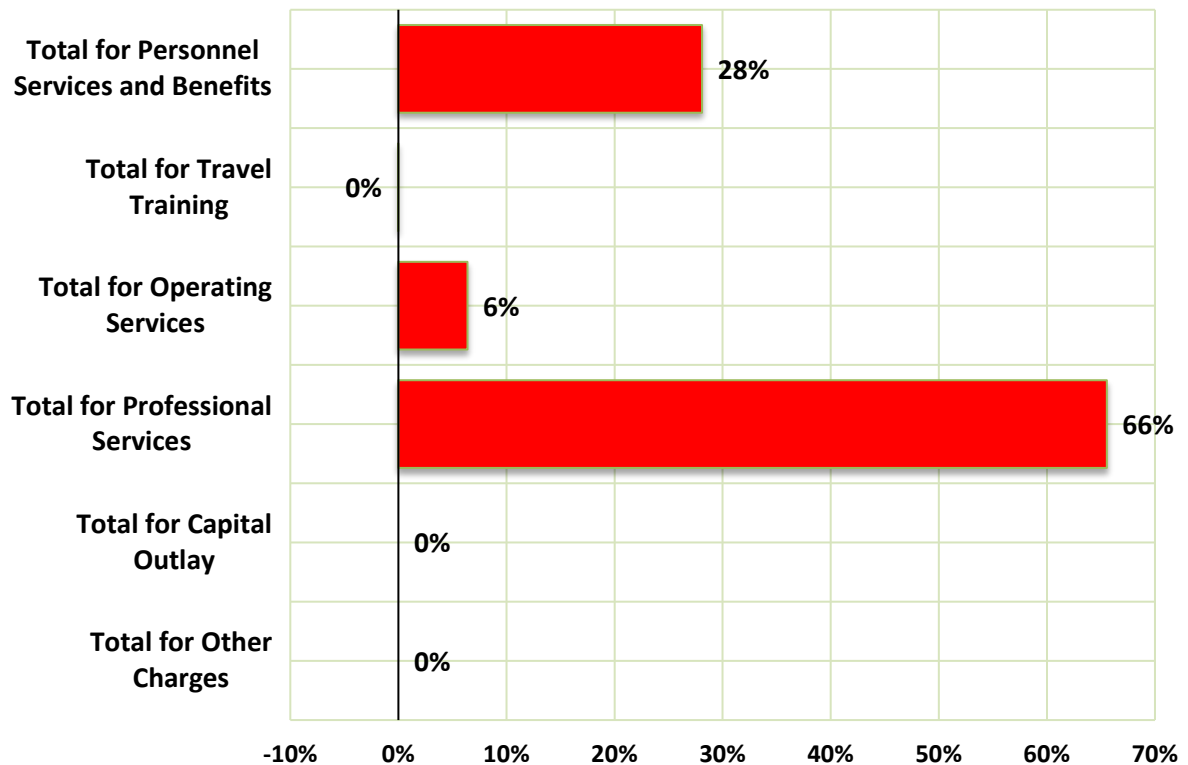
District 10 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brett Brunson</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	350
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>350</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	296,521
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	48,933
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>345,454</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	22,300
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	43,969
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	132,120
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	26,212
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>202,301</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	4,956
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>4,956</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>229,556</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>575,360</b>

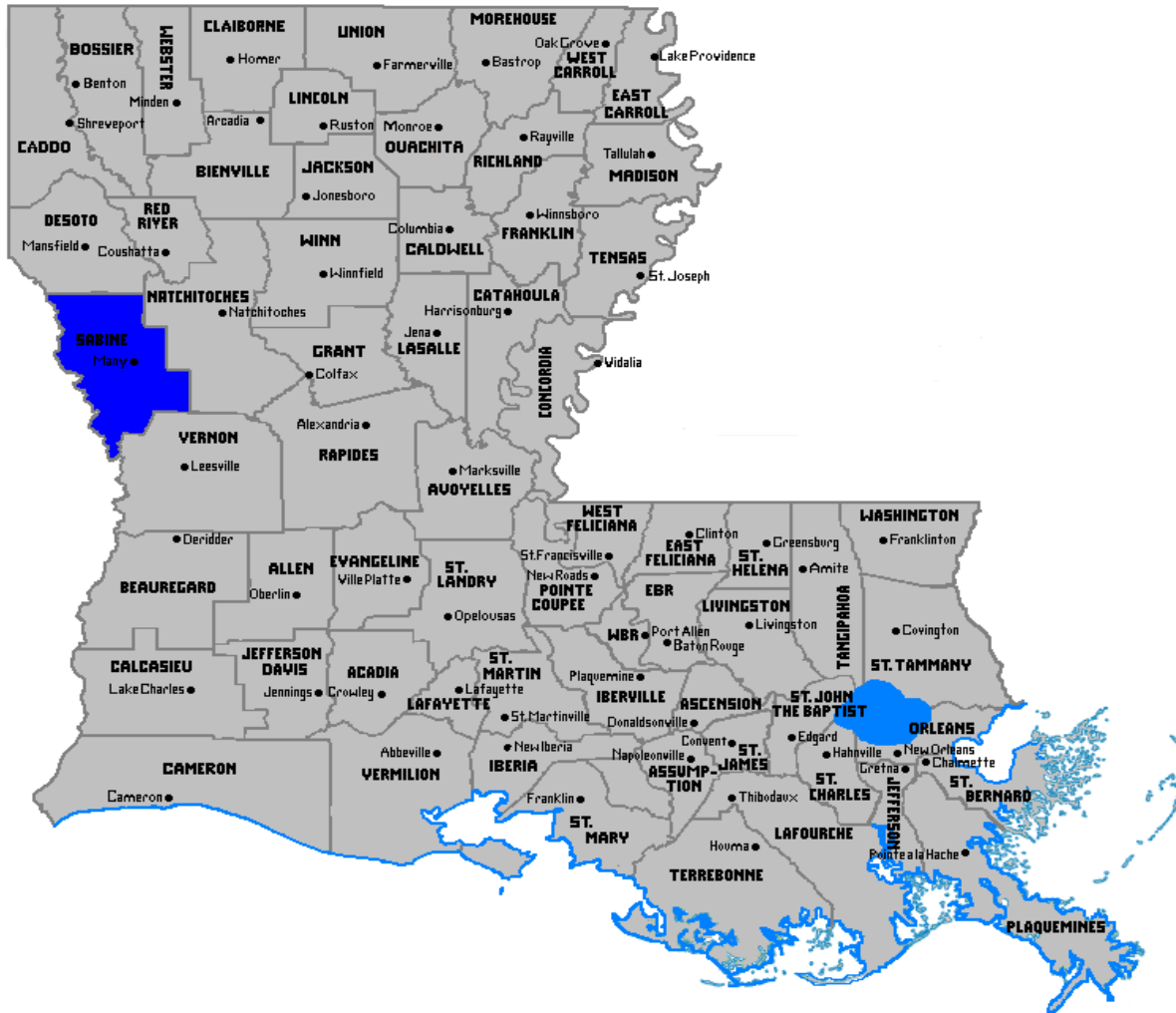
District 10 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brett Brunson</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	148,317
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	11,346
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>159,664</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	(148)
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>(148)</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	1,183
Insurance - Malpractice	7,585
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	935
Insurance - Other	746
Lease - Office	12,000
Lease - Auto/Equipment	740
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	2,209
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	4,201
Dues and Seminars	1,513
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	2,964
Office Supplies	2,182
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>36,258</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	7,189
Contract Clerical	29,300
Expert Witness	517
Investigators	30,000
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	10,000
Contract Attorneys - all other	295,295
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>372,301</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	-
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>568,075</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

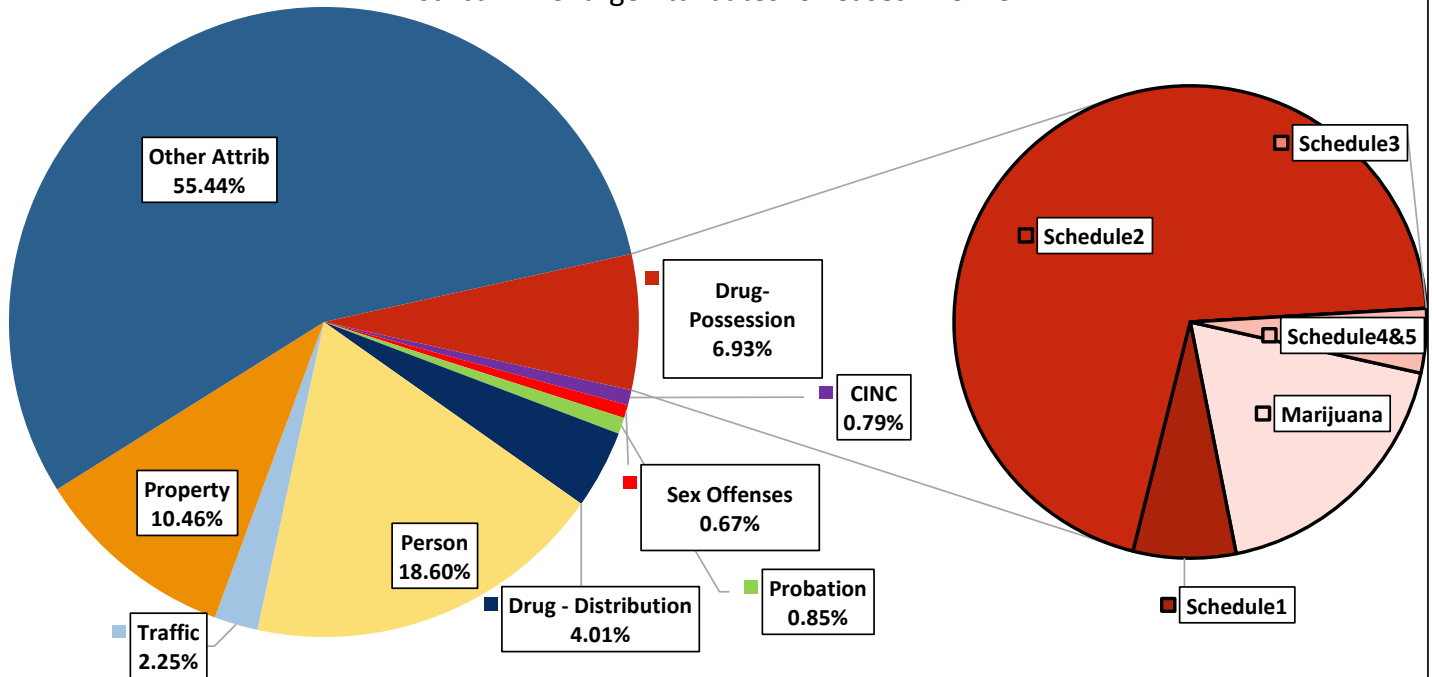




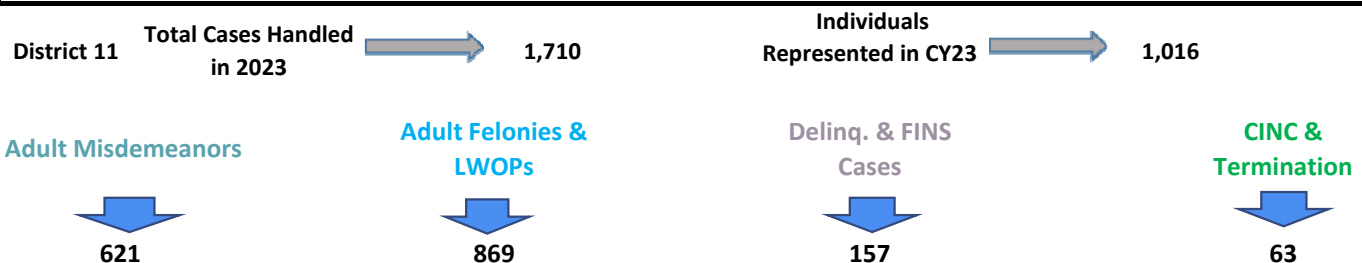
THE 11<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
SABINE (MANY)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: BRIAN C. McRAE  
94 POLK ST., SUITE 202  
MANSFIELD, LA 71052  
(318) 872-6250

District 11 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23



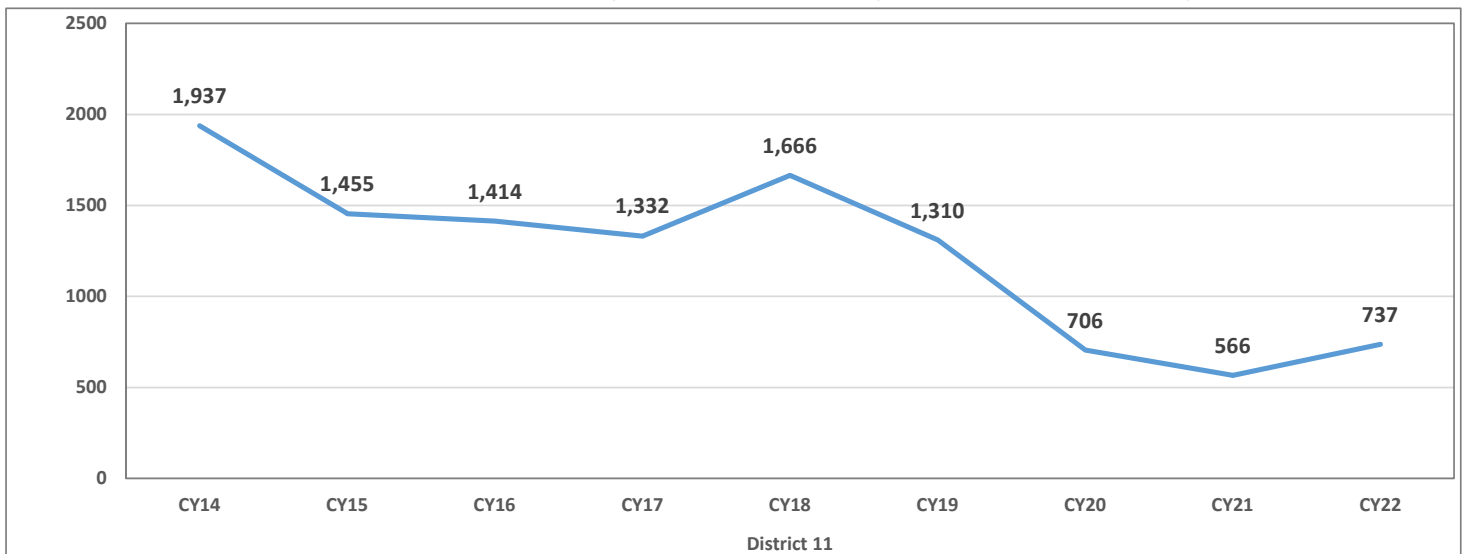
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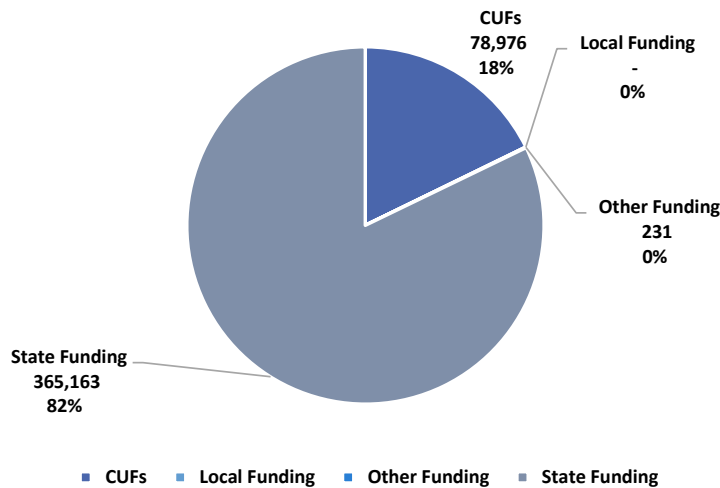


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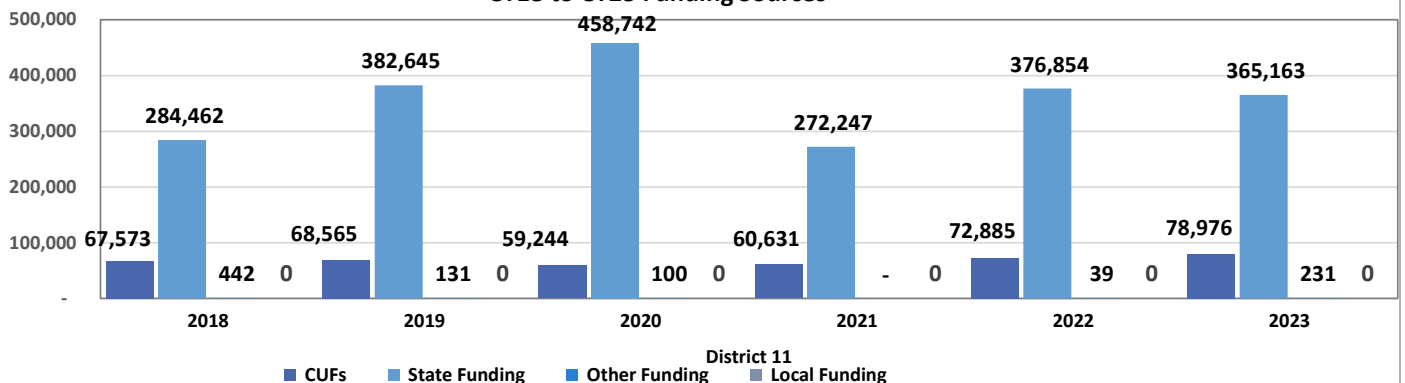
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**District 11 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 11th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$444,370 in total revenues. The office is reliant on state supplemental assistance as only 18% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 11<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Sabine - Many
<b>Population</b>	21,985
<b>District Defender</b>	Brian C. McRae
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	3
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	28
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	94 Polk St., Suite 202
<b>City</b>	Mansfield
<b>ZIP</b>	71052
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Open 8:00 - 4:00, Monday thru Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-872-6250
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 1004 Mansfield La. 71052
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-872-6262
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Brian C. McRae
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-286-2486
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-461-3218
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Cheri Sewell Cell : 318-461-3218
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Citizen's National Bank
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	11 JDC Sabine Parish, Many, Louisiana, Mayor's Court, Many, Louisiana
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	One division
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Sabine Parish Detention Center, P.O. Box 1550, Many La. 71449
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center, Coushatta La.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Don M. Burkett
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Verity Gentry
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Verity Gentry
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Critical shortfall in revenue. The 11th has little/no concern and is unwilling to change anything. Uncertainty in revenue source makes it difficult to plan and impossible to grow and improve my program.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Health Insurance

<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Chief Defender - Brian C. McRae, Assistant District Defender - Richard Woolbert, and staff contract attorneys.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Larry Bagley, State Representative, Louie Bernard, Senator
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Tighter Database Supervising

### 11th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

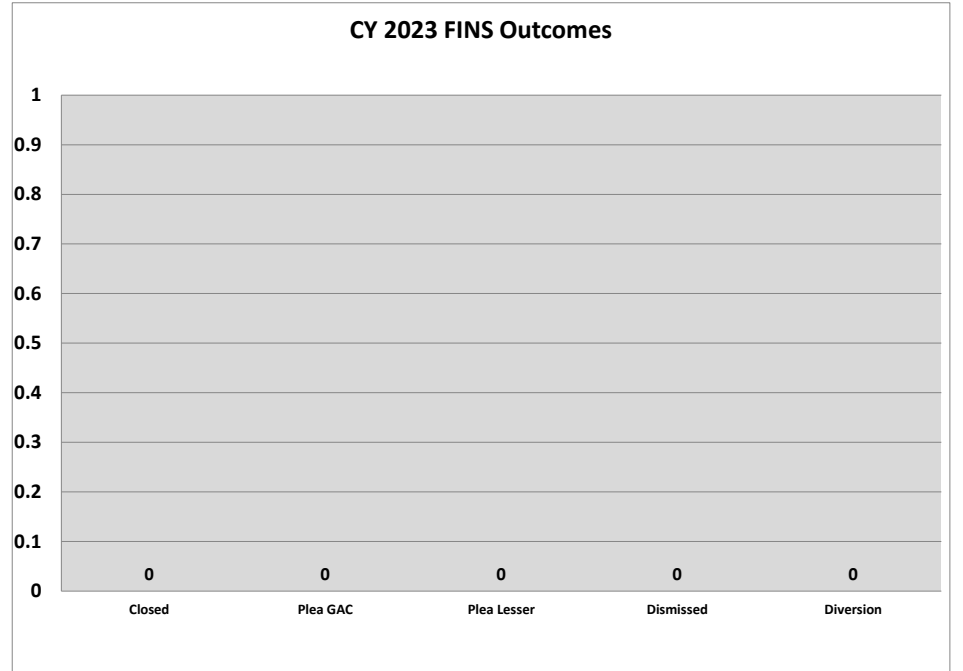
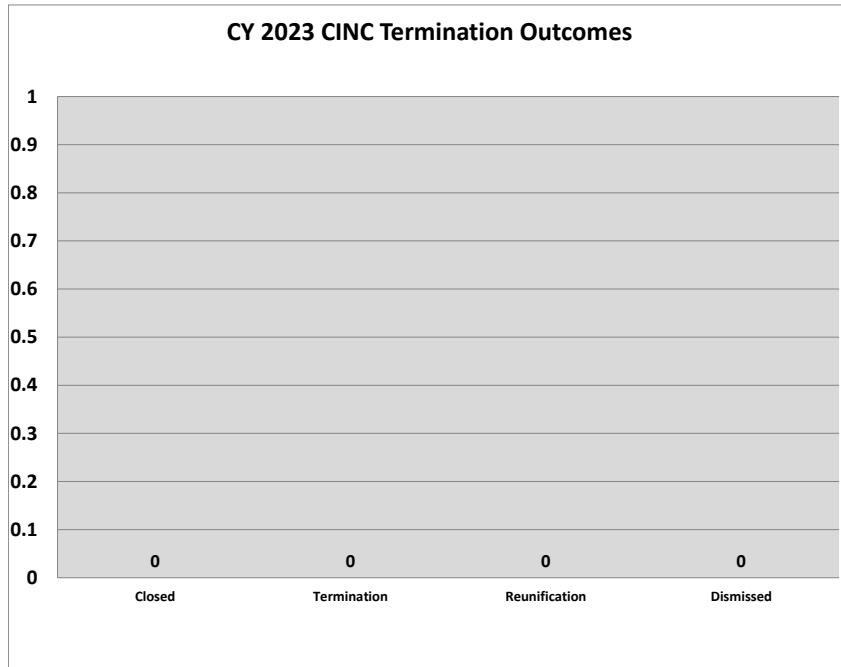
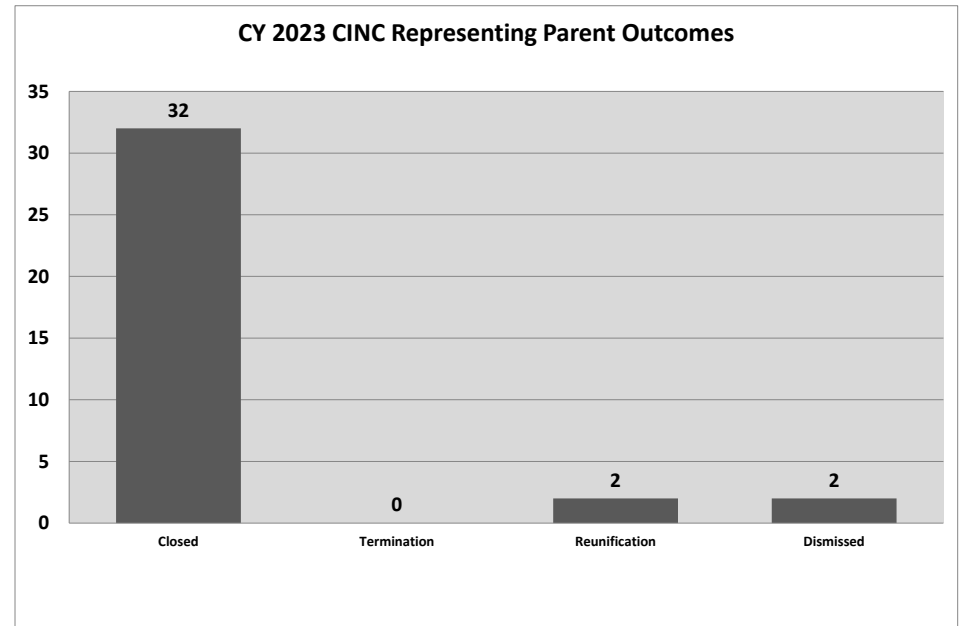
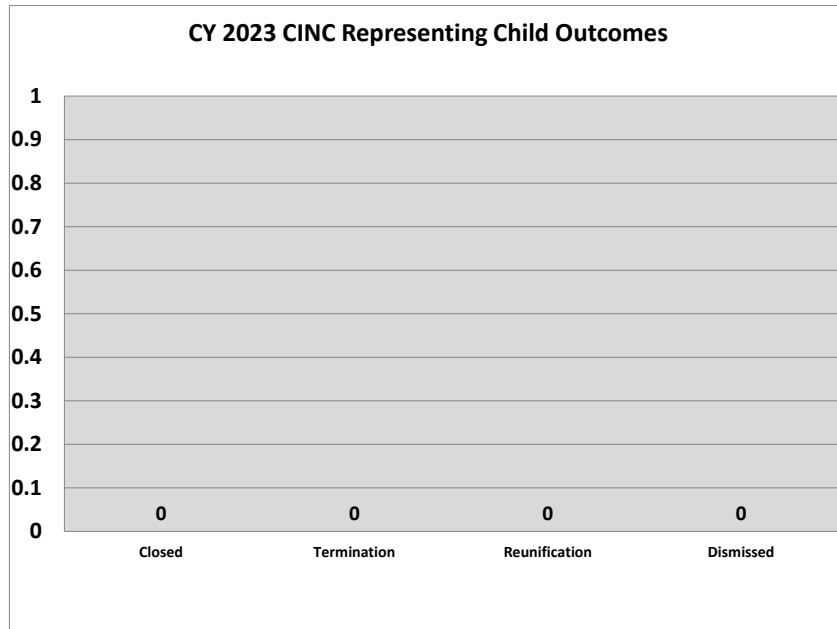
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	18	32	45	63	0	2	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	131	75	2	133	N/A	N/A	28	0	5	9	N/A	N/A	1	0	1
Delinquency Felony	23	19	1	24	N/A	N/A	9	0	17	0	N/A	N/A	0	3	3
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	345	298	276	621	N/A	N/A	59	5	158	0	0	0	2	3	5
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	362	316	416	778	N/A	N/A	87	44	141	0	0	1	0	1	2
Adult LWOP	4	8	9	13	N/A	N/A	0	2	5	0	0	2	0	0	2
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	72	27	6	78	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

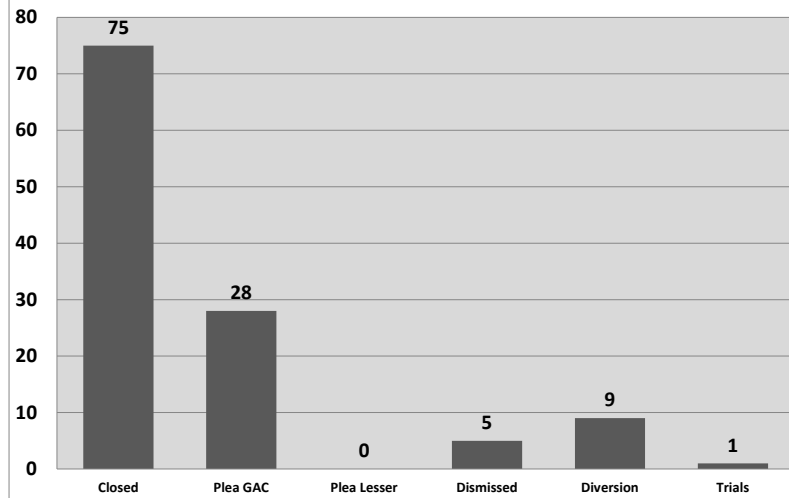
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

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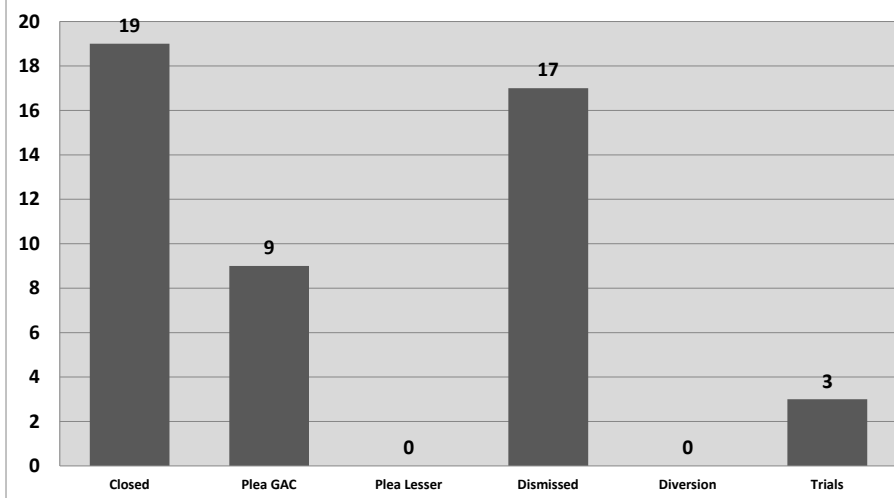
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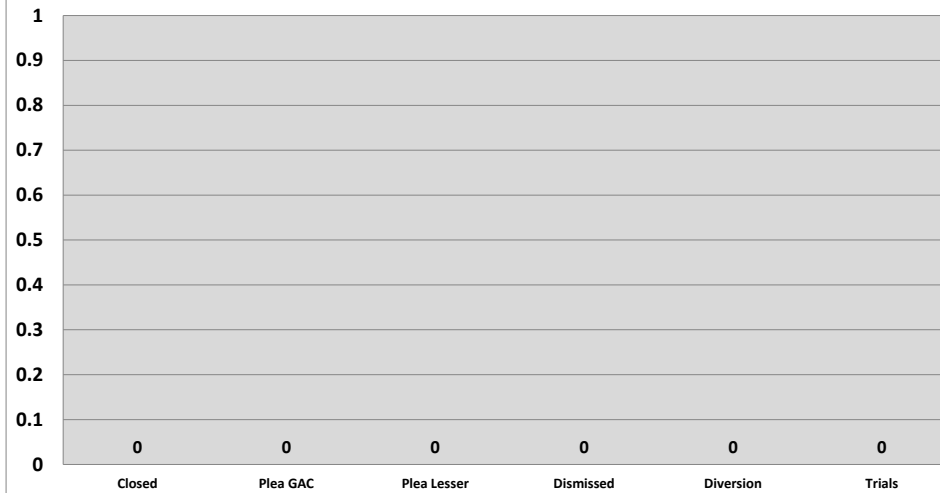
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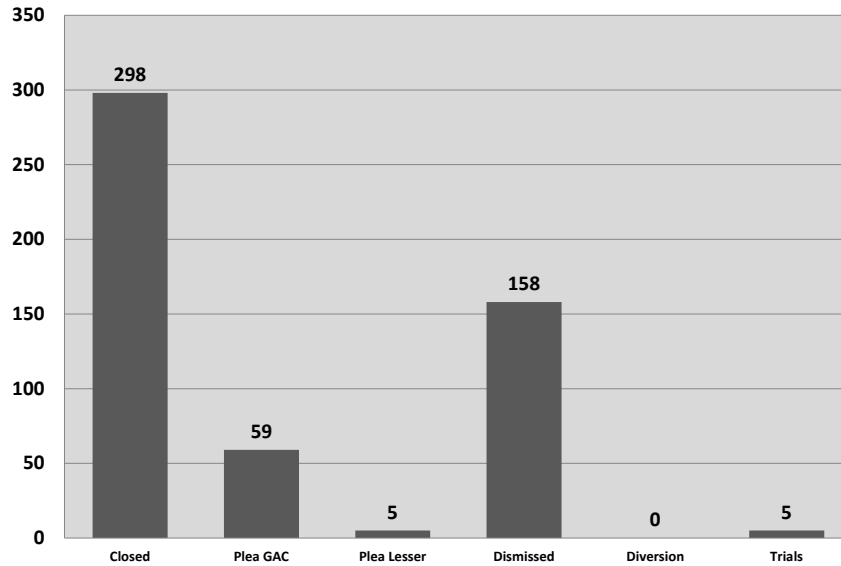
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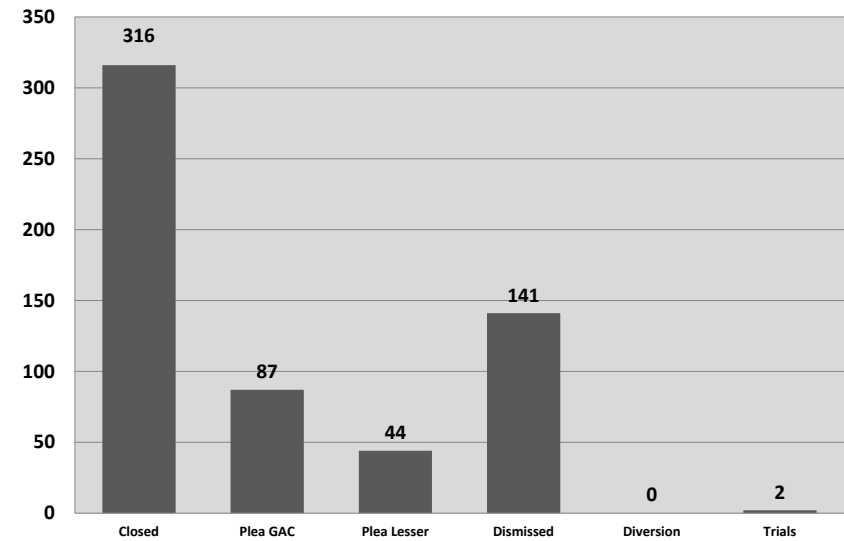
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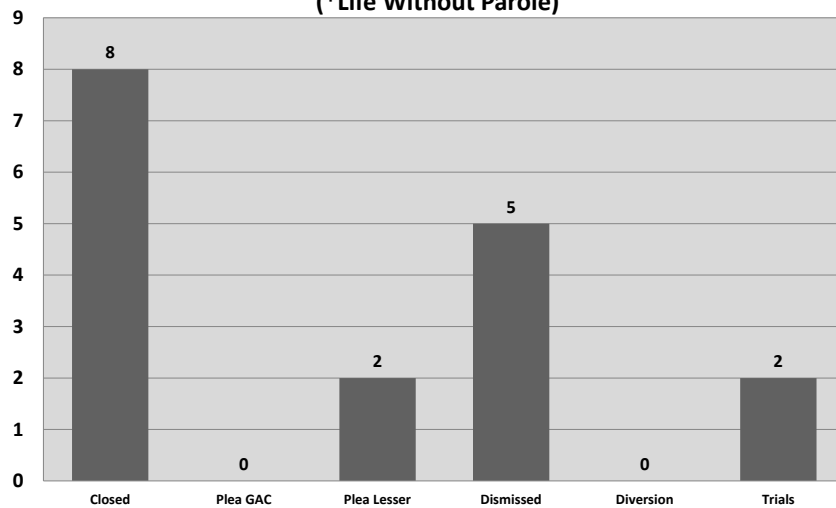
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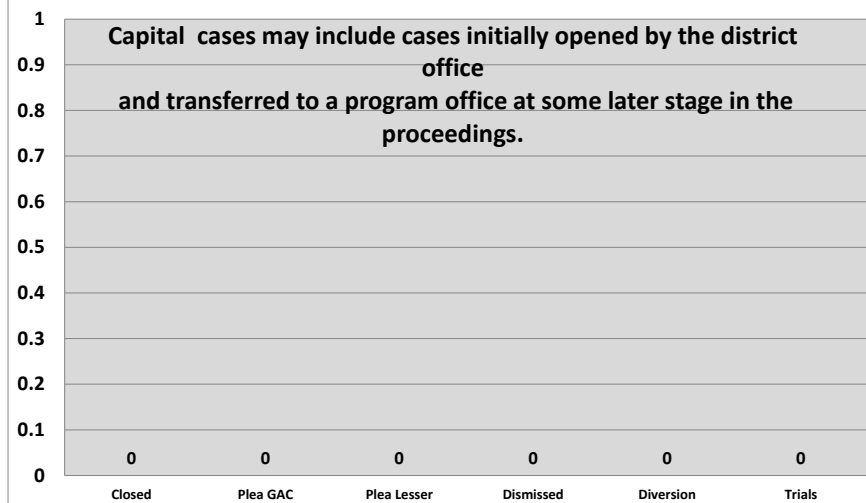
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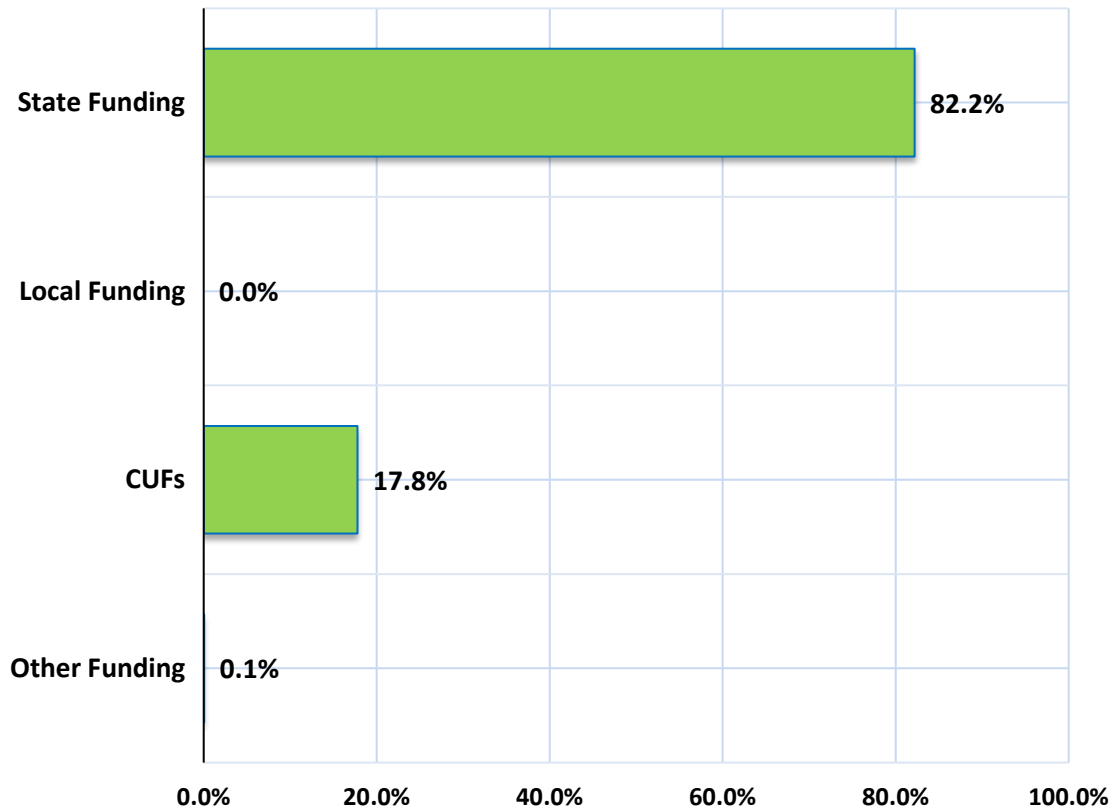




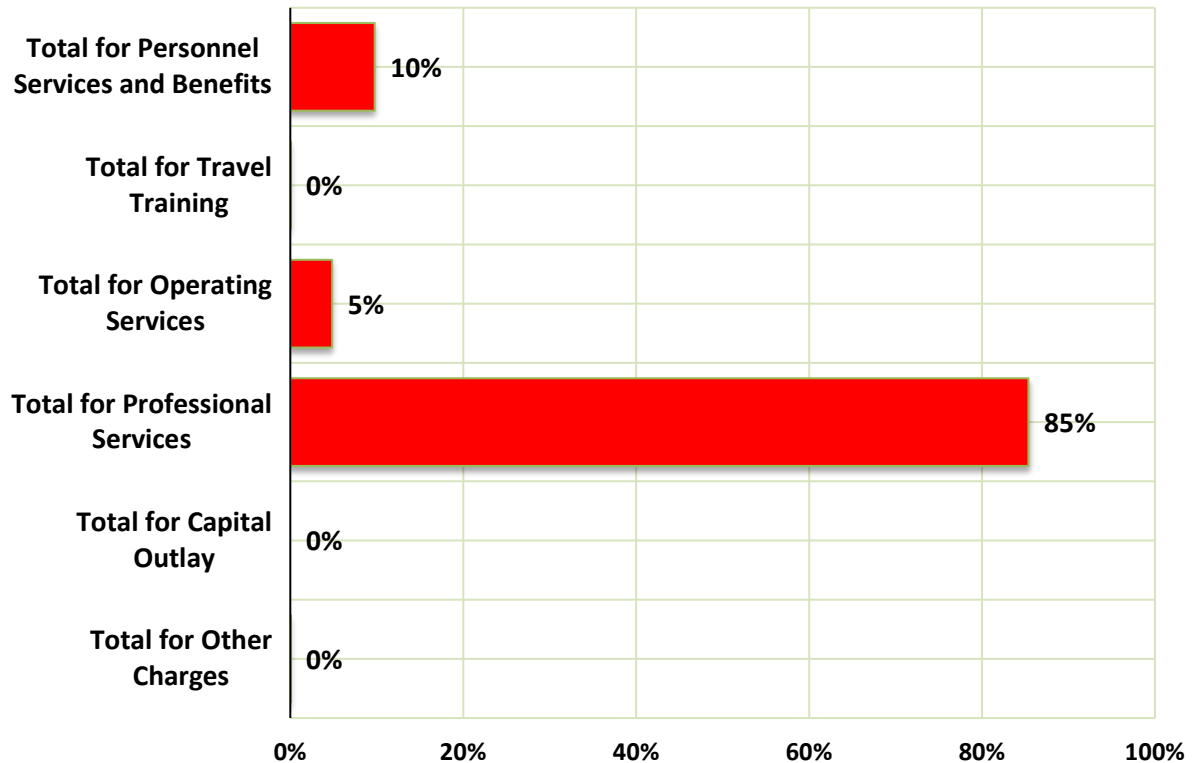
District 11 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brian McRae</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	436
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>436</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	5,706
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	359,020
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>364,726</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	17,487
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	11,278
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	2,160
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	30,435
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>43,873</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	4,520
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	13,095
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>17,616</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>78,976</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	78
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	153
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>231</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>444,369</b>

District 11 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brian McRae</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	34,800
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	2,662
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>37,462</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	41
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>41</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	10
Workers' Compensation	766
Insurance - Malpractice	3,040
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	655
Lease - Office	9,600
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	1,441
Dues and Seminars	883
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	-
Office Supplies	2,185
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>18,580</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	9,875
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	1,170
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	21,900
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	10,500
Contract Attorneys - all other	282,983
IT/Technical Support	958
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>327,386</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	12
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>383,481</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

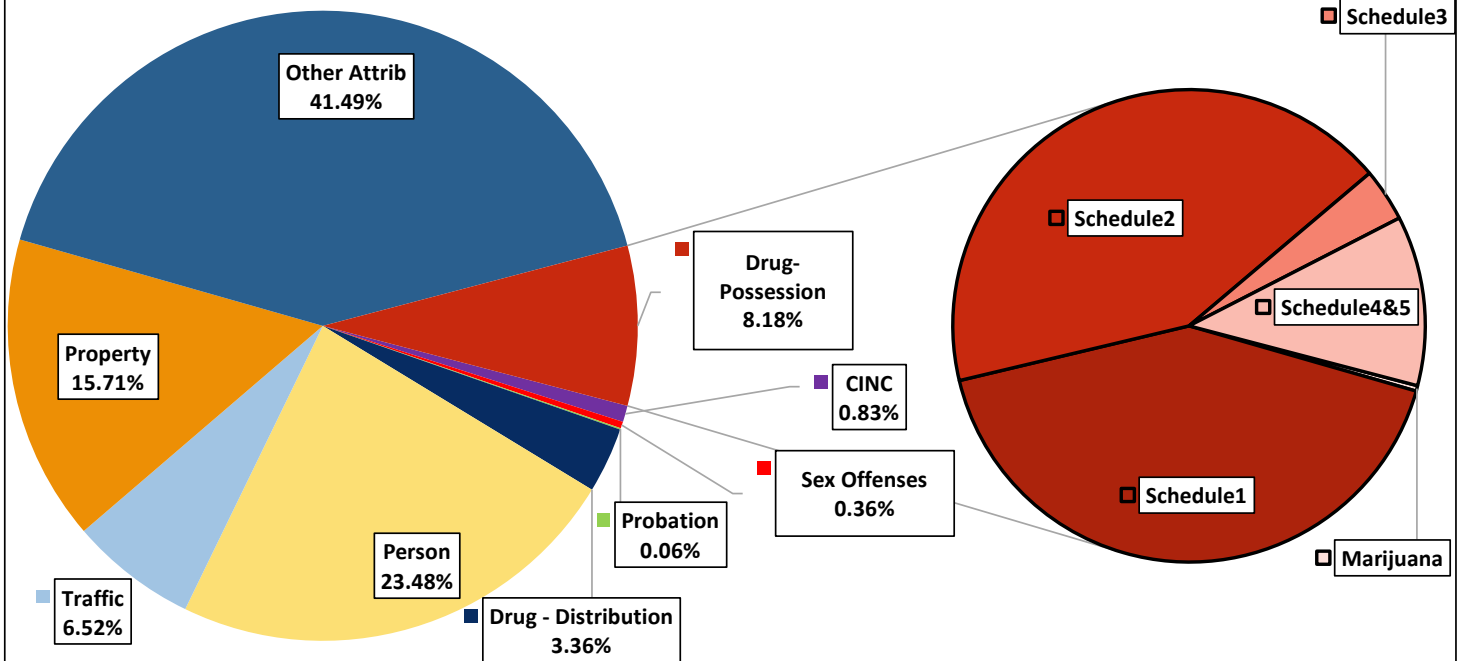




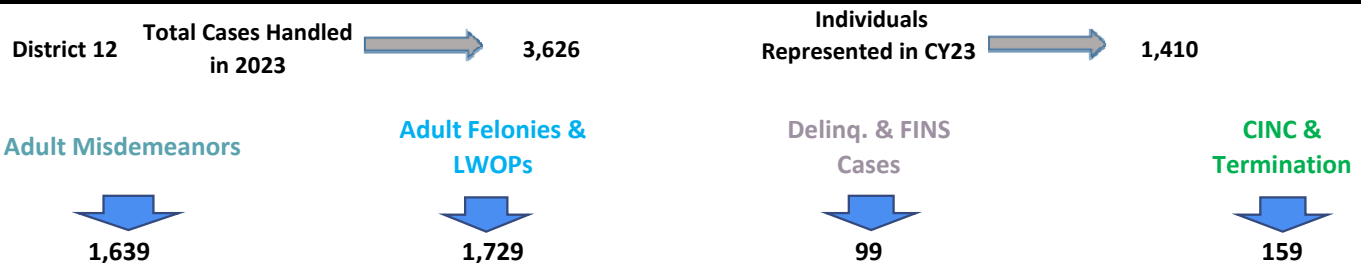
THE 12<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
AVOYELLES (MARKSVILLE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: CHAD GUILLOT  
312 TREASURE PLACE  
MARKSVILLE, LA 71351  
(318) 409-4617

District 12 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

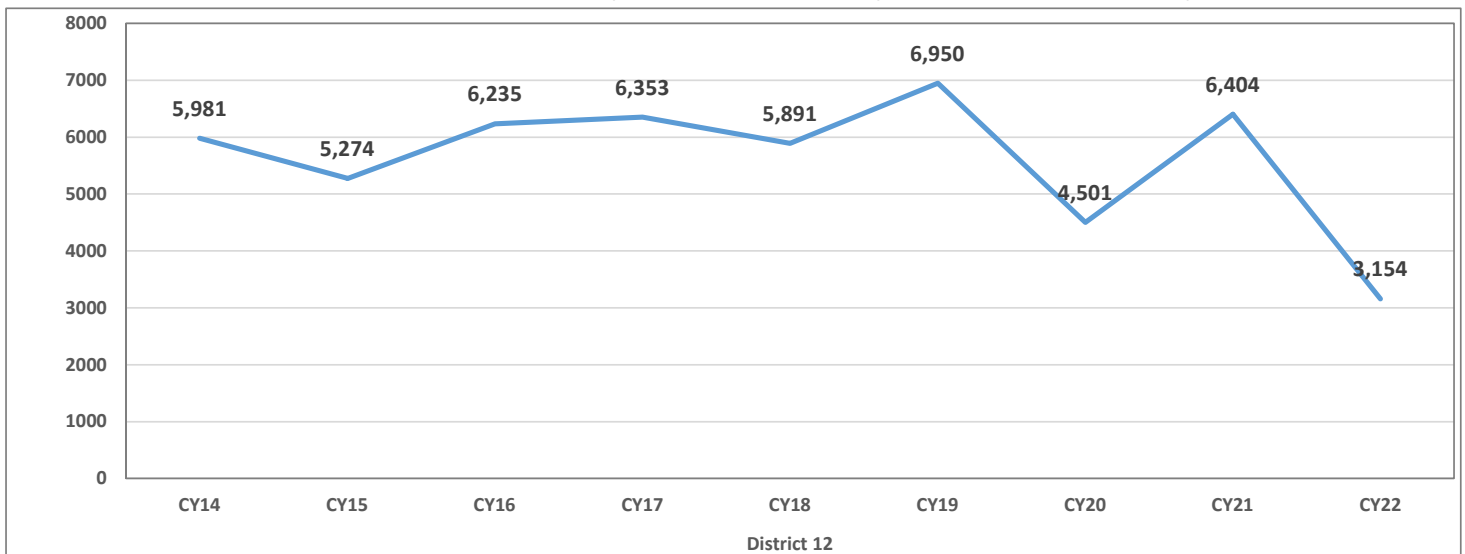


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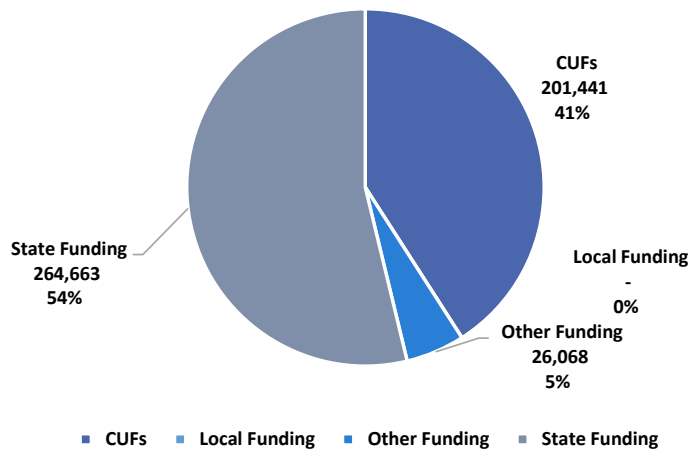
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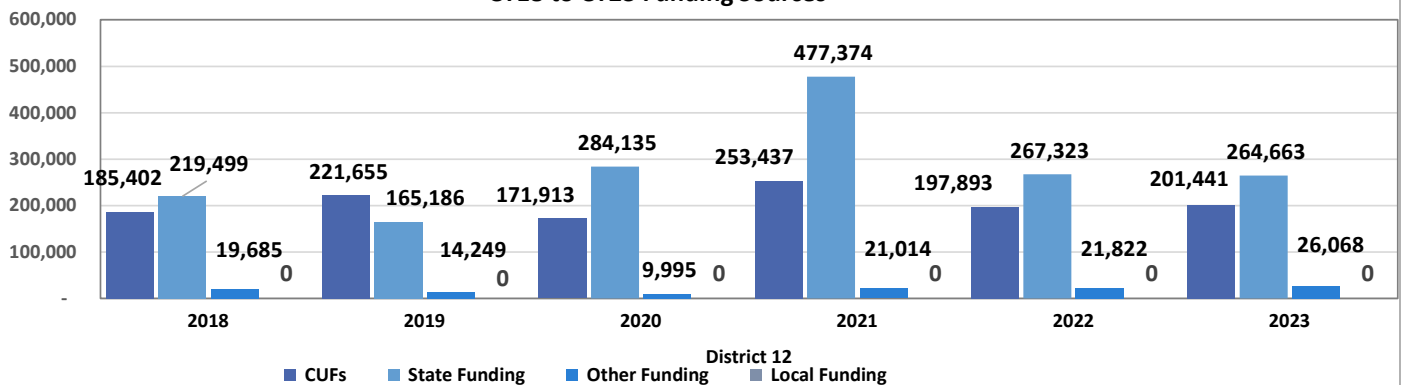
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**District 12 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 12th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$492,172 in total revenues. Forty-one percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive any funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 12<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Avoyelles - Marksville
<b>Population</b>	38,979
<b>District Defender</b>	Chad Guillot
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	<3
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	8
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	Yes, 20 hrs.
<b>Office Manager</b>	V. Elaine Benjamin
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	312 Treasure Place
<b>City</b>	Marksville
<b>ZIP</b>	71351
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	8-4 Mon-Thur and 8-12 Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-409-4617
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 111, Marksville, LA 71351
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-409-4070
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Chad Guillot
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-792-2192
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	V. Elaine Benjamin
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-359-0732
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	None
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO Owns building
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	12th Judicial District Court, Avoyelles Parish, Marksville; Marksville City Court; Bunkie City Court.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	4- 2 district court divisions 2 city courts.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Sheriff's Office / Men's Parish Jail; Cottonport Women's Prison.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Rapides (only for special cases - rare/frequent).
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Acadiana Center for Youth In Bunkie La.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Rapides (only for special cases - rare/frequent).
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No shackles before the Judge.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Charles Riddle, III
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Kerry Spruill
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	William Bennett District Court, Kerry Spruill, District Court, Angelo Piazza III Marksville City Court; Derrick Earles Bunkie City Court.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Kerry Spruill
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Find funding to insure continuing operations and to properly fund LWOP Cases. Provide a central file storage area for all closed P.D. files.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Violent crime is rising and the office needs more trial-ready attorneys. Because of the rise in violent crime, additional funding will likely be required for experts.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Had a "Not Guilty" verdict.



<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	12th JDC has 2 criminal court divisions with 2 defenders (1 senior & 1 junior) in each, along with the chief. Each junior has a more experienced senior attorney upon which they can get advice and experience. Juniors are asked to sit on senior trials and seniors are asked to monitor junior trials. Chief monitors all. Juvenile defender is responsible only to the client and the chief. Juvenile has 1 attorney & Misdemeanor has 2 attorneys. Chief takes the most serious felony cases and cases where there aren't enough attorneys to handle the case, such as where there are multiple co-defendants.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	V. Elaine Benjamin
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	12
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	2
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Darrel Deshotel-Rep, Heather Cloud-Senate
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	none

## 12th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

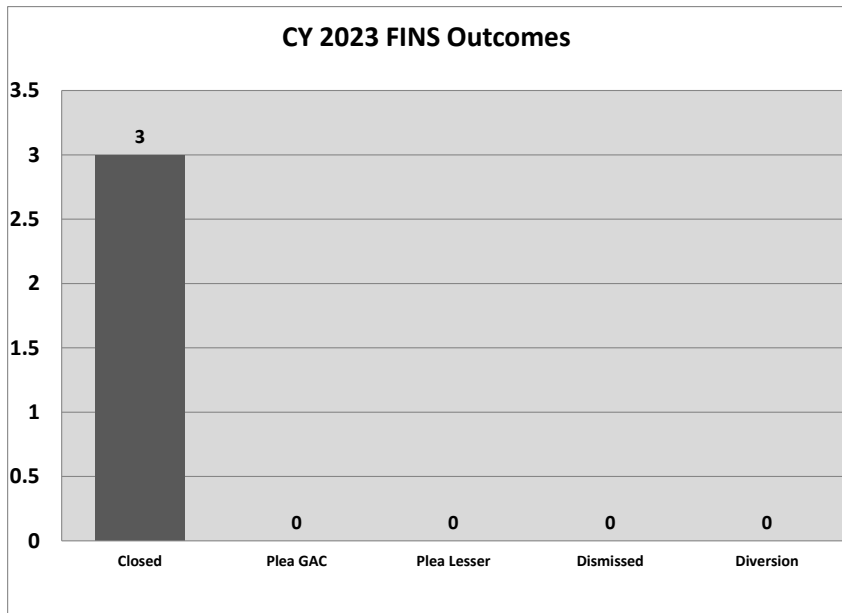
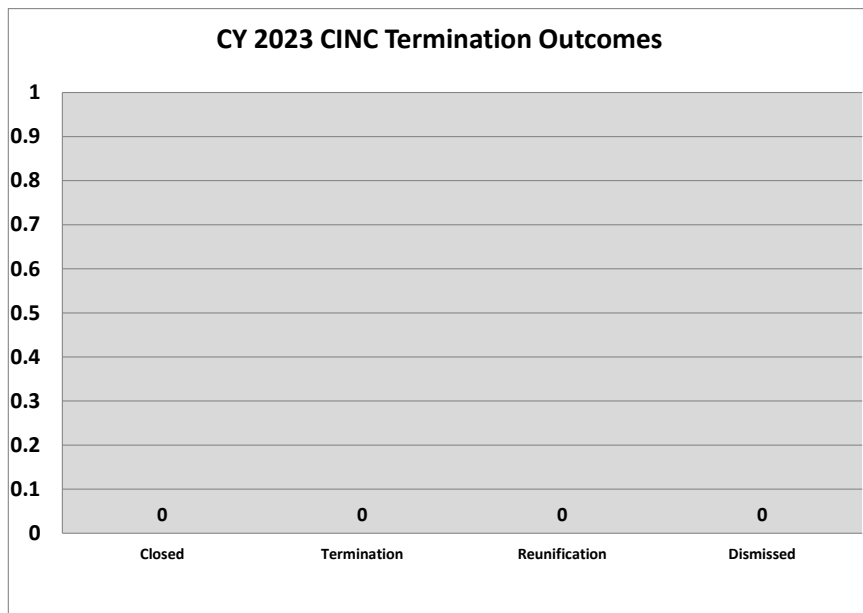
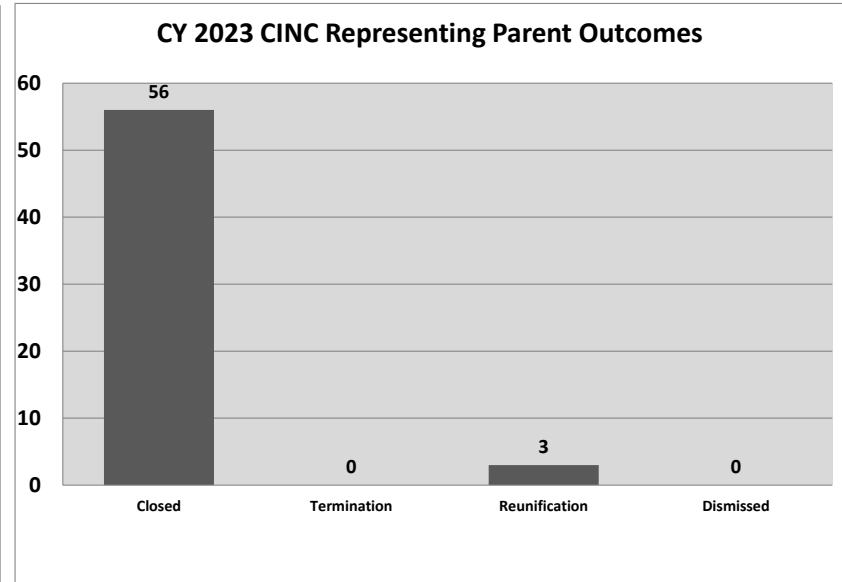
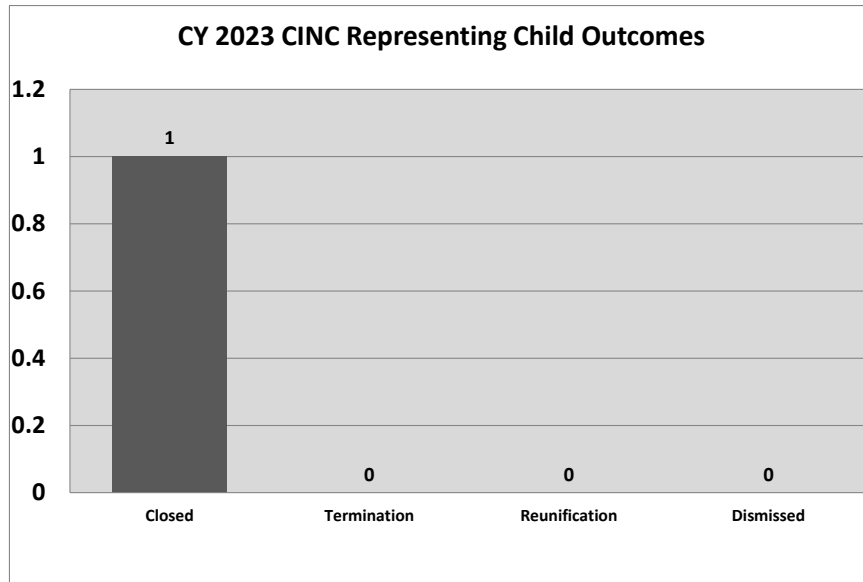
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	1	1	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	72	56	86	158	0	3	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	3	3	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	13	10	4	17	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	71	45	8	79	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	2	2
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	956	1069	683	1639	N/A	N/A	252	40	462	0	0	0	1	0	1
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	936	961	785	1721	N/A	N/A	248	130	374	0	2	3	2	1	8
Adult LWOP	2	8	6	8	N/A	N/A	1	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	2
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

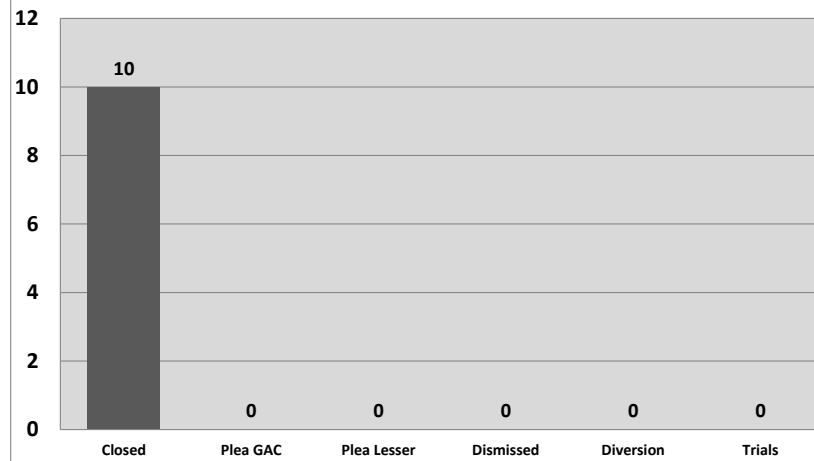
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

\*\*Life Without Parole

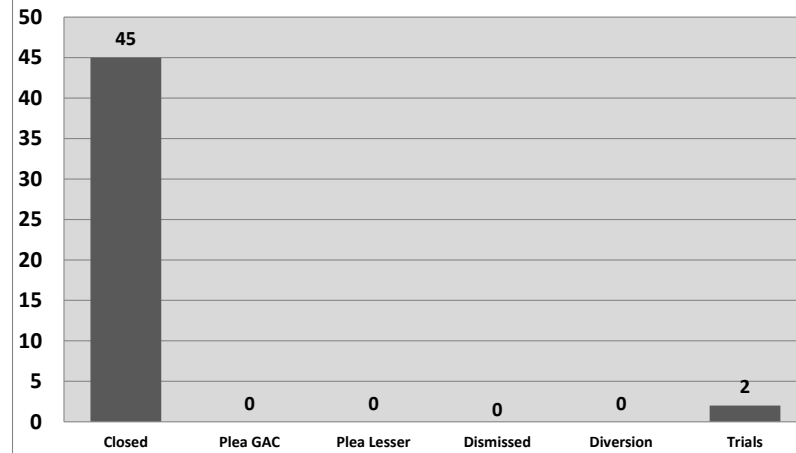
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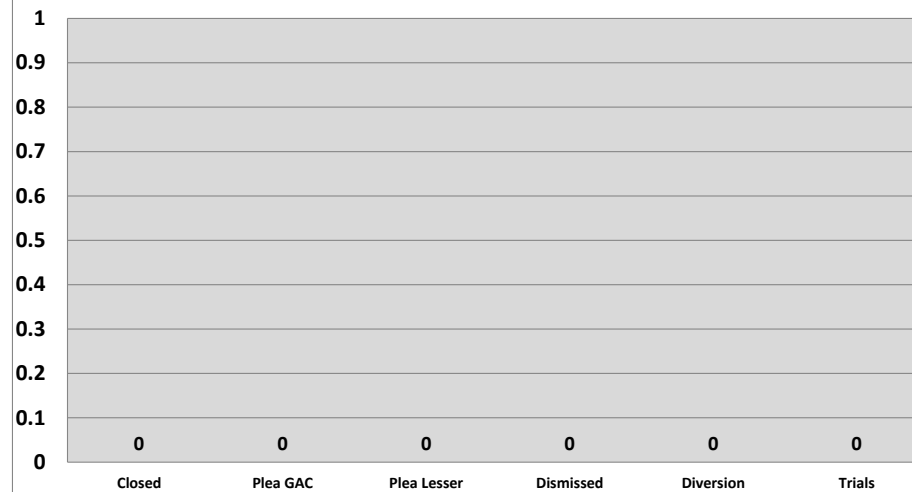
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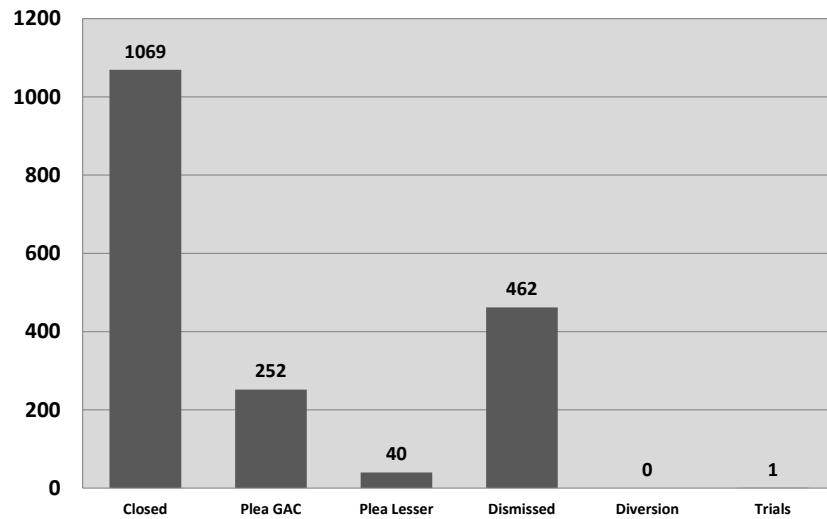
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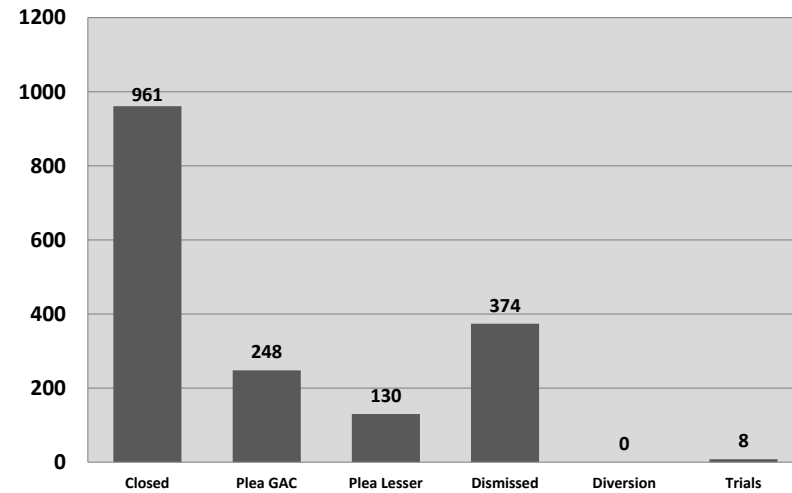
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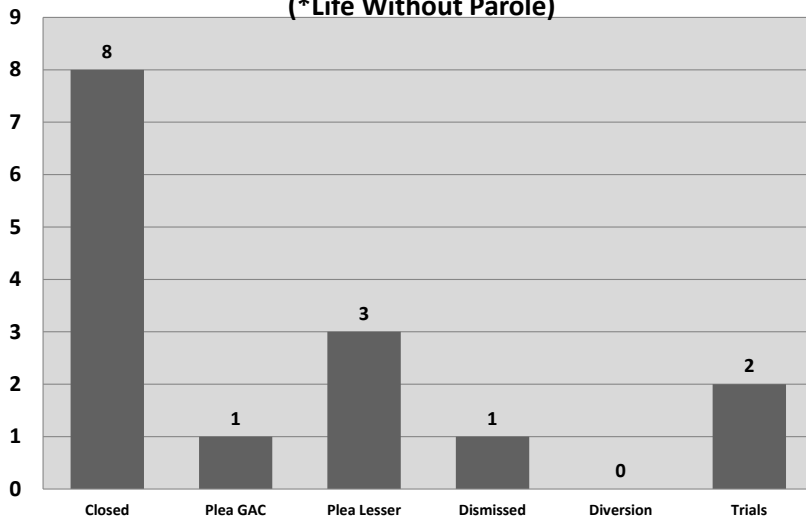
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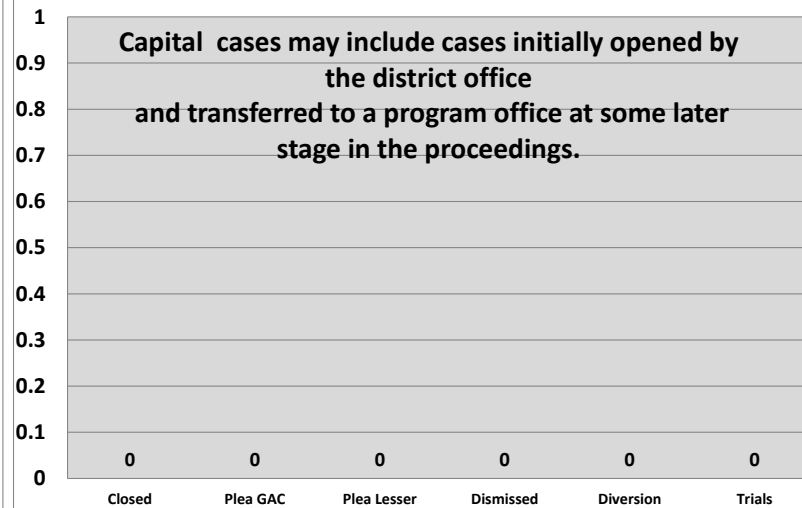
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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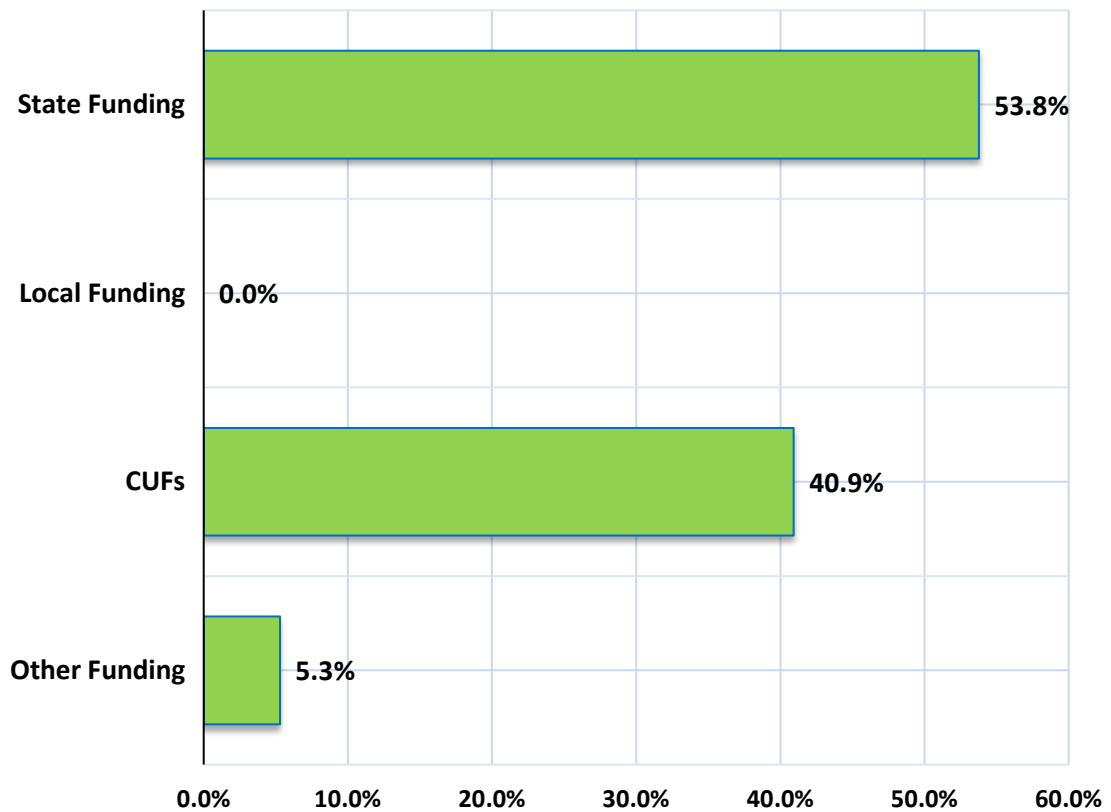
**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**



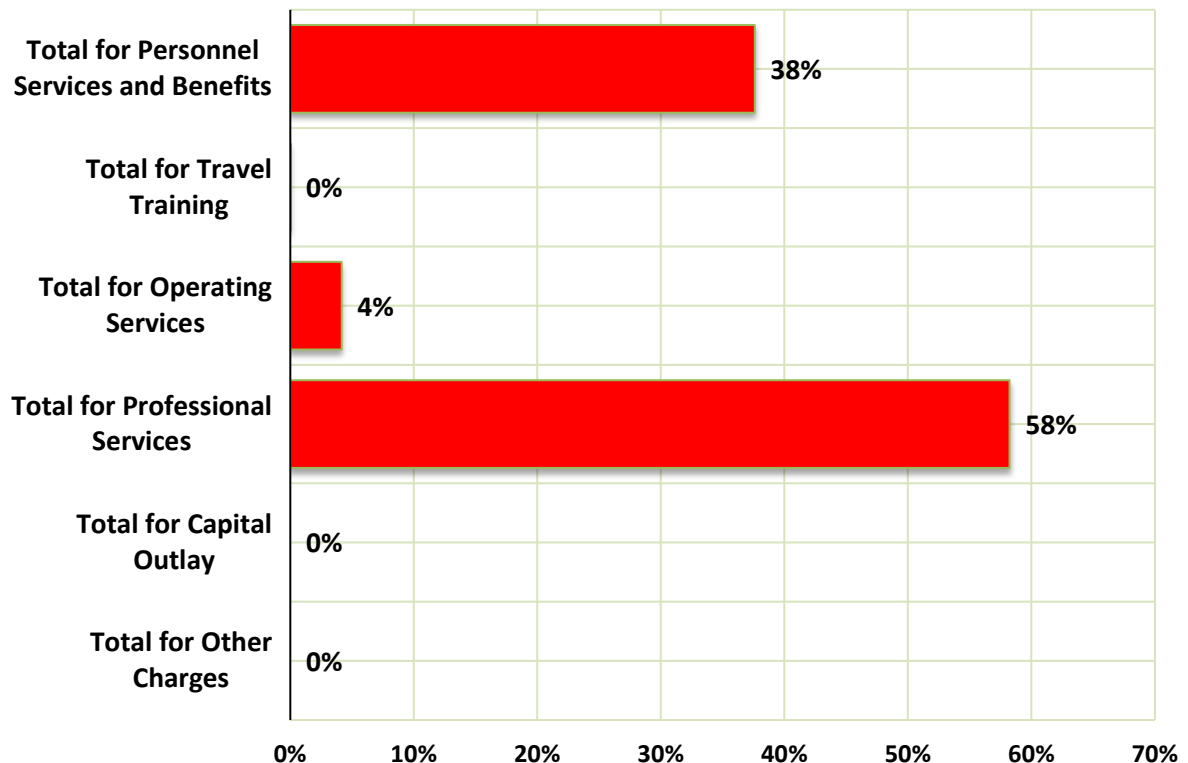
District 12 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Chad Guillot</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	408
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>408</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	264,255
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>264,255</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	39,846
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	36,135
Judicial District Courts	115,521
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	1,886
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	2,625
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>156,167</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	5,427
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	11,800
Other Local Income -List source(s)	10,770
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>27,997</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>224,011</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	3,498
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>3,498</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>492,172</b>

District 12 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Chad Guillot</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	163,482
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	2,749
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	4,159
Retirement	23,680
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>194,071</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	29
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>29</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	-
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	5,569
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	211
Lease - Other	372
Office Repair and Maintenance	710
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	11,915
Dues and Seminars	-
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	436
Office Supplies	2,298
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>21,510</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	10,980
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	7,100
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	111,500
Contract Attorneys - all other	170,600
IT/Technical Support	400
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>300,580</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	-
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>516,190</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



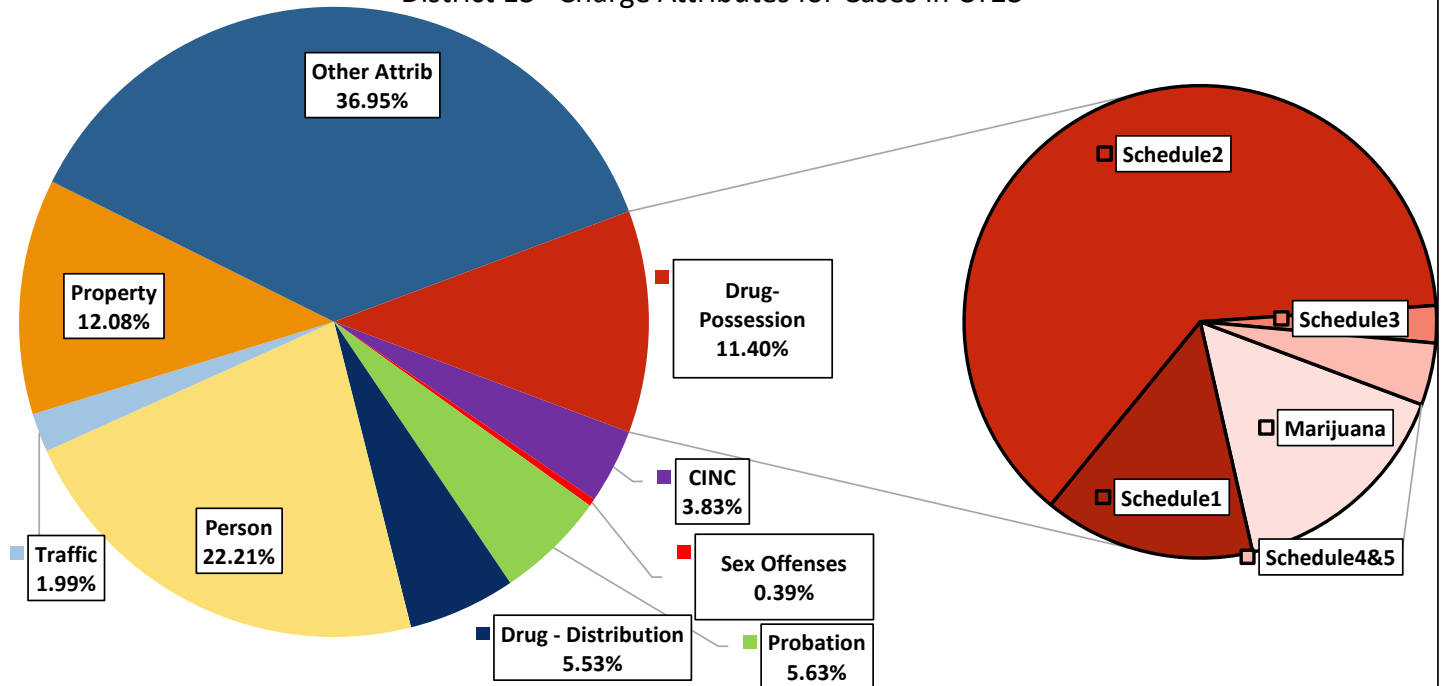




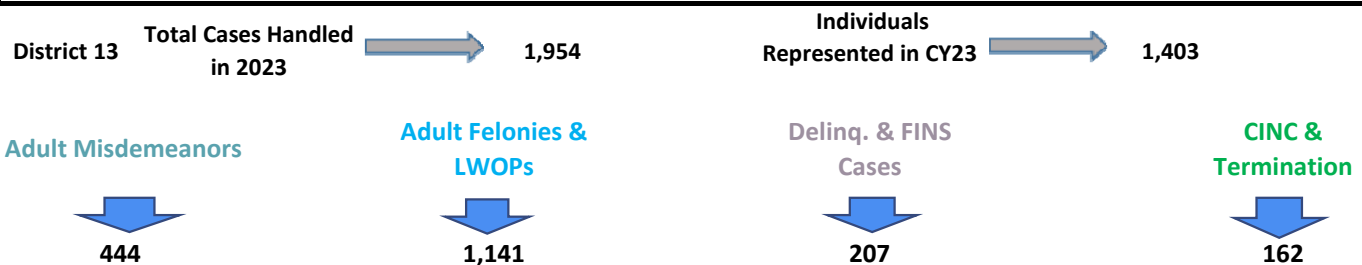
THE 13<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
EVANGELINE (VILLE PLATTE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: TRISHA WARD  
128 YOUNG STREET  
VILLE PLATTE, LA 70586  
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District 13 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

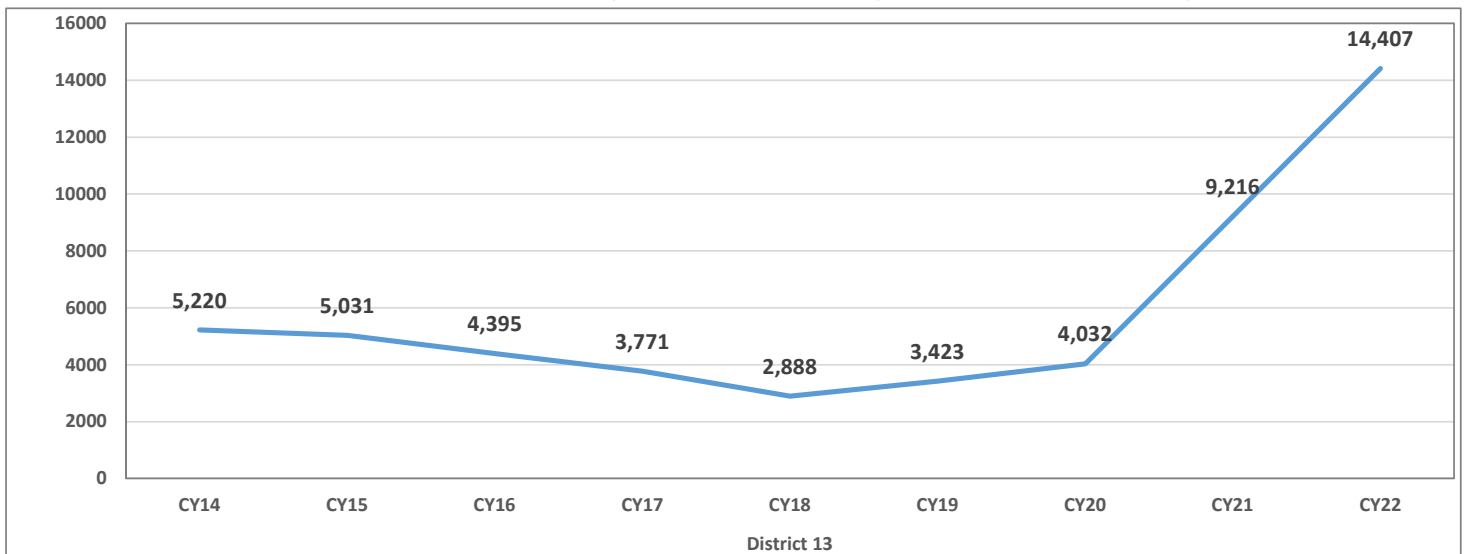


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 11.40% (223) of the 1,954 cases handled by the 13th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 63.2% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



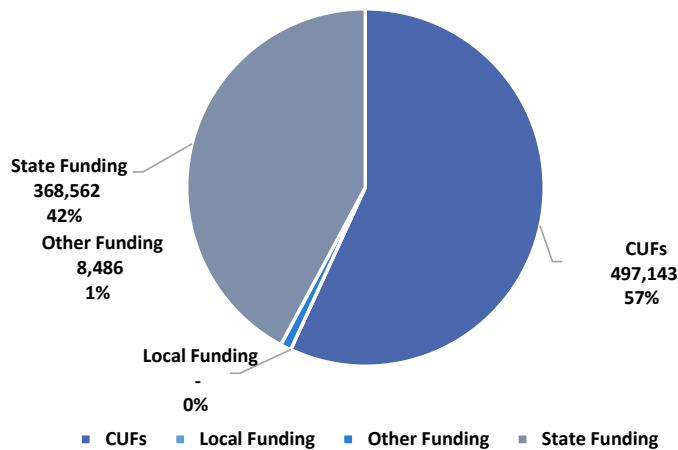
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



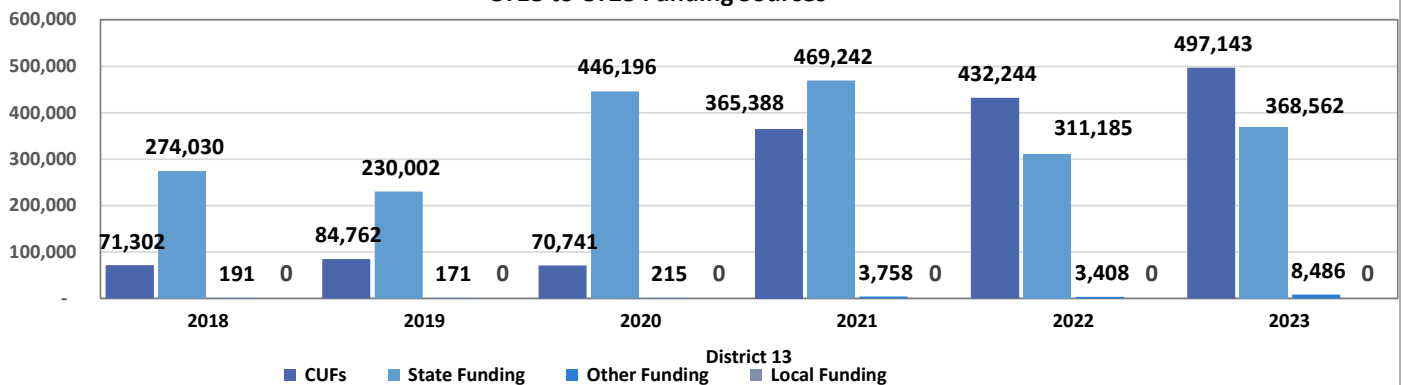
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 13th Judicial District increased by 56%. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to have increased for a fifth consecutive year.

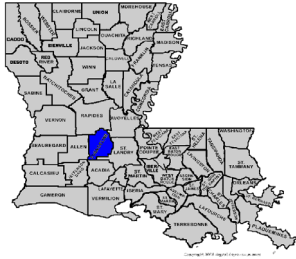
**District 13 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 13th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$874,191 in total revenues, a funding increase of nearly \$130,000. Fifty-seven percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by more than \$65,000, while state funding increased by more than \$57,000. The office did not receive any funding from city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 13<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Evangeline - Ville Platte
<b>Population</b>	31,861
<b>District Defender</b>	Trisha Ward
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	3
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	12
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Monica Manuel
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	128 Young Street
<b>City</b>	Ville Platte
<b>ZIP</b>	70586
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday - Thursday 8:30 to 4:30; Friday 8:30 to 12
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-363-3021
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	Same as street address
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-294-8125
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Trisha Ward
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	225-405-6884 - cell
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Monica Manuel
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-831-7125 (cell)
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	13th Judicial District Public Defender
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	13th Judicial District Court, Ville Platte, LA; Ville Platte City Court, Ville Platte, LA
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	District Court - 2 divisions; City Court - 1 division.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Evangeline Parish Sher. Dept., Ville Platte, LA; Mamou City Jail, Mamou, LA; Ville Platte City Jail, Ville Platte, LA.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Avoyelles Women's; Avoyelles Sheriff's Office (Men); Madison Correctional; Bayou Correctional (In Madison); Madison LTCW (Women); Lasalle; Concordia; Lafayette Parish Jail, St. Landry Parish Jail; Hunt.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Trent S. Brignac
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Chuck R. West
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Chuck R. West and Marcus Fontenot - District Court; Gregory Vidrine - City Court
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Sufficient funding.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Increase funding and hire a Social Worker.

<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	District Defender selected as Panelist for ABA Public Defense Summit; State v. Jasmine Gallow (office won acquittal against the Attorney General's office in a second-degree murder case). The two attorneys received the LACDL Blackstone Award for their work.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The District Defender supervises the attorneys; Monica Manuel supervises the administrative staff.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Medical coverage for full time employees. We cover the cost of employees and employees cover the costs of dependents. Contract Attorneys have access through the Police Jury to Health Insurance. Cost covered in full by Contract Attorneys.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	1
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	1
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	State Representative - Rhonda Butler; State Senator - Heather Cloud, Both of the 38th District
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Increased office reliance on investigative assistance; moved to paperless office.

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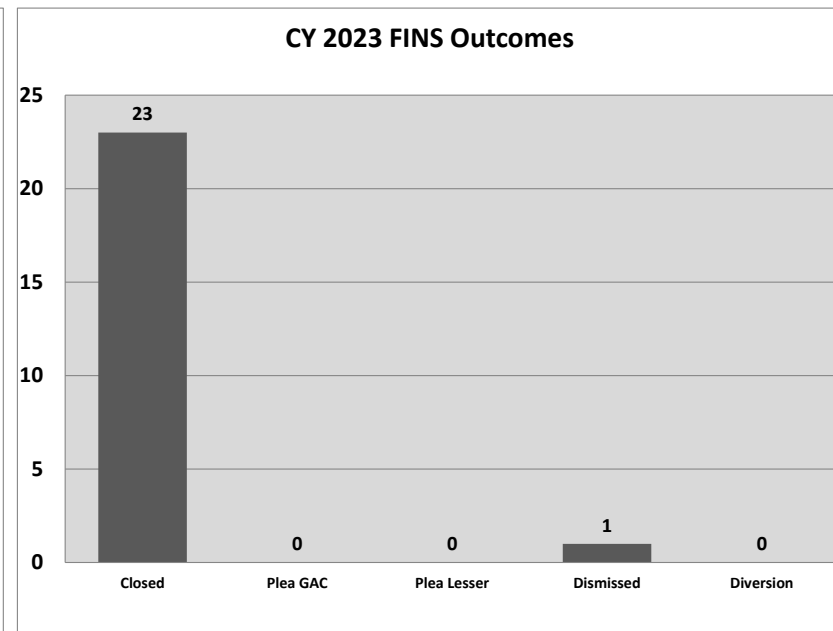
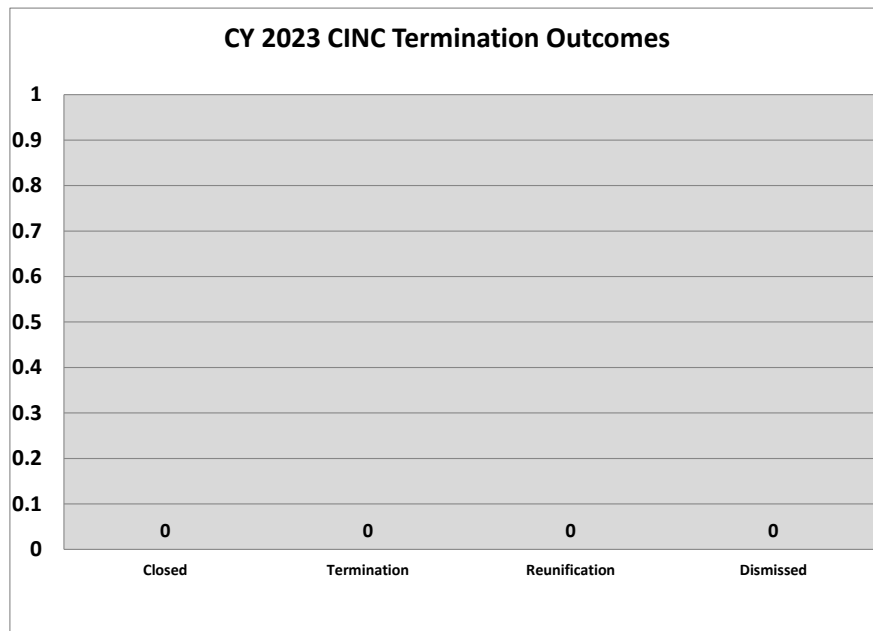
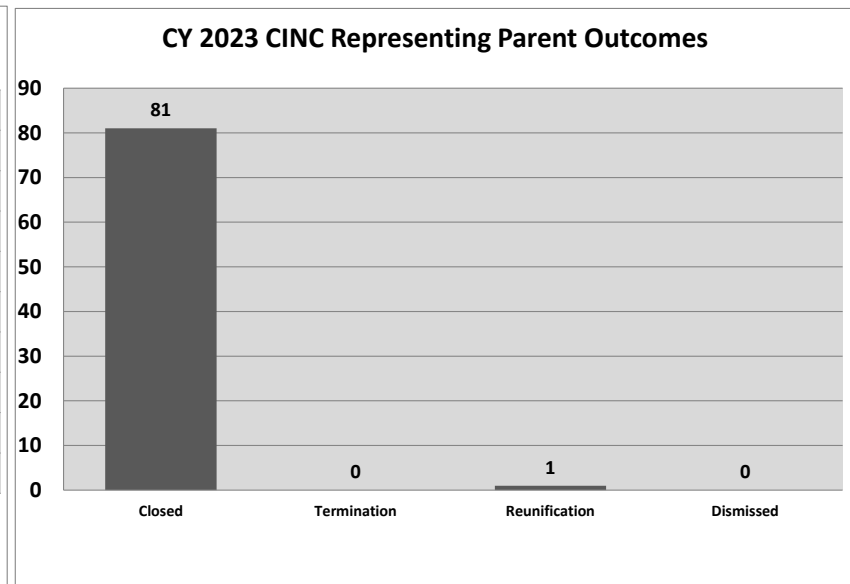
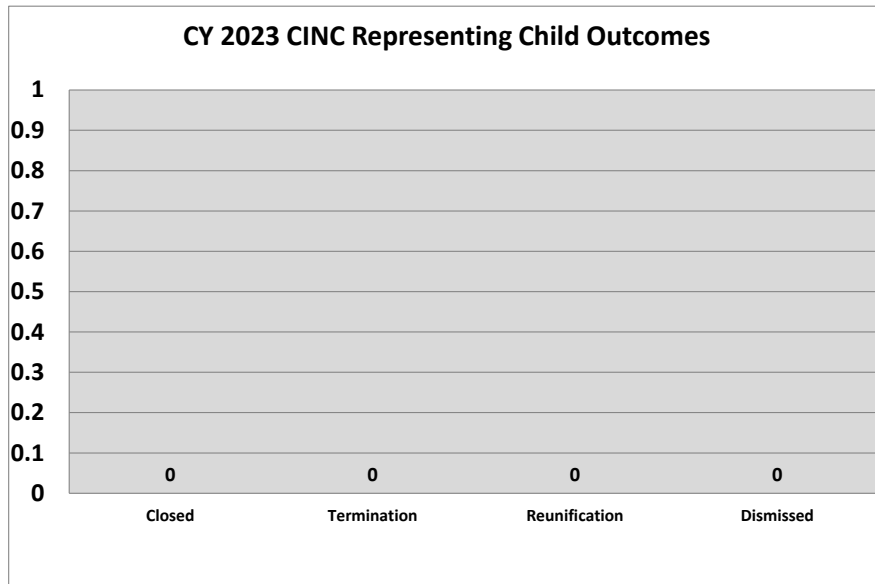
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	85	81	77	162	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	22	23	25	47	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	48	39	38	86	N/A	N/A	6	0	9	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	18	36	46	64	N/A	N/A	30	0	12	0	N/A	N/A	0	2	2
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	8	9	2	10	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	283	233	161	444	N/A	N/A	134	3	148	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	490	546	467	957	N/A	N/A	530	40	635	1	0	2	0	1	3
Adult LWOP	5	8	14	19	N/A	N/A	7	3	8	0	1	0	0	0	1
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	116	141	42	158	N/A	N/A	0	0	8	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	7	7	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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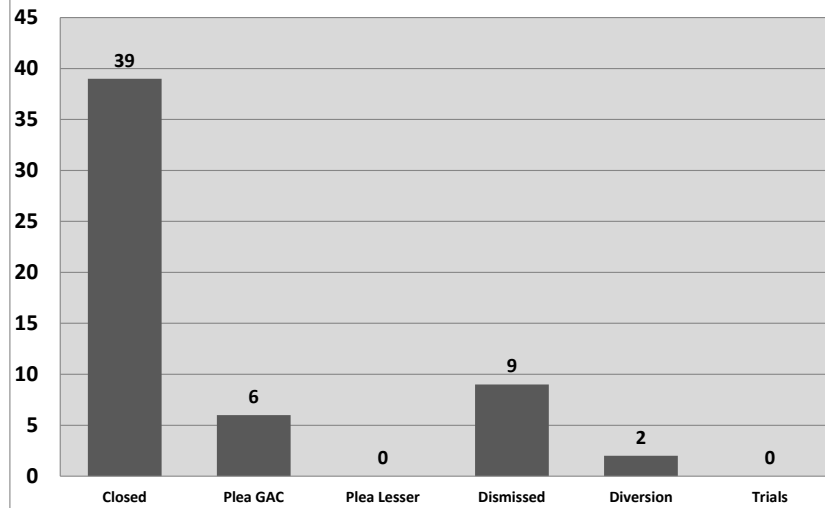
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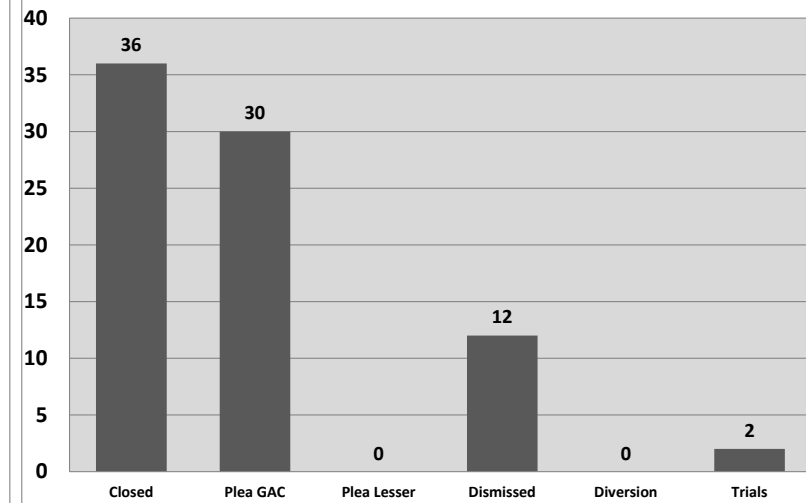




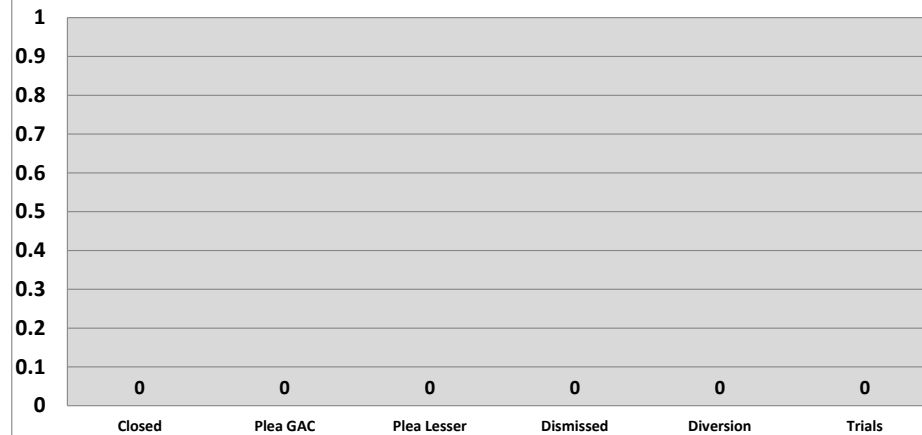
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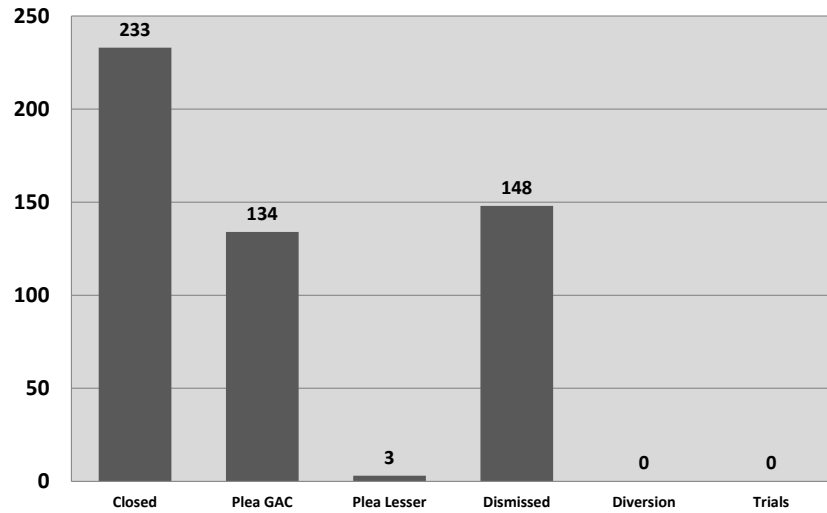
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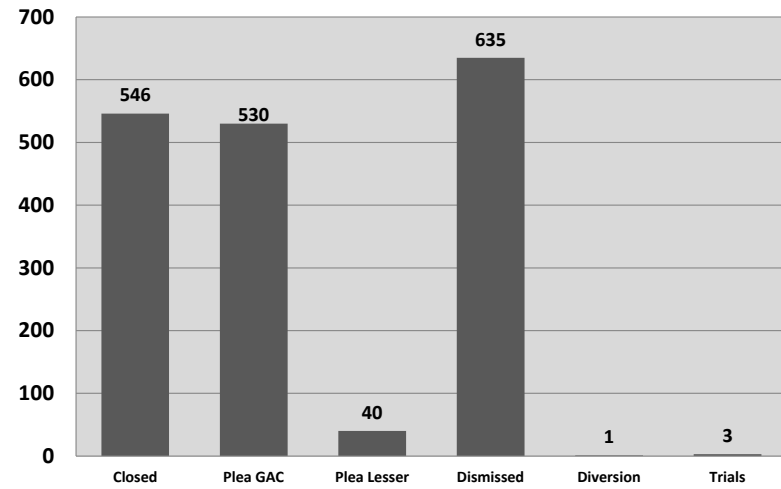
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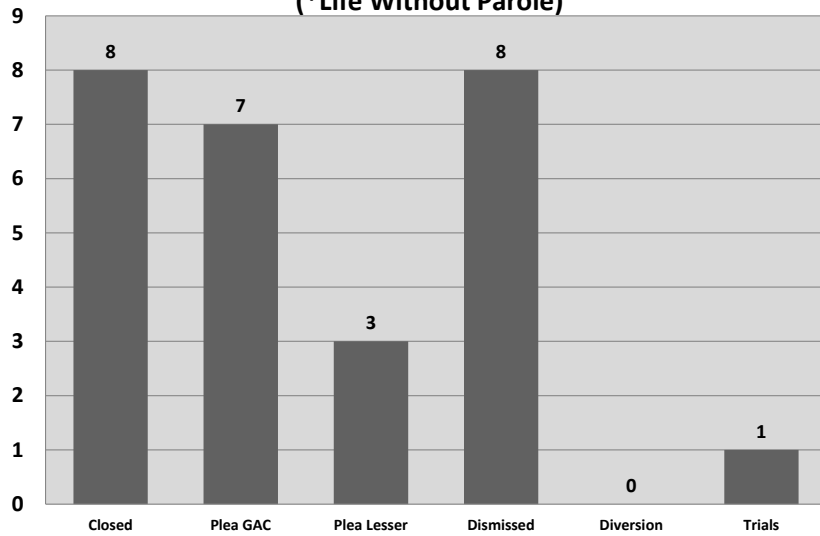
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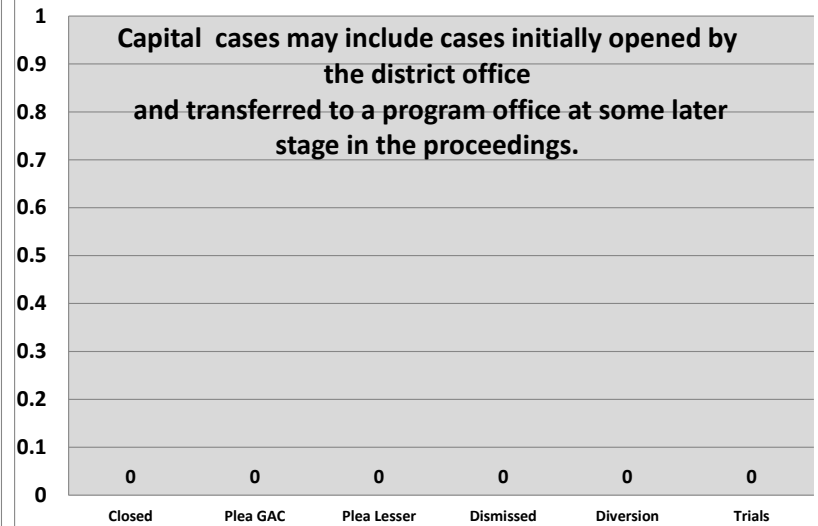
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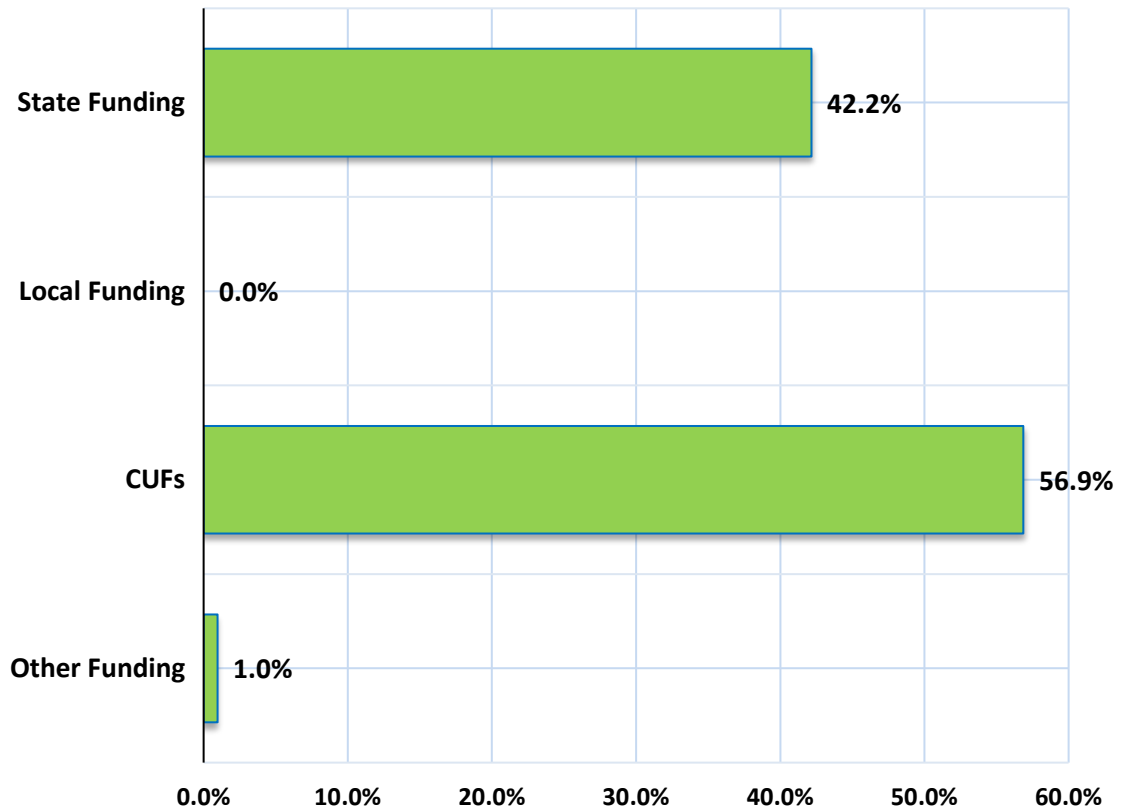
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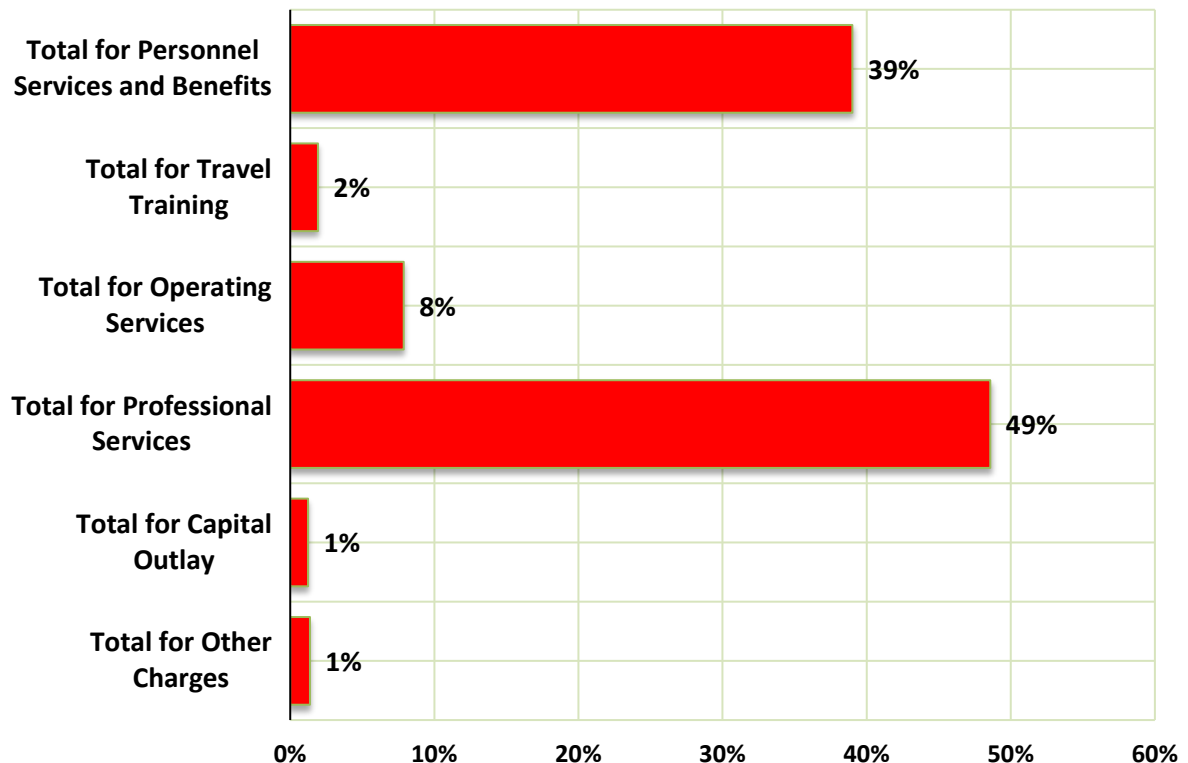
District 13 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Trisha Ward</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	436
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>436</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	6,789
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	31,563
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	336,562
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>374,914</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	19,931
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	84,012
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	383,972
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>467,984</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	2,440
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>2,440</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>490,354</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	8,486
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>8,486</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>874,191</b>

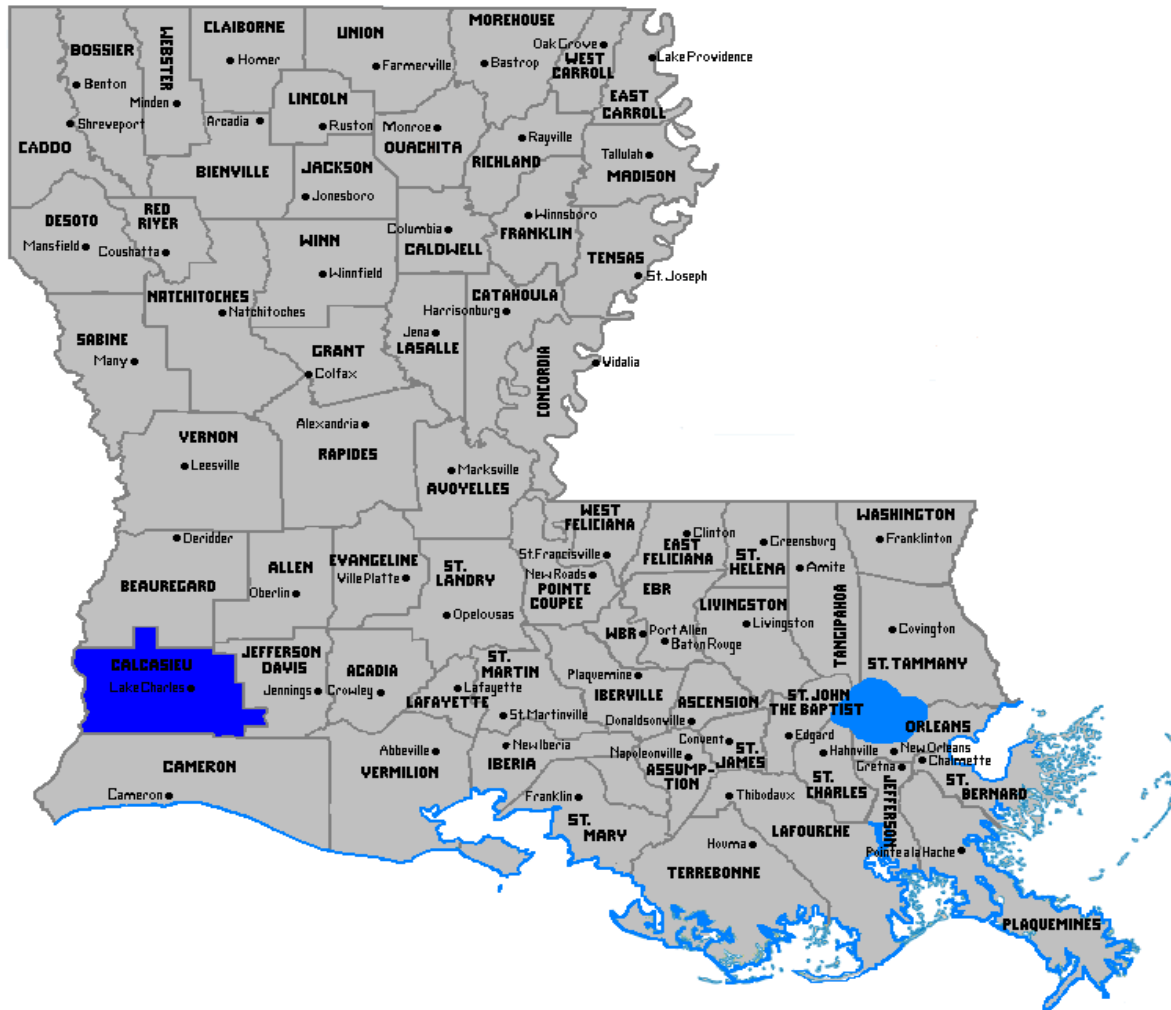
District 13 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Trisha Ward</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	236,842
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	18,788
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	41,618
Retirement	-
Other	5,712
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>302,960</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	21
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	14,911
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>14,932</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	761
Workers' Compensation	1,270
Insurance - Malpractice	6,478
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	2,250
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	1,065
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	7,178
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	9,537
Dues and Seminars	2,117
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	8,308
Office Supplies	22,255
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>61,219</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	18,150
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	1,951
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	67,183
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	287,648
IT/Technical Support	2,252
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>377,184</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	9,650
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>9,650</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	10,570
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>10,570</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>776,514</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

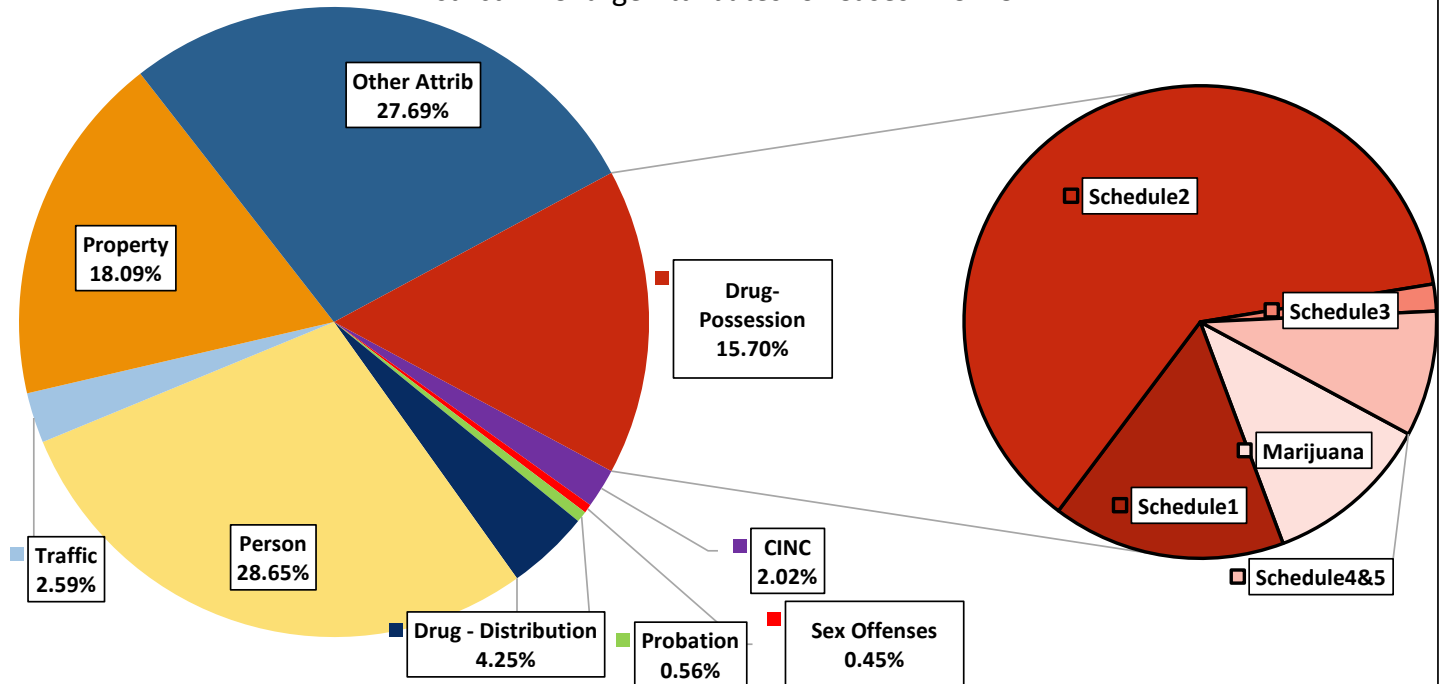




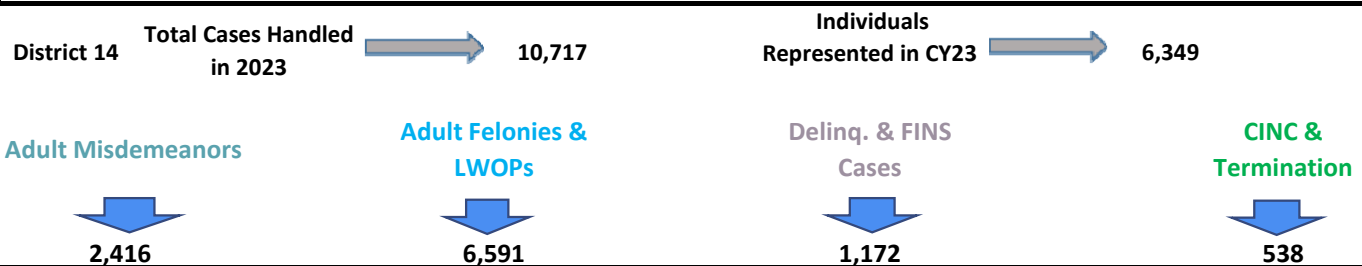
# THE 14<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE CALCASIEU (LAKE CHARLES)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: HARRY FONTENOT  
121 W PUJO ST., SUITE 130  
LAKE CHARLES, LA 70601  
(337) 436-1718

District 14 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

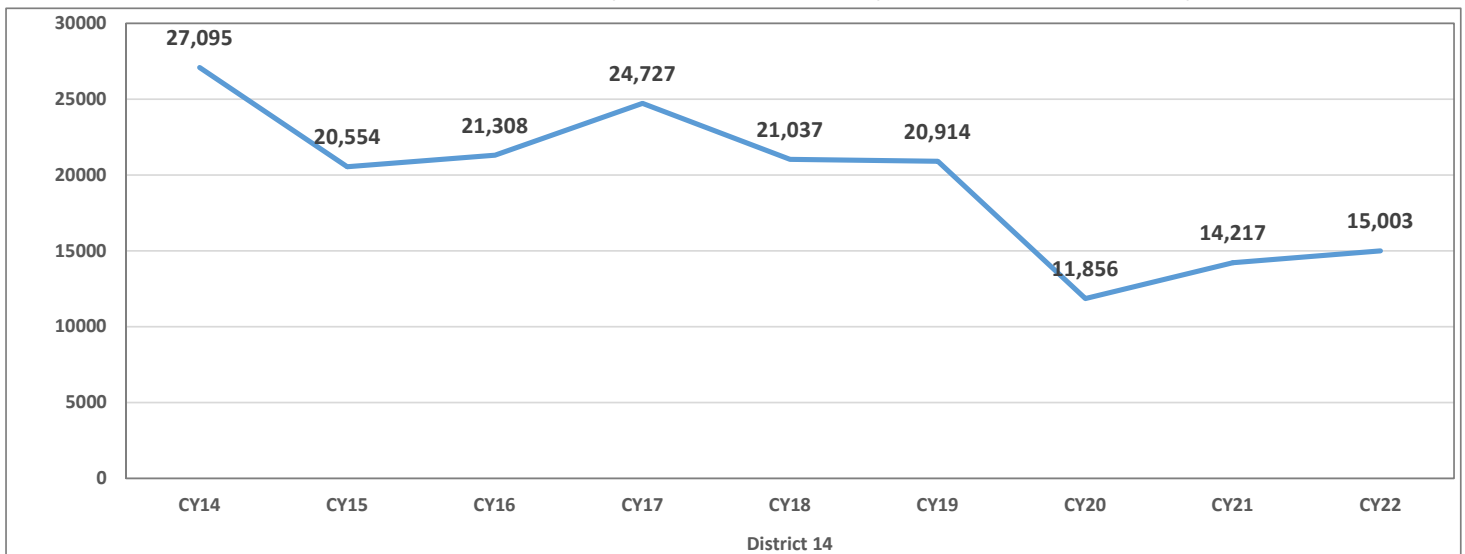


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 15.70% (1,683) of the 10,717 cases handled by the 14th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 62.4% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



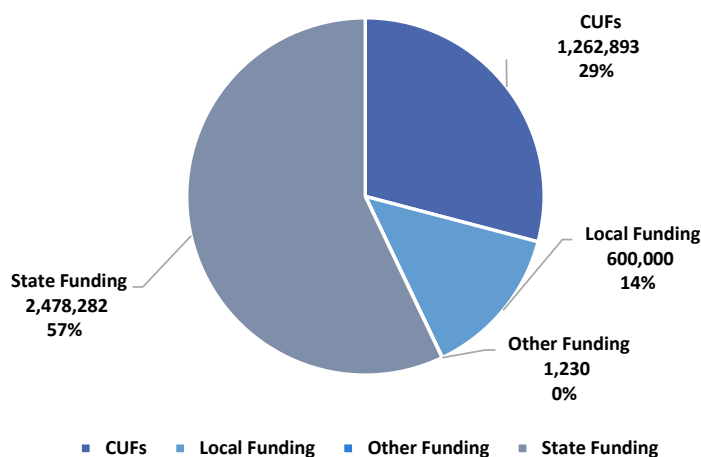
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

### TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)



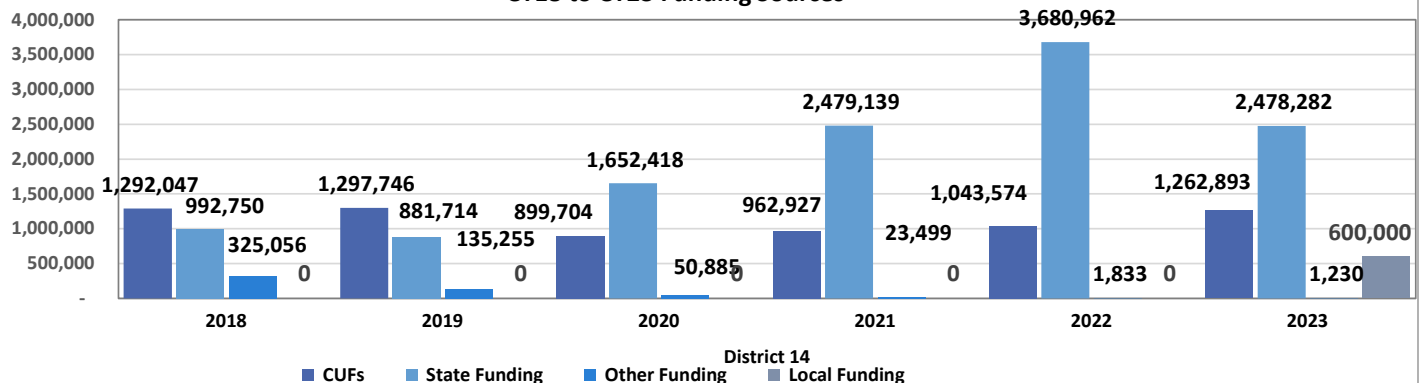
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 14th Judicial District increased slightly. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to have increased for a third consecutive year.

### District 14 Funding Sources in 2023

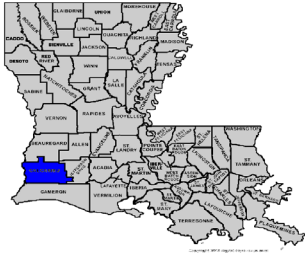


During Calendar Year 2023, the 14th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$4,342,405 in total revenues. Only 29% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), however this number is misleading as the district received in total \$1.5 million from state and local sources to complete the purchase of a public defender's office in the parish. The 14th Judicial District Public Defender's Office had been without a dedicated office since the devastation of Hurricane Laura in 2020.

### CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources







## THE 14TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Calcasieu - Lake Charles
<b>Population</b>	223,991
<b>District Defender</b>	Harry Fontenot
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	11
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	25
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Mitchell P. Bergeron - Deputy District Defender & Chief financial Officer
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	121 W. Pujo St., Suite 130
<b>City</b>	Lake Charles
<b>ZIP</b>	70601
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	8:30 am - 5 pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	(337) 436-1718
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 3757, Lake Charles, LA 70602
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-494-0370
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Harry Fontenot
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-405-9771
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Mitchell Bergeron
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-529-0907
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Calcasieu Parish Public Defender's Office
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	N/A

# And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government	N/A
Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government	N/A
# of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government	N/A
Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")	N/A
# of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government	N/A
Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")	N/A
List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government	The Calcasieu Parish police Jury provided the office with \$600,000 in 2023 to help purchase the new office building.
Courts and Locations	14th Judicial District Court, Calcasieu Parish, Lake Charles; Lake Charles City Court; and Sulphur City Court.
Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation	13
Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District	Calcasieu Correctional Center, Lake Charles, Louisiana
Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	East Carroll and Tensas Parishes.
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District	Juvenile Detention Center, Lake Charles, Louisiana
Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients	None
Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling	The courts comply with the change in the law. The court does not require juveniles to be shackled in open court unless they are a risk of violence or flight. If the juvenile is shackled the judge(s) must state the reason for shackling.
District Attorney	Stephen Dwight
Chief Judge of Criminal District Court	Robert Wyatt
Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)	Cynthia Clay Guillory, Mitch Redd and Bill Cutrera
Drug Court Judges	G. Michael Canaday and David Ritchie
Mental Health Court Judges	Robert Wyatt
Other Specialty Court	David Ritchie and Kendrick Guillory
Name of Specialty and Brief Description:	Veteran's Court will used to address the specific mental health or substance abuse needs of veteran's who are brought into the criminal justice system.
Short Term Critical Issue Areas	Adequate funding and benefits to attract and retain employees

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Adequate Funding and Benefits to attract and retain employees.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Staff was mentioned on news several times because of trials in the district.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender Harry Fontenot oversees all aspects of the Office. Deputy District Defender Mitchell Bergeron has supervisory authority over all employees and is the Chief Financial Officer. Joshua Monroe has been appointed supervisor over the staff and line Attorneys. LWOP Attorneys Andrew Casanave and King Alexander have supervisory authority over line defenders in their divisions and act as mentors and training officers.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Yes, Fulltime staff provided with health, dental and life insurance without deductions from their salary. The payments come from the 14th JDC PDO District Fund.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	5
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senators are Mark Abraham and Mike Reese. Representatives are Ryan Bourriaque, Dewith Carrier, Wilford Dan Carter, Sr., Les Farnum, Brett F. Geymann, Troy D. Romero and Phillip Eric Tarver.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	We have purchased a new office building and have moved in. We were able to have the attorneys back in the office and are able to mentor and monitor them. Being back in a functioning office has begun to move back to more normal office hours and is more efficient.

### 14th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

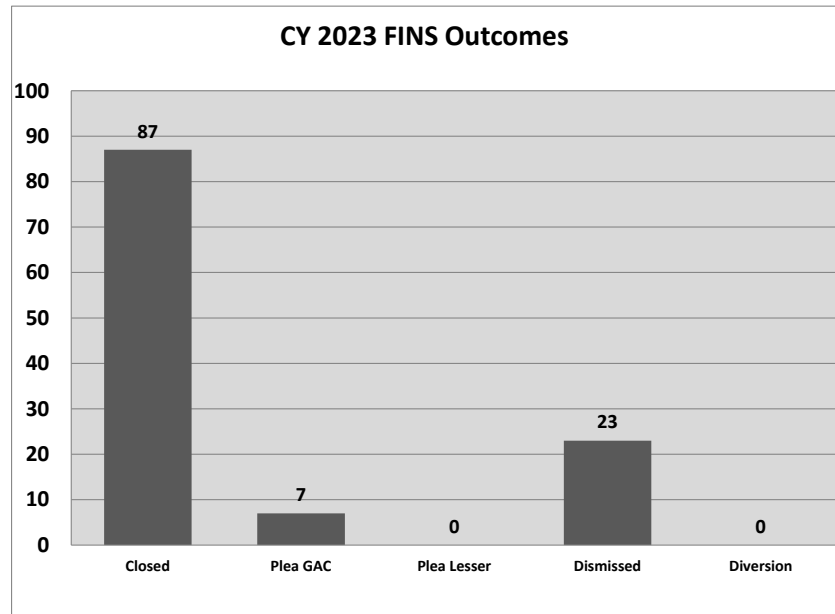
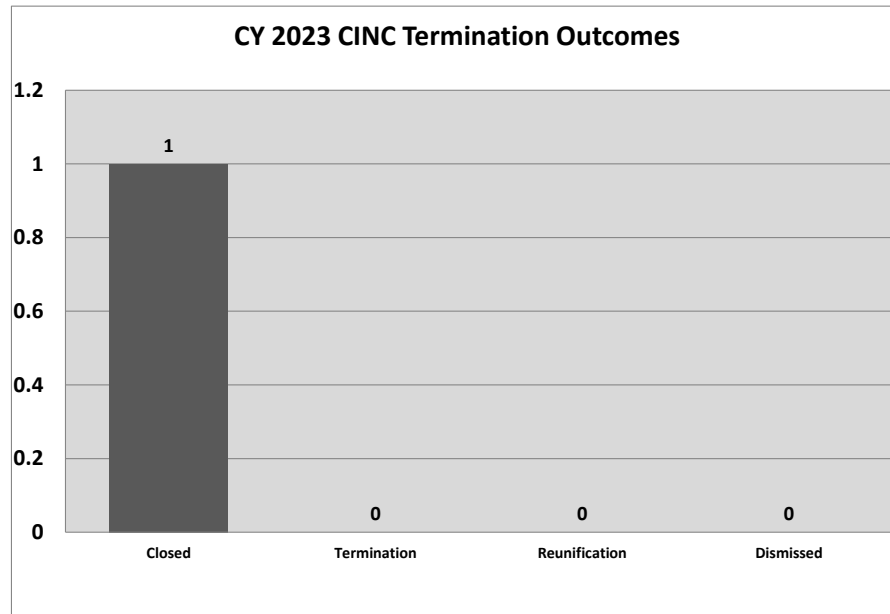
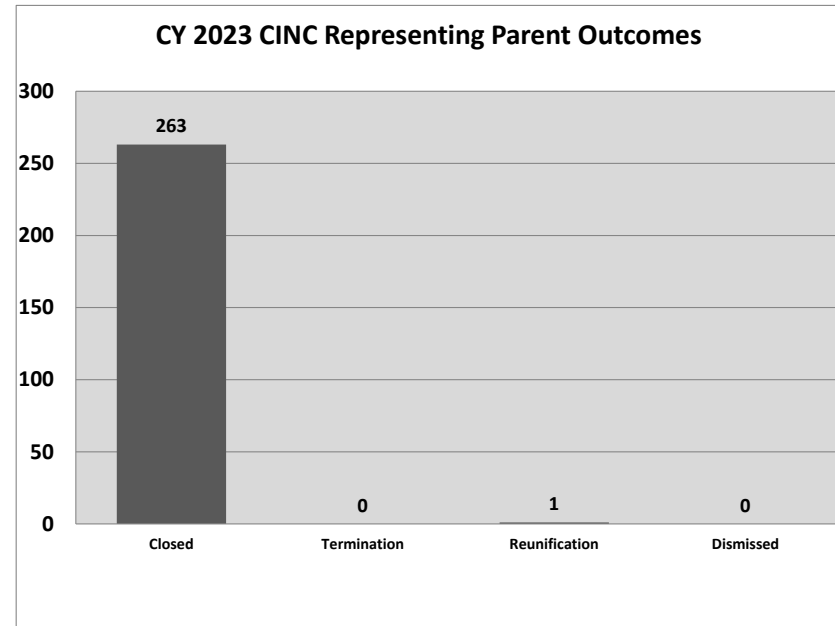
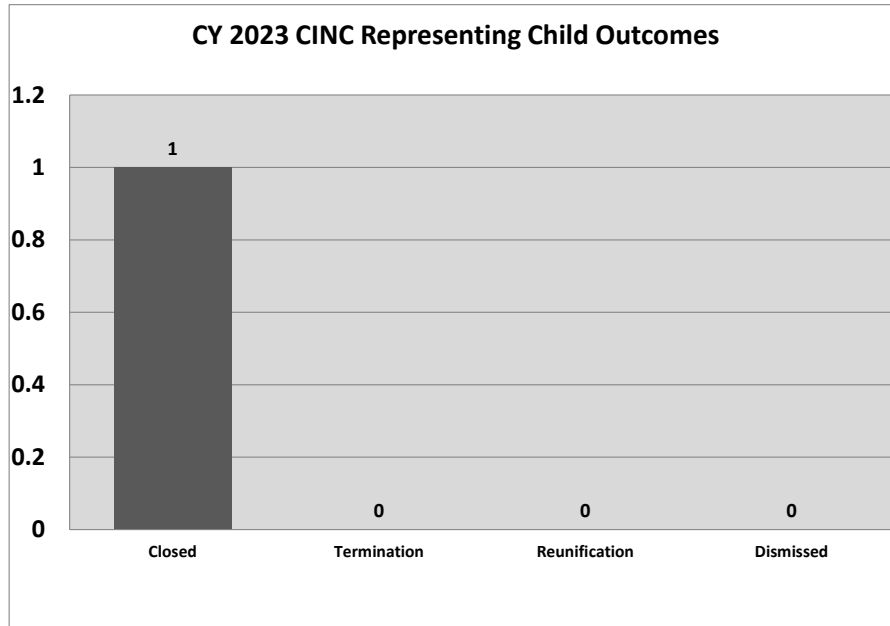
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	1	1	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	164	263	368	532	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	1	5	5	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	59	87	88	147	N/A	N/A	7	0	23	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	203	298	301	504	N/A	N/A	81	4	107	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	184	253	335	519	N/A	N/A	82	10	110	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	0	1	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	1423	1277	993	2416	N/A	N/A	507	109	1090	6	0	1	0	5	6
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	2717	2688	2725	5442	N/A	N/A	1085	344	1626	6	0	6	0	53	59
Adult LWOP	28	20	41	69	N/A	N/A	0	7	3	0	0	4	0	0	4
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	115	28	961	1076	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	1	4	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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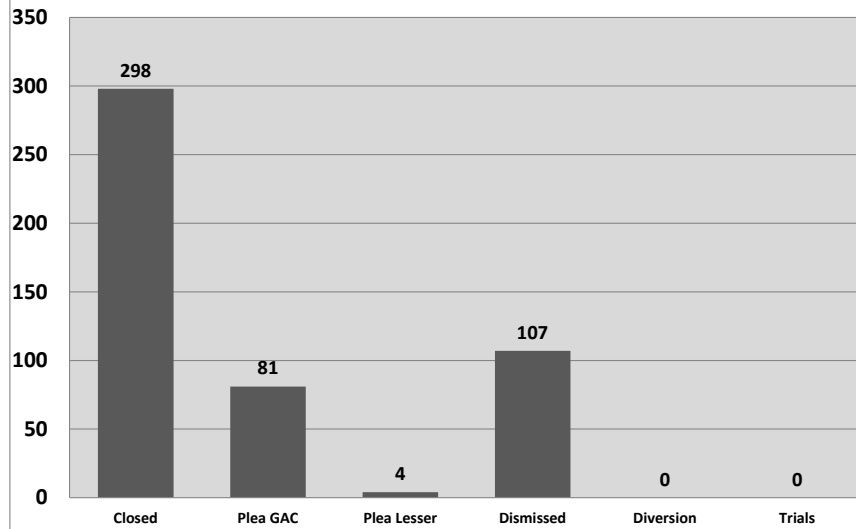
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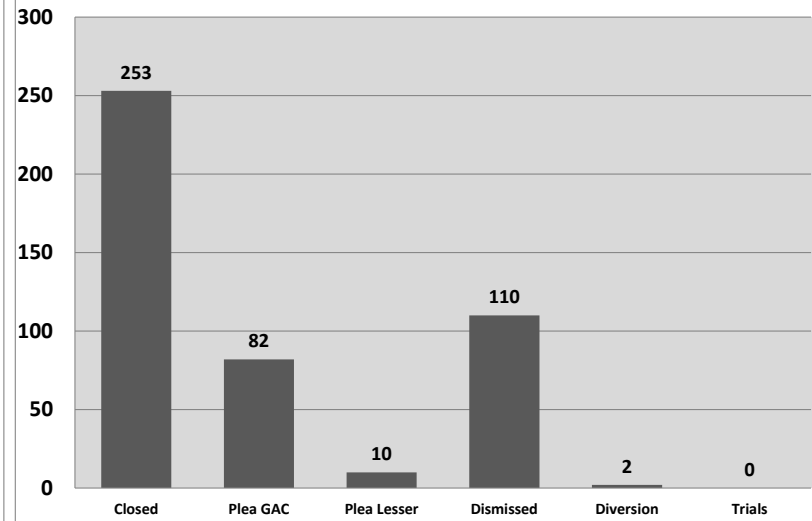
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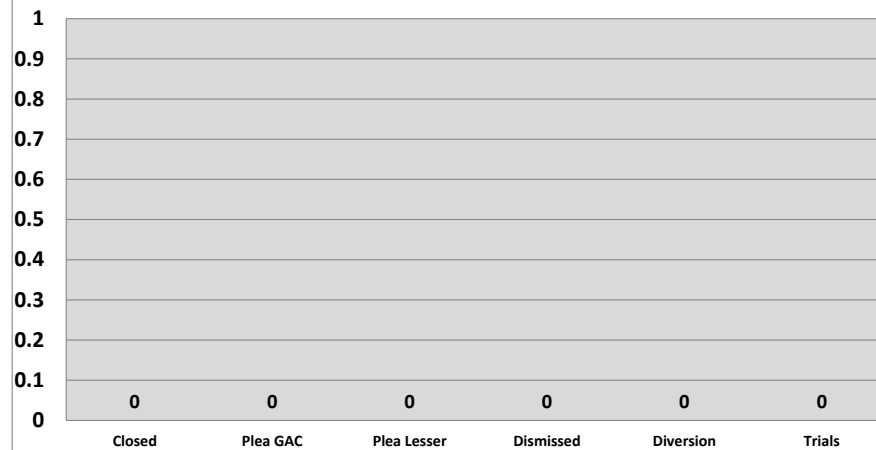
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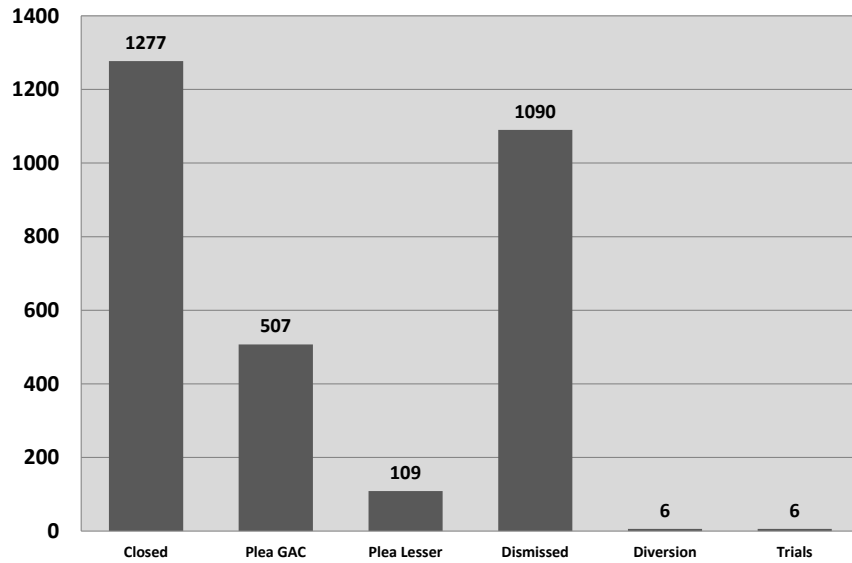
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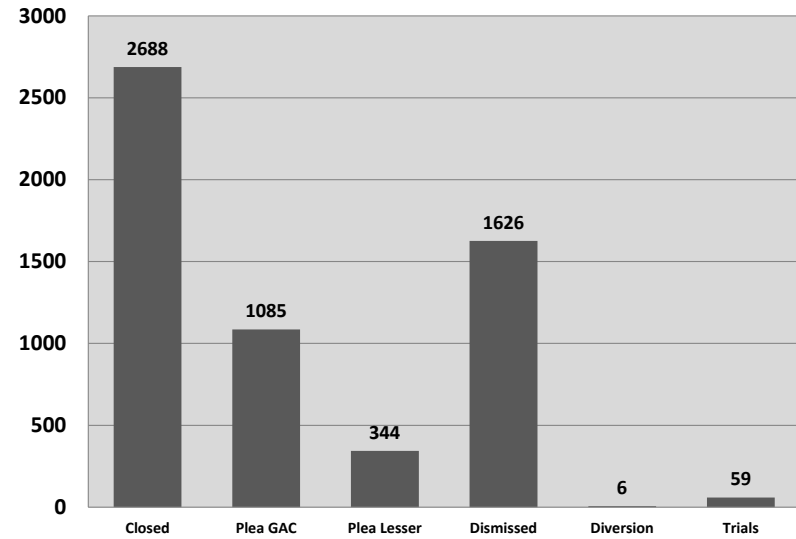
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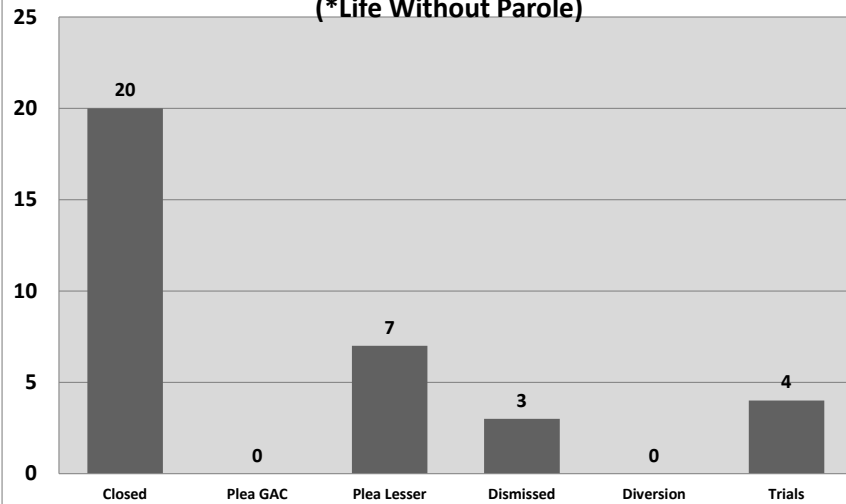
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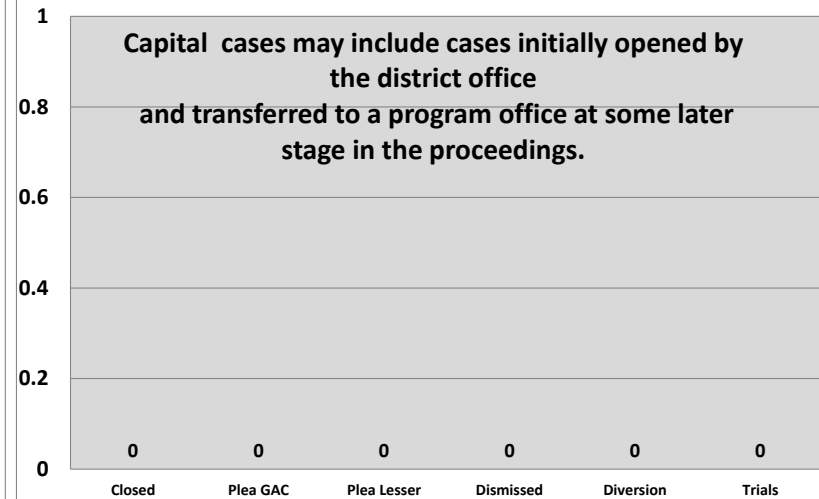
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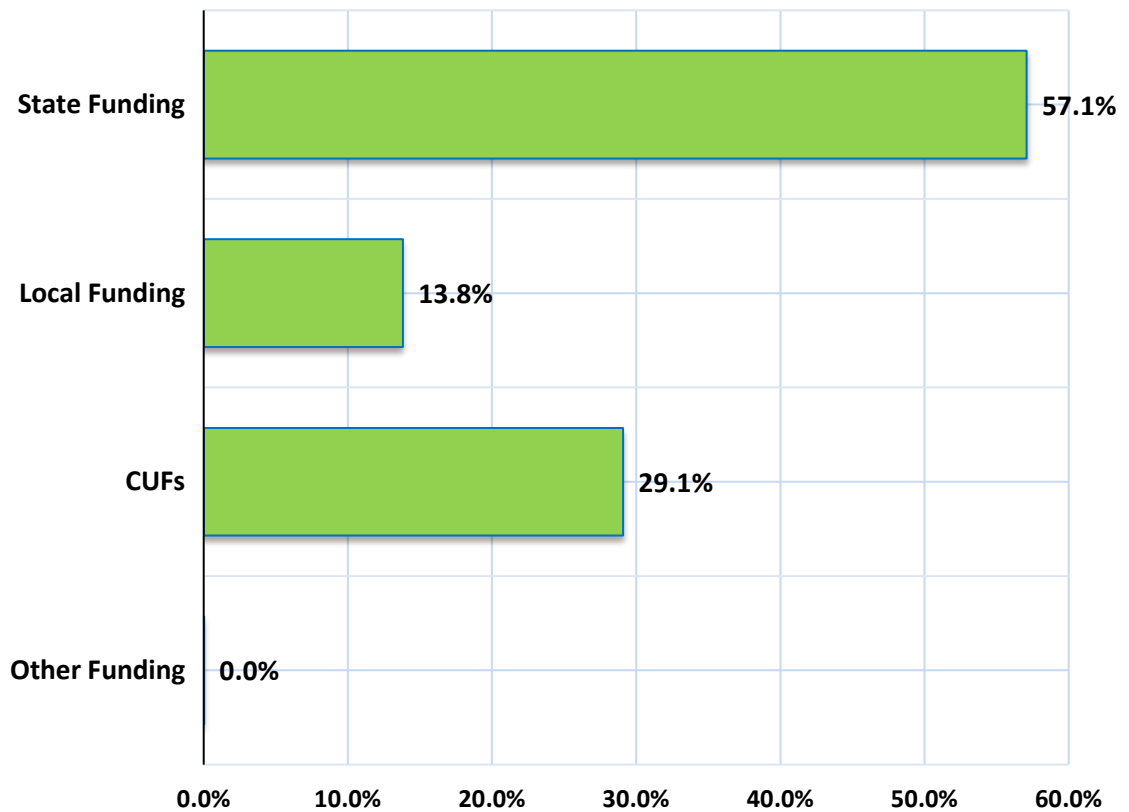


District 14 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Harry Fontenot</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	2,187
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>2,187</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	79,066
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	1,497,029
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	900,000
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>2,476,095</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	220,534
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	600,000
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S.15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	314,666
Judicial District Courts	66,511
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	100,905
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	104,940
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	212,582
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S.15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>799,604</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	30,572
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	212,183
Other Reimbursements	231
Other Local Income -List source(s)	999
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>243,985</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>1,864,123</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>4,342,405</b>

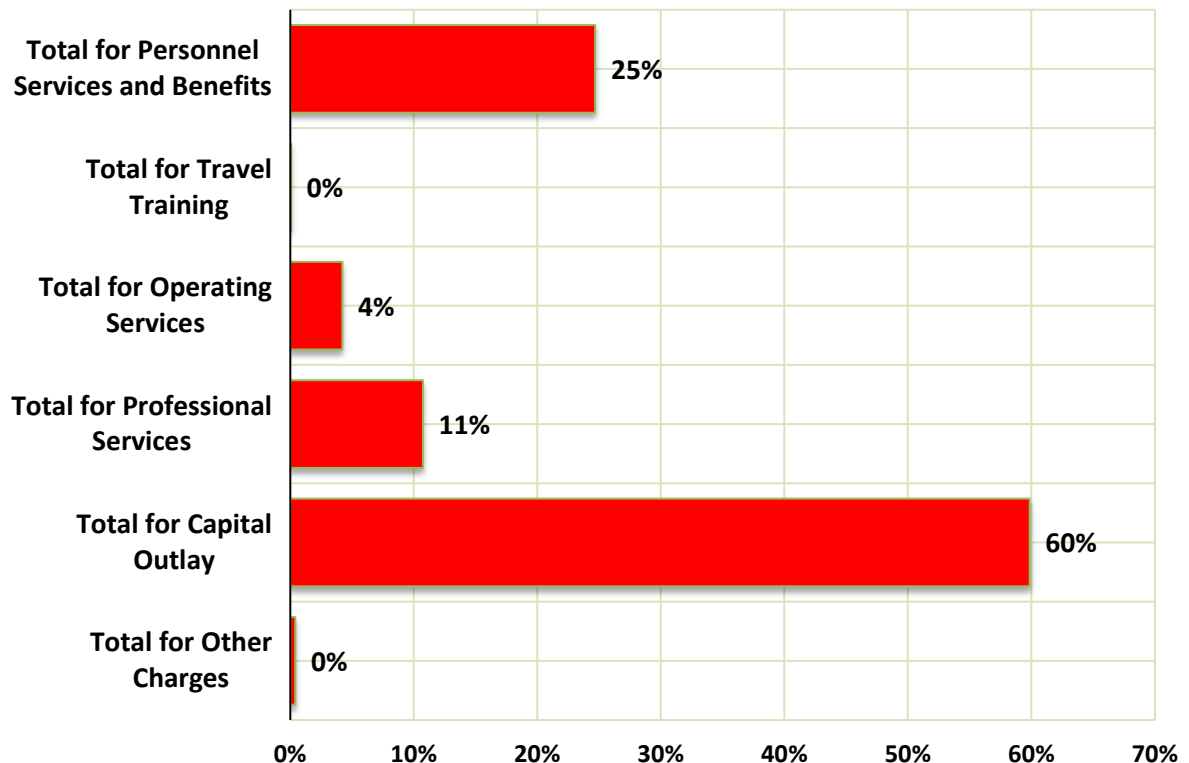


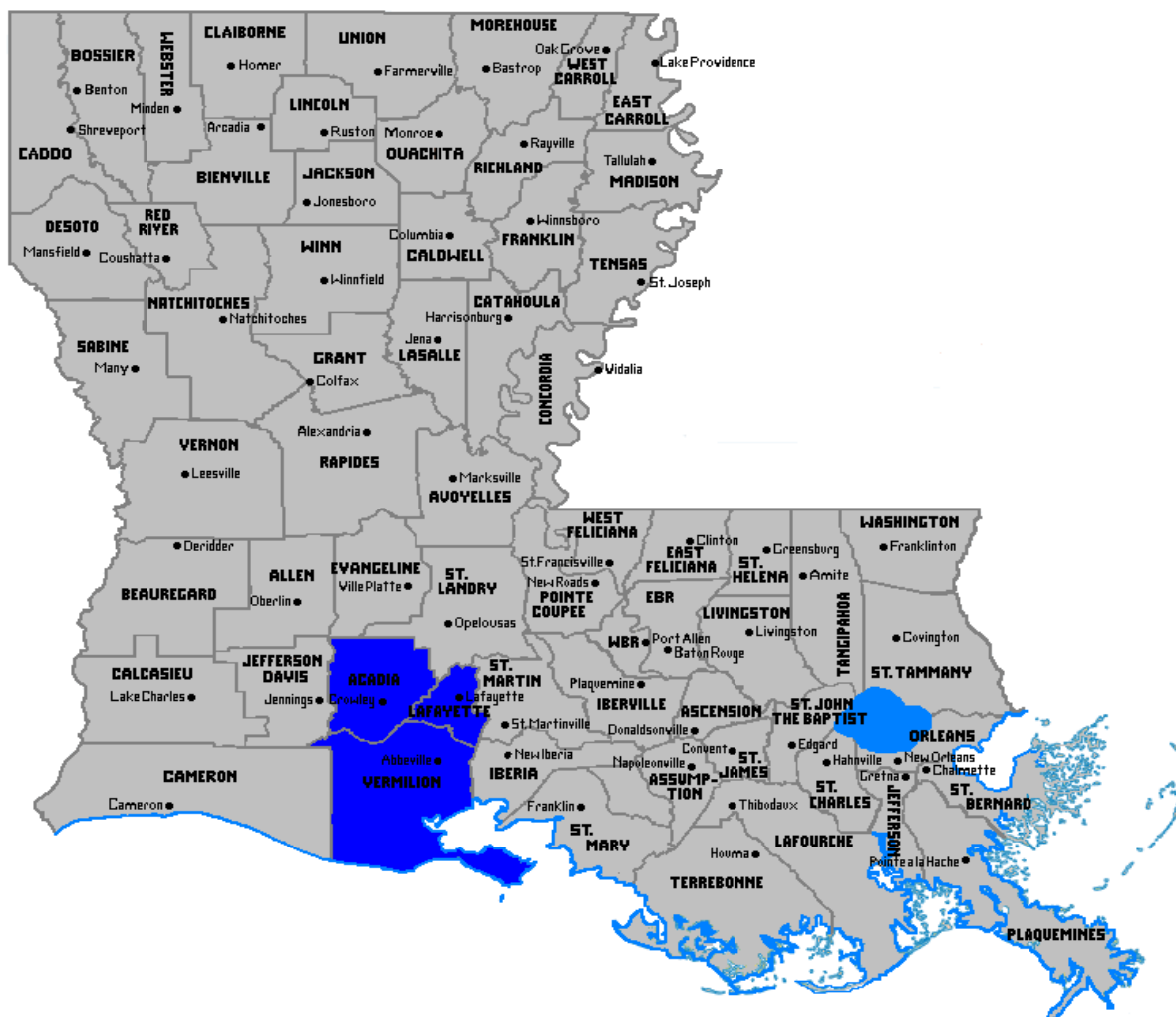
District 14 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Harry Fontenot</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	1,312,577
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	99,963
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	198,466
Retirement	29,673
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>1,640,679</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	4,727
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>4,727</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	512
Workers' Compensation	4,003
Insurance - Malpractice	23,683
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	8,996
Insurance - Other	42,273
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	428
Lease - Other	32,970
Office Repair and Maintenance	53,654
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	47,045
Dues and Seminars	9,160
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	36,694
Office Supplies	21,290
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>280,708</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	15,000
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	11,025
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	413,217
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	188,250
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	49,375
Contract Attorneys - all other	19,004
IT/Technical Support	18,725
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>714,595</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	3,977,528
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>3,977,528</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	27,065
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>27,065</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>6,645,302</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



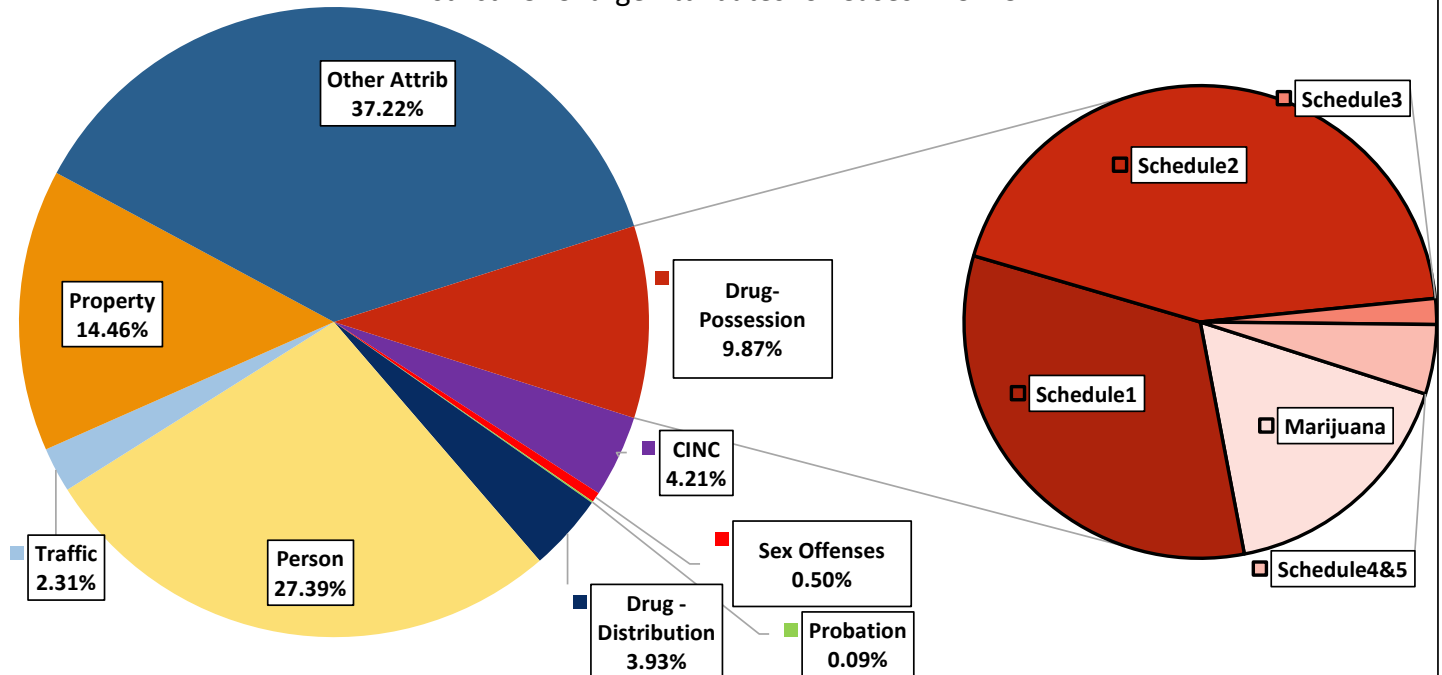


## THE 15<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

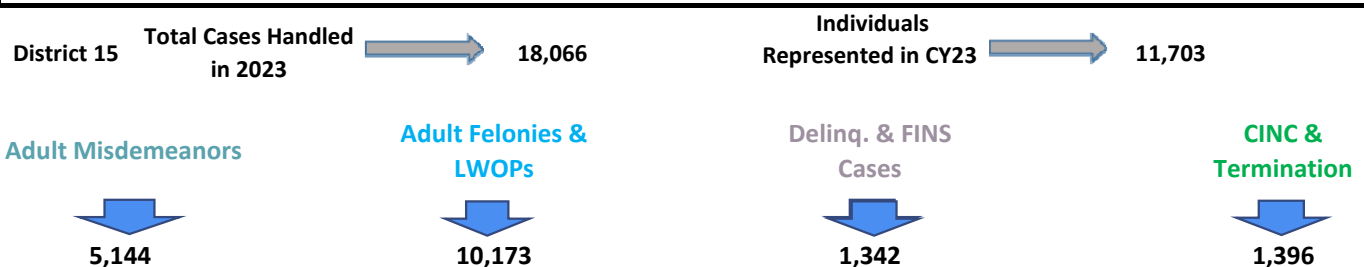
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DISTRICT DEFENDER: AMANDA MARTIN  
208 W. MAIN STREET  
LAFAYETTE, LA 70501  
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**District 15 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23**

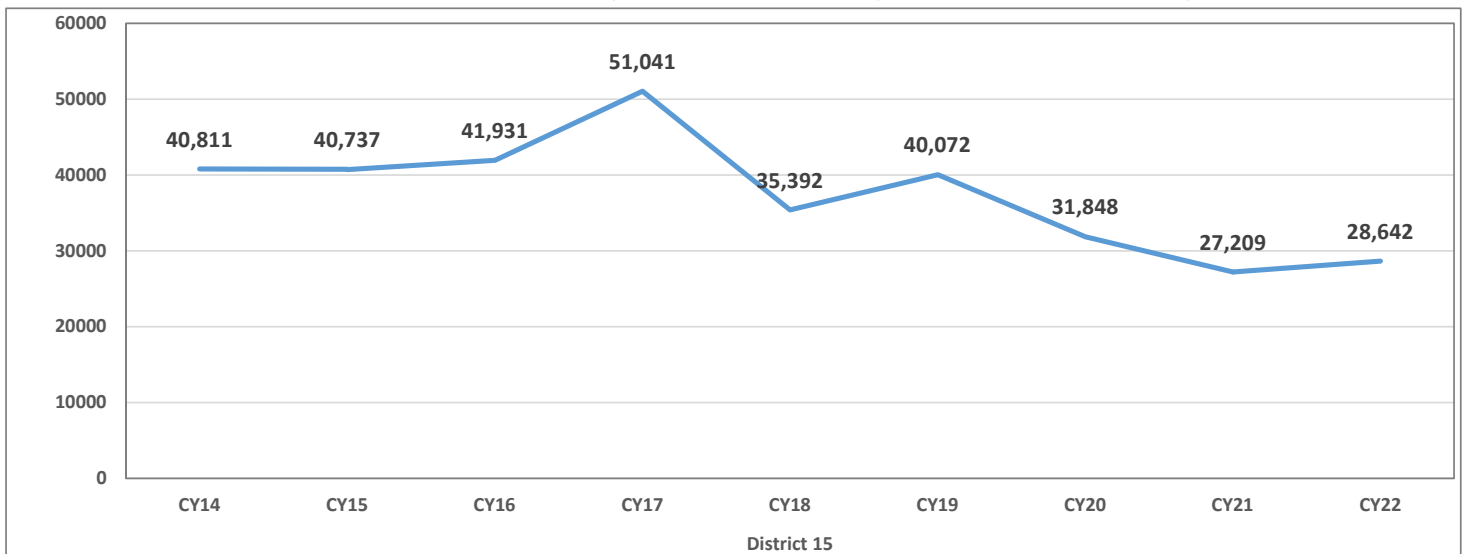


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 9.87% (1,783) of the 18,066 cases handled by the 15th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 43.6% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



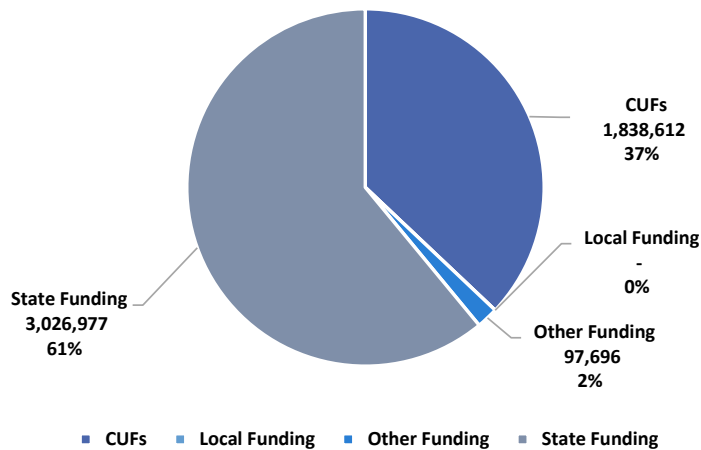
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



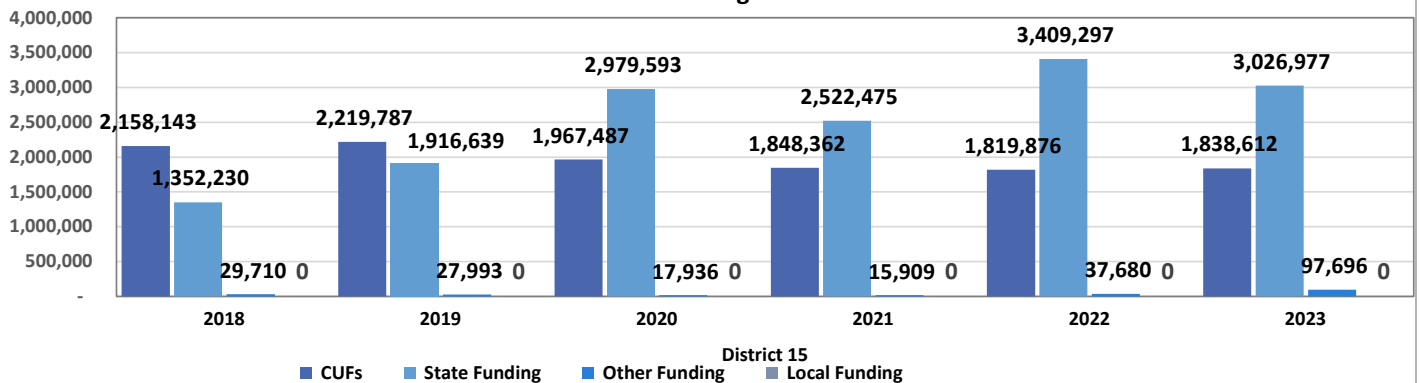
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 15th Judicial District increased by 5%. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUF collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to those from the previous year.

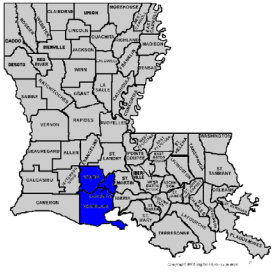
**District 15 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 15th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$4,963,285 in total revenues. Thirty-seven percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 15<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Acadia - Crowley; Lafayette - Lafayette; Vermilion - Abbeville
<b>Population</b>	361,075
<b>District Defender</b>	Amanda A. Martin
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	1.5
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	7.3
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Tourea Francis
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	208 W. Main St.
<b>City</b>	Lafayette
<b>ZIP</b>	70501
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8:00am - 4:30 pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-232-9345
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	Post Office Box 3622, Lafayette, LA 70502
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-232-1169
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Amanda A. Martin
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	281-935-4568
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Tourea Francis
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-281-5929
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	New rental in Acadia at 112 East Hutchinson, Crowley, La. 70526; Purchased building in Vermilion at 107 Concord, Abbeville, La.
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Acadia: Austin Freeman; Vermilion: JaVonna Charles
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Acadia - 112 Hutchinson LLC (Feb 2022); Lafayette, Kathy Atley
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO owns building in 1 of 3 parishes, rents in 2 parishes
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	15th Judicial District Court, Lafayette Parish, 800 S. Buchanan, Lafayette; 15th Judicial District Court, Acadia Parish, Crowley; 15th Judicial District Court, Vermilion Parish, 100 N. State Street, Abbeville; Crowley City Court; Rayne City Court; Lafayette City Court; Abbeville City Court, 208 State Street, Abbeville; Kaplan City Court; Mayor's Courts, Lafayette Parish: Carencro, Youngsville, Scott. New Locations in Acadia and Vermilion. 212 East Hutchinson, Crowley, La. 7052 for Acadia. Acadia Parish Courthouse, 500 Parkerson Ave., Crowley, LA 70506.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Lafayette- 5 Criminal Divisions, including one for all drug offenses; 2 juvenile Divisions in addition; Acadia 2 Criminal Divisions; Vermilion 2 Criminal Divisions. Lafayette City Court, Abbeville City Court, Kaplan City Court, Crowley City Court, and Rayne City Court. Mayor's Courts in Maurice, Broussard, Erath, Scott, Carencro and Youngsville.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Acadia Parish Detention Center, 1061 Capital Avenue, Crowley, 70526; Acadia Parish Jail, 1037 Capital Avenue, Crowley, 70526; Lafayette Parish Correctional Center; Vermilion Parish Correctional Center - 14202 Savoy Road, Abbeville, 70510.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Avoyelles Marksville Detention Center, Marksville, LA; New Iberia Correction Center, New Iberia, LA ; Richland Detention Center, Rayville, LA; East Carroll Riverbend Correctional Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Lafayette Juvenile Detention Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Lafayette Parish Juvenile Detention, PO Box 2399, Lafayette, LA; Assumption Youth Detention Center, 122 Parish Complex Rd, Napoleonville, LA 70390, Acadiana Center For Youth, 1536 Bordelon Road, Bunkie, LA 71322; Facility in Alabama

<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Very few occasions for court shackles on kids. Continuing objections when the court violates this principle.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Donald Landry
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Laurie Hulin
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Lafayette City Court-Doug Saloom and Ad Hoc Judge in the other section; Thomas Frederick and Laurie Hulin in Vermillion District; Scott Privat, Michelle Billeaud, Marylin Castle, Royal Colbert and Valerie Garrett in Lafayette Parish District; David Smith and Kristian Earles in Acadia District; Juvenile Court rotates in Vermilion and Acadia District; Michelle M. Breaux in Lafayette Juvenile; Thomas Duplantier in Lafayette and Vermilion CINC, and additionally in Lafayette City Court-- Judge Jules Edwards
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Valerie Garrett (Adult); Thomas Duplantier (Juvenile, Family Preservation), and additionally Judge Susan Breaux in Juvenile Drug Court
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No Mental Health or Veterans Courts
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Yes
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Sobriety Court
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Frequent turnover or staff and attorneys
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	DAF Funding (Access District needs compared to funding available and not consider it will be time to obtain local funding, if any becomes available)
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	New Chief Defender Amanda A. Martin appointed October 10, 2022
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Section Chiefs; H R by Business Team Leader; District Defender assisted by First Assistant and Section Chiefs
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Health Insurance - employee choice of High Deductible HSA or Regular Insurance; Dental and Vision now included. PDO pays premiums.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	3
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	SENATE - Blake Miguez (22); Jean-Paul Coussan (23) HOUSE - Troy Heber (31); Chance Henry (42); Josh Carlson (43); Brach Myers (45); Jacob Landry (49).
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Met with judges, clerk and district attorney office to implement a system to effectively keep maintain caseloads; and created a tier system where experience attorneys mentor, train and supervise younger attorneys in handling caseloads, trial preparation and trial participation.



### 15th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	155	189	58	213	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	1	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	531	408	521	1052	0	67	N/A	N/A	16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	39	56	91	130	50	6	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	20	23	22	42	N/A	N/A	2	0	17	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	440	290	212	652	N/A	N/A	103	1	140	119	N/A	N/A	1	0	1
Delinquency Felony	437	286	209	646	N/A	N/A	260	6	137	80	N/A	N/A	1	0	1
Delinquency-Life	2	0	0	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	2844	3666	2300	5144	N/A	N/A	2146	213	2096	0	1	1	8	20	30
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	4234	5158	5043	9277	N/A	N/A	1770	782	6809	0	1	11	6	22	40
Adult LWOP	55	56	114	169	N/A	N/A	5	20	57	0	0	2	0	0	2
Capital***	2	7	9	11	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Revocations	32	438	676	708	N/A	N/A	7	2	12	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	3	13	15	18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	8	9
SOAP	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

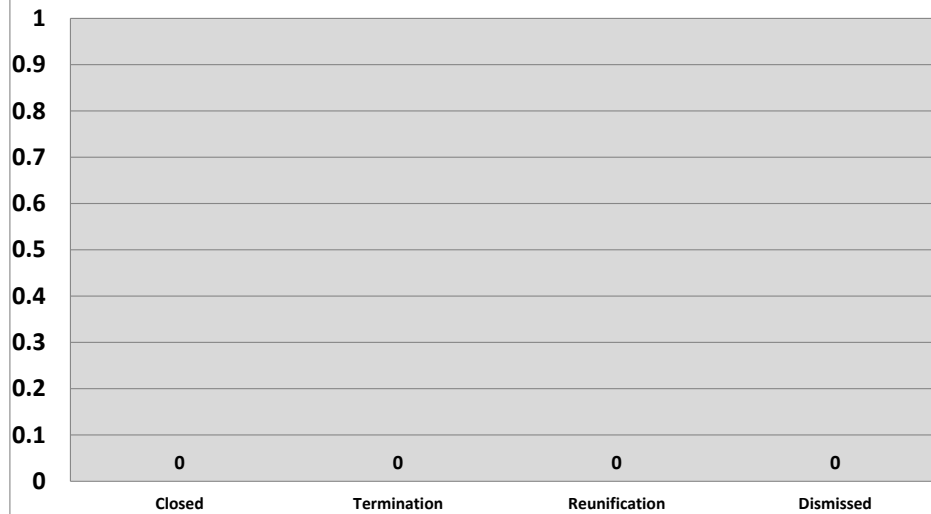
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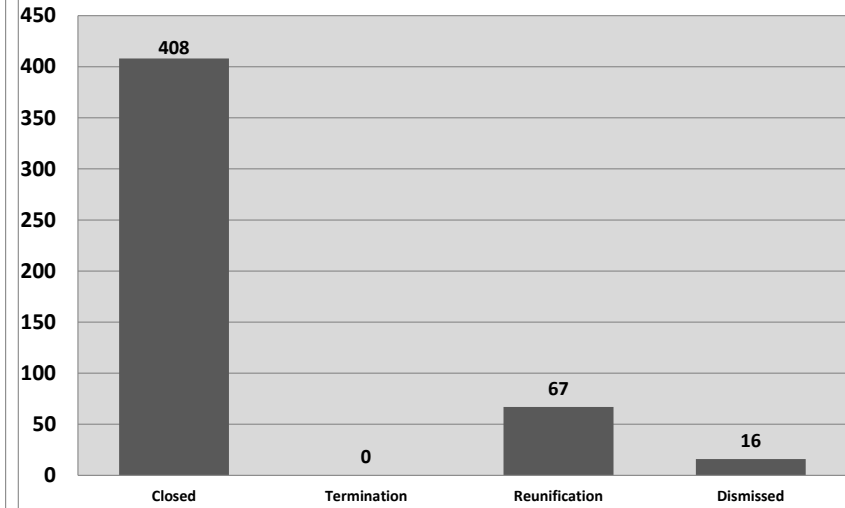
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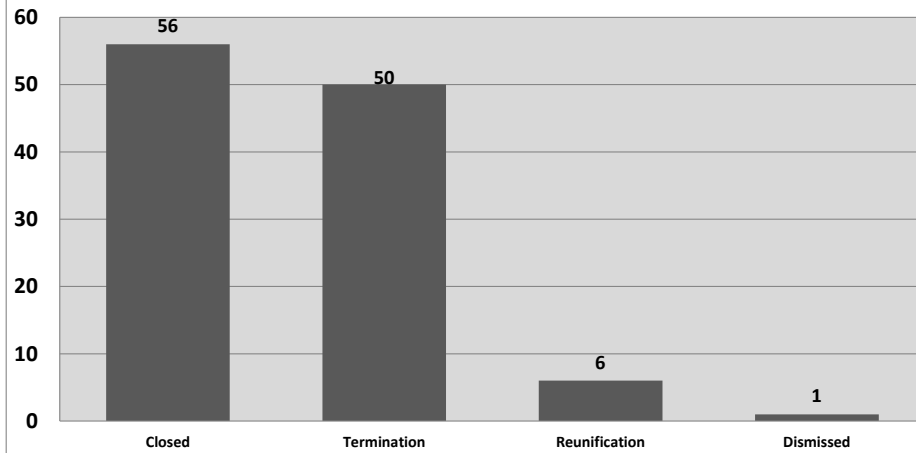
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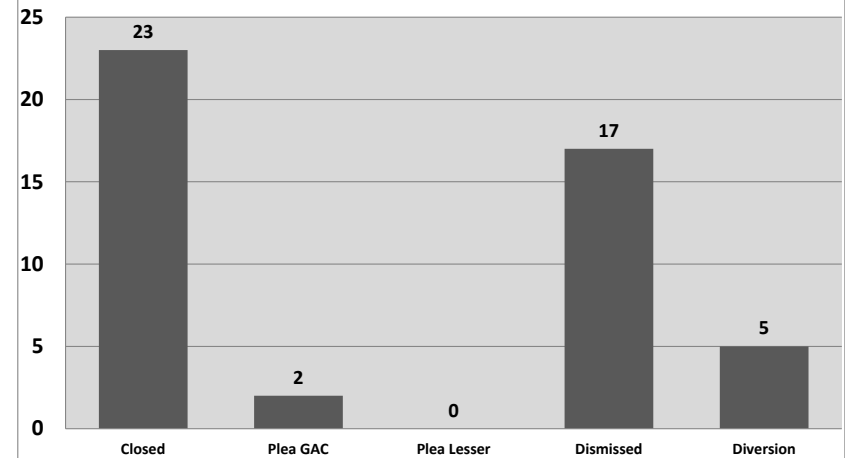
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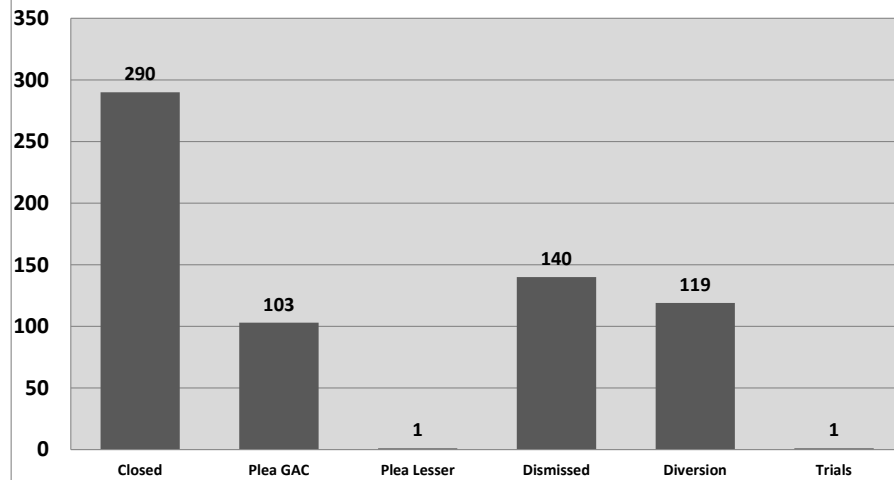
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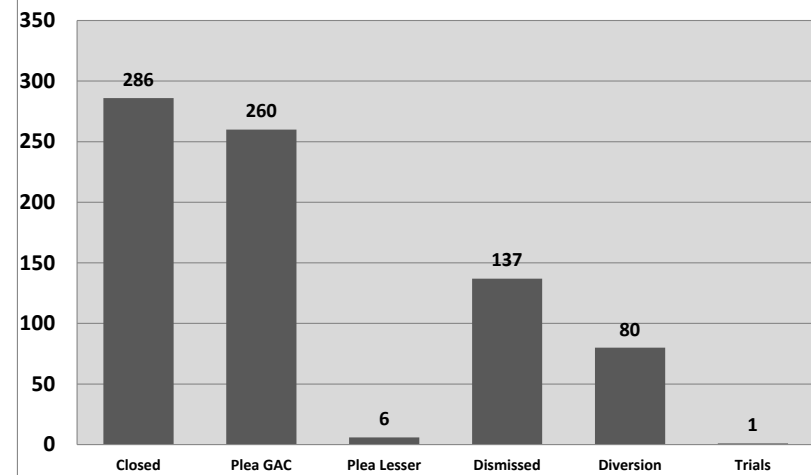
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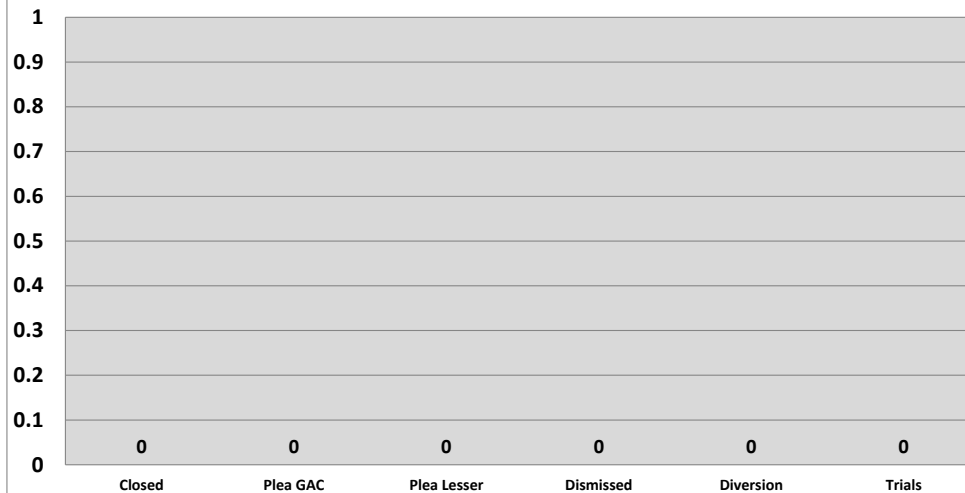
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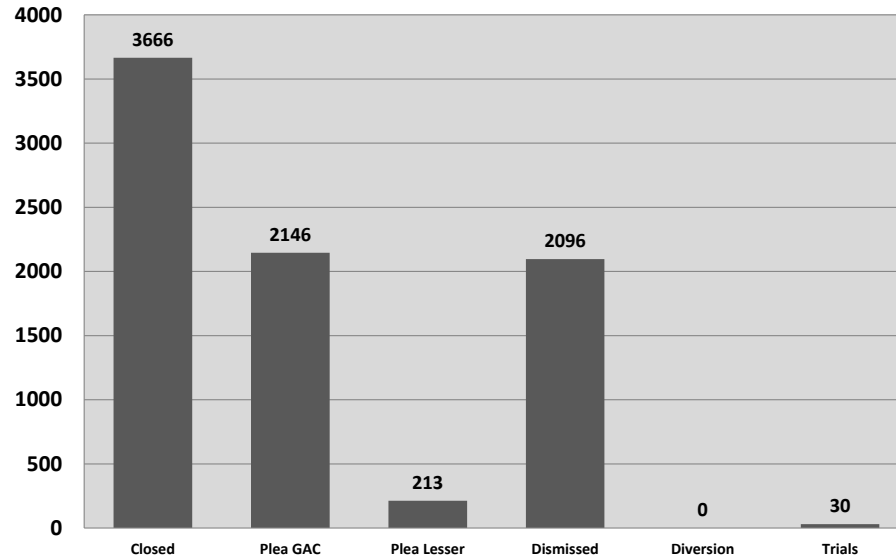
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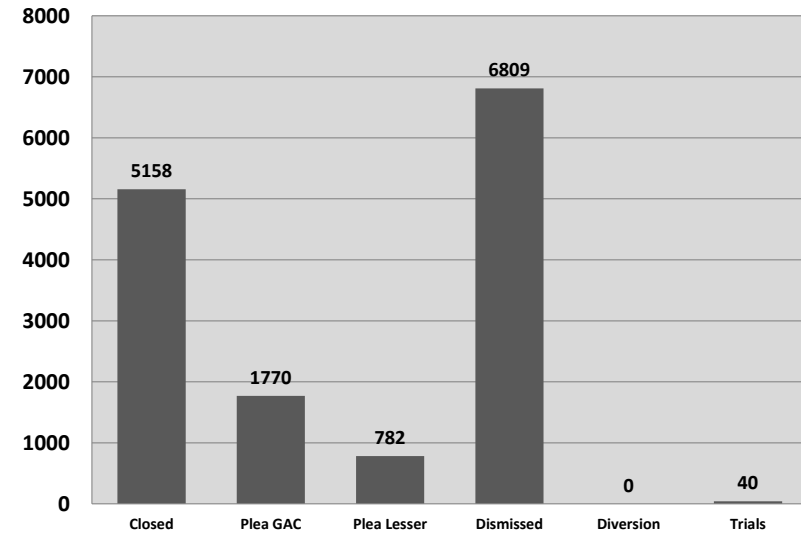
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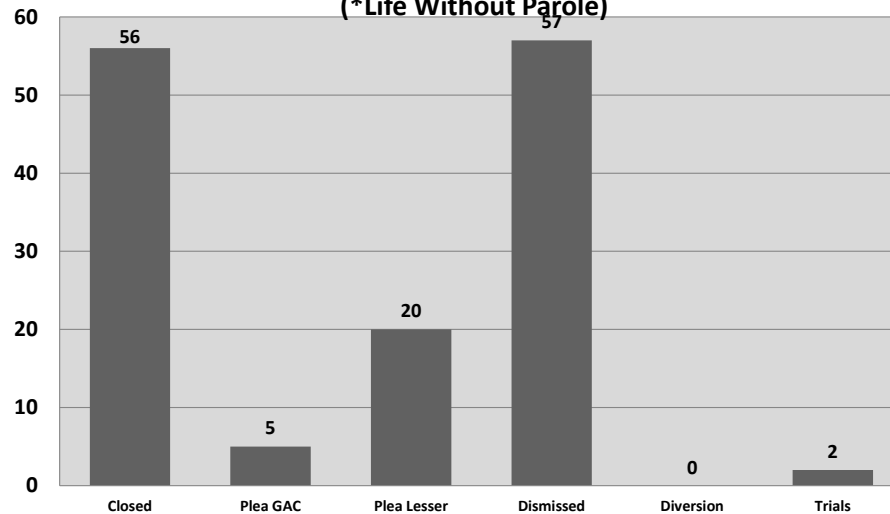
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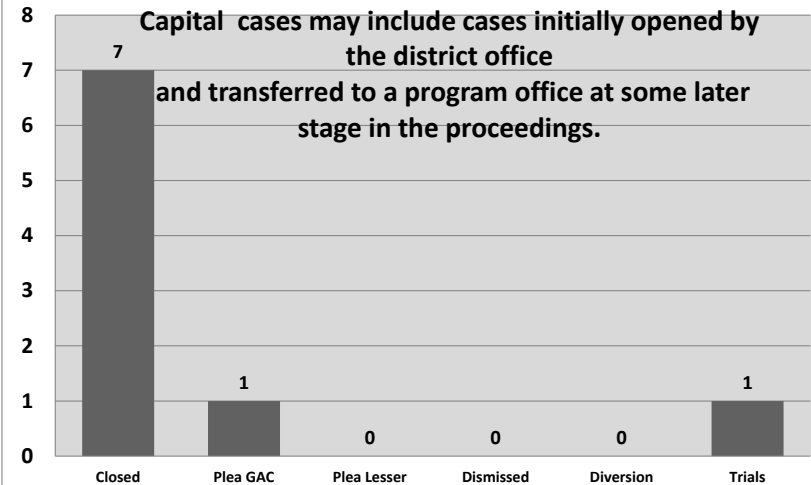
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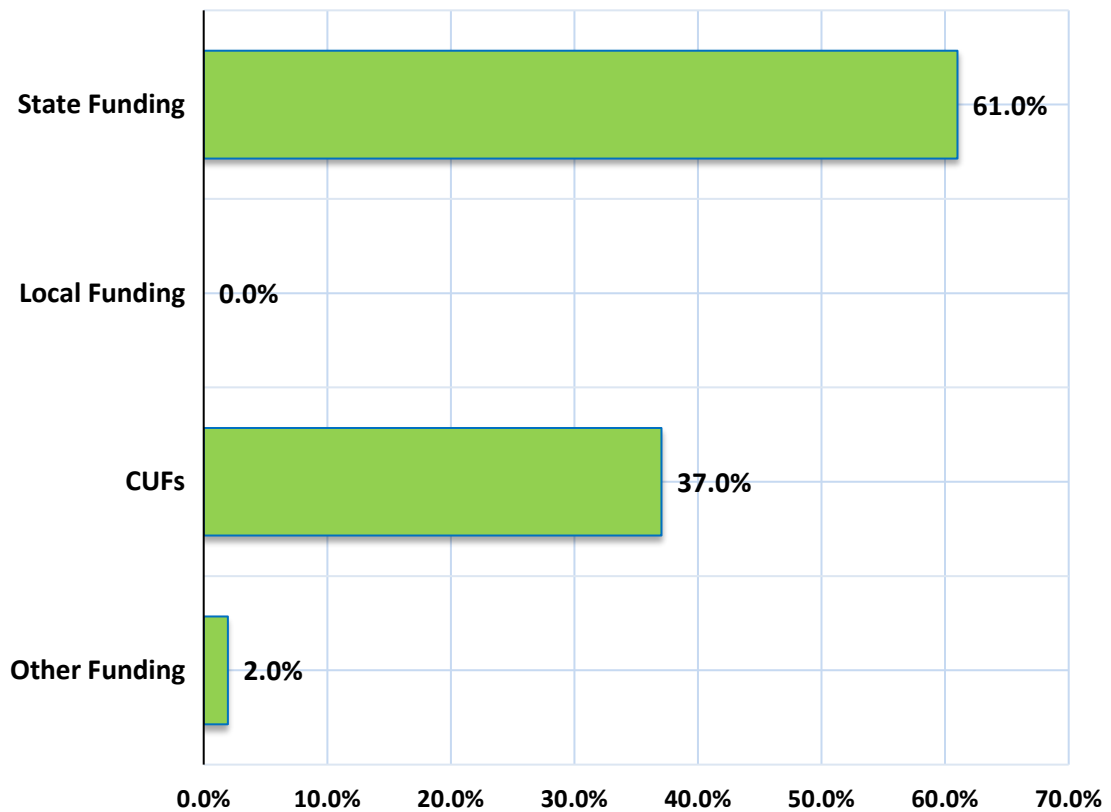
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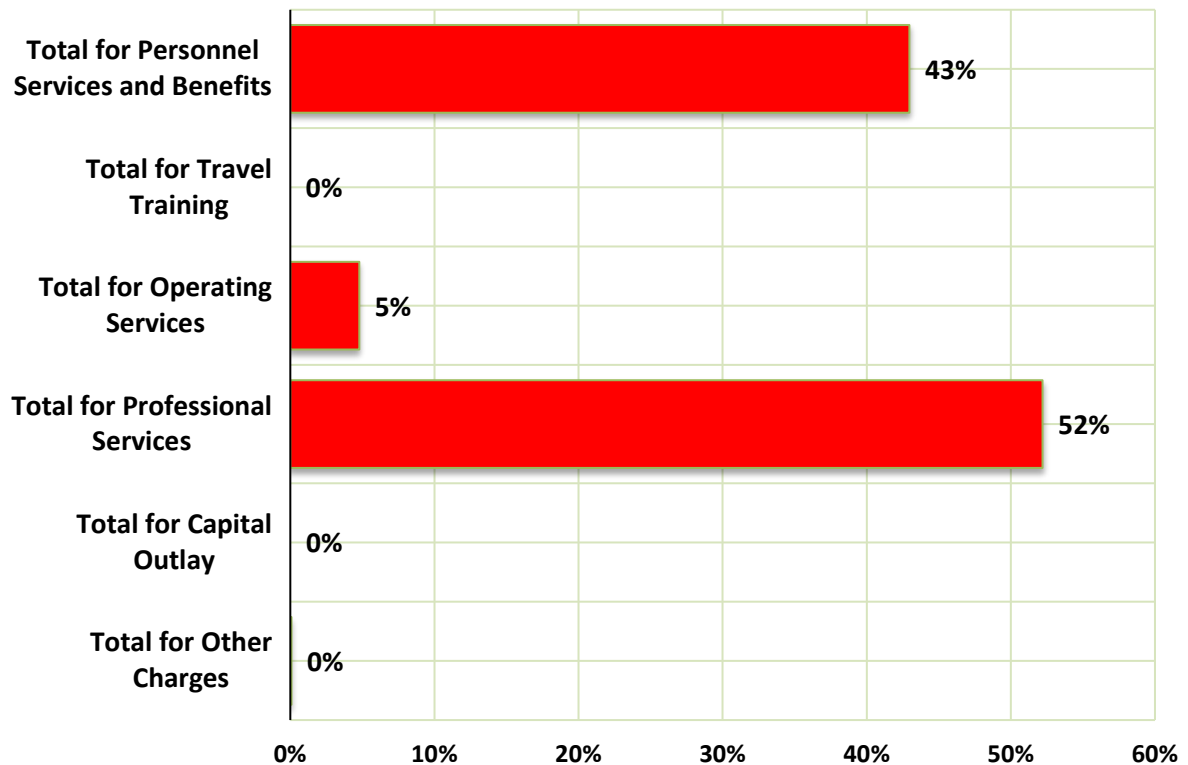
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Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	406,924
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	233,868
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	1,452,199
Charges For Services	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	65,043
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	37,721
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
Total for Charges For Services	102,764
Total for Local Government	1,838,612
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	92,922
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
Total for Investment Earnings	92,922
Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
Total for Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	-
Total for REVENUE	4,963,285

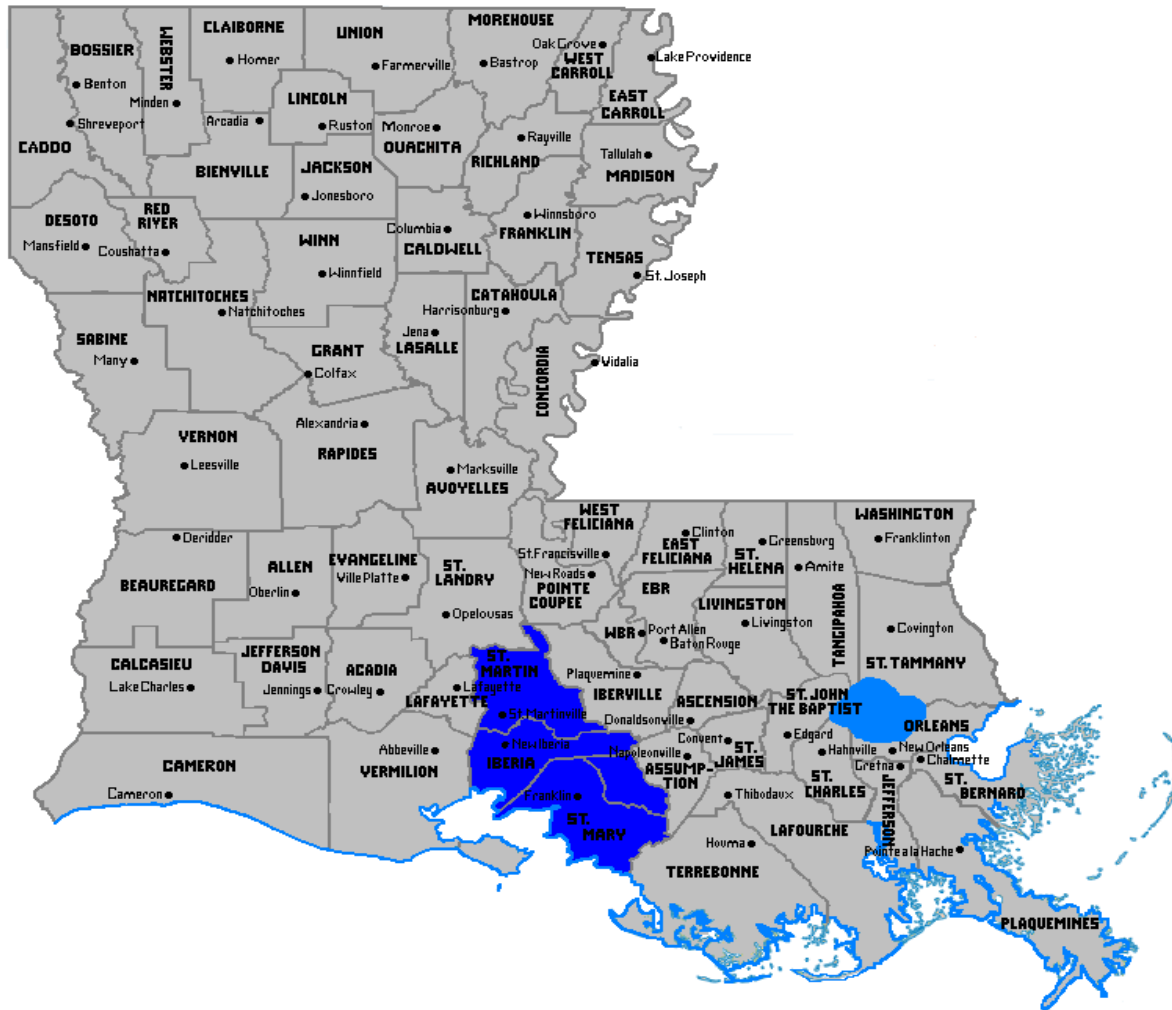
District 15 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Amanda Martin</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	1,366,166
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	104,666
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	140,577
Retirement	17,551
Other	4,727
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>1,633,687</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>-</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	119
Workers' Compensation	1,937
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	19,753
Lease - Office	80,345
Lease - Auto/Equipment	7,057
Lease - Other	6,176
Office Repair and Maintenance	3,256
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	38,004
Dues and Seminars	2,760
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	4,068
Office Supplies	18,404
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>181,880</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	9,485
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	11,000
Investigators	2,860
Interpreters	600
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	2,200
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	360,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	321,705
Contract Attorneys - all other	1,273,509
IT/Technical Support	4,169
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>1,985,528</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	2,745
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>2,745</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,803,839</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES





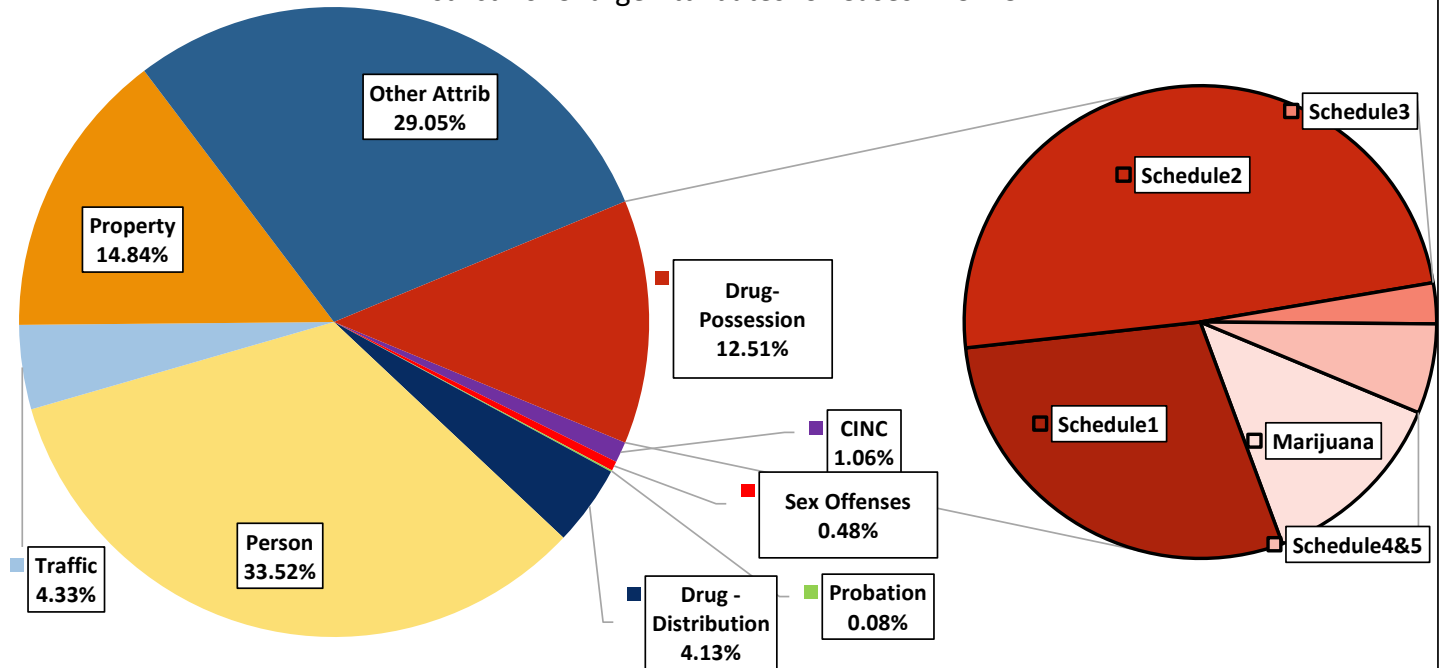
## THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

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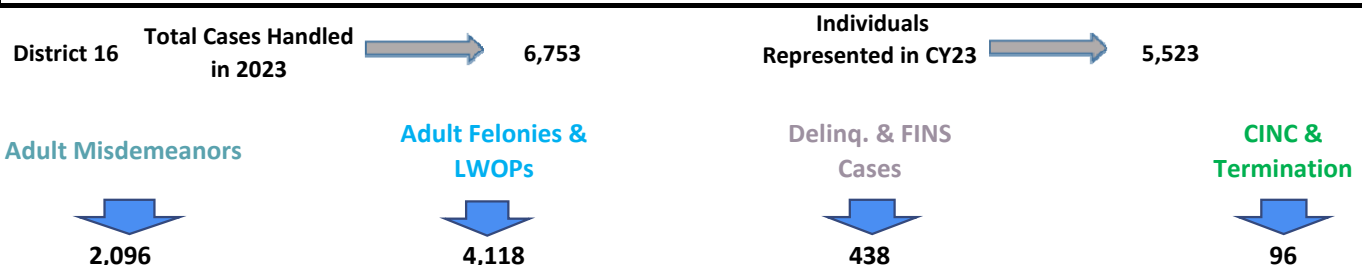
DISTRICT DEFENDER: MARGARET SIMON LEBLANC  
301 EAST ST. PETER STREET, SUITE 101  
NEW IBERIA LA 70560  
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District 16 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

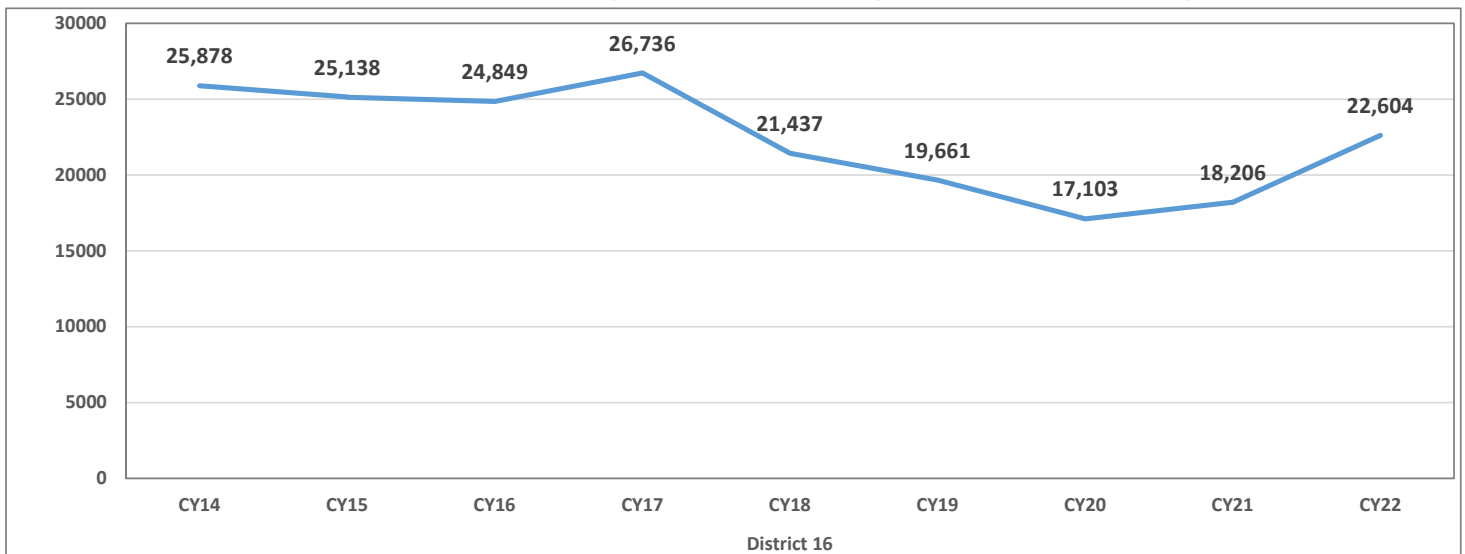


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 12.51% (845) of the 6,753 cases handled by the 16th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 48.7% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



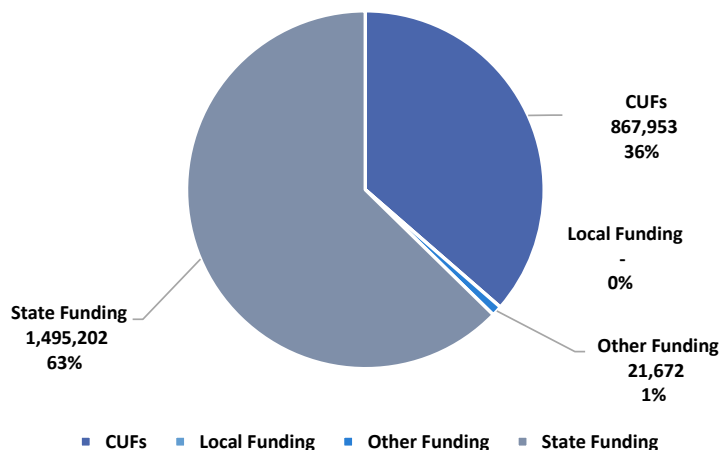
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



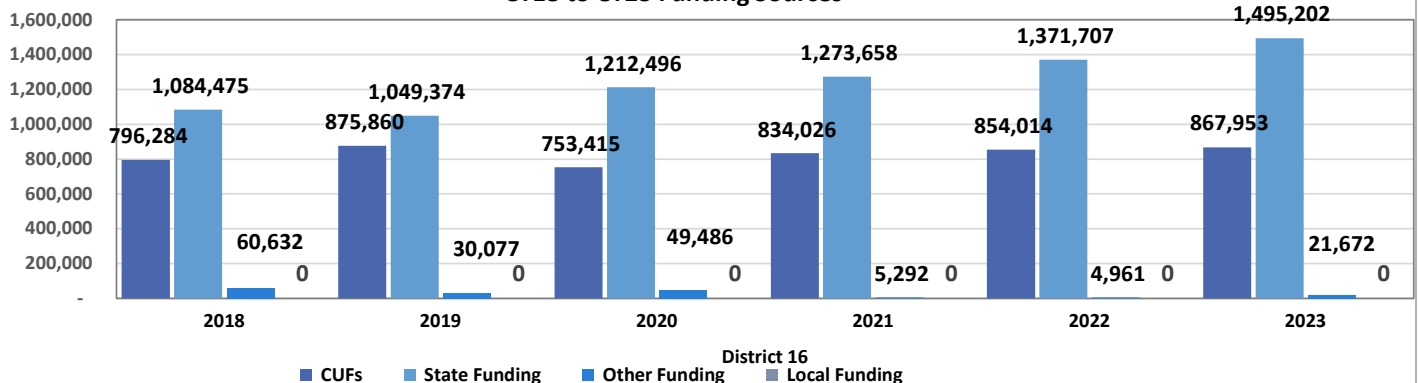
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 16th Judicial District increased 24% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year's collections.

**District 16 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 16th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$2,384,827 in total revenues. Thirty-six percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs were similar to 2022 collections. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	St. Mary Parish, Franklin; Iberia Parish New Iberia; St. Martin Parish, St. Martinville.
<b>Population</b>	167,352
<b>District Defender</b>	ok
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	5 years, 5 months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	8
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Margaret (Maggie) Simon LeBlanc
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	301 E. St. Peter St., Suite 101
<b>City</b>	New Iberia
<b>ZIP</b>	70560
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-365-4006
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	301 E. St. Peter St., Suite 101, New Iberia, La, 70560
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-365-0410
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Margaret (Maggie) Simon LeBlanc
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	cell: 337-519-0791
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Amber Olivier
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-247-3910
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	Franklin - 107 Wilson St., Franklin, LA 70538, 337-828-3628; St. Martin - 106 W. Berard St., St. Martinville, LA 70582, 337-394-1446.
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Iberia-Maggie LeBlanc, St. Martin-Erica Rose; St. Mary-Roshell Jones
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	St. Mary Parish -- Estate of Prevost and Thompson Real Estate for St. Mary Offices; Iberia Parish -- Johnny Romero; St. Martin Parish -- Estate of Kathleen Willis.
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A

<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	N/A
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	16th Judicial District Court (3 parishes-St. Mary Parish, Franklin, LA, Iberia Parish, New Iberia, LA, St. Martin Parish, St. Martinville, LA; Morgan City - City Court, Franklin City Court, Jeanerette City Court, New Iberia City Court, Breaux Bridge City Court; Patterson Mayor Court, St. Martinville Mayor Court.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	8 Criminal Divisions of 16th Judicial District Court; 1 Division in each of the above listed city courts.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	St. Mary Parish Law Enforcement Center, Centerville, LA; Berwick City Jail, Berwick, LA; Morgan City City Jail, Morgan City, LA; Jeanerette City Jail, Jeanerette, LA; Patterson City Jail, Patterson, LA; Iberia Parish Jail, Iberia Parish, LA; New Iberia City Jail, New Iberia, LA; St. Martin Parish Jail, St. Martinville, LA.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Lafayette Parish Jail, St. Landry Parish Jail, Avoyelles Parish Jail, Caldwell Correctional Center, Claiborne Parish Detention Center, Lasalle Parish, Madison Jail, Concordia Parish and Louisiana State Penitentiary
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Assumption, Terrebonne, Lafayette Detention Centers.

<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	St. Martin: Generally, they are not shackled. In the event that they are, attorney will request that the restraints be removed. The court will abide by the request unless the child is a known flight risk. Iberia: The court does not routinely shackle clients. In New Iberia City Court, clients who are charged with crimes of violence, notably gun crimes, may be shackled. In that event, defense attorney always objects most of the time successfully. St. Mary: No.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Bo Duhe
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Lewis H. Pitman
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Judge Trey Haik in New Iberia City Court; Gary LeGros in Jeanerette City Court; Judge Marsha McNulty in Franklin City Court, Judge Kim Stansbury in Morgan City City Court, Judges Roger Hamilton and Anthony Saleme in Iberia Parish (District Court), Judge Vincent Borne in St. Mary Parish (District Court), and Judges Suzanne deMahy and Lewis Pitman in St. Martin Parish (District Court).
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Anthony Thibodeaux in Iberia Parish (District Court), Judge Curtis Sigur in St. Martin Parish (District Court), and Judge Lewis Pitman in St. Mary Parish (District Court)
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No DWI in any parish.
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Negotiating with the landlord of St. Mary office to repair roof that leaks after each big storm; file retention policy and storage; attorney coverage of criminal sections with high caseloads.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Continuing to be able to keep caseloads at reasonable levels while ensuring delivery of quality services, which has become a greater challenge as caseloads have grown due to the pandemic; adding budget for social worker for clients and parent partners for families. Retaining talented attorneys with competitive compensation and/or benefits. Providing conflict counsel in cases ranging from child in need of care, to juvenile, misdemeanor and felonies.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Favorable results in trials, including one acquittal in Iberia Parish, a responsive verdict in homicide case in St. Mary Parish, and a responsive verdict in homicide case in St. Martin Parish.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender supervises all offices and contractors. Administrative Assistant supervises all office staff and each parish has a team leader supervising office staff. Trial Supervisors (one per parish) oversee trial preparation and assist at trial.

<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Full time staff and attorneys receive health insurance with employee premiums that are fully paid by the District Office. Dental and Vision insurance are offered at no cost to the employees. All plans are available to family members of employees at employees' expense.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	St. Martin: 1; Iberia: 2; St. Mary:0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representatives: Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu IV (St. Martin/Iberia), Marcus Anthony Bryant (St. Martin/Iberia), Mike Huval (St. Martin/Iberia), Vincent "Vinney" J. St. Blanc III (St. Martin/St. Mary), Blake Miguez (Iberia), Beryl A. Amedee (St. Mary) Senators: Gerald Boudreaux (St. Martin), Fred Mills, Jr. (St. Martin, Iberia), Caleb Seth Kleinpeter (St. Martin), and R.L. Bret Allain II (Iberia/St. Mary)
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	We have hired more attorneys, so that cases are assigned more quickly and caseloads are not out of control. We have held more jury trials, which strengthens trial skills of our attorneys, increases office morale, and improves our reputation. We have provided specialized training sessions and CLE programs to contract and full-time attorneys, so they are better prepared for practicing in our district.

## 16th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

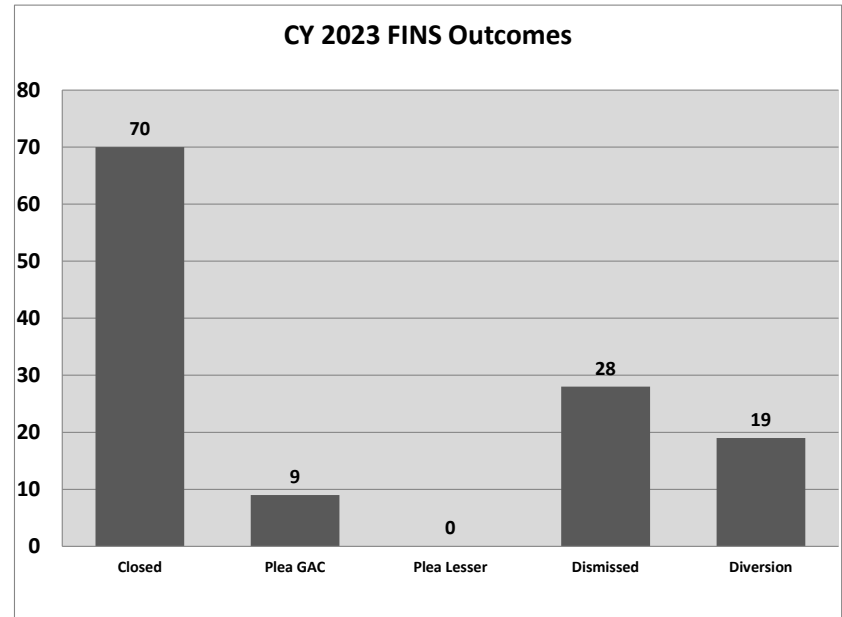
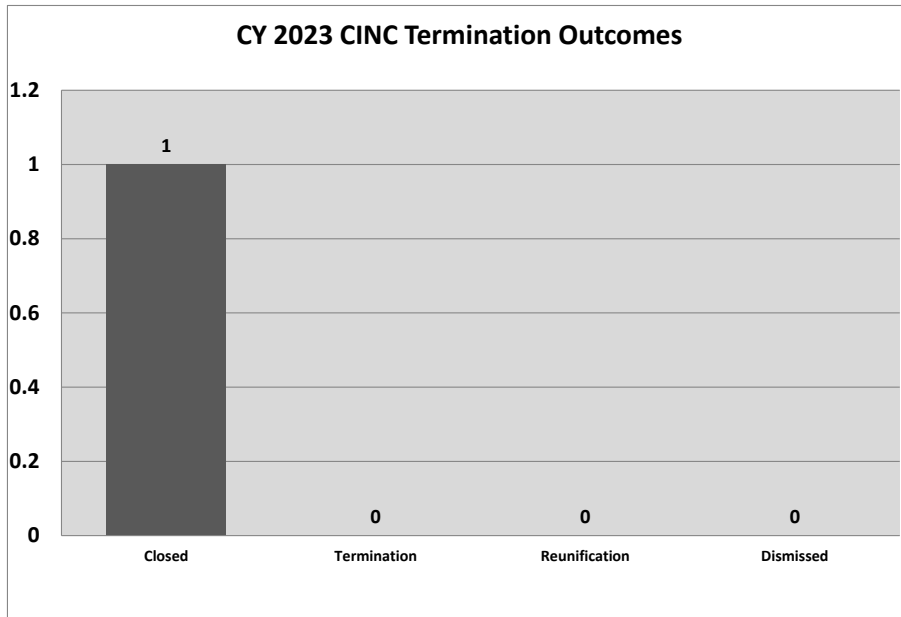
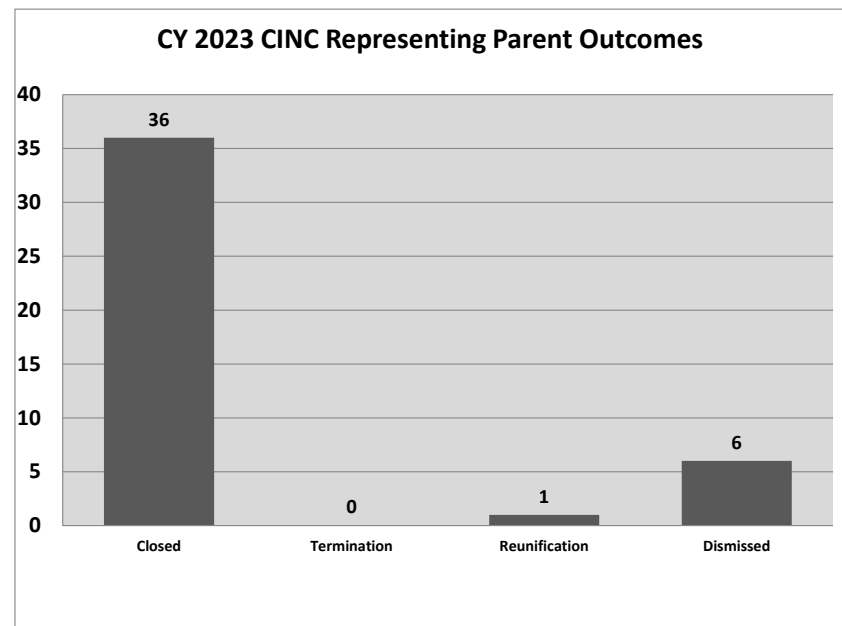
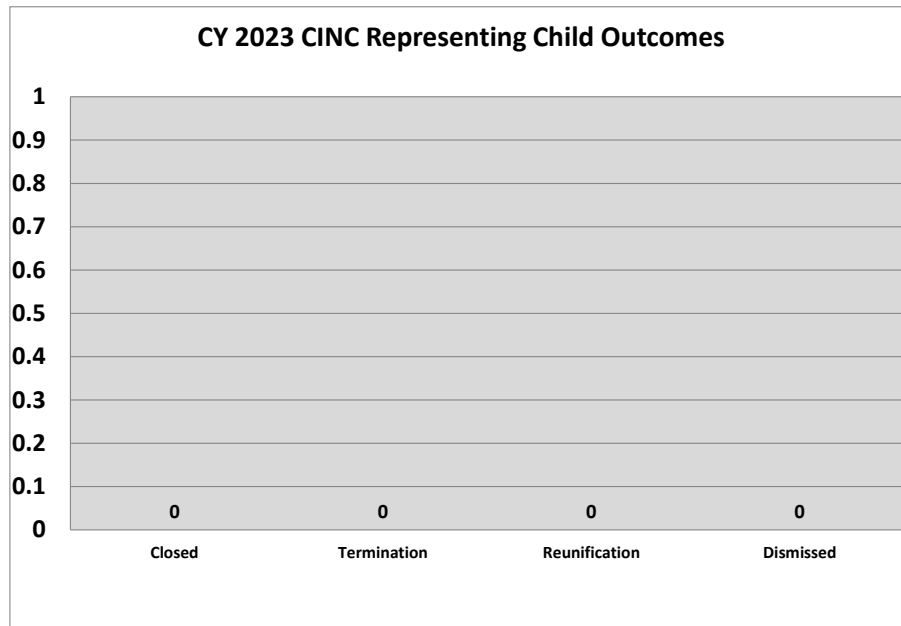
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	67	36	27	94	0	1	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	1	1	1	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	63	70	34	97	N/A	N/A	9	0	28	19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	179	142	40	219	N/A	N/A	36	3	54	28	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency Felony	101	45	14	115	N/A	N/A	13	3	18	5	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency-Life	6	5	1	7	N/A	N/A	2	0	0	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	1307	1290	789	2096	N/A	N/A	720	51	718	0	0	0	4	8	12
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1953	1833	2091	4044	N/A	N/A	724	221	1785	0	1	4	0	3	8
Adult LWOP	23	8	34	57	N/A	N/A	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	1
Capital***	2	2	3	5	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	31	17	17	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

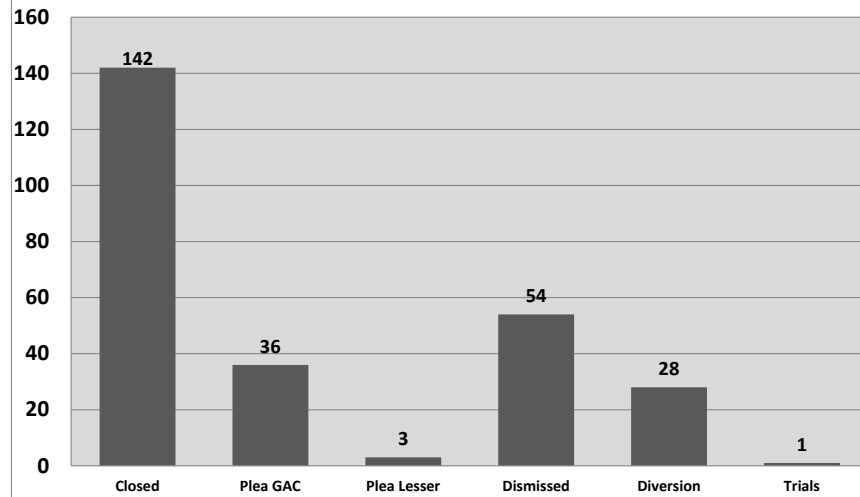
\*\*Life Without Parole

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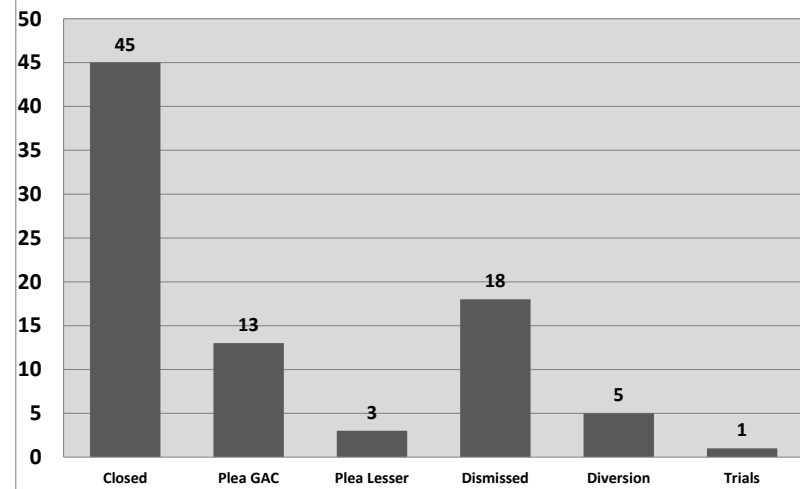




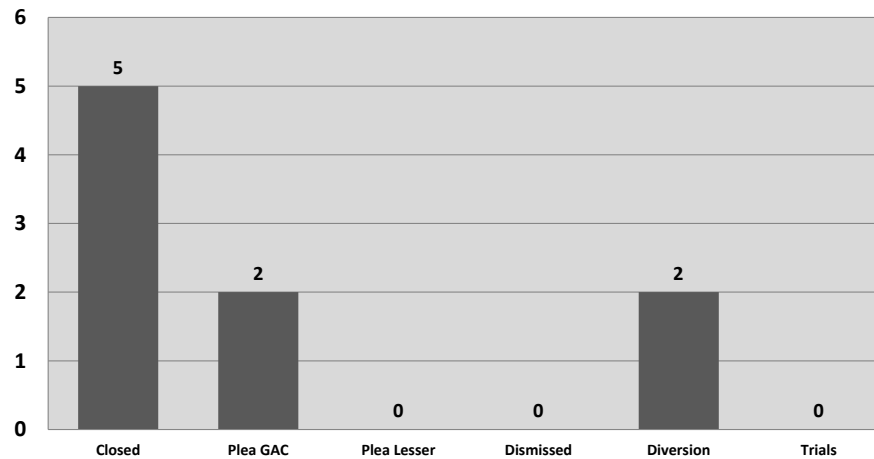
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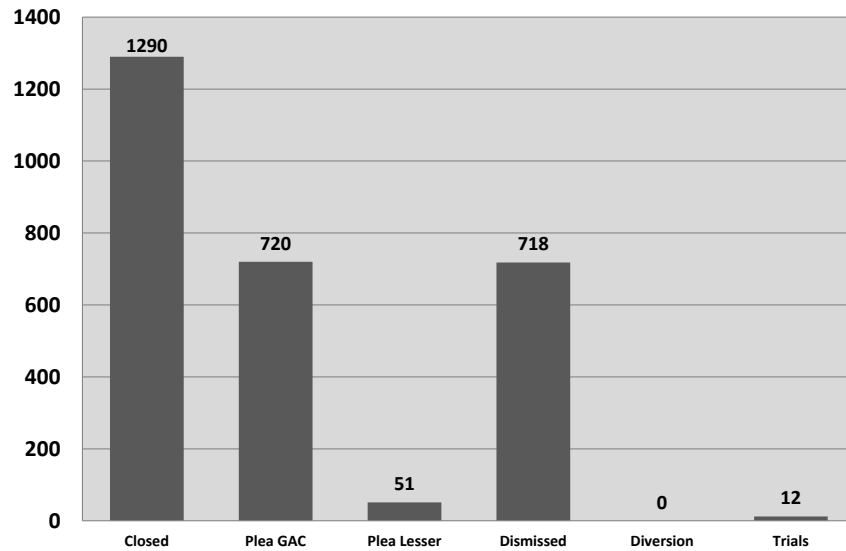
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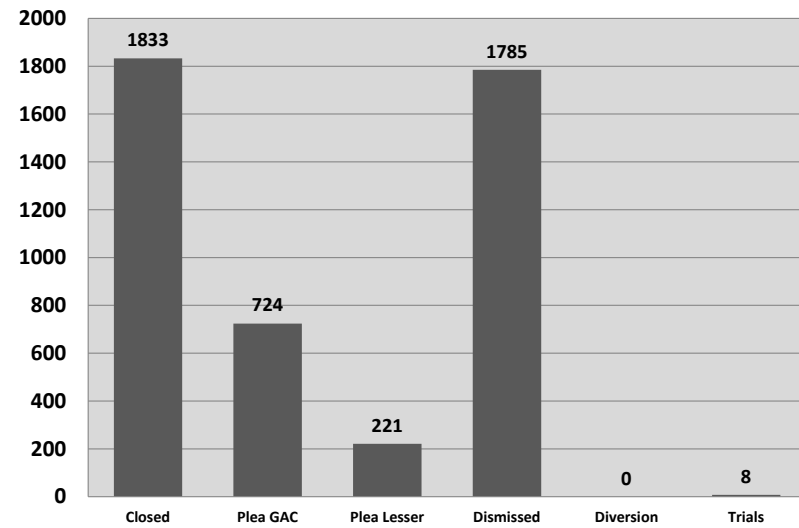
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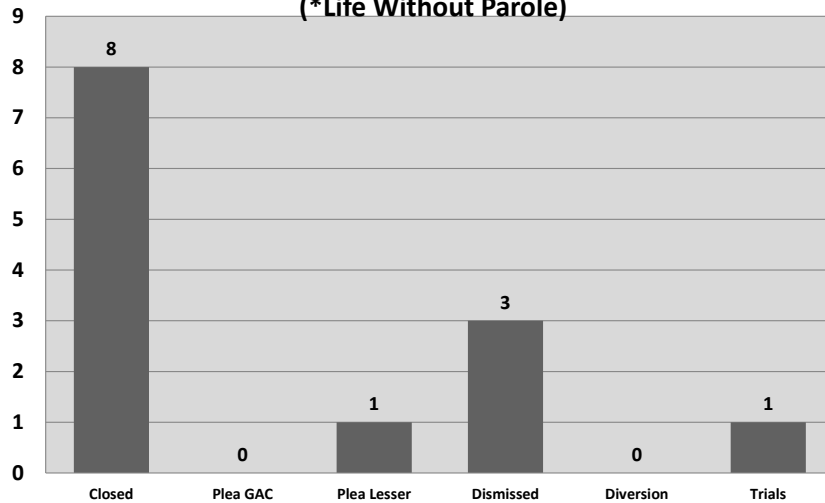
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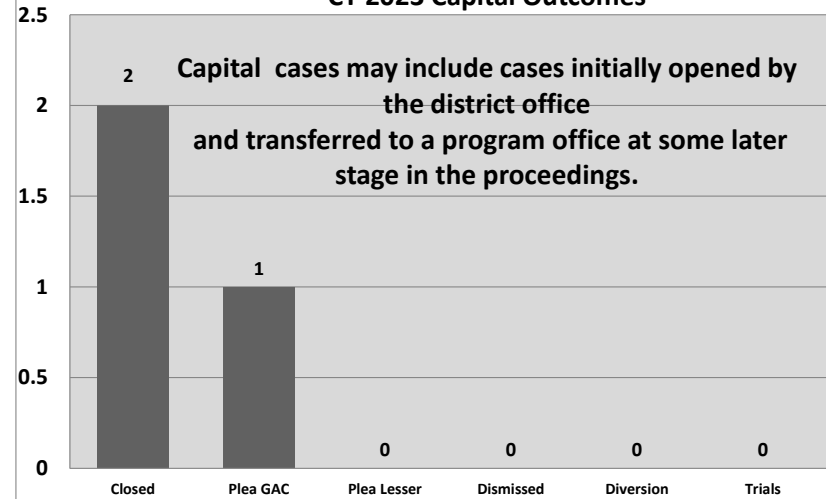
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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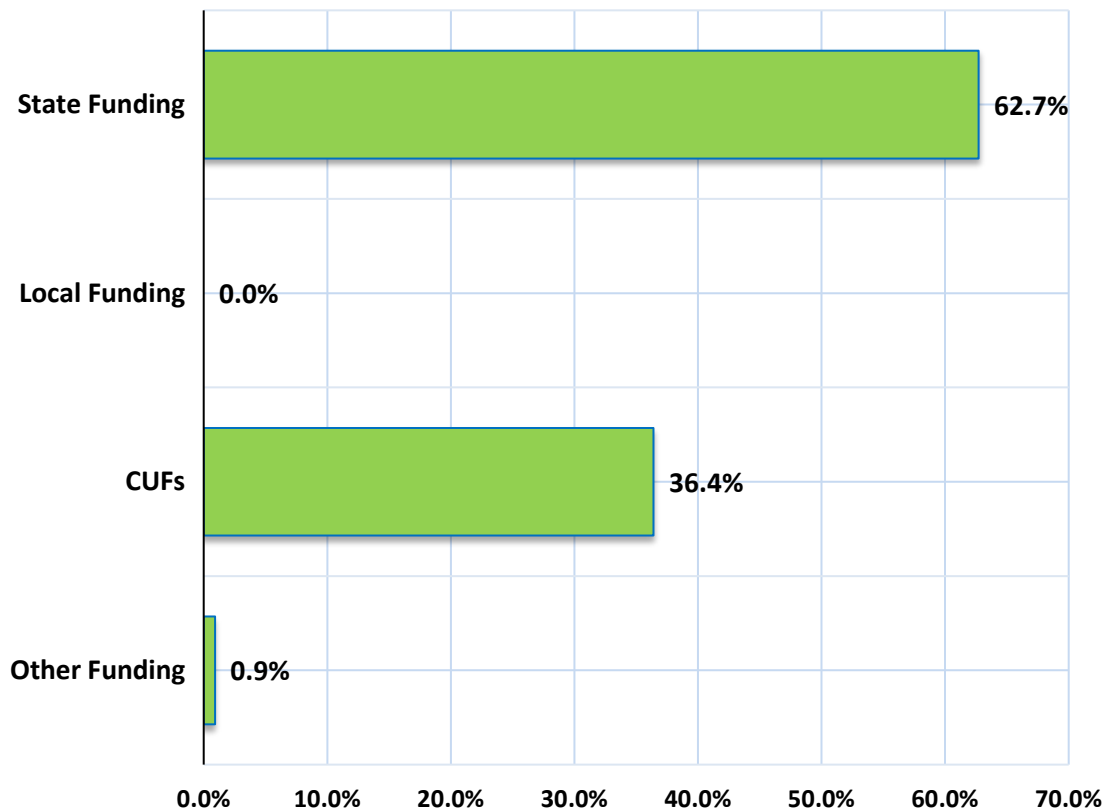
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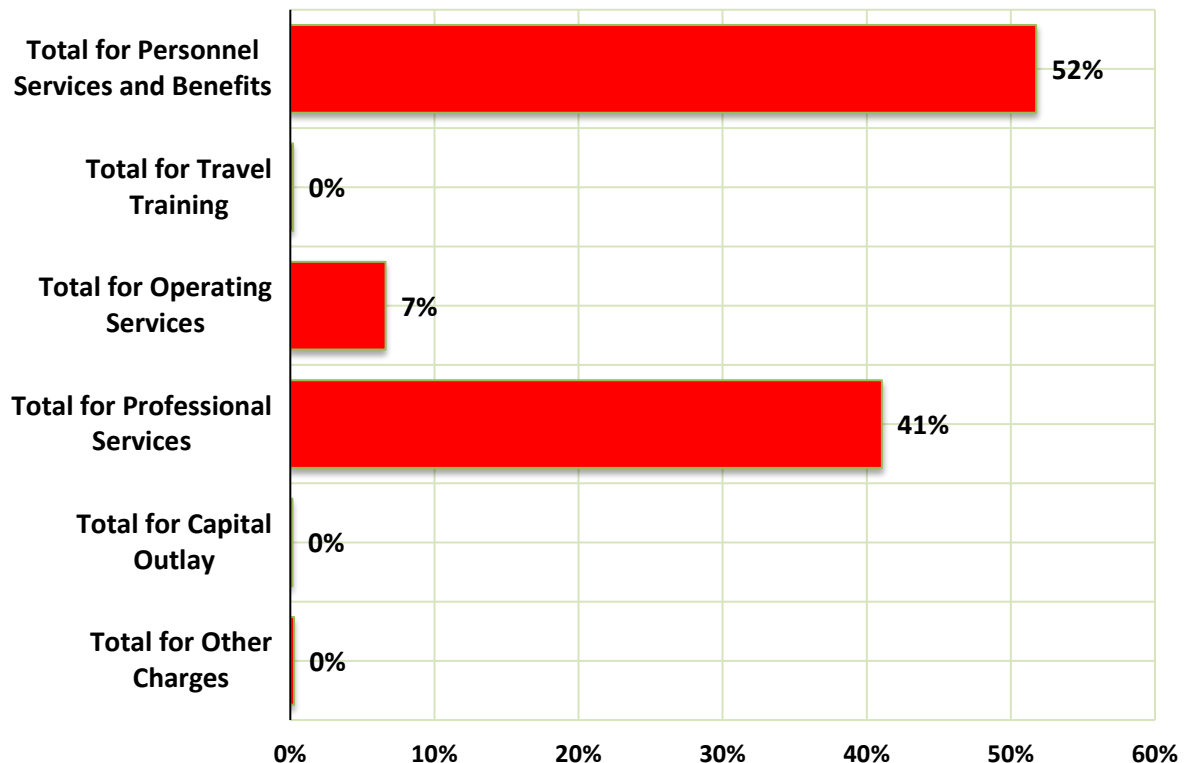
District 16 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Margaret Simon LeBlanc</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	2,082
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>2,082</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	39,242
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	1,453,877
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>1,493,120</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	250
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	174,282
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	14,504
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	179,107
Judicial District Courts	425,875
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	38,674
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>643,656</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	21,538
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	28,228
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	497
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>50,262</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>882,954</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	1,767
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>1,767</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	4,904
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>4,904</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>2,384,827</b>

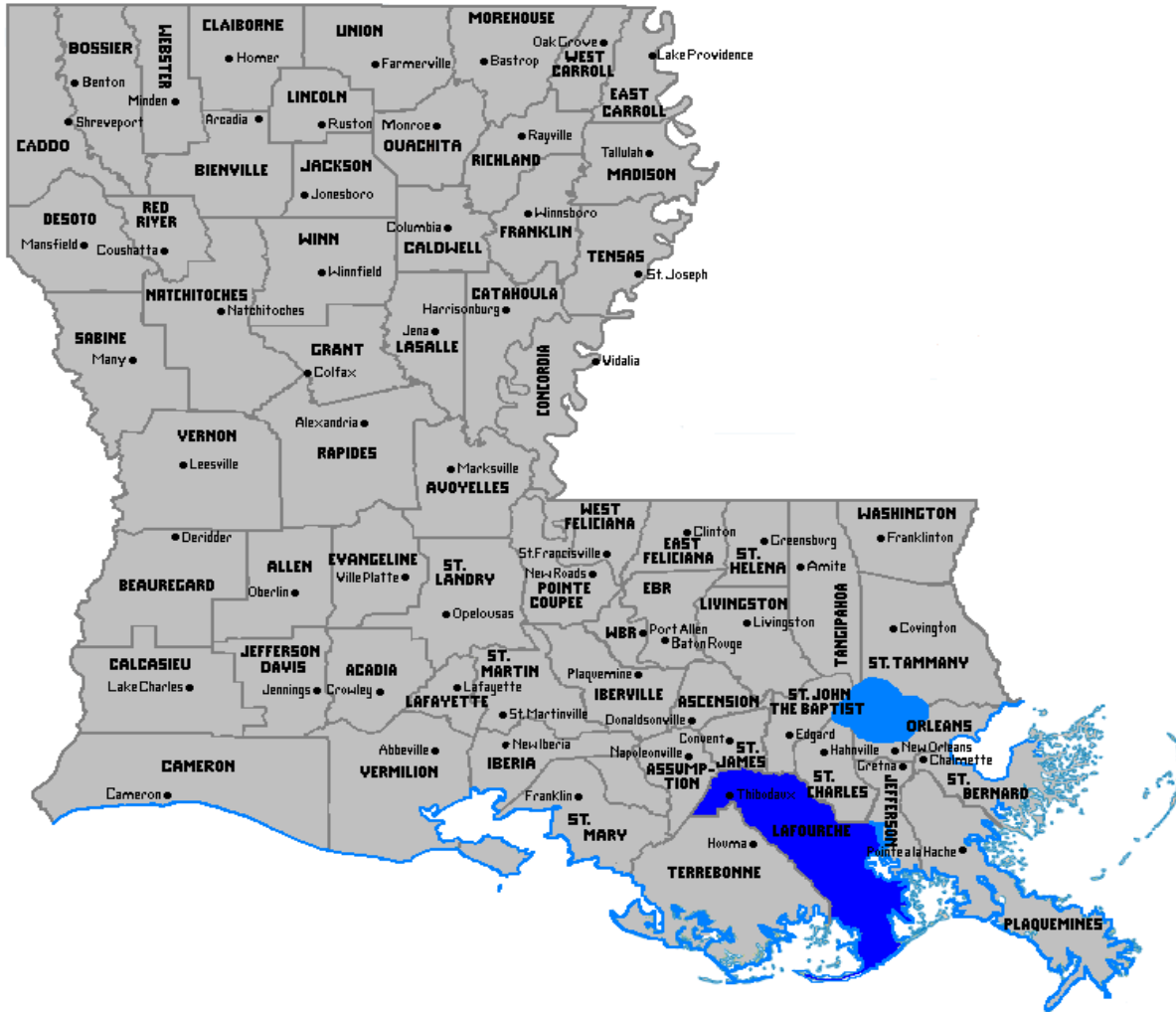
District 16 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Margaret Simon LeBlanc</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	968,084
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	74,952
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	96,073
Retirement	14,156
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>1,153,265</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	6
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	4,386
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>4,392</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	63
Workers' Compensation	3,939
Insurance - Malpractice	12,177
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	1,252
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	52,151
Lease - Auto/Equipment	8,623
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	5,066
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	31,390
Dues and Seminars	2,480
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	15,510
Office Supplies	14,404
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>147,056</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	43,790
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	4,800
Investigators	3,872
Interpreters	179
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	183,860
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	67,875
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	81,300
Contract Attorneys - all other	509,684
IT/Technical Support	19,281
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>914,641</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	3,331
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>3,331</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	5,581
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>5,581</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,228,267</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

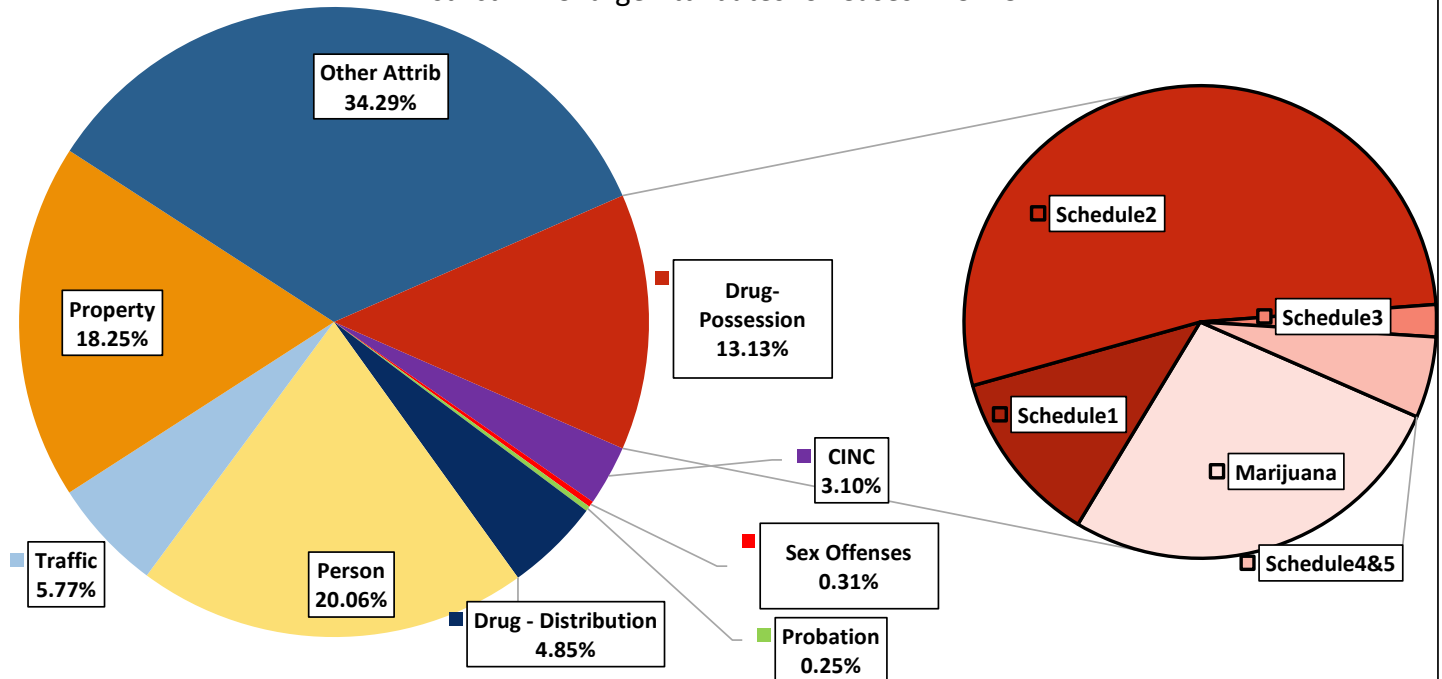




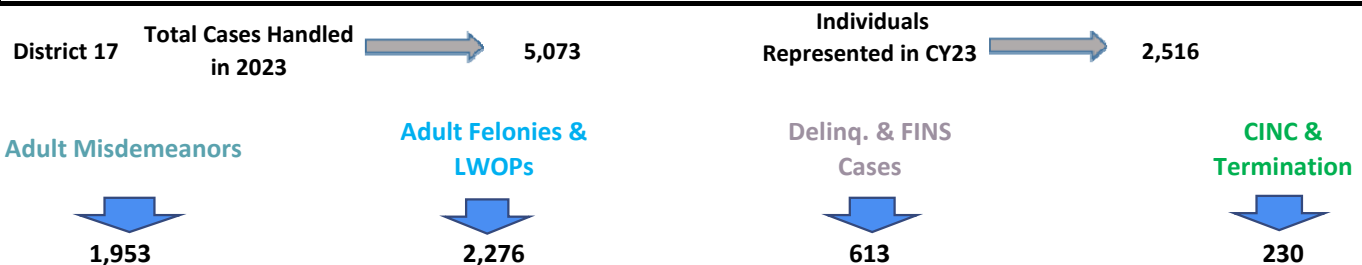
THE 17<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
LAFOURCHE (THIBODAUX)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: ANDREA C. STENTZ  
204 GREEN STREET  
THIBODAUX, LA 70301  
(985) 446-8808

District 17 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

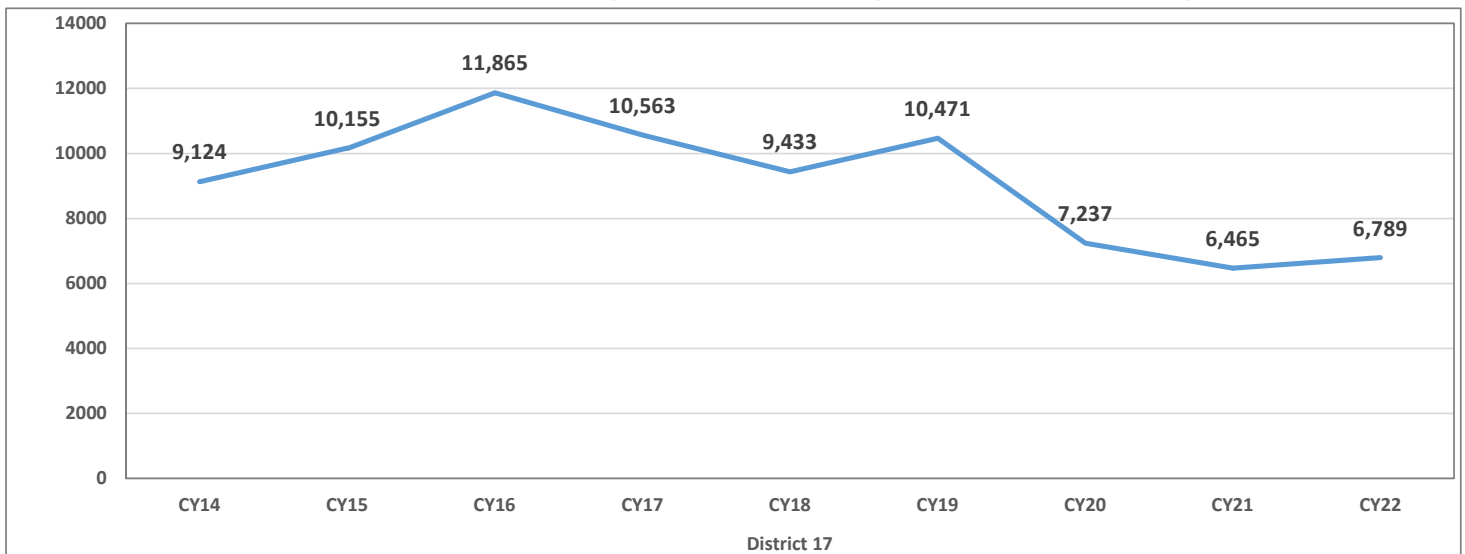


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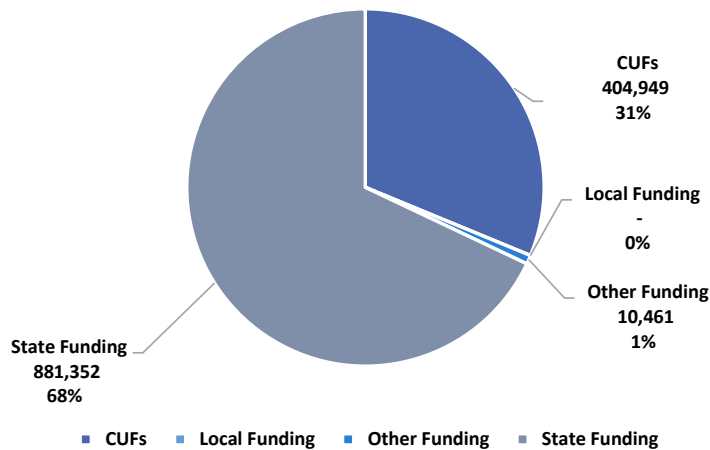
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**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



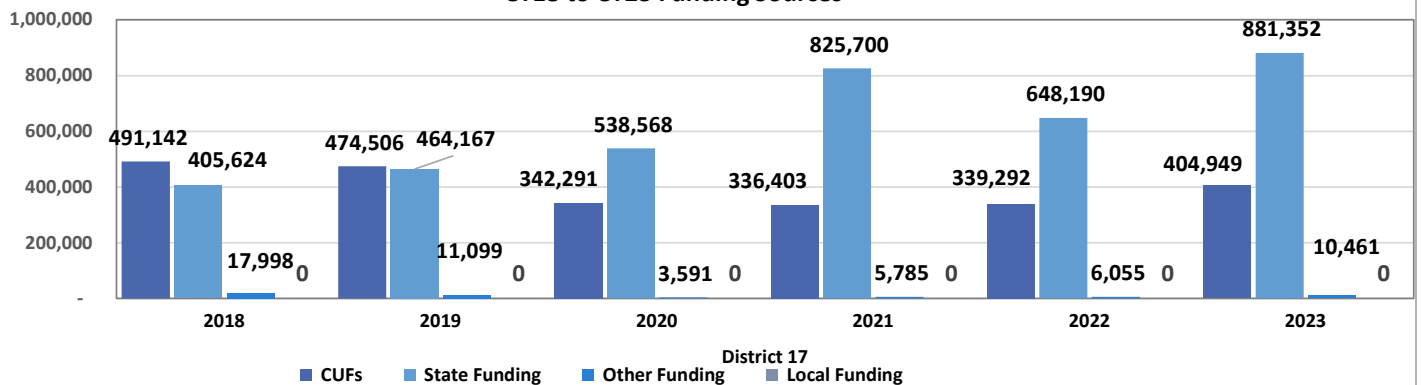
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**District 17 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 17th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,296,762 in total revenues, an increase of \$300,000 from the previous year. Thirty-one percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), which is fairly consistent with the statewide average. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The district office experienced increases in both CUF collections and state funding, but did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**







## THE 17<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Lafourche-Thibodaux, LA
<b>Population</b>	97,929
<b>District Defender</b>	Andrea C. Stentz
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	4 yrs and 6 months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	15 years
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Christie Boudreaux
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	204 Green Street
<b>City</b>	Thibodaux
<b>ZIP</b>	70301
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	8:30-4:30 Mon-Thurs; 8:30-3:00 Fri
<b>Primary Phone</b>	985-446-8808
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	204 Green Street, Thibodaux, LA 70301
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	985-446-8818
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Andrea C. Stentz
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	985-209-2918
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Christie Boudreaux
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	985-713-6606
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	204 Green Street, Thibodaux, LA 70301 phone: 985-446-8808 fax: 985-446-8818
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	17th JDC Public Defender's Office
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO Owns building
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	17th Judicial District Court, Lafourche Parish, Div. A-E, 201 Green St. & 303 West 3rd Street, Thibodaux, 70301; Thibodaux City Court, 1309 Canal Blvd. Thibodaux, 70301
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	A, B, C, D, & E only (1) division in City Court
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Lafourche Parish Correctional Complex
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Lafourche Parish Juvenile Justice Facility
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Kristine Morvant Russell
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Hon. F. Hugh Larose
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Div B-Hon Jennifer Richard
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Hon. Marla Abel
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Family Preservation--Div C, Hon Marla Abel
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	None
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Additional attorneys
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	General Increase in Financing; better retirement policy.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None

<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender for attorneys, Office Manager for non attorney staff.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Medical Insurance -- Office pays 75% of premium
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representatives - Beryl Amedee; Jerome Zeringe; Tanner Magee; Joseph Orgeron; Bryan Fontenot. Senators - Edward Price, Gary L. Smith, Jr.; Michael Fesi; Bret Allain, II.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Training, access to resources, collaborations, improved communications.

### 17th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	86	87	110	196	0	6	N/A	N/A	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	27	22	7	34	39	3	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	105	105	44	149	N/A	N/A	22	0	62	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	308	235	42	350	N/A	N/A	218	2	95	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	77	57	34	111	N/A	N/A	61	12	31	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	2	6	1	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	1103	1164	850	1953	N/A	N/A	840	30	782	0	0	0	0	3	3
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1123	1083	1110	2233	N/A	N/A	738	147	313	0	0	3	0	6	9
Adult LWOP	5	7	12	17	N/A	N/A	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	2
Capital***	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	9	19	17	26	N/A	N/A	1	0	4	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

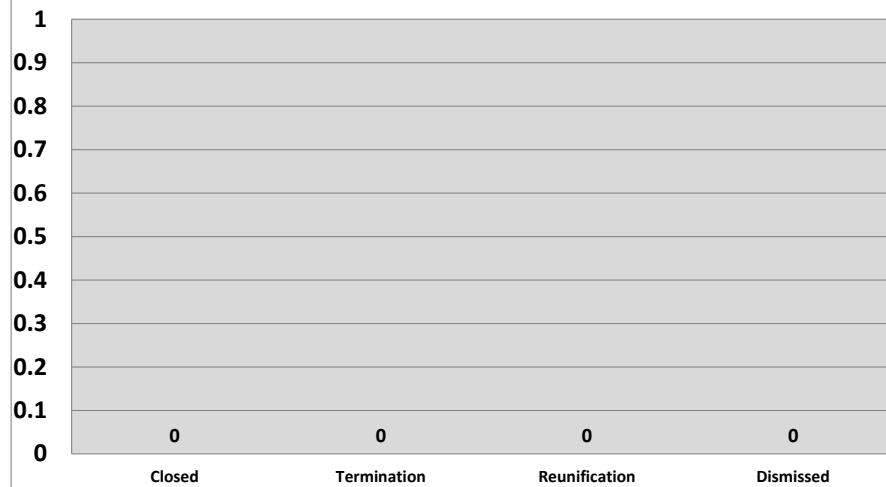
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

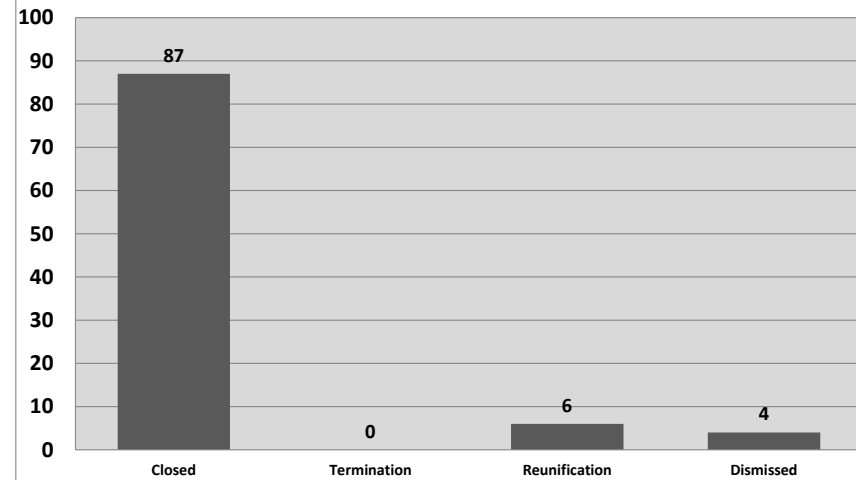
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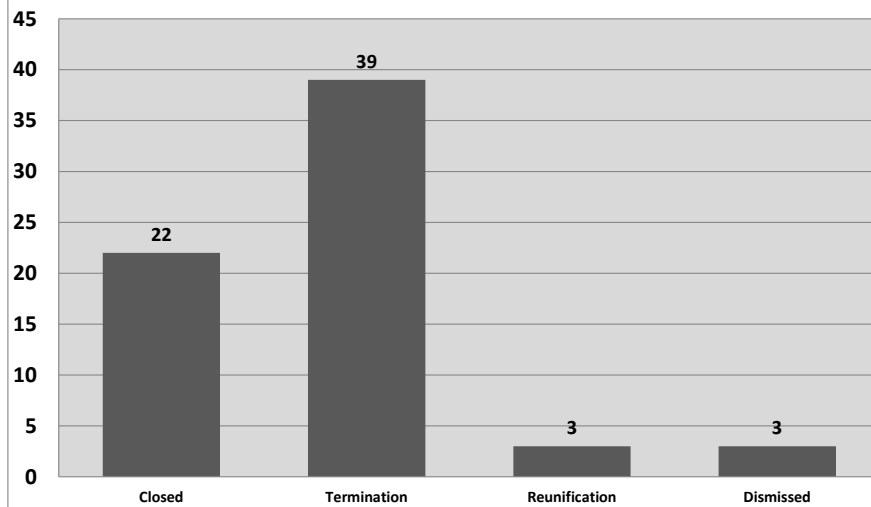
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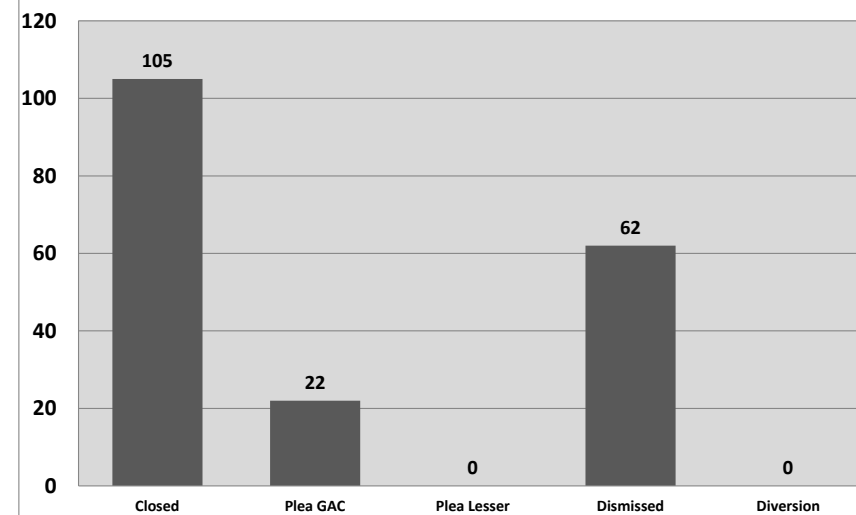
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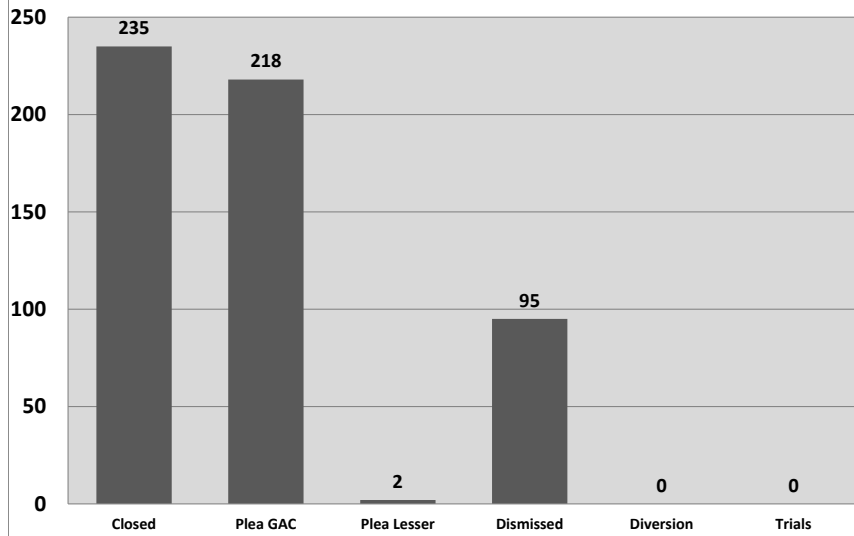
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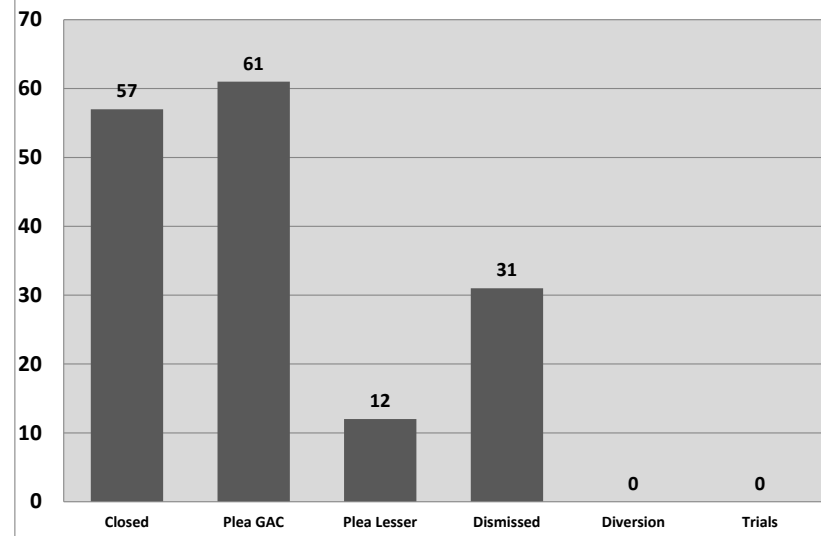
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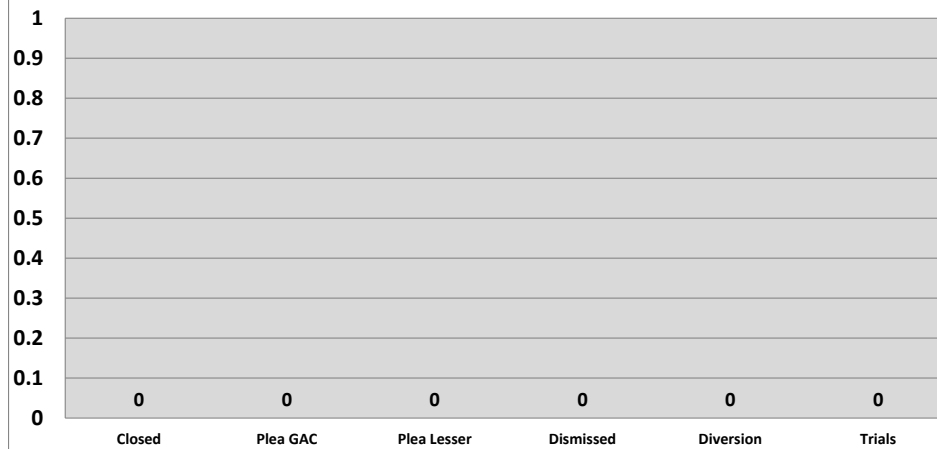
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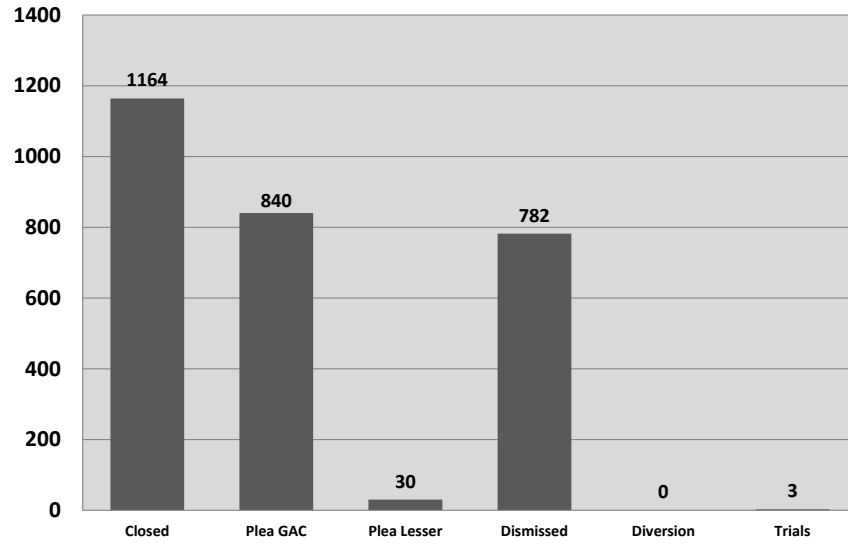
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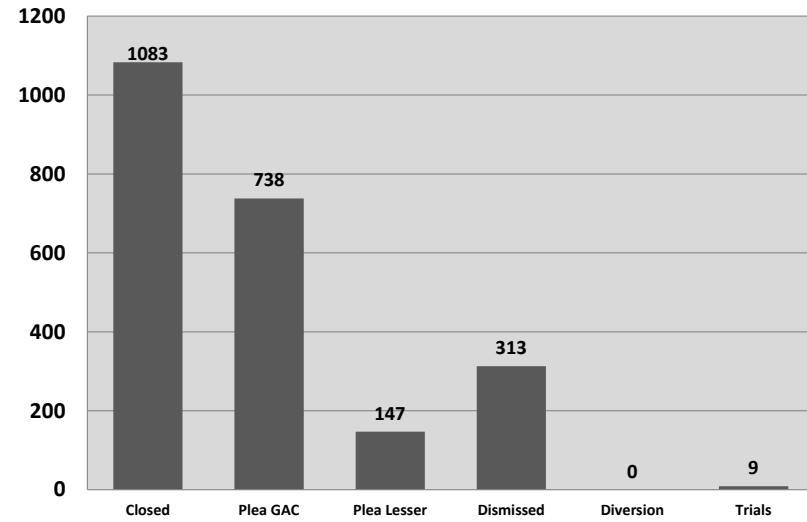
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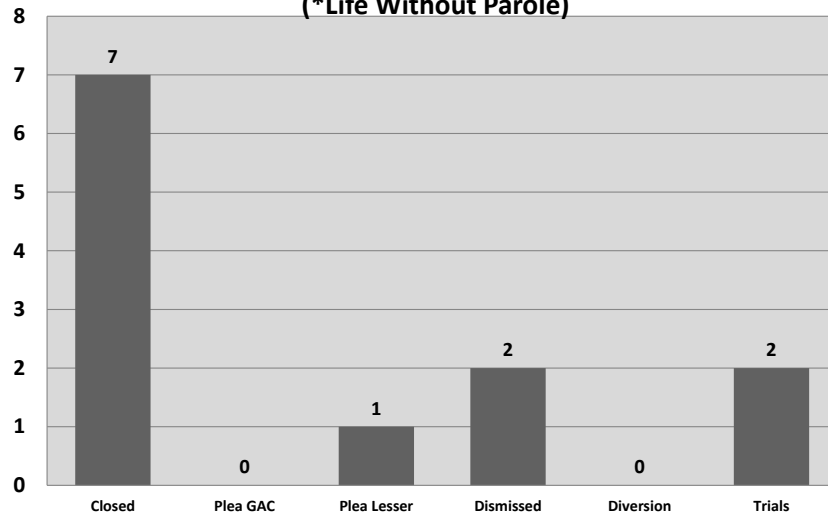
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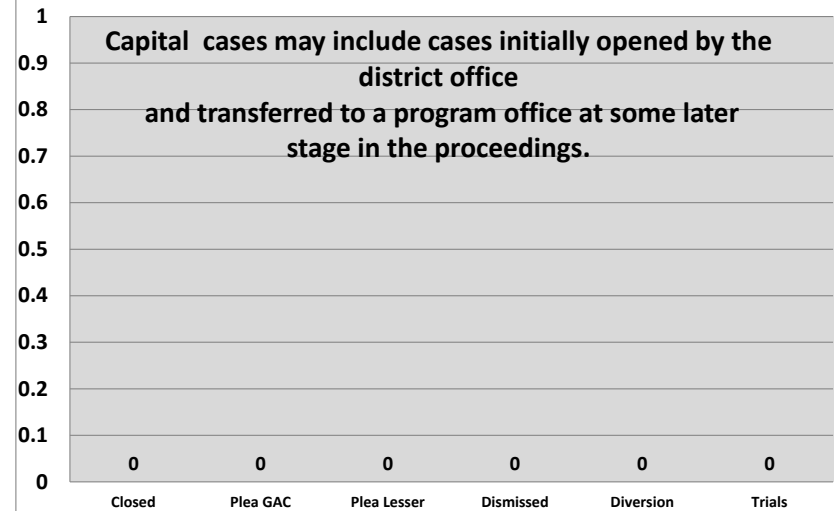
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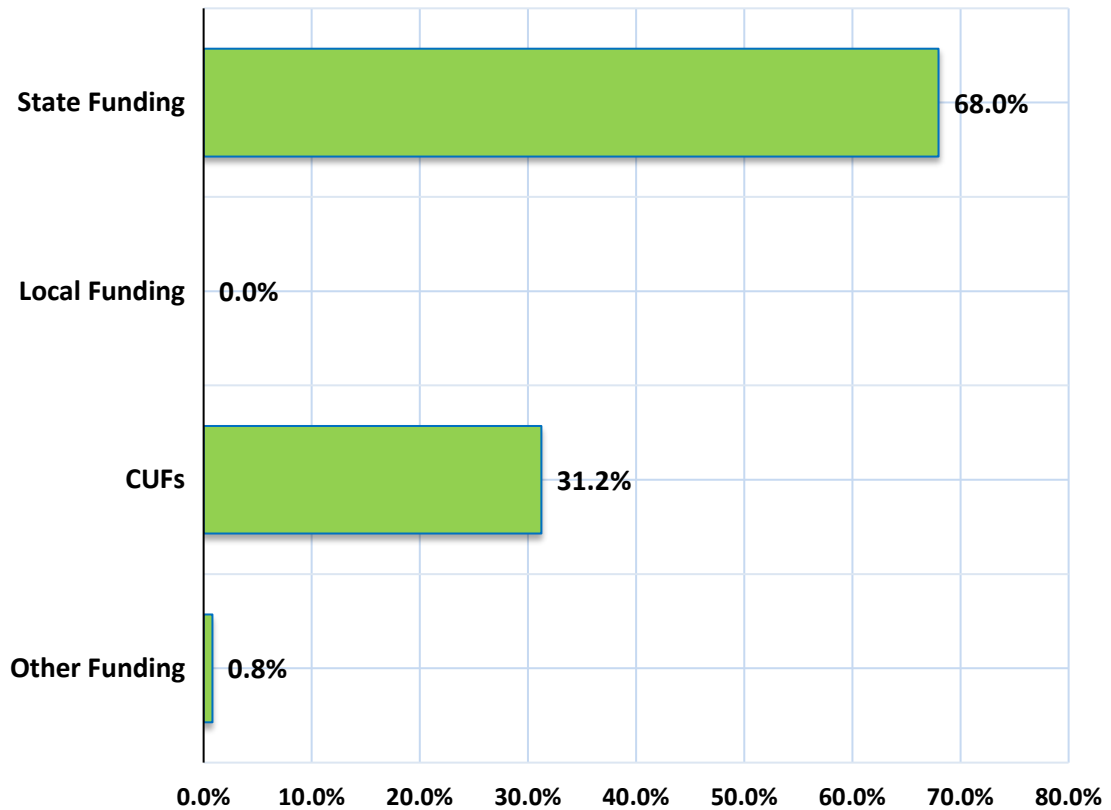


District 17 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Andrea Stentz</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	887
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>887</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	30,957
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	849,509
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>880,466</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	103,780
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	2,135
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	233,524
City & City-Ward Courts	56,870
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	440
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>290,834</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	10,135
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	200
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>10,335</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>407,084</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	8,117
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>8,117</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	208
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>208</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,296,762</b>

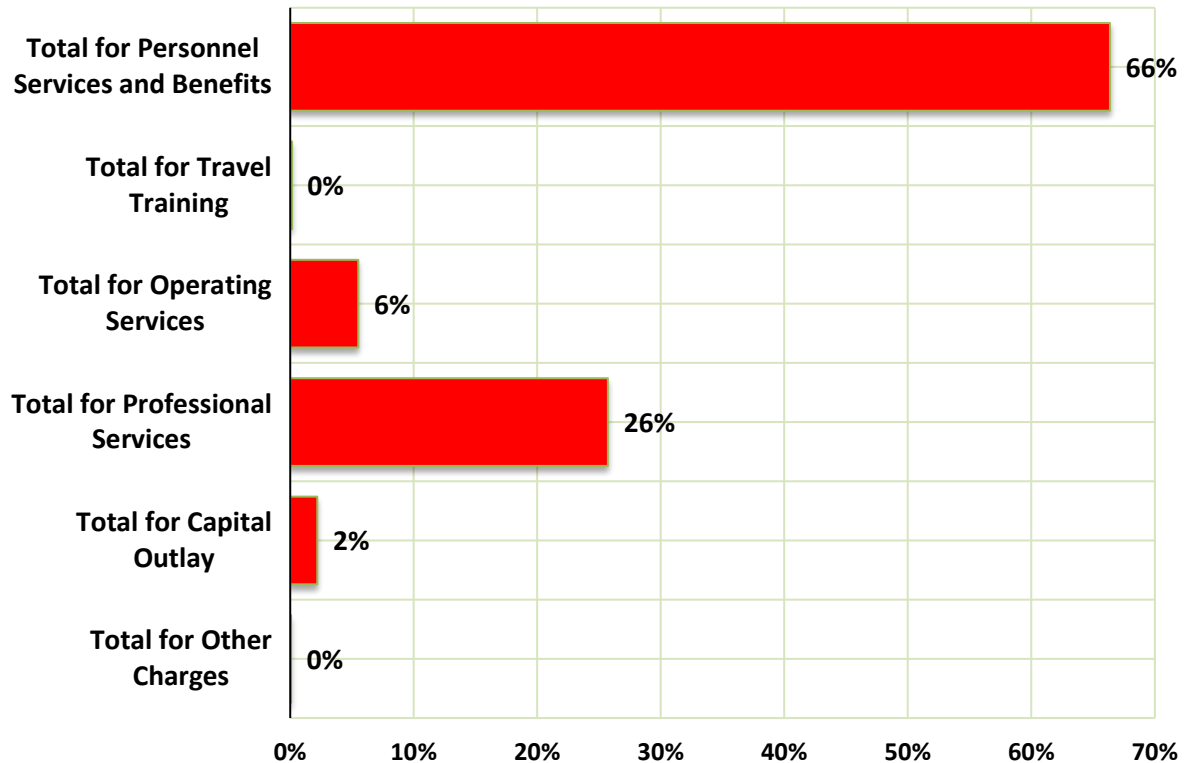


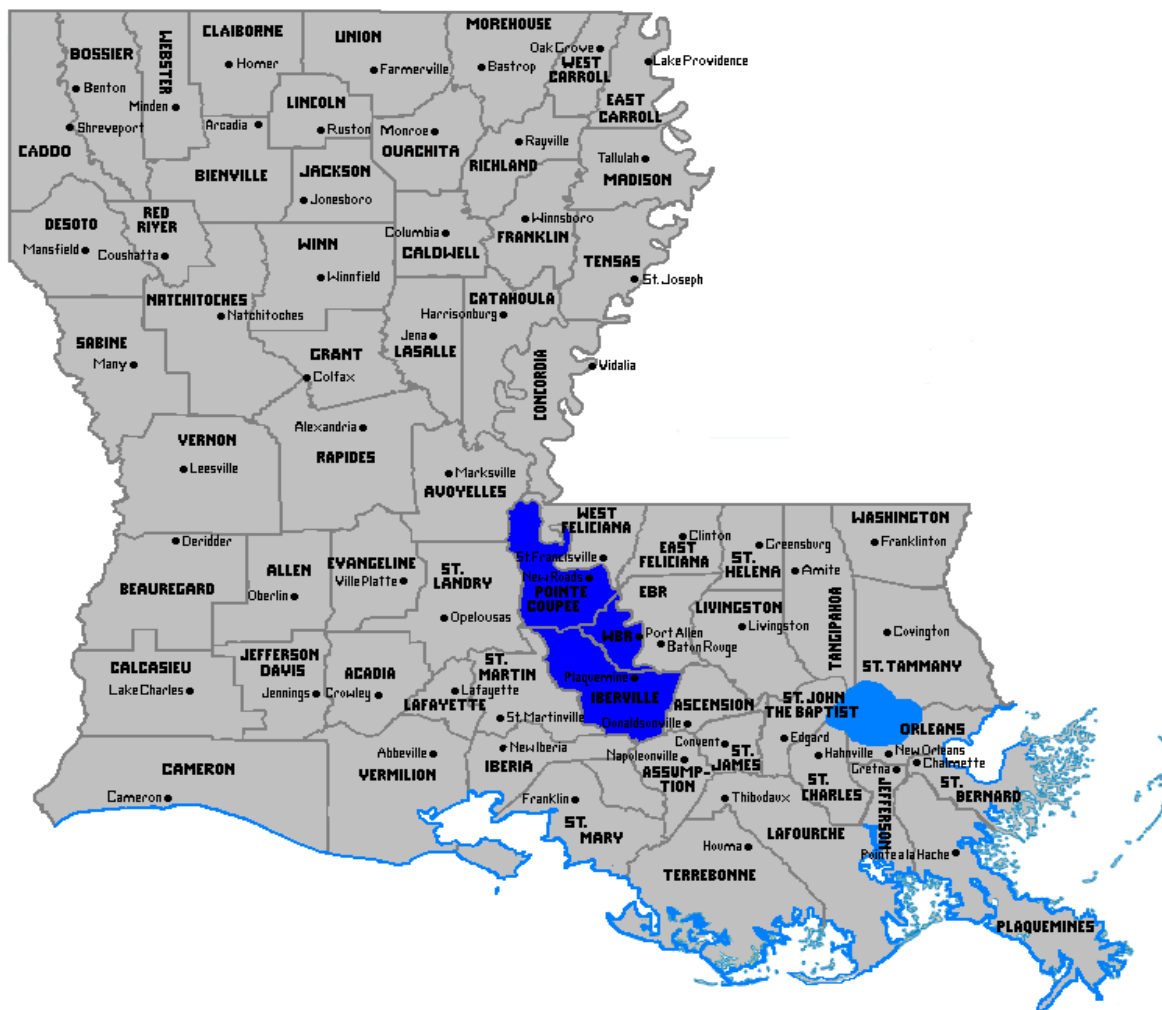
District 17 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Andrea Stentz</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	537,225
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	37,864
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	45,716
Retirement	34,607
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>655,411</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	1,313
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>1,313</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	289
Workers' Compensation	483
Insurance - Malpractice	5,463
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	865
Insurance - Other	7,591
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	2,814
Lease - Other	115
Office Repair and Maintenance	4,580
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	11,605
Dues and Seminars	2,760
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	7,246
Office Supplies	10,650
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>54,459</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	13,288
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	2,000
Investigators	75
Interpreters	675
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	136,550
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	30,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	34,200
Contract Attorneys - all other	36,000
IT/Technical Support	1,289
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>254,077</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	21,753
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>21,753</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	619
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>619</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>987,632</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES





## THE 18<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

IBERVILLE (PLAQUEMINE) - POINTE COUPEE (NEW ROADS) - WEST BATON  
ROUGE (PORT ALLEN)

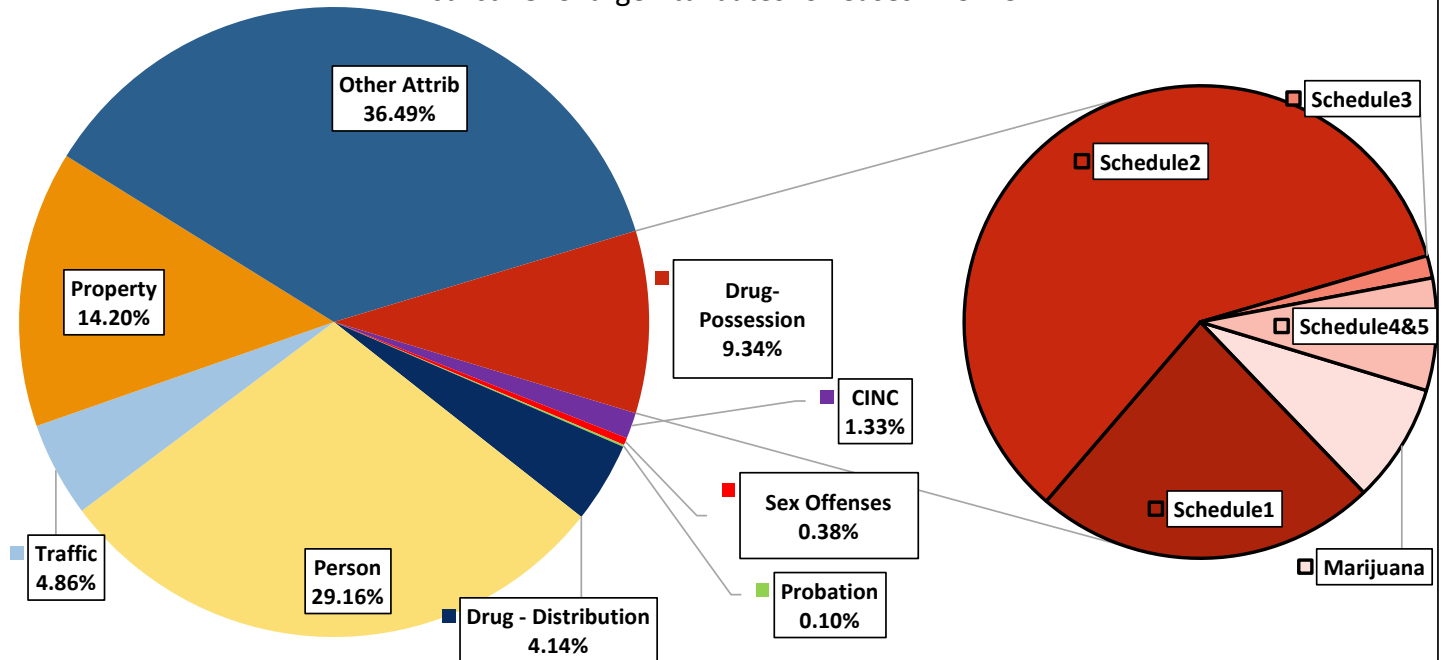
DISTRICT DEFENDER: C. JEROME D'AQUILA (JANUARY 1, 1968 – JULY 1, 2023)

RHONDA COVINGTON, INTERIM (JULY 1, 2023 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023)

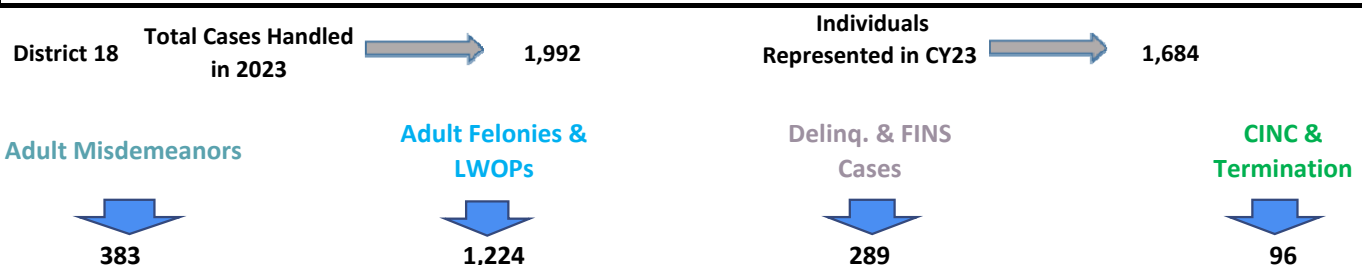
THOMAS A. "TOM" NELSON (OCTOBER 1, 2023 TO PRESENT)

308 E. MAIN STREET  
NEW ROADS, LA 70760  
(225) 638-9083

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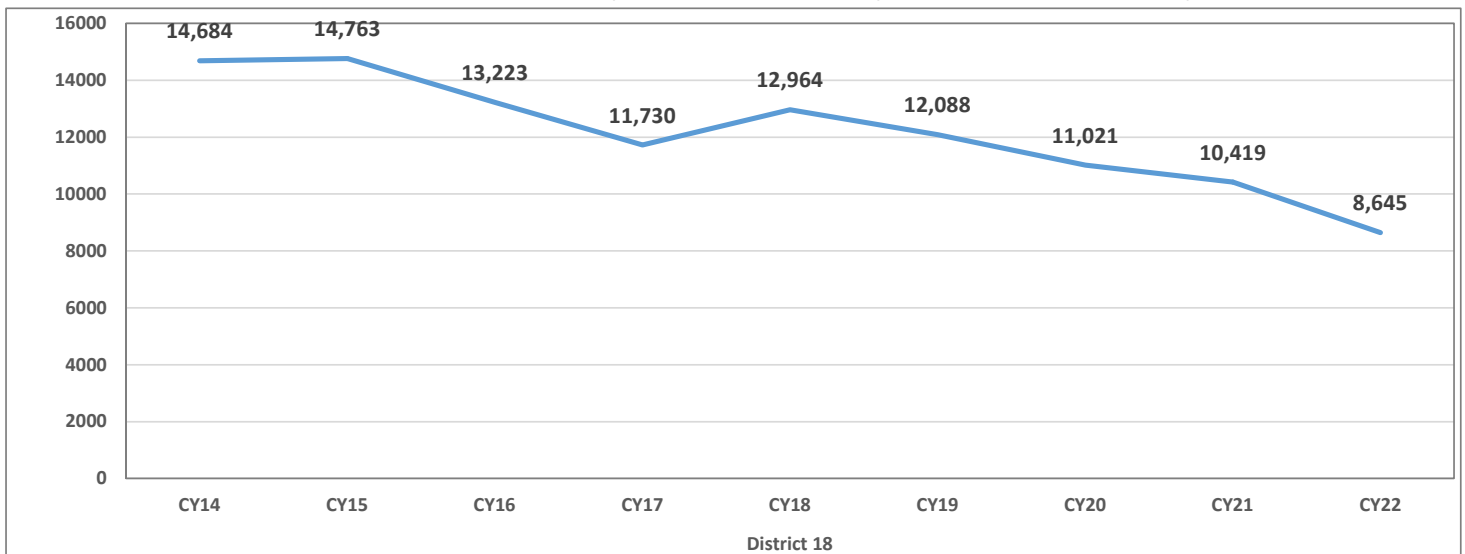


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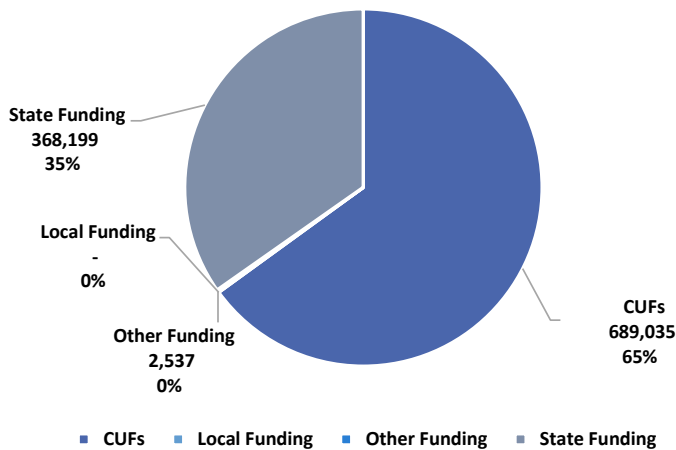
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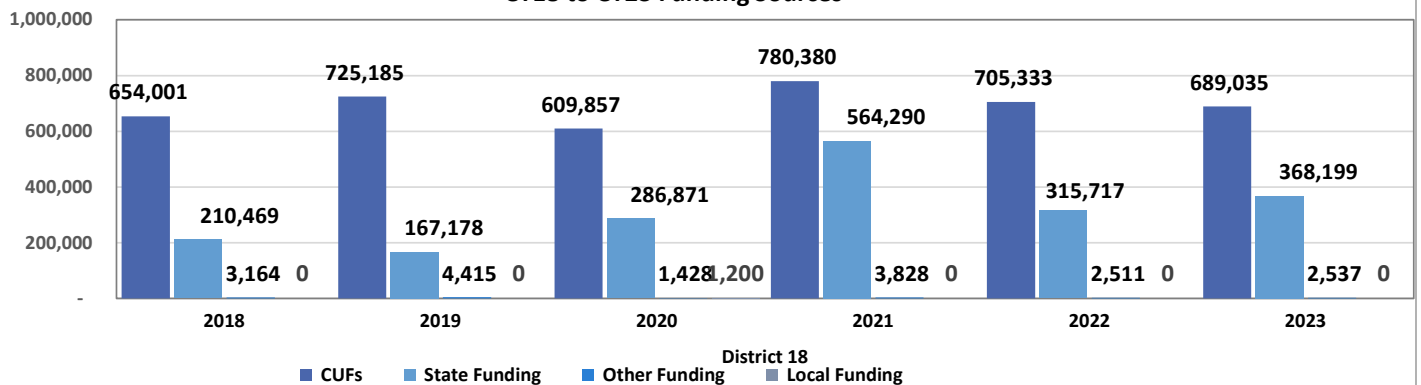
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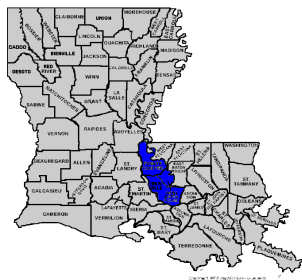
### District 18 Funding Sources in 2023



During Calendar Year 2023, the 18th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,059,771 in total revenues. Sixty-five percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. In CY21, the state provided \$250,000 to the district for the purchase of a Public Defender Office building. This funding was appropriated by the Legislature in Act 45 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session. The loss of this one-time money accounts for the decrease in CY22 state funding. The office did not receive any funding from city/parish government.

### CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources





## THE 18<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Iberville - Plaquemine; Pointe Coupee - New Roads; West Baton Rouge - Port Allen
<b>Population</b>	77,972 using 7/1/2021 estimates from U S Census Bureau Quick Facts
<b>District Defender</b>	Thomas A. Nelson
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	1
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	42
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	80
<b>Office Manager</b>	Dana Kirkland
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	308 E. Main St.
<b>City</b>	New Roads
<b>ZIP</b>	70760
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 9:00a.m.-5:00p.m.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	225-638-9083
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	PO Box 896, New Roads LA 70760
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	225-638-7227
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Thomas A. Nelson
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	225-638-9083 (O) 225-718-2708 (cell)
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Dana Kirkland
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	225-638-9083 (O) 225-405-4425
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	Iberville Parish - 58065 Meriam St, Plaquemine LA 70764, 225-238-5080; Pointe Coupee Parish - 308 E. Main St., New Roads 70760, 225-638-9083; West Baton Rouge Parish - 750 Louisiana Ave., Port Allen 70767, 225-387-6209.
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Iberville Parish-Cheryle Stewart (225) 687-5215, Pointe Coupee Parish-Dana Kirkland (225) 638-9083, West Baton Rouge Parish-Lindsey Bossier (225) 215-5260
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Pointe Coupee Parish (Victoria D'Aquila, Owner-Rent \$1,000.00 per month)

<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	West Baton Rouge Parish Council provides office space to the Public Defender office at no charge
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	\$1,200 provided annually by Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	Pointe Coupee Parish Council contributes \$1,200.00 per year to the 18th JD Public Defender office
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	18th Judicial District Court, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge Parishes; Port Allen City Court.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	18th JDC four(4) divisions; Port Allen City Court(1) division.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	WBR Detention Center - Port Allen Pointe Coupee Detention Center - New Roads Iberville Parish Jail - Plaquemine
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	East Carroll Riverbend Detention Center, Lake Providence LA and Concordia Parish Jail, Vidalia LA
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Jackson Parish Juvenile Detention Center 327 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro LA 71251-Adams County Juvenile Detention Center, 314 State Street, Natchez MS 39120 and Jones County Juvenile Detention Center 5178 US Hwy 11, Ellisville MS 39437
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No, juveniles are not shackled.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Tony Clayton
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	J. Kevin Kimball

<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Kevin Kimball Pointe Coupee Parish, Alvin Batiste & Elizabeth Engolio Iberville Parish, Tonya Lurry West Baton Rouge Parish
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Elizabeth Engolio Iberville Parish Kevin Kimball Pointe Coupee Parish West Baton Rouge Parish (no drug court)
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Port Allen City Court (Judge William Kleinpeter)
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	City Court of Port Allen Hearing Officer(Brandy Blanchard) for Non-Support and Family Court
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	None
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Since the attorneys are independent contractors very little hands-on supervision is required, only exception is supervisory requirements imposed by the LPDB.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	4
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representatives - Dist. 18 Jeremy Lacombe, Dist. 58 - Ken Brass, Dist. 29 - Edmond Jordan, Dist. 60 - Chad Brown. Senators - Dist. 17 - Caleb Kleinpeter, Dist. 2 - Edward Price.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Contracted (1) additional full-time attorney and hired (2) part-time administrative support staff



## 18th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	34	16	62	96	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	175	125	32	207	N/A	N/A	57	2	32	34	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	61	48	20	81	N/A	N/A	35	3	31	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	282	273	101	383	N/A	N/A	201	9	238	0	0	1	4	1	6
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	755	752	454	1209	N/A	N/A	514	216	234	0	0	4	1	0	5
Adult LWOP	6	5	9	15	N/A	N/A	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	2
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

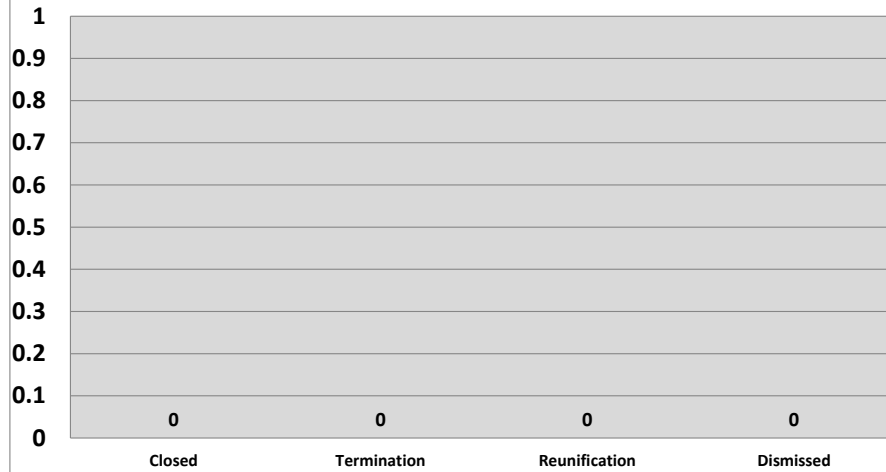
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

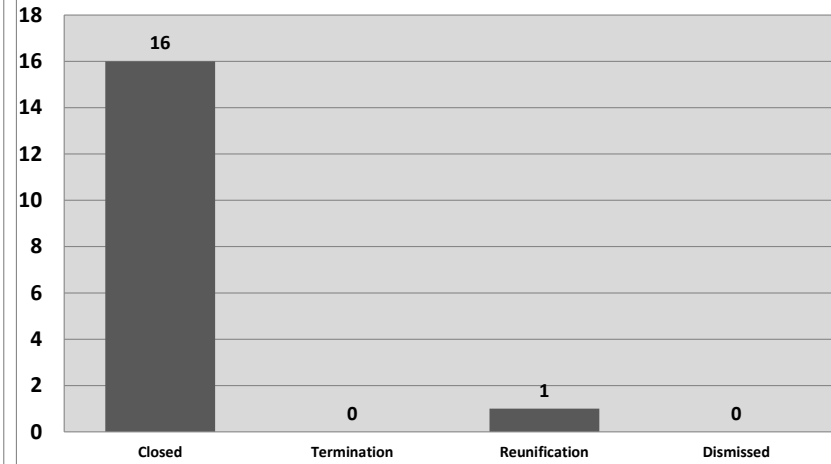
\*\*Life Without Parole

\*\*\*Capital cases may include cases initially opened by the district office and transferred to a program office at some later stage in the proceedings.

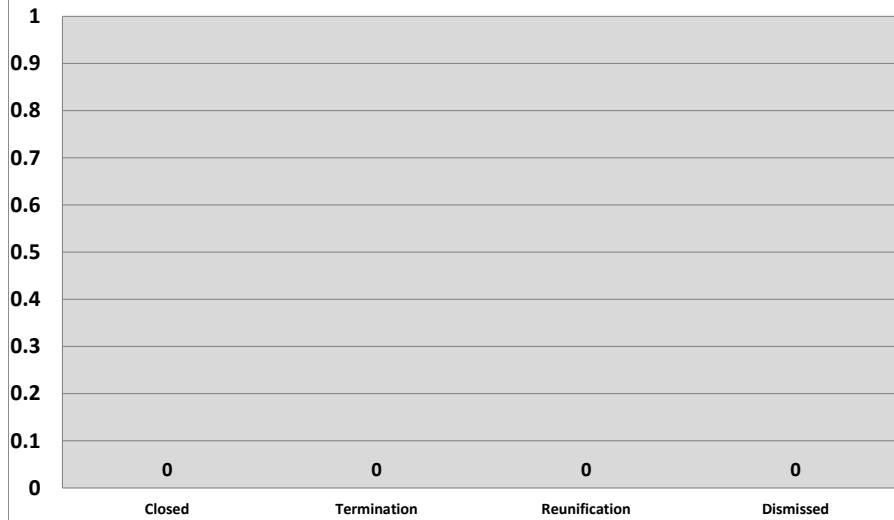
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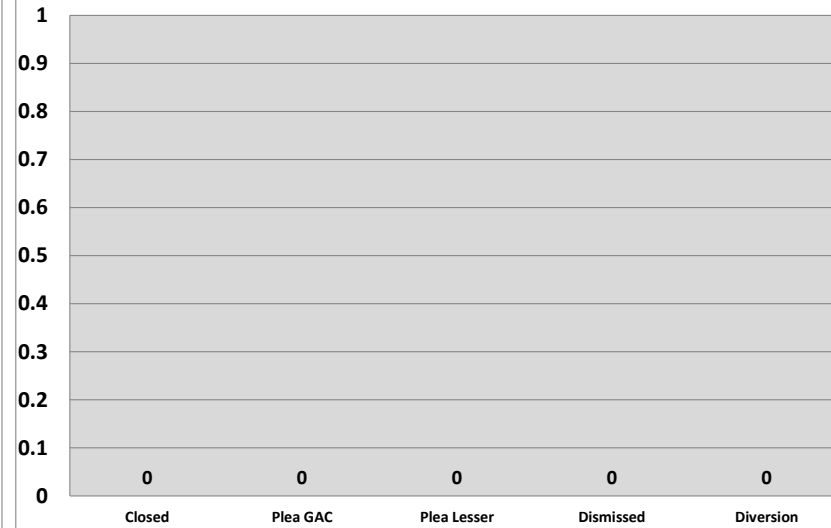
**CY 2023 CINC Representing Parent Outcomes**



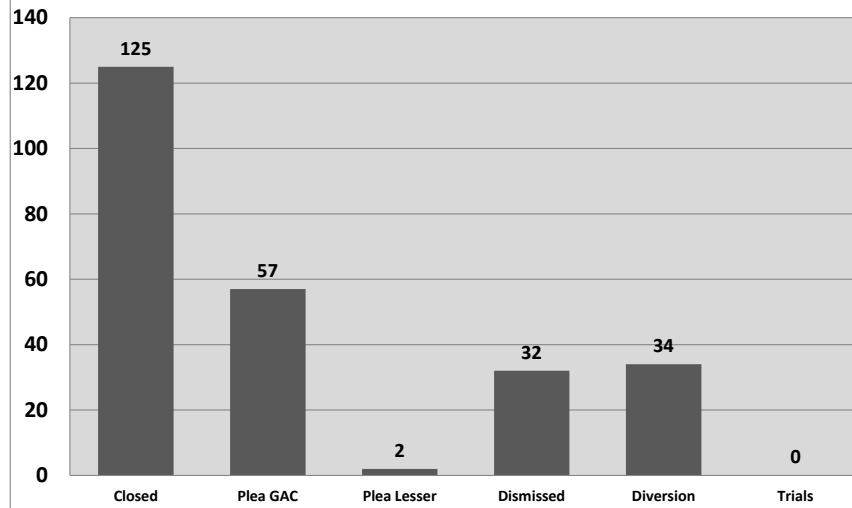
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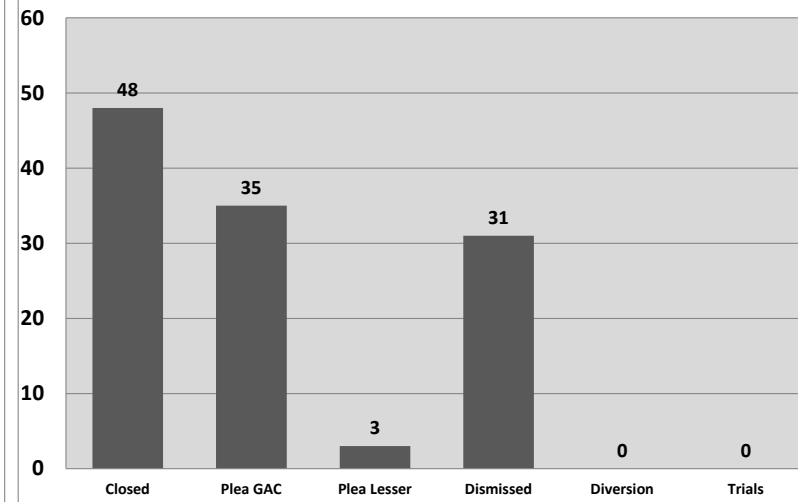
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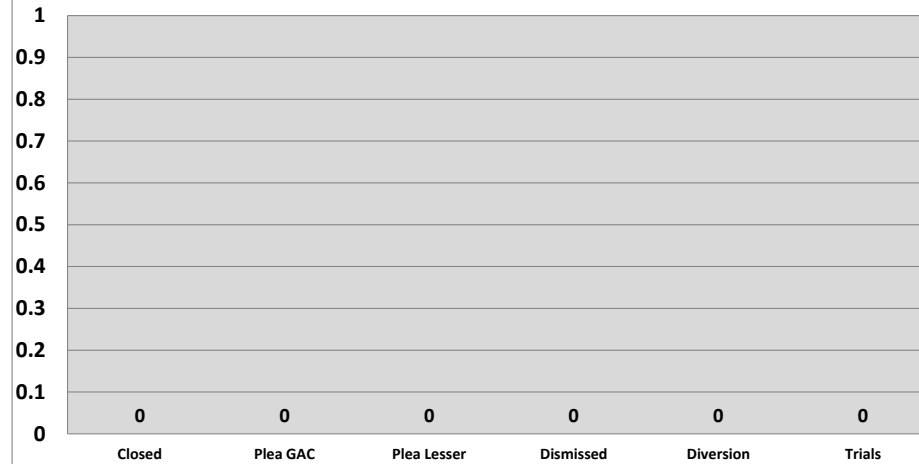
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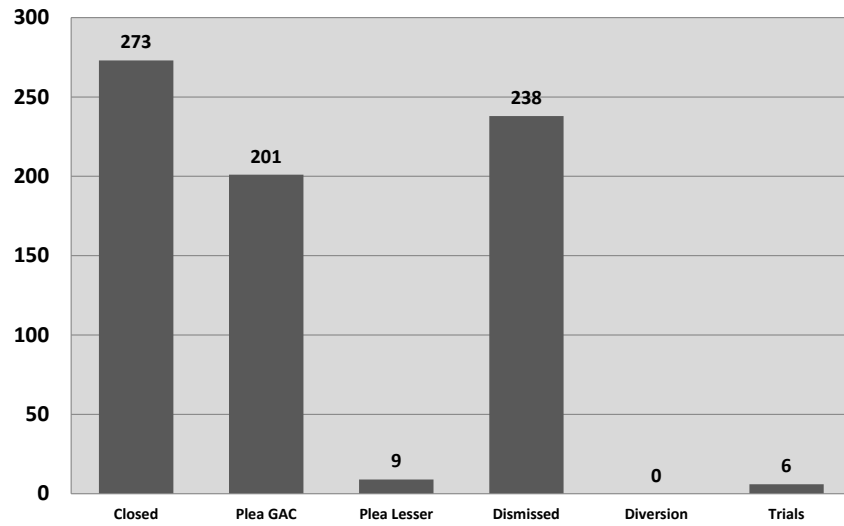
**CY 2023 Delinquency Felony-Grade Outcomes**



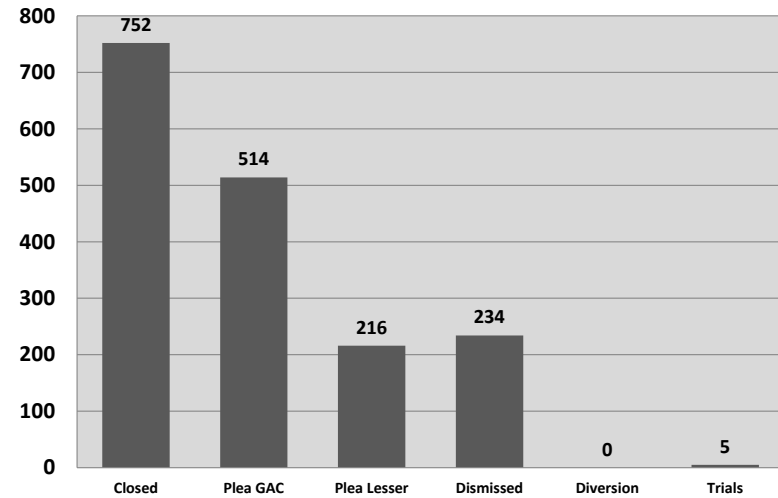
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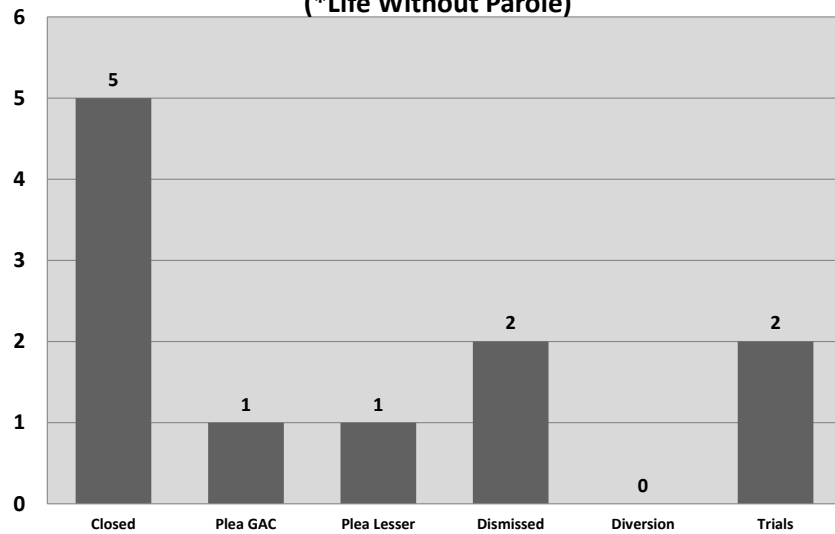
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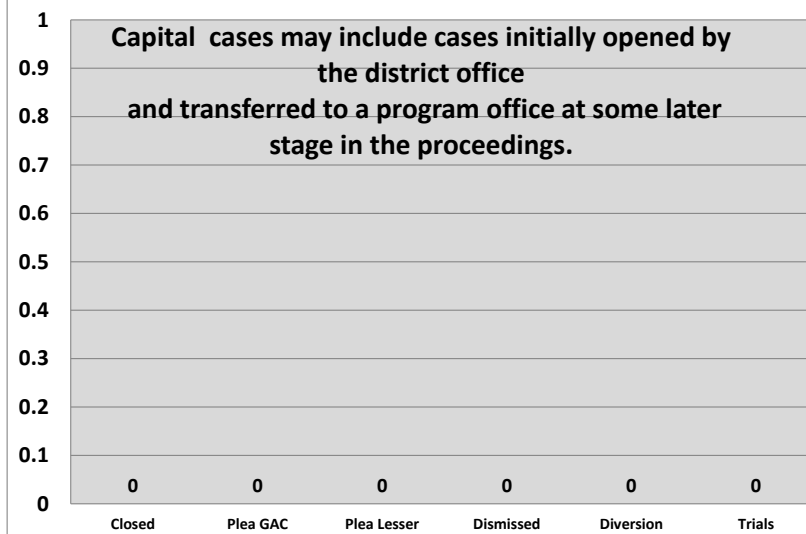
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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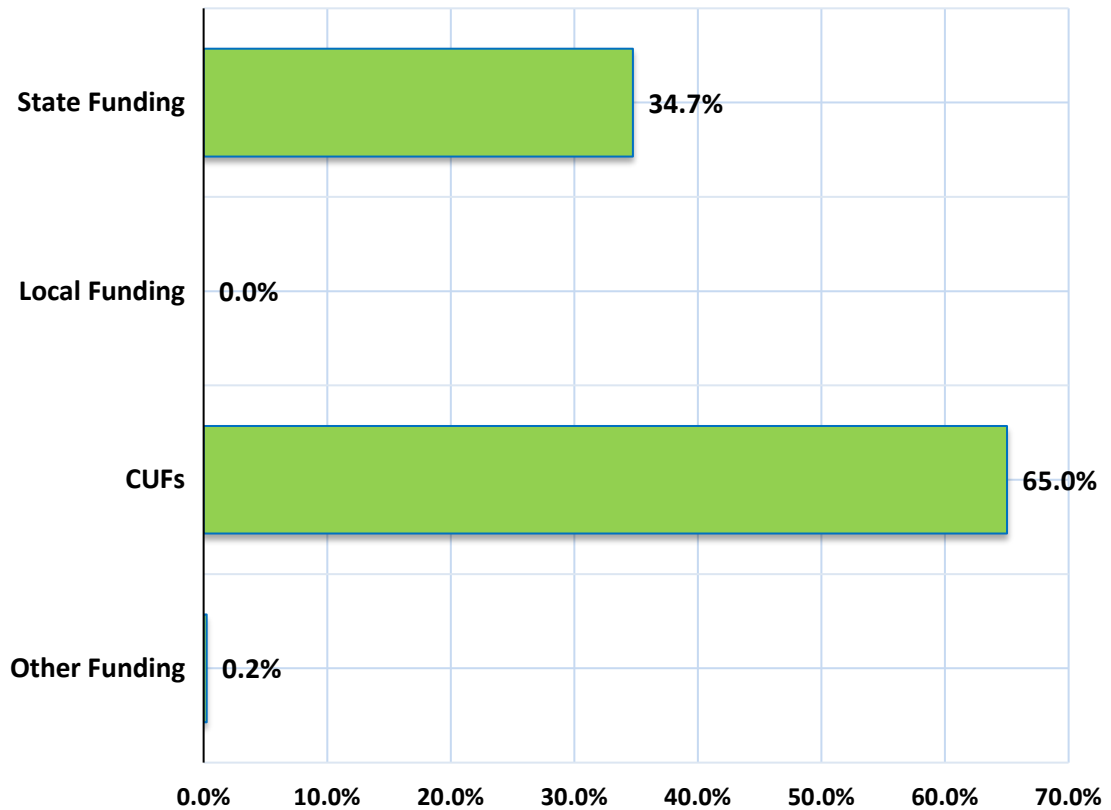
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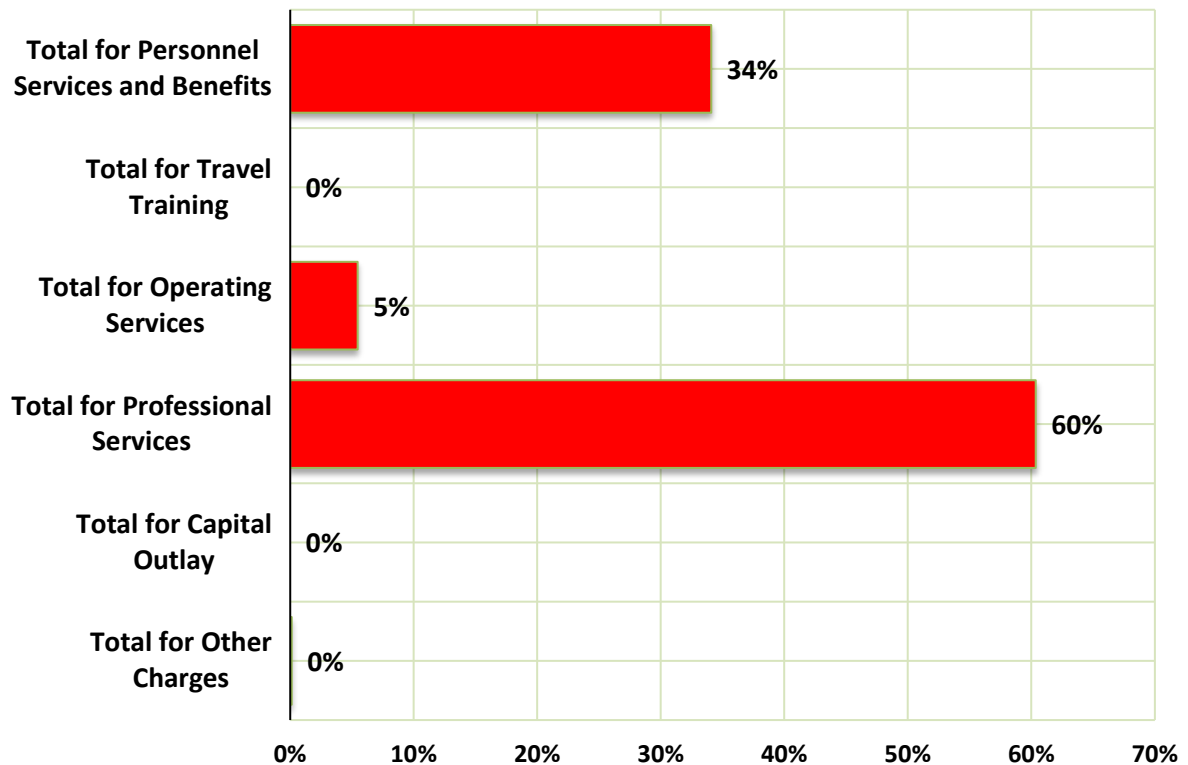
District 18 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Tom Nelson</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	497
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>497</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	16,591
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	351,111
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>367,702</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	108,810
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	127,334
Judicial District Courts	406,423
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>533,757</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	33,462
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	13,005
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	1,200
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>47,667</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>690,235</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	1,337
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>1,337</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,059,771</b>

District 18 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Tom Nelson</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	280,537
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	21,462
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>301,999</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>-</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	505
Workers' Compensation	1,970
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	4,866
Lease - Office	2,306
Lease - Auto/Equipment	3,115
Lease - Other	4,598
Office Repair and Maintenance	6,393
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	9,199
Dues and Seminars	265
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	8,423
Office Supplies	6,747
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>48,386</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	16,721
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	140
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	32,188
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	26,469
Contract Attorneys - all other	456,691
IT/Technical Support	2,703
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>534,913</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	986
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>986</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>886,284</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES





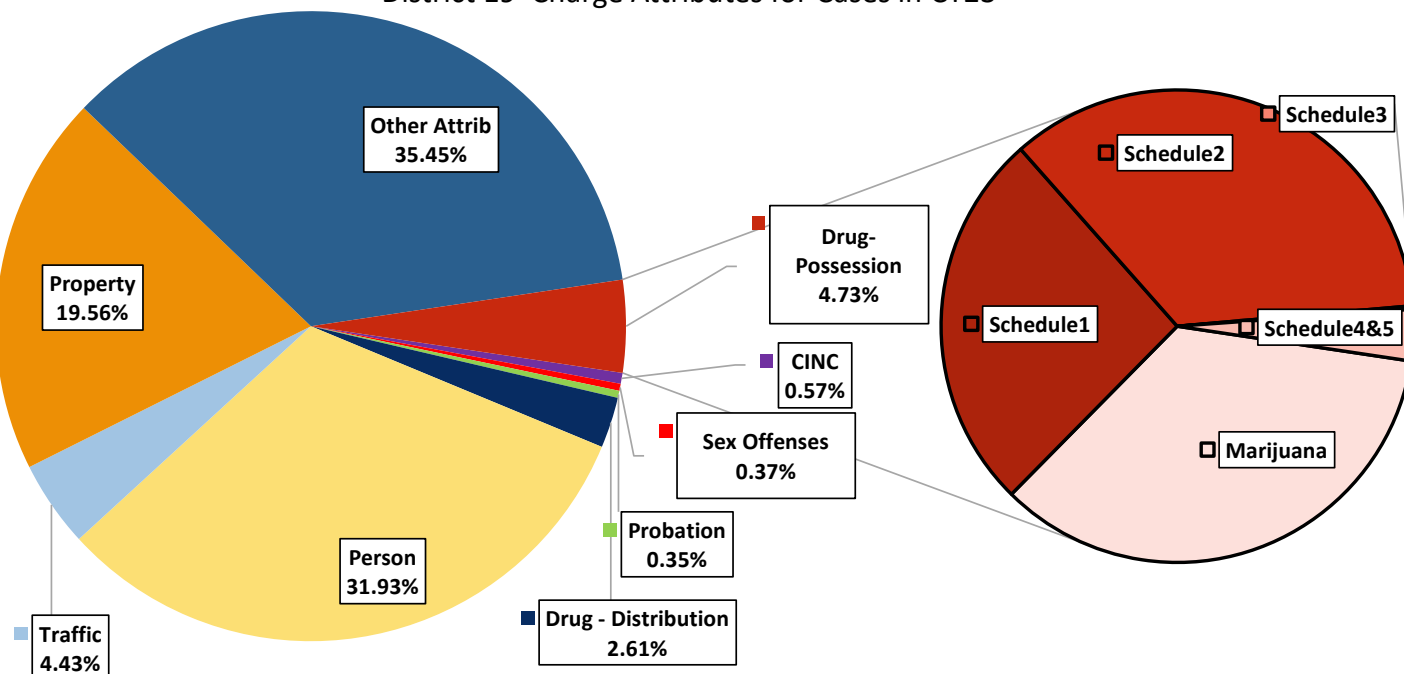
THE 19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
EAST BATON ROUGE (BATON ROUGE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: LISA PARKER (JULY 6, 2021 – JUNE 22, 2023)  
REVEREND TOMMIE GIPSON, INTERIM (JUNE 22, 2023 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023)  
KYLA BLANCHARD ROMANACH (OCTOBER 1, 2023 TO PRESENT)

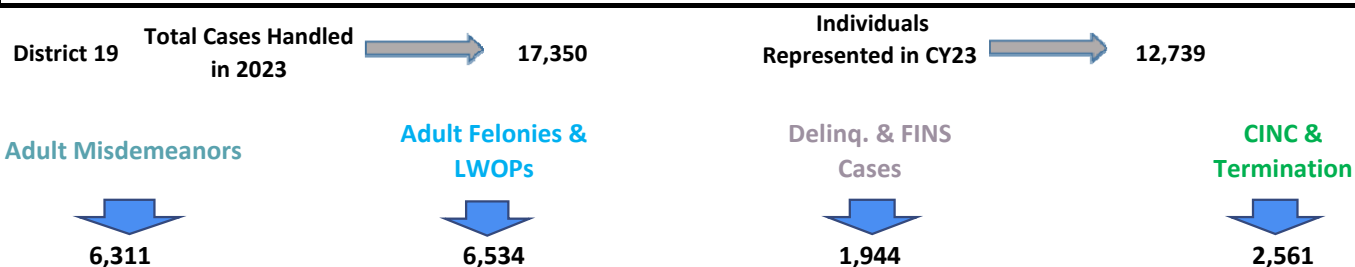
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District 19 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

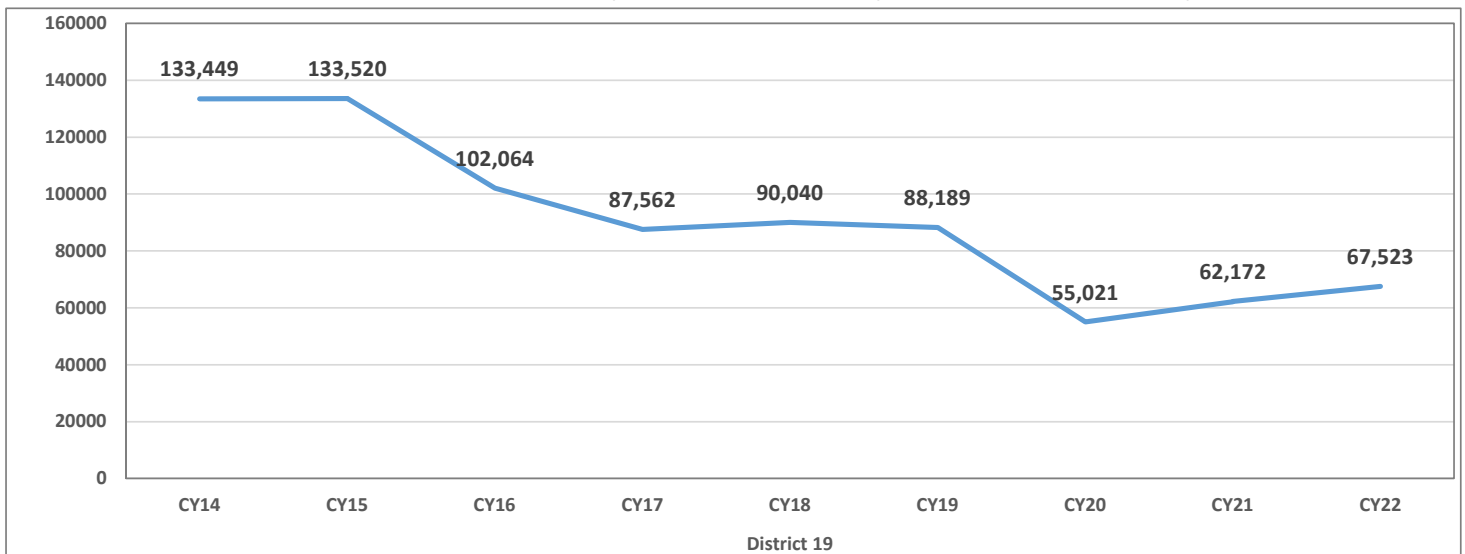


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 4.73% (821) of the 17,350 cases handled by the 19th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 35.9% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II Drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl. An additional 35.9% were charged with Possession of Marijuana.



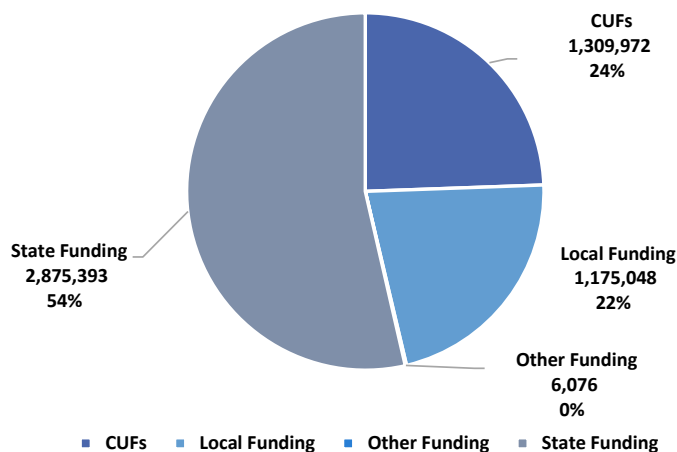
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



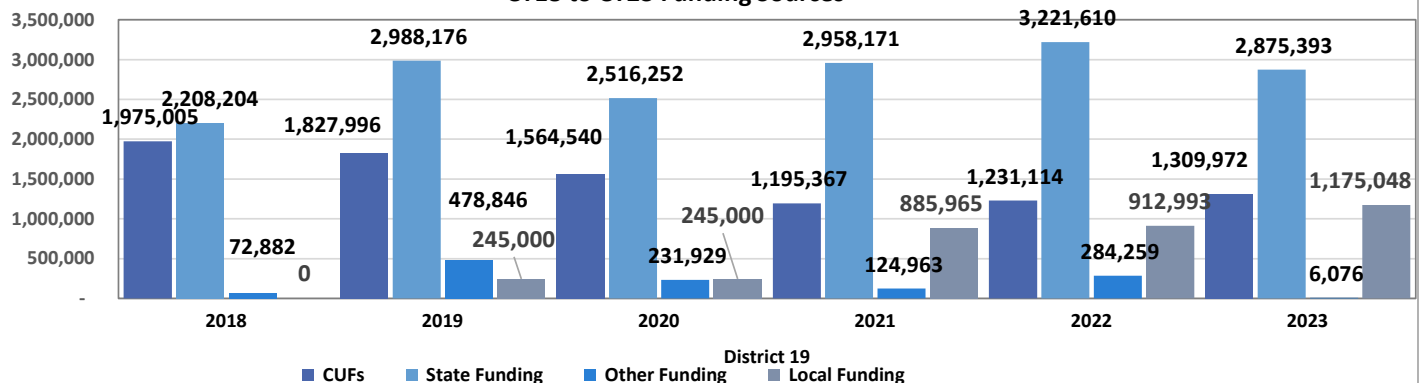
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 19th Judicial District increased by 8% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year.

**District 19 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 19th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$5,366,489 in total revenues. Only 24% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. The district has faced declines in CUF revenues since the floods and civil unrest of 2016. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office received \$1,175,048 in funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 19<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	East Baton Rouge - Baton Rouge
<b>Population</b>	461,764
<b>District Defender</b>	Kyla Romanach
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	Less than 1
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	24.75 years
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Tina Anny
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	222 St. Louis Ave., 7th Fl., City Hall Bldg., Baton Rouge, LA 70802
<b>City</b>	Baton Rouge
<b>ZIP</b>	70802
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday-Thursday 8:30-4:30; Friday 8:30-12:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	225-389-3150 (w)
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	222 Saint Louis St. Suit 707 Baton Rouge, LA 70802 (City Hall Building)
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	225-389-5418
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Kyla Romanach
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	(225)235-4150
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Tina Anny
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	(225)485-1284
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	East Baton Rouge City Parish building.
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	City provides
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	1,145,000 Yearly

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	District, Juvenile, EBR City Court, Baker City Court, Zachary City Court
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	District - 9; Juvenile - 2, CINC - 2; EBR City Court - 5, Zachary - 1, Baker - 1
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	East Baton Rouge Parish Prison
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Catahoula Correctional Center, Concordia; Dequincy; East Carroll; LaSalle Correctional; Pine Prairie, West Baton Rouge Parish Prison.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	East Baton Rouge Juvenile Detention Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Bridge City Center for Youth; Swanson Center for Youth
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Yes, Shackling is placed at the ankles, not the hands.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Hillar Moore, III
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge Will Jorden
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Adam Haney & Gail Grover
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge William Jorden
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	2
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Veteran's Court and Domestic Violence Intervention Court
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Lots of inexperienced lawyers were hired. These lawyers need adequate training ASAP to be able to provide competent representation.

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Retention of staff continues to be a major concern. Salaries are not comparable to neighboring districts and other legal services providers. Budget restrictions make it difficult to provide retirement and medical benefits to attract qualified personnel.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	N/A
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The district defender supervises the administrative staff. Each division is supervised by a department head. The divisions are trials, city court, juvenile court, investigators, client services, and secretaries. Additionally, in the trials division, a section chief monitors the day to day court matters.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	We offer medical, dental, and vision. In 2024, this will be through Blue Cross. OPDBR pays a portion of the premium and the employee pays the balance. Vision and dental are at the employee's expense.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	22
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	28
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representatives: Roy Daryl Adams, Barbara Carpenter, Paula Davis, Rick Edmonds, Barbara Reich Freiberg, Valerie Hodges, Barry Ivey, Edmond Jordan, Vanessa Castron LaFleur, C. Denise Marcelle, Scott McKnight, and Larry Selders; Senators: Regina Barrow, Cleo Fields, Franklin Foil, Caleb Seth Kleinpeter, J. Rogers Pope, and Mack A. "Bodi" White, Jr.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	We have improved processes for updating and maintaining our database, which ensures more accurate and timely information. We are also working on developing a training program for our lawyers. We are working to improve relationships with others in the system so that the Office of Public Defender will be a respected entity within the criminal legal system in Baton Rouge.

## 19th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

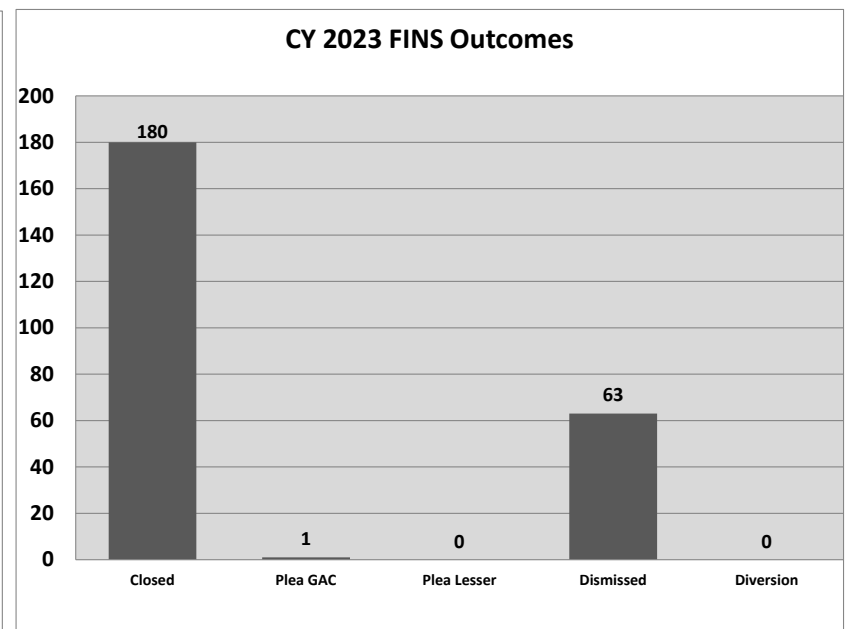
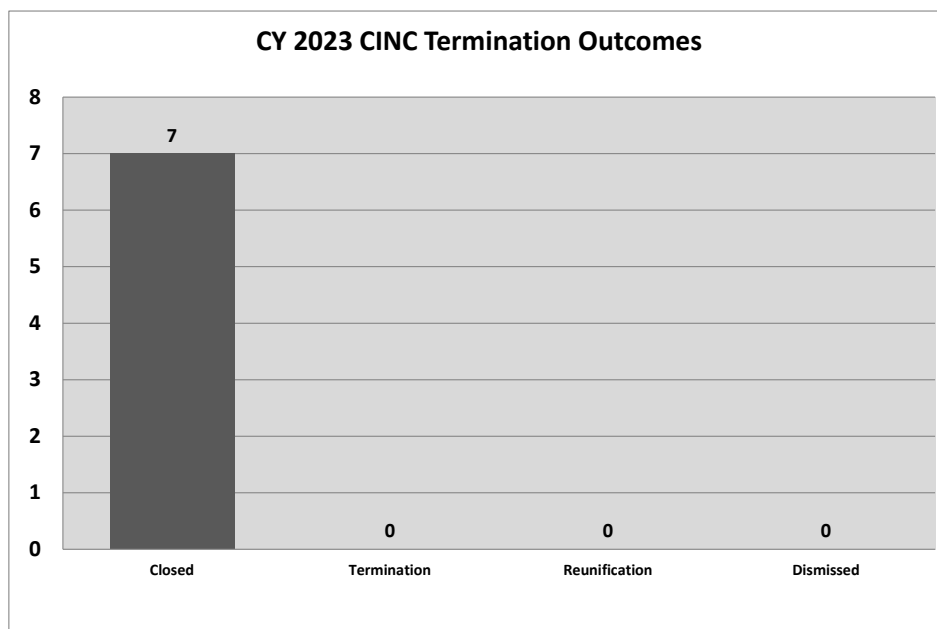
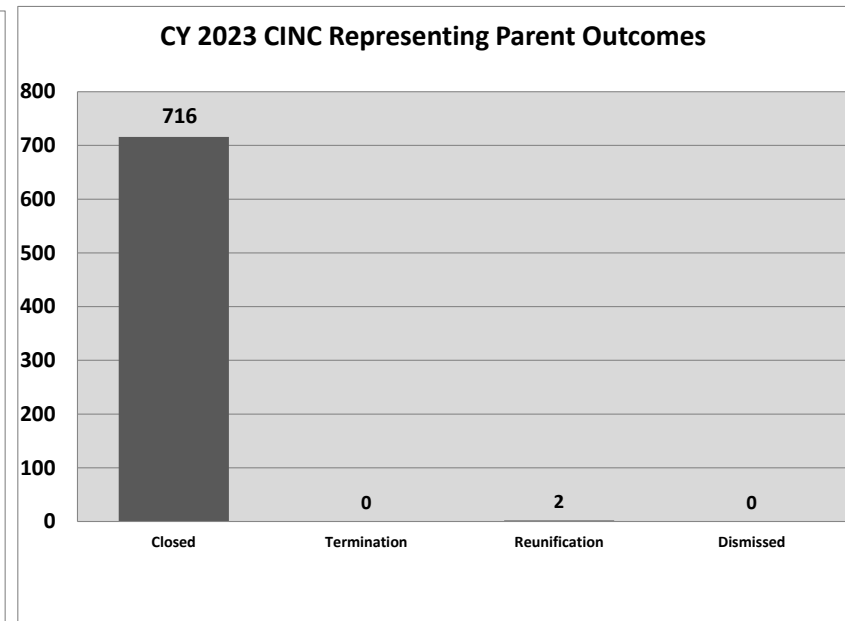
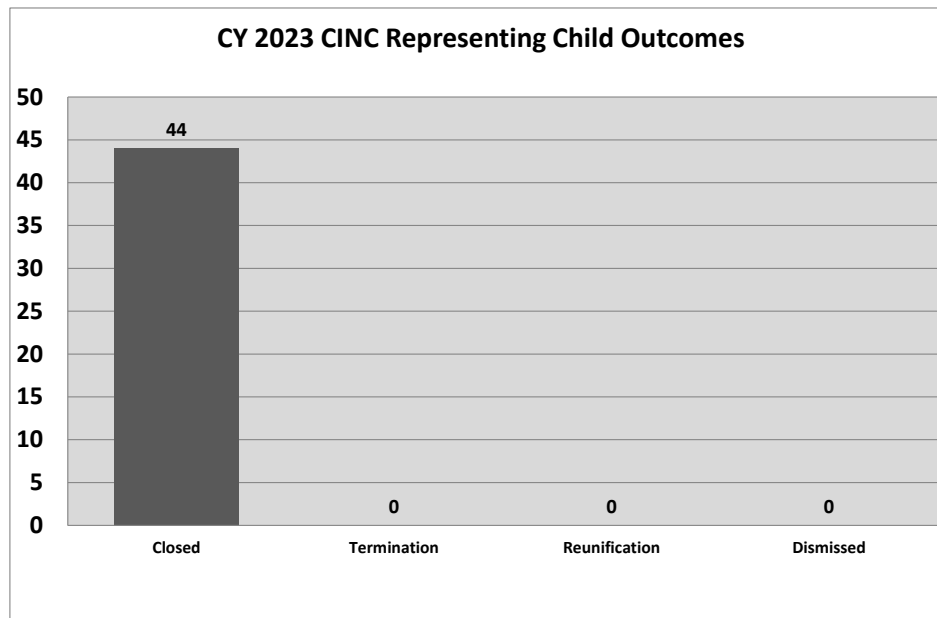
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Child Support	0	1495	1493	1493	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	44	44	44	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	336	716	681	1017	0	2	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	7	7	7	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	118	180	105	223	N/A	N/A	1	0	63	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	147	531	469	616	N/A	N/A	8	0	121	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	335	803	768	1103	N/A	N/A	8	11	277	8	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	1	1	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	2990	4043	3321	6311	N/A	N/A	1073	664	2320	43	0	2	0	2	4
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	3142	2790	2932	6074	N/A	N/A	787	632	1758	0	0	5	2	1	8
Adult LWOP	68	66	145	213	N/A	N/A	17	16	19	0	0	5	0	1	6
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	92	97	155	247	N/A	N/A	7	1	10	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

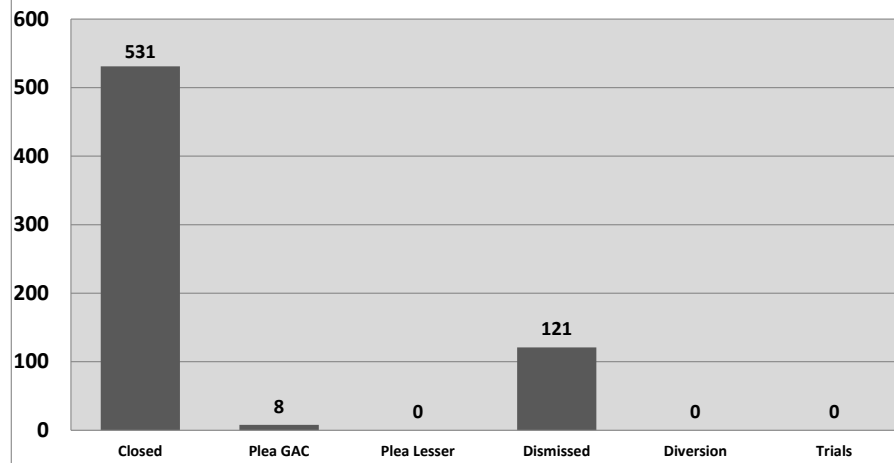
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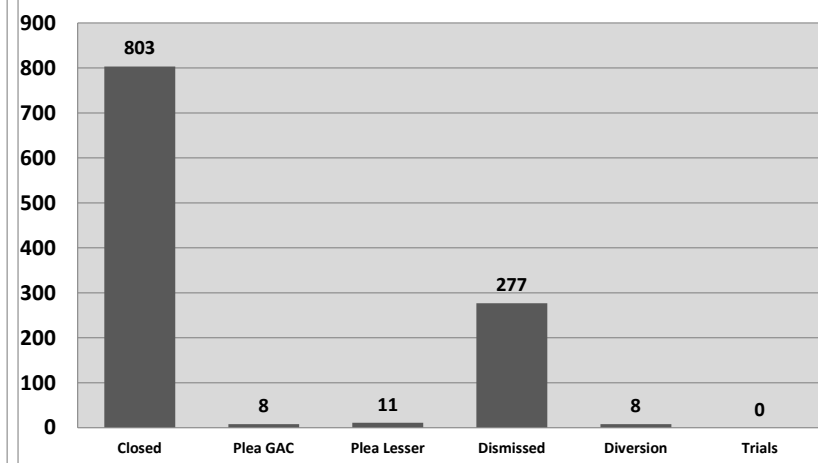
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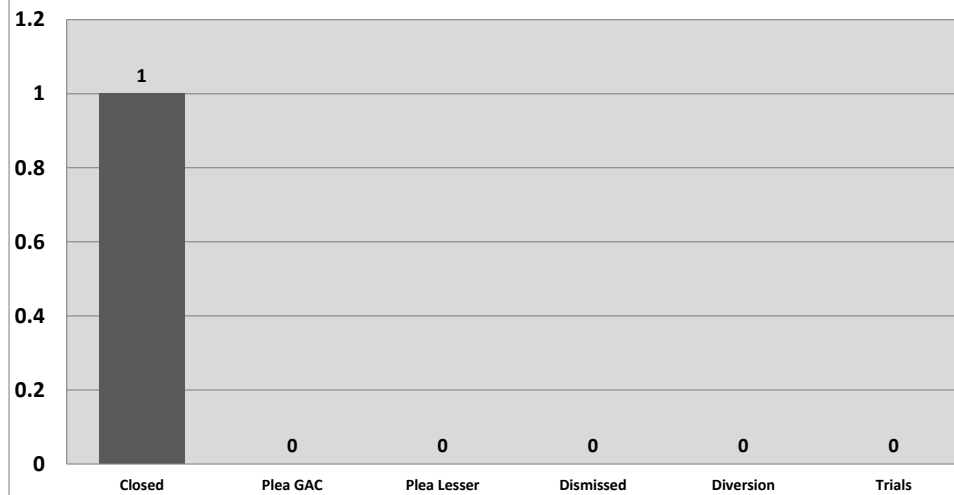
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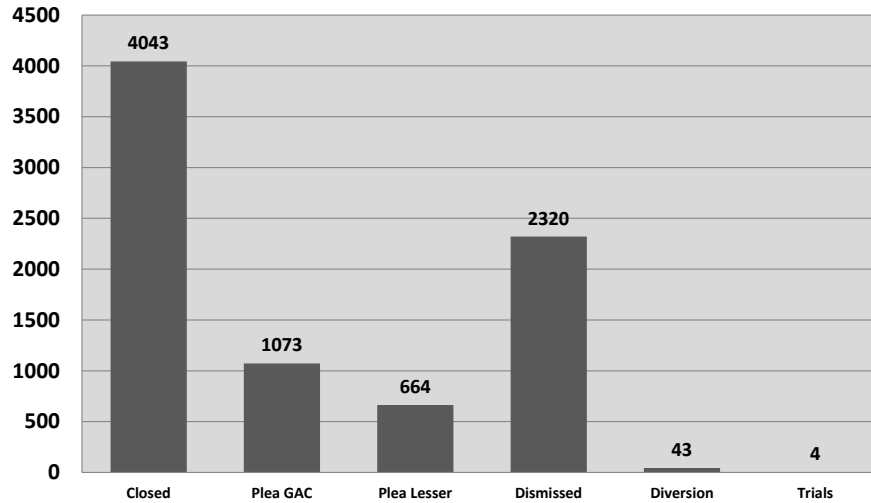


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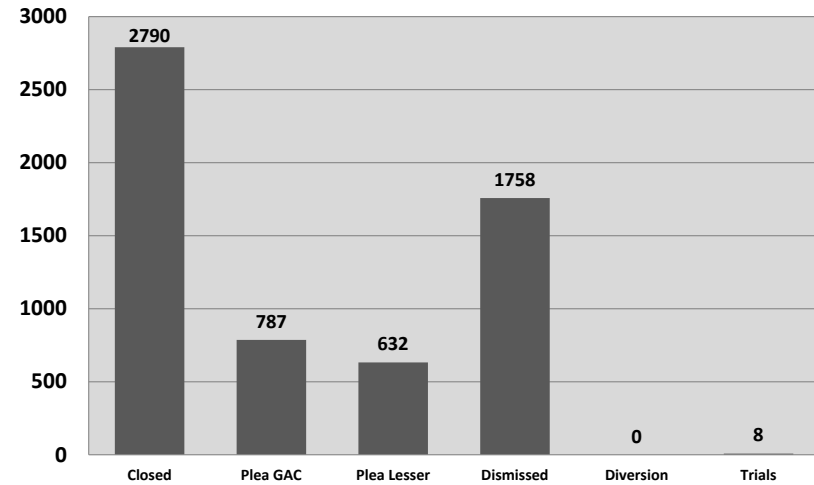




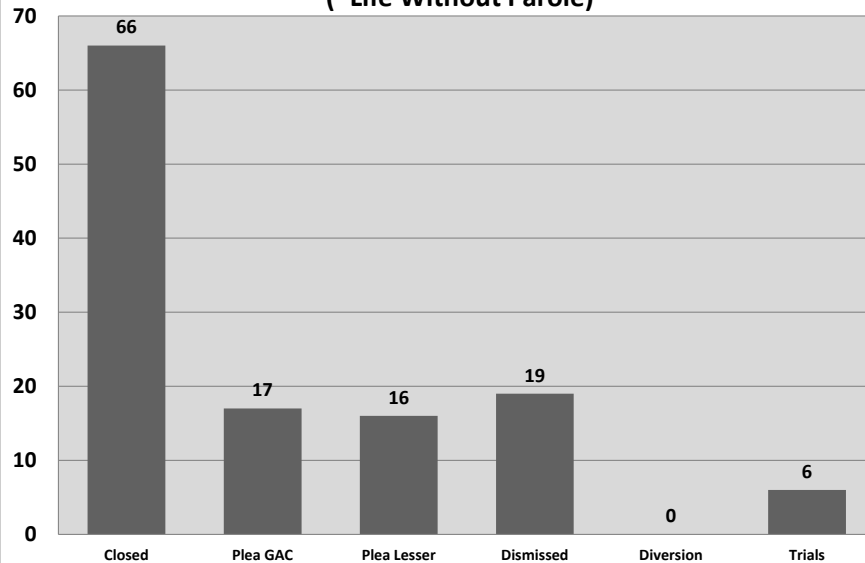
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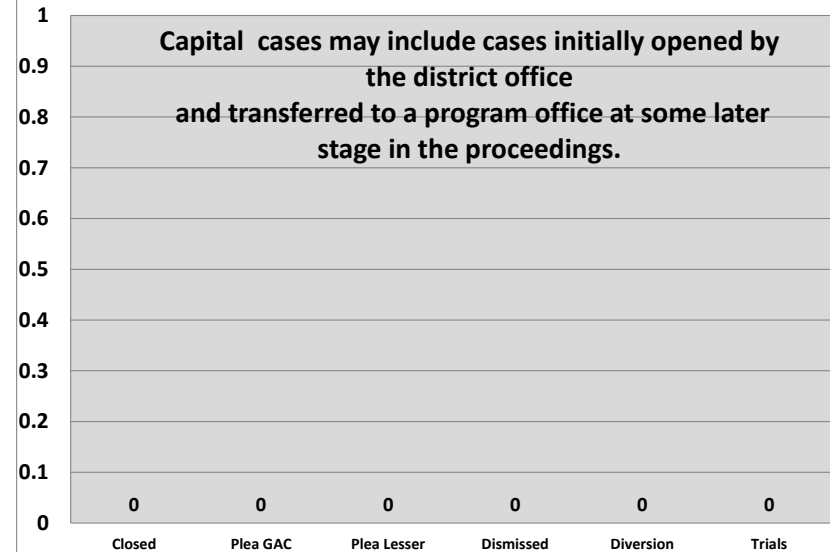
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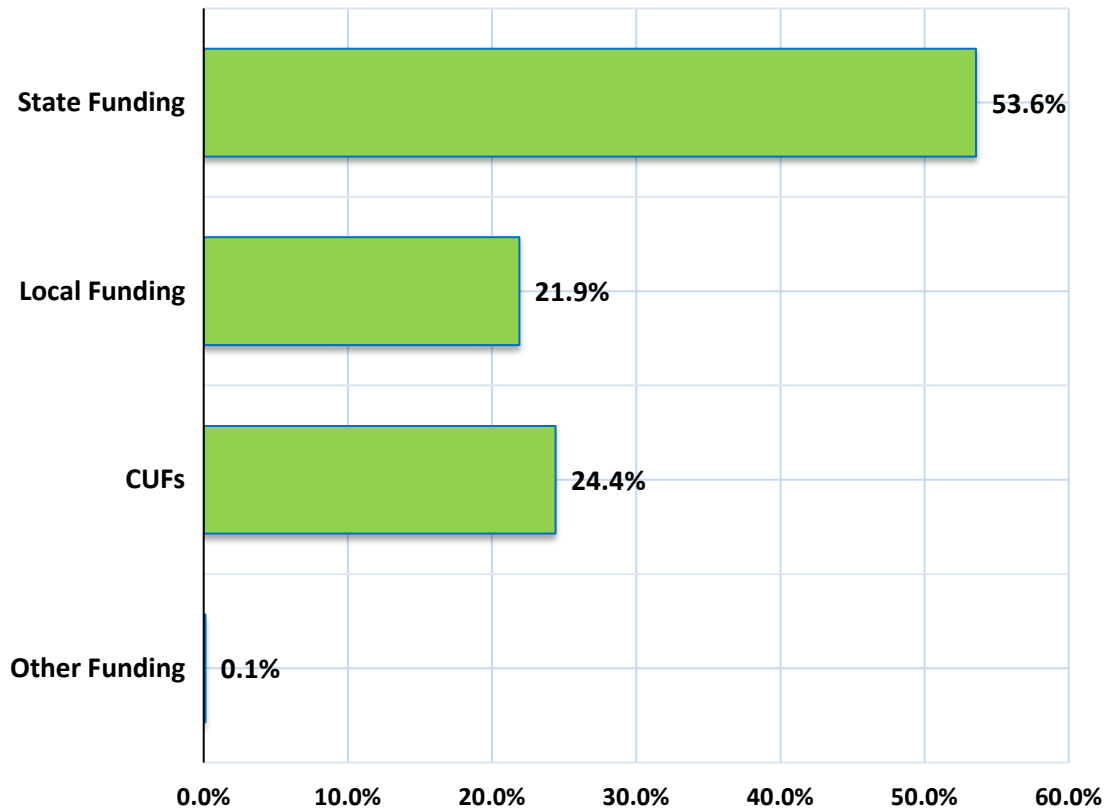
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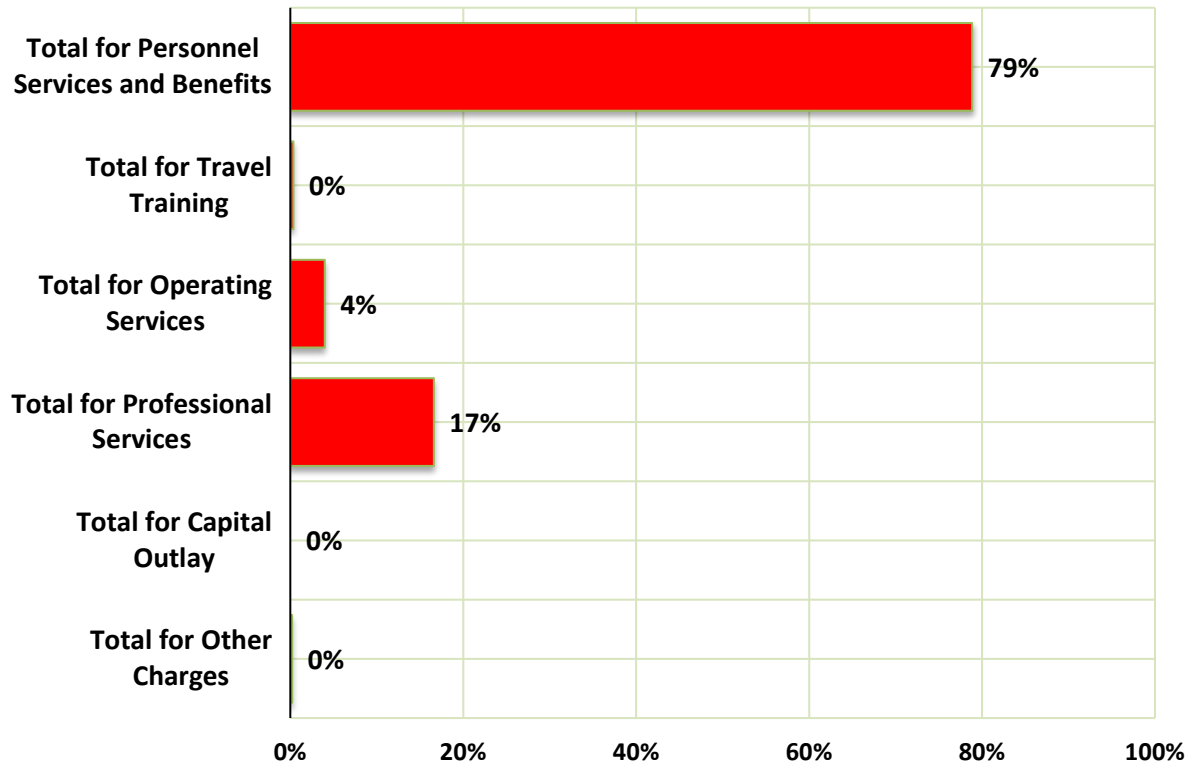
District 19 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Kyla Romanach</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	-
Total for Federal Government	-
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	64,387
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	2,811,006
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
Total for State Government	2,875,393
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	1,075,625
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	99,423
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	345,852
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	-
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	93,750
Judicial District Courts	322,695
Juvenile Court	1,120
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	62,812
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	336,500
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	5,973
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	1,519
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	75,972
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	900,340
Charges For Services	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	57,171
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	6,609
Other Reimbursements	200
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
Total for Charges For Services	63,980
Total for Local Government	2,485,220
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	5,763
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	113
Total for Investment Earnings	5,876
Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
Total for Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	-
Total for REVENUE	5,366,489

District 19 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Kyla Romanach</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	3,129,078
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	39,460
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	306,363
Retirement	174,752
Other	1,660
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>3,651,313</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	5,902
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	11,152
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>17,054</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	40
Workers' Compensation	9,681
Insurance - Malpractice	24,231
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	2,853
Lease - Office	(1,463)
Lease - Auto/Equipment	17,442
Lease - Other	469
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	28,813
Dues and Seminars	13,005
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	47,672
Office Supplies	42,359
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>185,103</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	34,004
Contract Clerical	(228)
Expert Witness	(2,475)
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	273,429
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	175,688
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	8,996
Contract Attorneys - all other	279,402
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>768,817</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	8,822
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>8,822</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>4,631,109</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



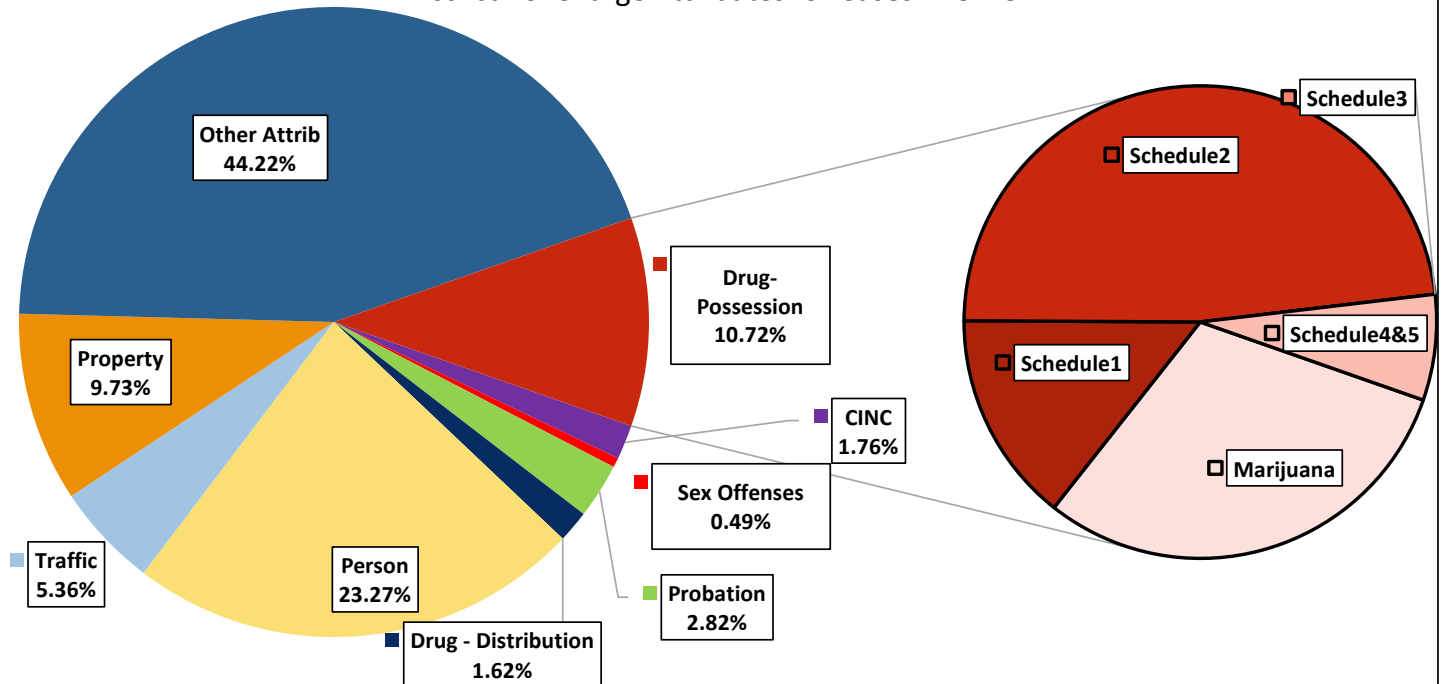


## THE 20<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

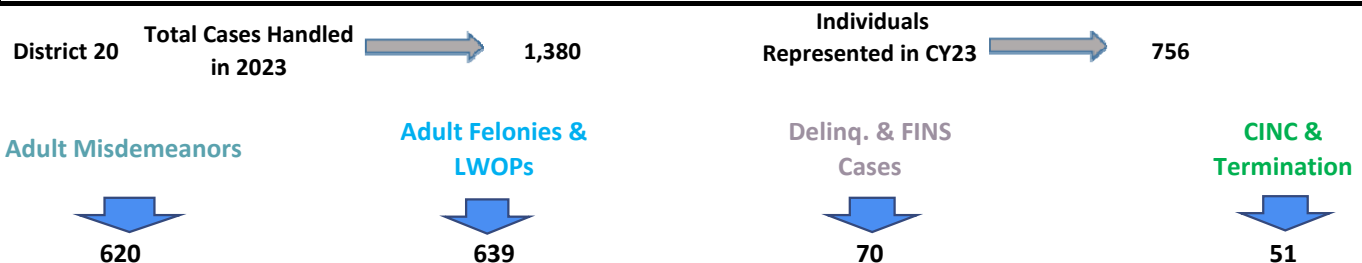
EAST FELICIANA (CLINTON) - WEST FELICIANA (SAINT FRANCISVILLE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: RHONDA B. COVINGTON  
12213 JACKSON STREET  
CLINTON, LA 70722  
(225) 683-3620

District 20 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

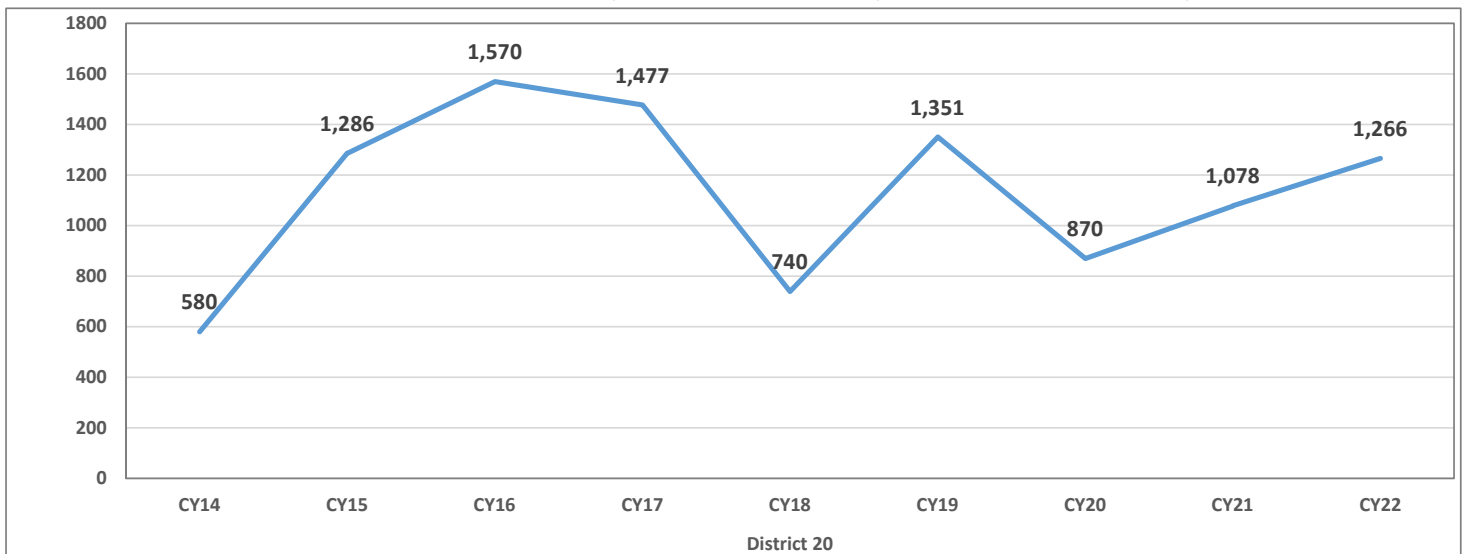


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 10.72% (148) of the 1,380 cases handled by the 20th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 47.6% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



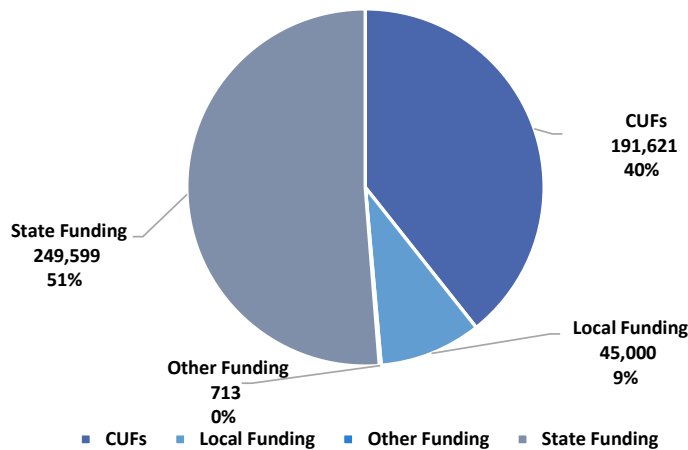
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

### TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)



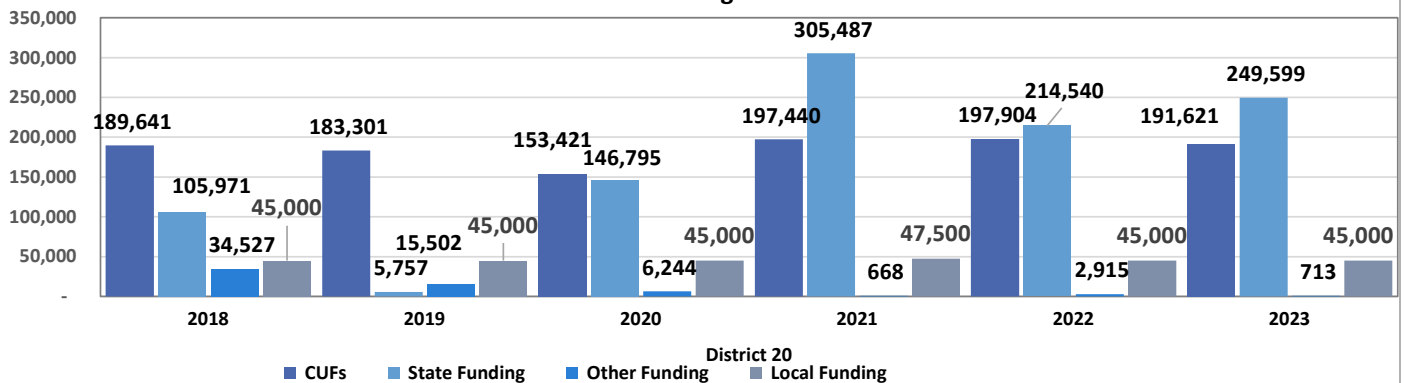
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 20th Judicial District increased 17% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year.

### District 20 Funding Sources in 2023



During Calendar Year 2023, the 20th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$486,933 in total revenues. Forty percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. In CY21, the state provided \$145,000 to the district for the purchase of a Public Defender Office building. This funding was appropriated by the Legislature in Act 45 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session. The loss of this one-time money accounts for the decrease in state funding from CY21 to CY22. The office received \$45,000 in funding from the city/parish government.

### CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources





## THE 20<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	East Feliciana – Clinton, LA; West Feliciana - St. Francisville, LA
<b>Population</b>	34,516
<b>District Defender</b>	Rhonda B. Covington
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	13.5
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	9
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Kelly Edwards
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	12213 Jackson St.
<b>City</b>	Clinton, LA
<b>ZIP</b>	70722
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M- Th - 8am to 5 pm & F. - 8am to 12 pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	225-683-3620
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 68, Clinton, LA 70722
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	225-683-3669
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Rhonda B. Covington
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	225-719-1249
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Ashley Armand
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	225-718-0575
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	4789 Prosperity St., P.O. Box 575, St. Francisville, LA, 70775; 225-304-4175
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Kelly Edwards
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	We own the bldg. in East Feliciana & we use an office in the courthouse in West Feliciana
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	West Feliciana provides the office space, phone, internet, electricity, & water
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	45,000
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0



<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	West Feliciana provides about \$1000/mth in space and services and East Feliciana provides \$45,000 per year to the East Feliciana office so the actual money plus the estimated value we receive from West Feliciana is approximately \$12,000 for a total of \$57,000 per year.
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	20th Judicial District Court – Clinton, La.; 20th Judicial District Court-St. Francisville, La.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	2 divisions
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	East Feliciana Parish Detention Center; West Feliciana Parish Detention Center.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	LSP, Riverbend, DCI, Catahoula, Allen Parish, Franklin Parish, Madison Parish, Claiborne Parish, Richland Parish, David Wade, WBR Parish, EBR Parish, Ascension Parish, LTCW in Tallulah, Hunt Correctional
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	No juvenile facilities.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	We still use Adams County, MS facility and we have numerous new clients from within the juvenile facility at Angola
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No -- Juveniles are not shackled.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Samuel C. D'Aquila
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Kathryn E. "Betsy" Jones
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Kathryn E. "Betsy" Jones & Sydney Picou Walker
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	No Drug court
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No Mental Health Court
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	None
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	None
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Investigator is very needed. We do most of our own investigations and that prohibits us from testifying if that becomes necessary.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	We won several felony trials this past year & I think the DA won only 2 year. Our accomplishments were not in the media because the DA doesn't want all of his losses publicized. We even won a 2nd degree murder case last year.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	I supervise everyone, however, our office manager does supervise the receptionist/data entry employee.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	District Defender gets insurance through the parish and no one else is allowed to be on the insurance system. The only other person insured is 1 contract attorney.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	3
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Robby Carter, Roy Darryl Adams, Jeremy LaCombe, Caleb Kleinpeter, Glen Womack
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	We are filing many more writs because the state program is available and I encourage all of the attorneys to utilize the program whenever they believe that a writ is necessary to ensure justice for their client. In addition we are utilizing more experts in defending our clients

## 20th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

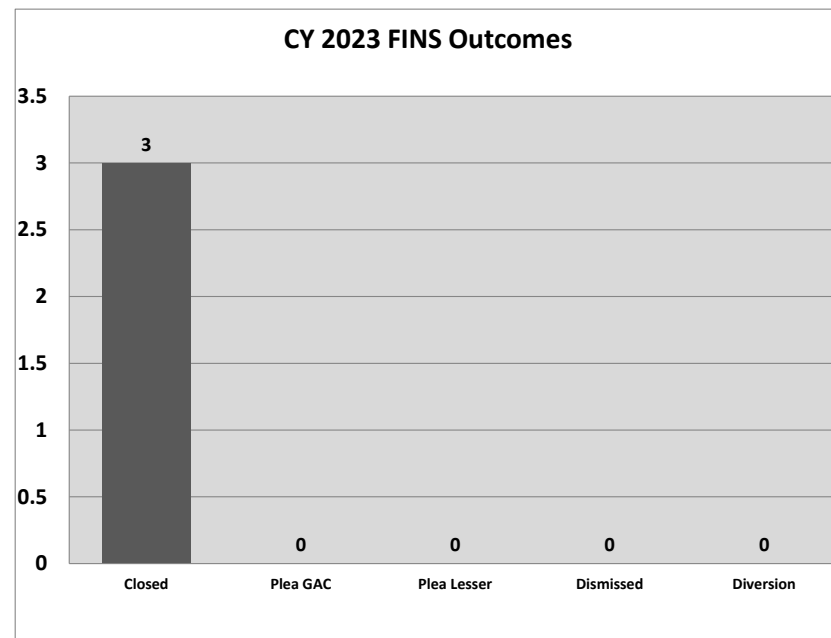
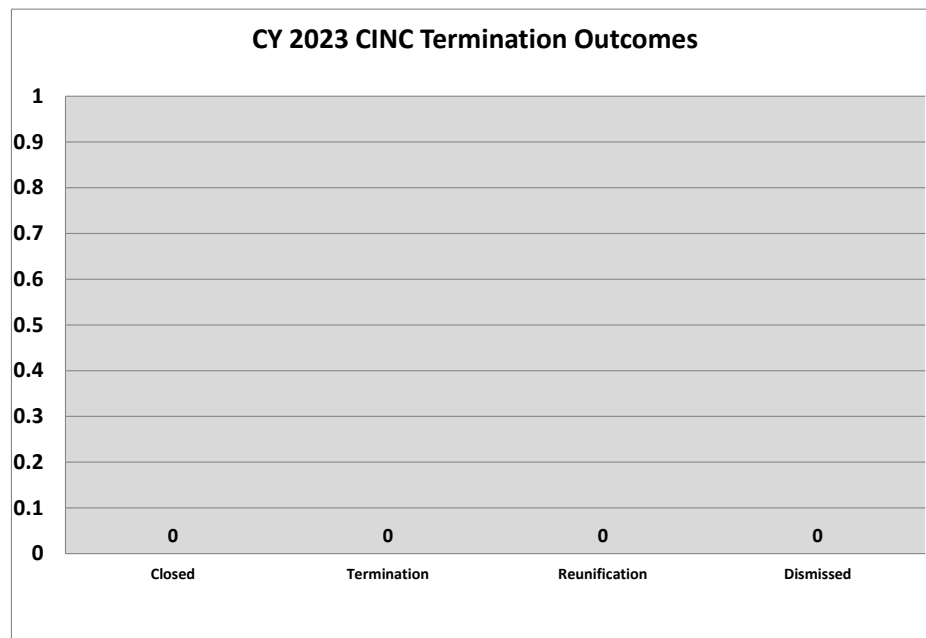
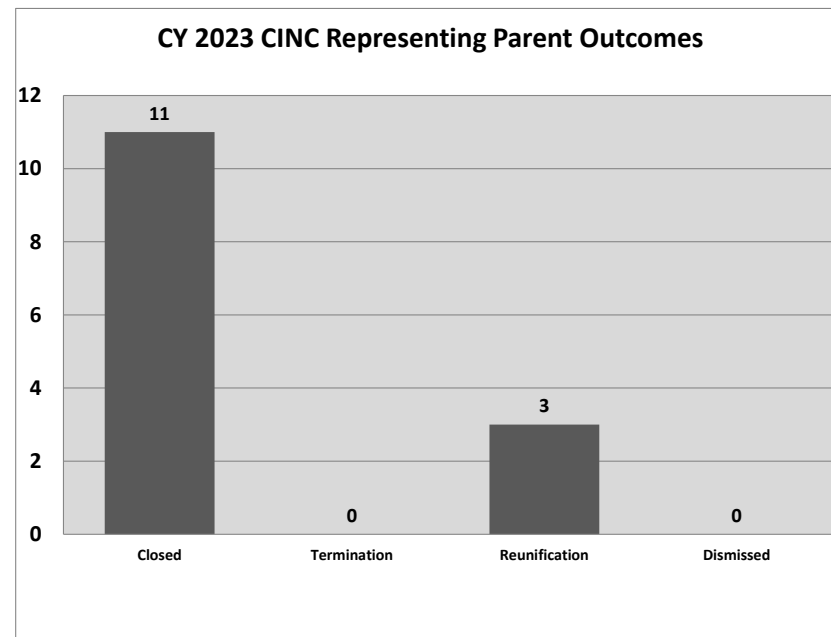
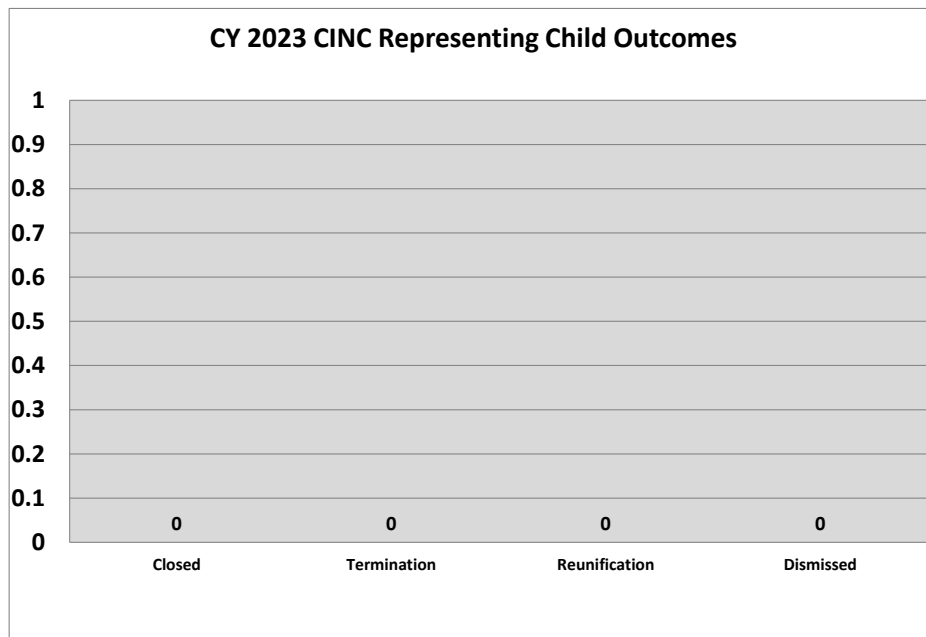
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	29	11	22	51	0	3	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	4	3	5	9	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	18	22	12	30	N/A	N/A	5	0	0	13	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	21	13	8	29	N/A	N/A	11	0	4	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	2	1	0	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	425	444	195	620	N/A	N/A	316	24	11	0	0	0	8	3	11
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	409	300	174	583	N/A	N/A	172	71	9	0	0	0	4	2	6
Adult LWOP	3	6	8	11	N/A	N/A	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	38	32	7	45	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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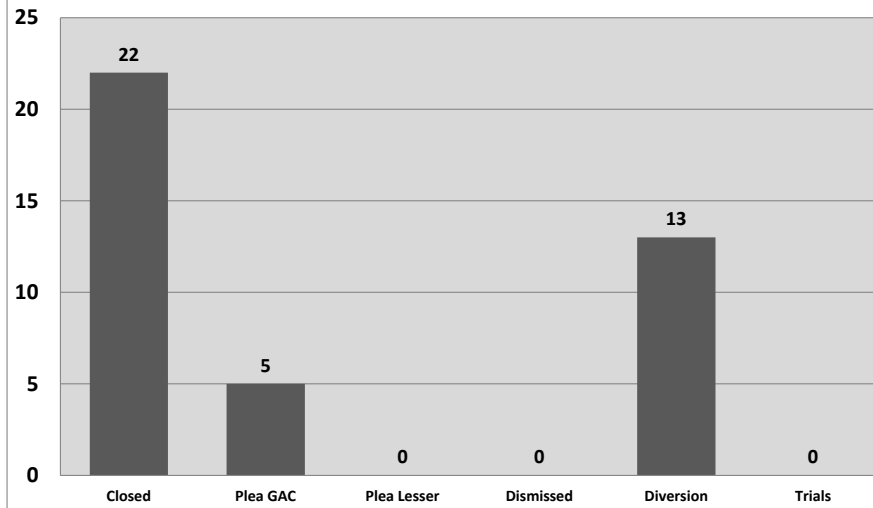
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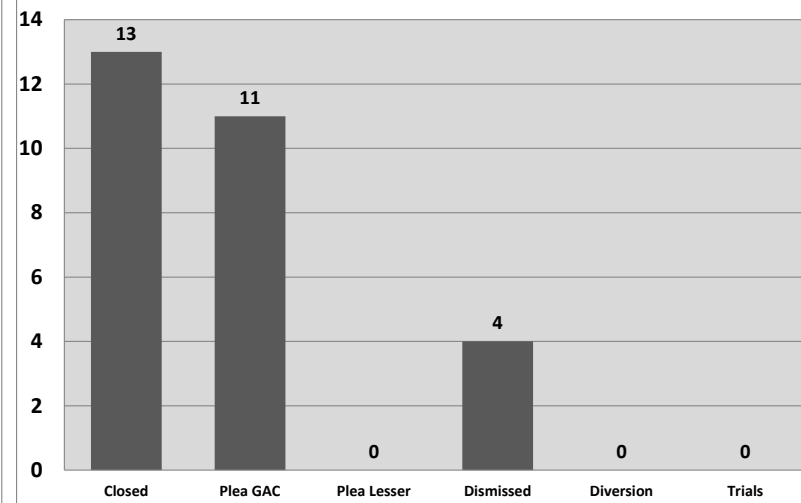
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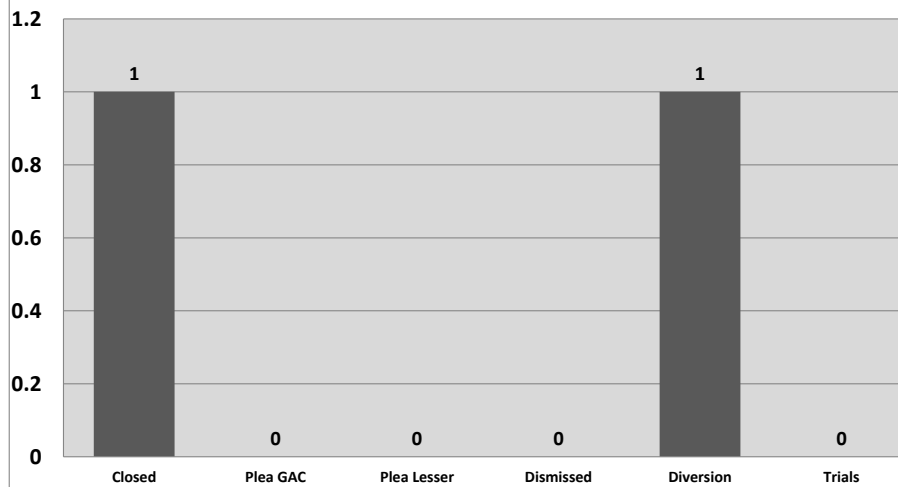
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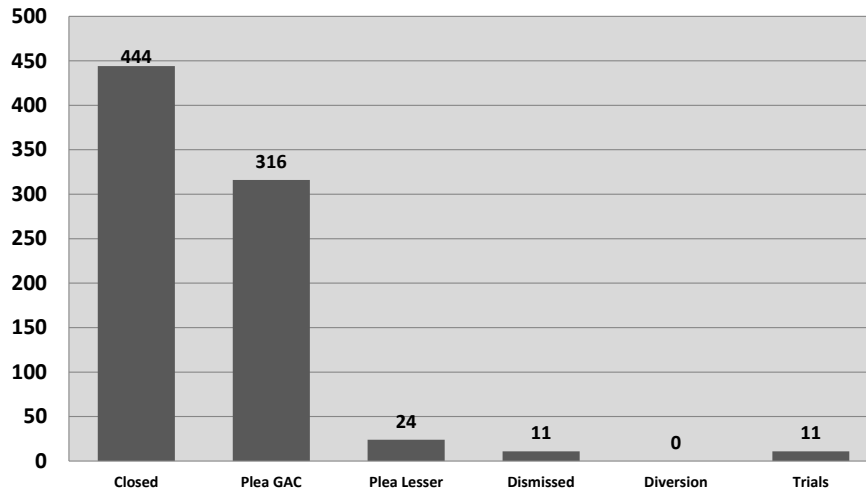
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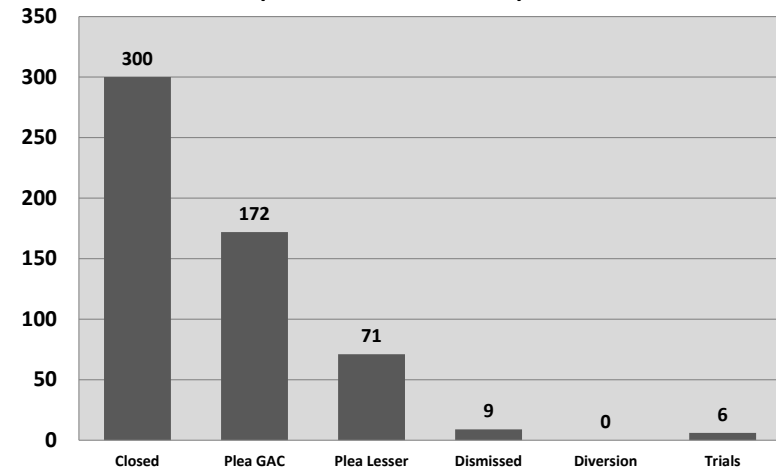
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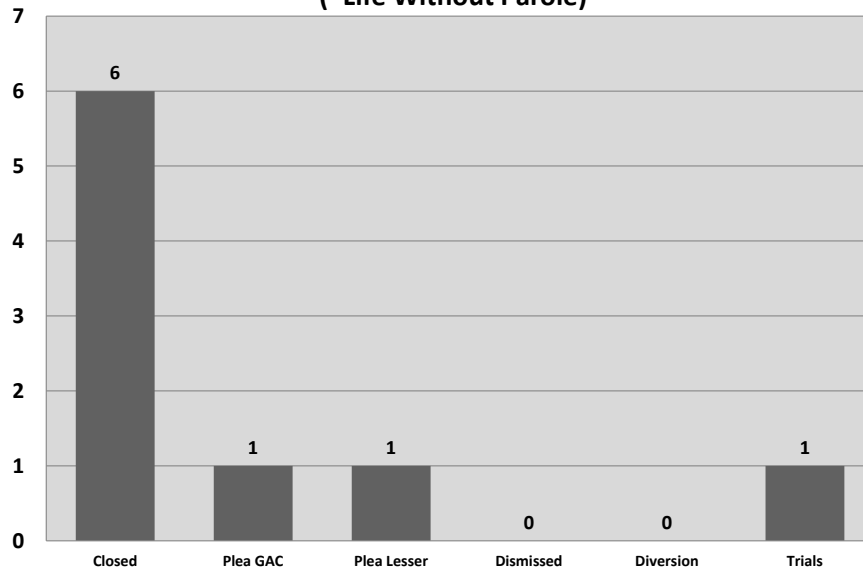
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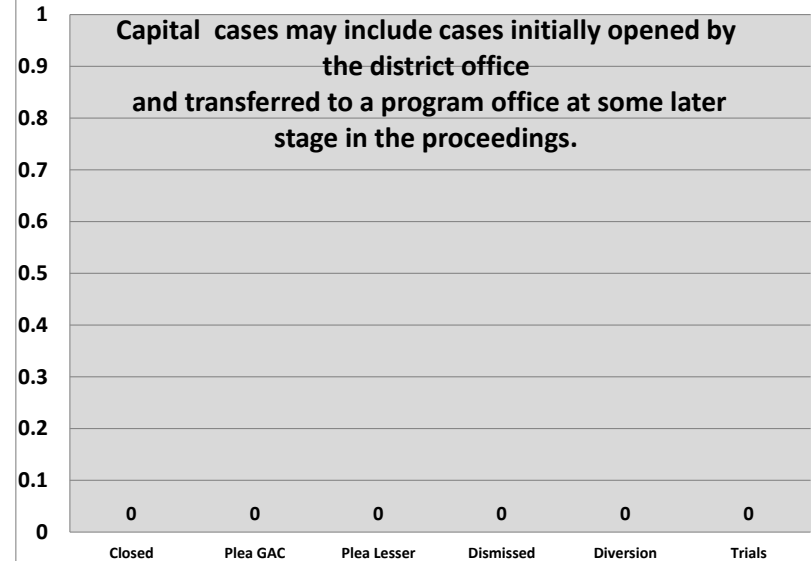
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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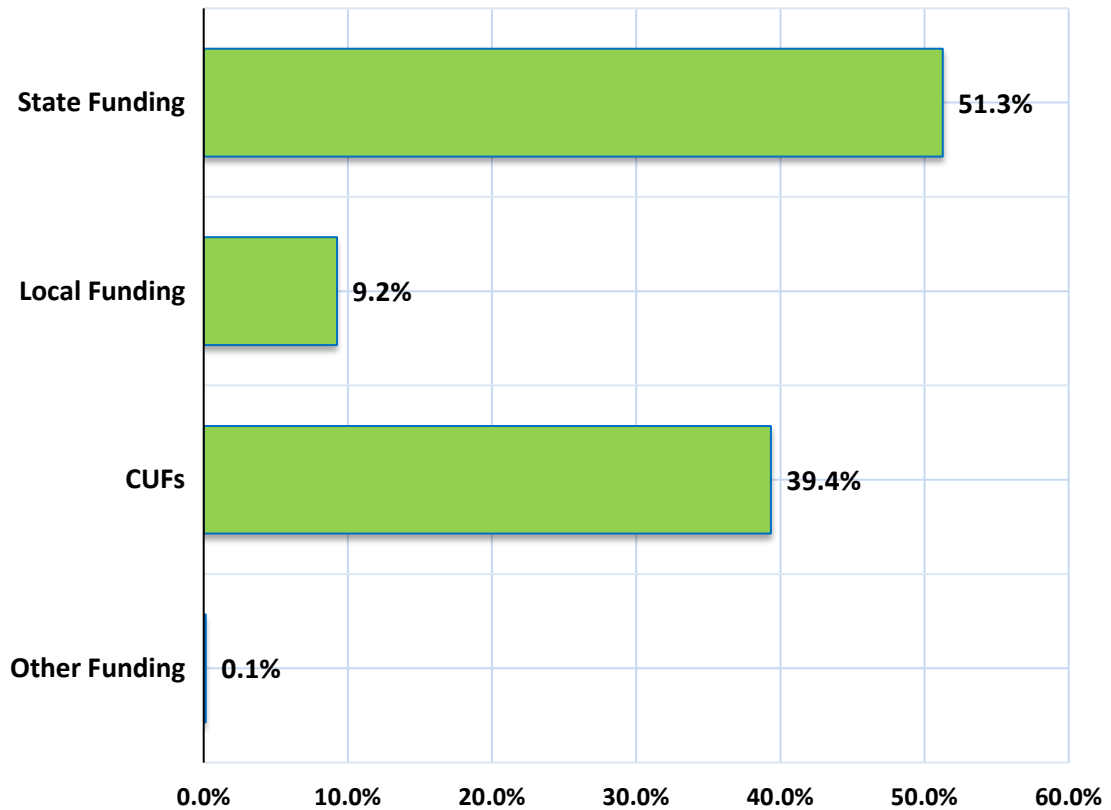


District 20 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Rhonda B. Covington</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	259
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>259</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	35,250
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	4,227
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	245,113
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>284,591</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	45,000
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	36,855
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	98,336
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>98,336</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	3,454
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	17,726
Other Reimbursements	101
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>21,281</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>201,473</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	169
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>169</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	442
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>442</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>486,933</b>

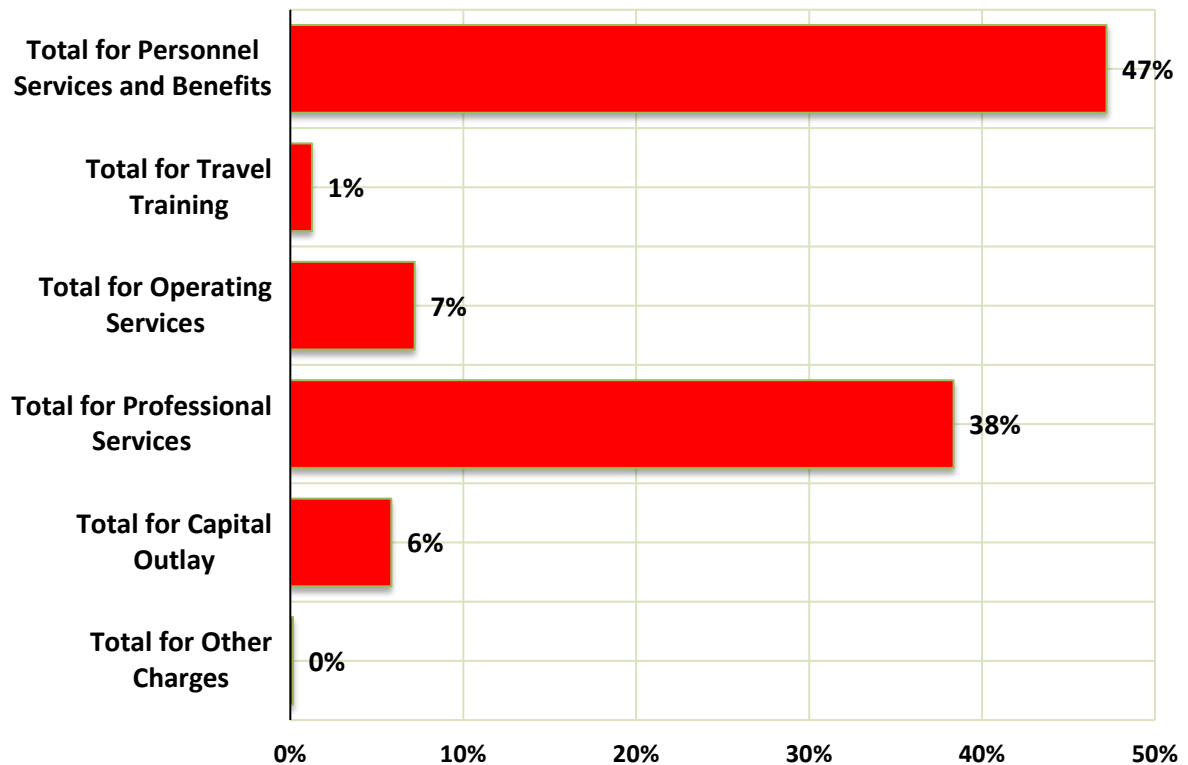
District 20 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Rhonda B. Covington</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	212,938
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	6,779
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	7,716
Retirement	17,308
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>244,740</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	187
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	6,338
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>6,526</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	705
Insurance - Malpractice	4,637
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	2,383
Insurance - Other	350
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	2,086
Lease - Other	1,044
Office Repair and Maintenance	7,022
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	6,993
Dues and Seminars	3,577
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	1,300
Office Supplies	7,195
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>37,292</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	2,260
Contract Clerical	1,969
Expert Witness	5,350
Investigators	1,056
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	188,263
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>198,898</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	30,292
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>30,292</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	870
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>870</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>518,617</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	



## CY23 REVENUES



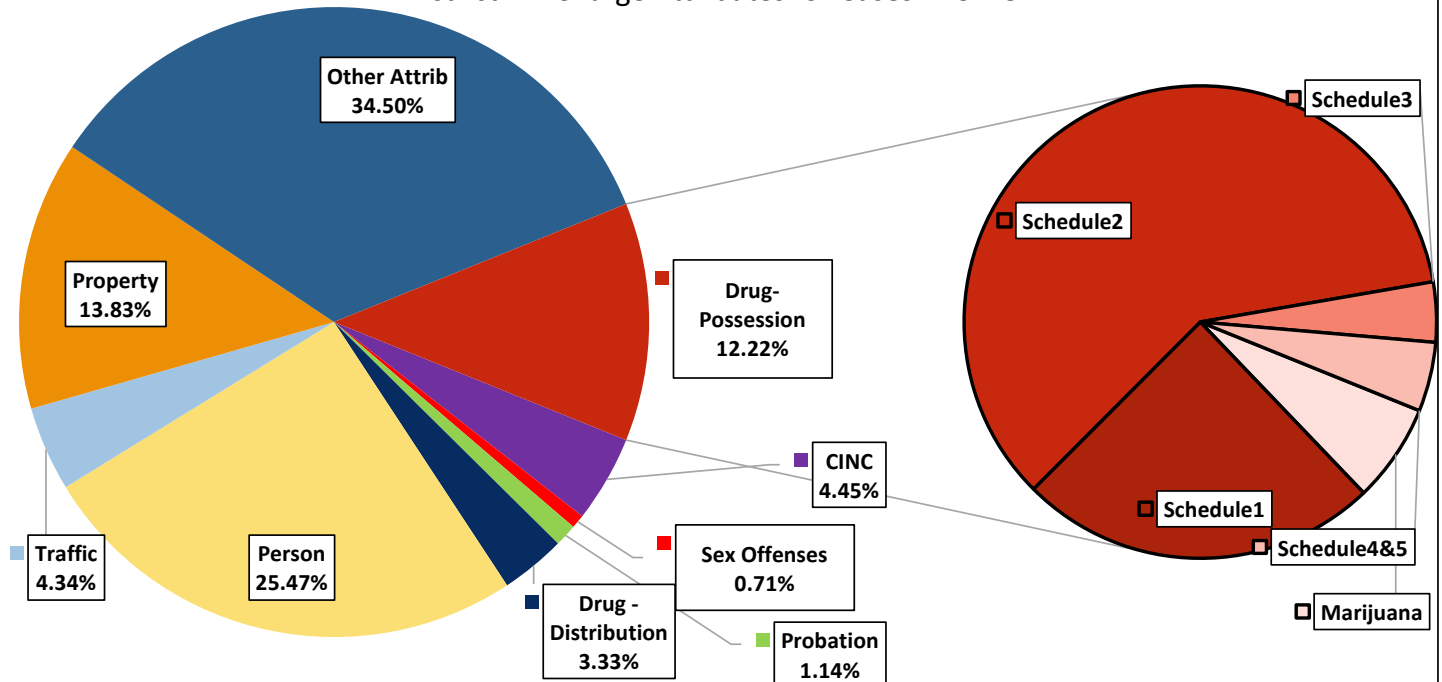
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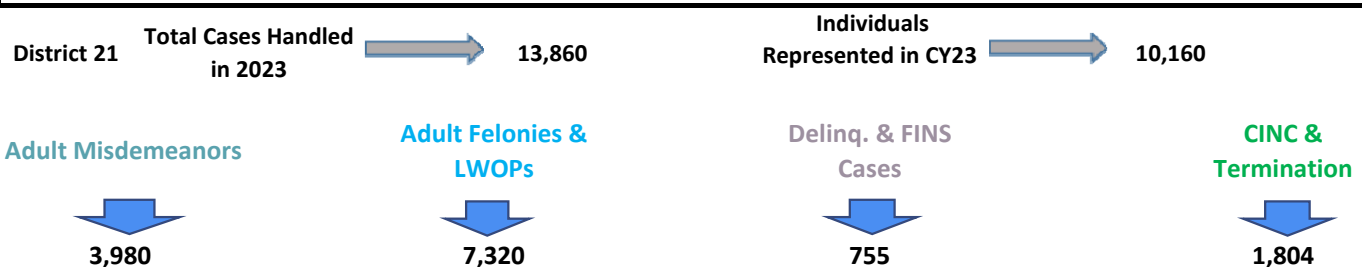


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District 21 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

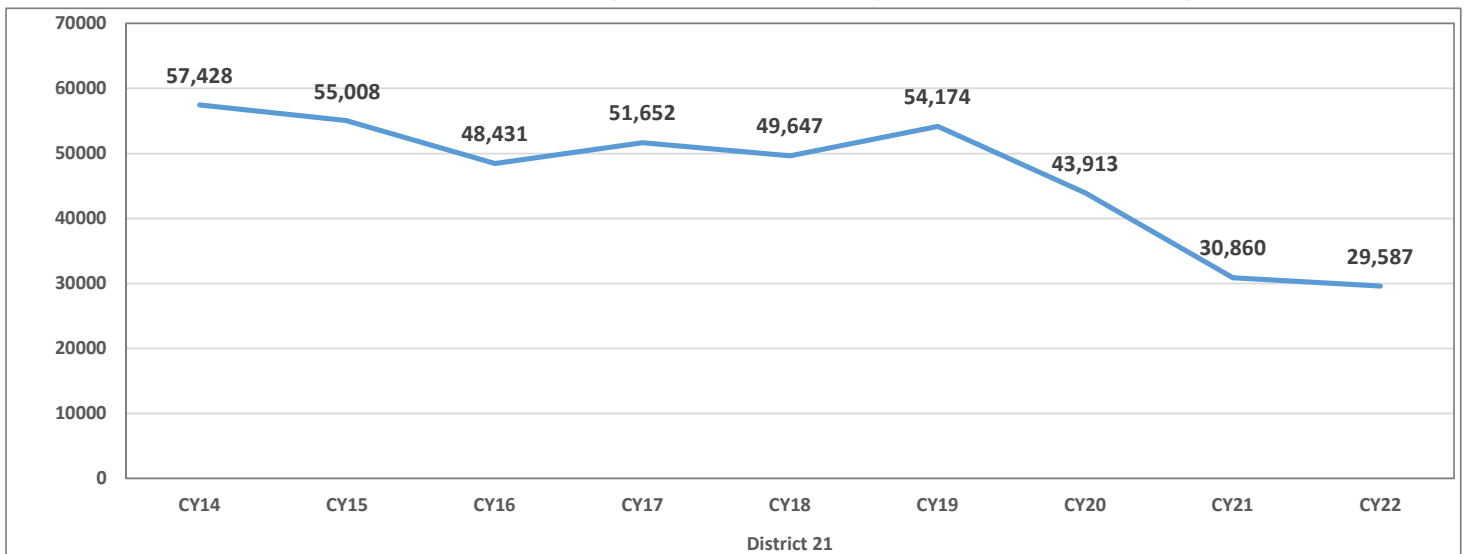


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 12.22% (1,694) of the 13,860 cases handled by the 21st Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 59.7% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



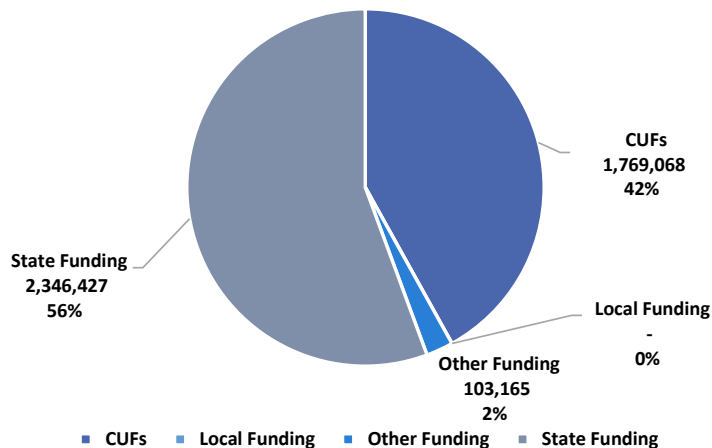
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

### TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)



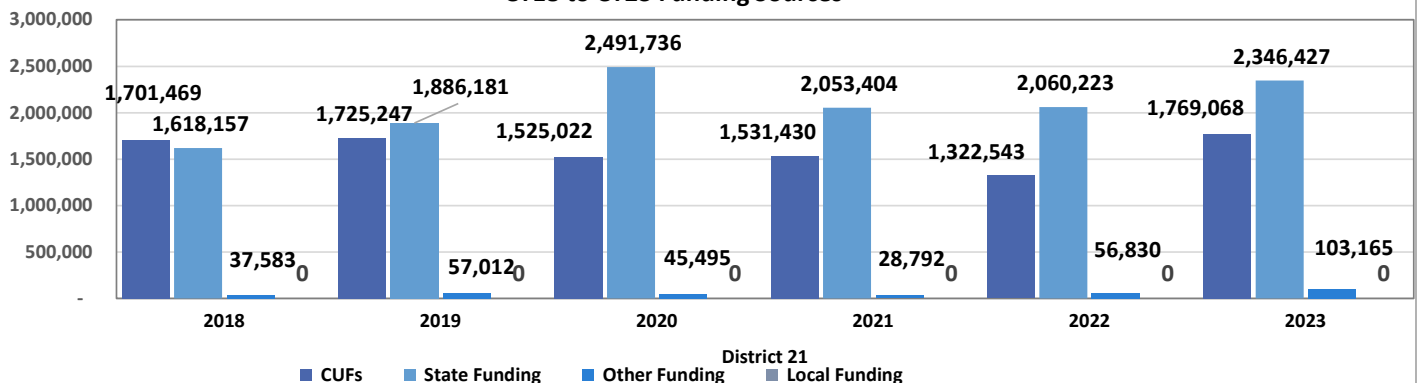
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 21st Judicial District decreased slightly from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to have increased during the calendar year.

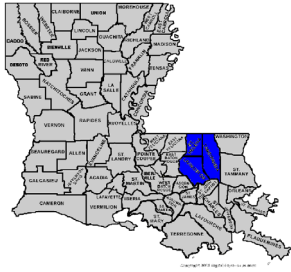
### District 21 Funding Sources in 2023



During Calendar Year 2023, the 21st Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$4,218,660 in total revenues, an increase of nearly \$800,000 from the previous year. Forty-two percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by more than \$400,000, while state funding increased by nearly \$350,000. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

### CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources





## THE 21<sup>ST</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Livingston - Livingston; St. Helena - Greensburg; Tangipahoa - Amite
<b>Population</b>	296,295
<b>District Defender</b>	Charles M. Reid
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	2.25
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	33
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	Yes. Approximately 12 hours a month.
<b>Office Manager</b>	Ramona Correnti
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	303 East Oak Street
<b>City</b>	Amite
<b>ZIP</b>	70422
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday through Friday - 8:00 am until 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm. Closed for Lunch.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	985-748-4922
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 1004, Amite, LA 70422
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	985-748 - 2933
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Charles M. Reid
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	(985) 517-1576
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Tim Fondren
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	(985) 215-0004
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	28446 Charlie Watts Road, Livingston, LA 70754
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Susan Watts
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Amite Office
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Tangipahoa Parish Government for Amite Office
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	\$25,000 from 21st JDC for Support Enforcement Public Defender Assignment.
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	Tangipahoa Parish - Amite; Livingston Parish - Livingston; St. Helena Parish - Greensburg; Hammond City Court, Hammond; Denham Springs City Court, Denham Springs; Ponchatoula Mayor's Court, Ponchatoula; Walker Mayor's Court, Walker.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	6 District Criminal Divisions; 1 District Pro-Tem Court for Misds; 2 District Family Court Magistrates for Support Enforcement; 1 District Juvenile Court; Hammond City Court - Juvenile & Misds. Adult; Denham Springs City Court - Juvenile & Misd. Adult; Ponchatoula Mayor's Court - Misd Adult & Traffic; Walker Mayor's Court - Misd. Adult & Traffic;
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Tangipahoa Parish Jail, Livingston Parish Jail, St. Helena Parish Jail, Hammond City Jail.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Rayburn Correctional Center; Caldwell Detention Center; East Carroll Detention Center; Plaquemines Parish Detention Center; Claiborne Detention Center; Catahoula Parish Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Florida Parishes Juvenile Detention Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None of which we are aware.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Scott M. Perrilloux
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge Blair Edwards
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	District Court - Judges Blair Edwards and William Burris; Hammond City Court - Judge Britain Sledge; Denham Springs City Court - Judge Gerry Denton
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Erica Sledge - Tangipahoa and St. Helena Parishes and Judge Charlotte Foster in Livingston Parish
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No Mental Health Court

<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Magistrate Courts for Support Enforcement - Carolyn Ott and Patricia Hicks; Veteran's Court - Judges William Dykes and Brian Abels
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Support Enforcement and Protective Orders and Veteran's Court for Veterans charged with a criminal offense
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Additional funding needed.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Additional funding needed.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Several which were covered by local news agencies.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Administrator supervises staff; 2 Adult Case Supervisors; 1 Juvenile/CINC-Parent Case Supervisor; 2 Office Managers (Amite Office and Livingston Office)
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Full time Employees and Contract Attorneys (Health Only) are paid by the Office. Any dependent, spouse coverage is paid by Employee or Contract Attorney.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	3
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	SENATORS: Livingston Parish - Sen. Eddie J. Lambert; J. Rogers Pope; Mack A. "Bodi" White -St. Helena Parish - Sen. Caleb Seth Kleinpeter; Sen. Mack A. "Bodi" White -Tangipahoa Parish - Sen. Patrick McMath; Sen. Beth Mizell; Sen. J. Rogers Pope; Sen. Mack A. "Bodi" White. REPRESENTATIVES: Livingston Parish - Rep. Valarie Hodges; Rep. Sherman Q. Mack; Rep. Buddy Mincey, Jr.; Rep. Clay Schexnayder - St. Helena Parish - Rep. Robby Carter - Tangipahoa Parish - Rep. Robby Carter; Rep. Lawrence "Larry" Frierman; Rep. Nicholas Muscarello, Jr.; Rep. William "Bill" Wheat, Jr.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	We continue to closely monitor Attorneys and Staff to keep up with changes which have occurred in the 21st JDC system. We also work closely with other stake holders in the judicial system.

## 21st District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	978	1037	89	1047	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	1	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	383	312	374	756	0	2	N/A	N/A	19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	108	63	9	93	N/A	N/A	2	0	4	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	708	140	23	273	N/A	N/A	28	2	36	25	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	377	236	58	385	N/A	N/A	85	22	192	31	N/A	N/A	1	2	3
Delinquency-Life	6	1	0	4	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	3920	2926	2053	3980	N/A	N/A	1053	8	1595	0	0	0	5	1	6
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	3795	4299	2827	6622	N/A	N/A	2410	25	1139	0	0	3	0	0	3
Adult LWOP	79	62	68	147	N/A	N/A	31	0	27	0	0	1	0	0	1
Capital***	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	340	419	210	550	N/A	N/A	59	0	45	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	1	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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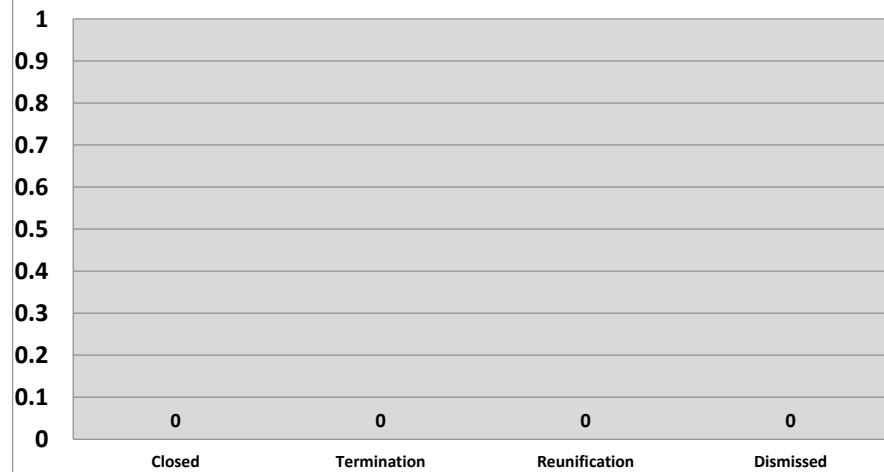
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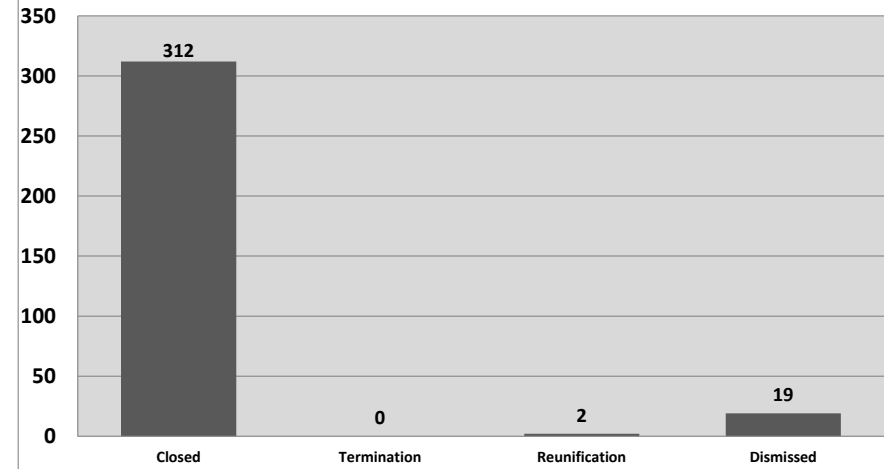
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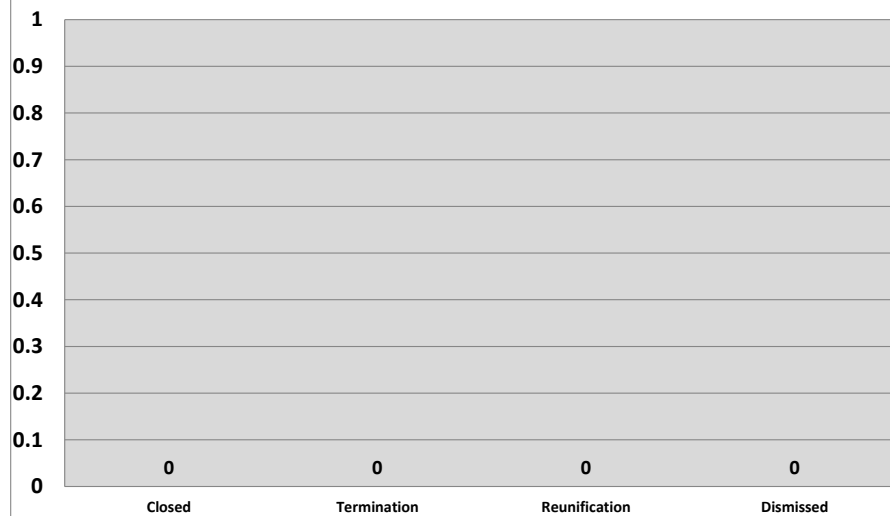
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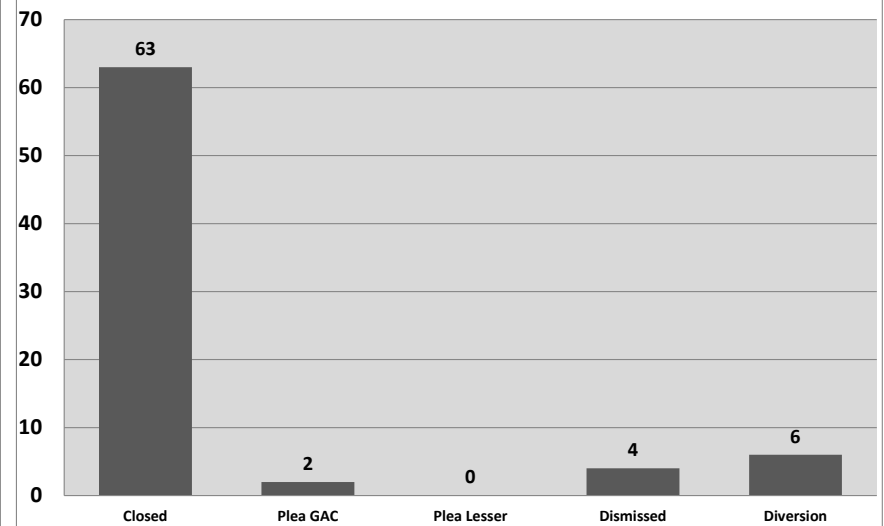
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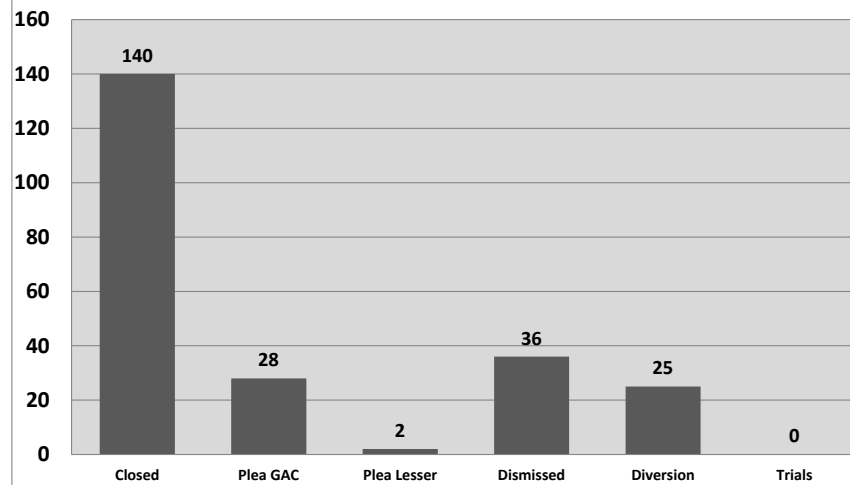
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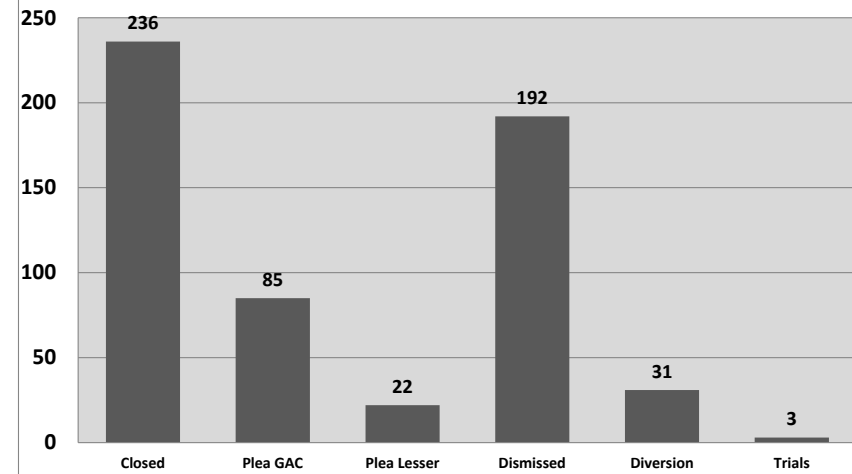
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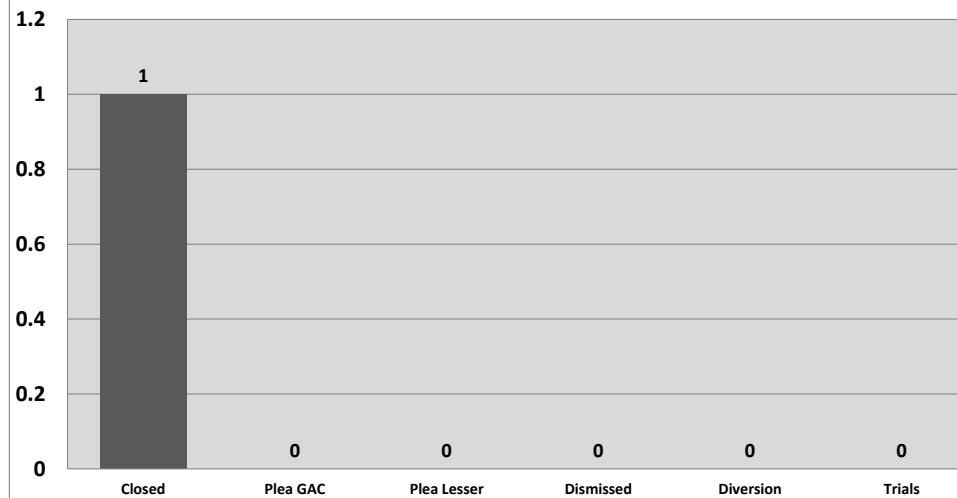
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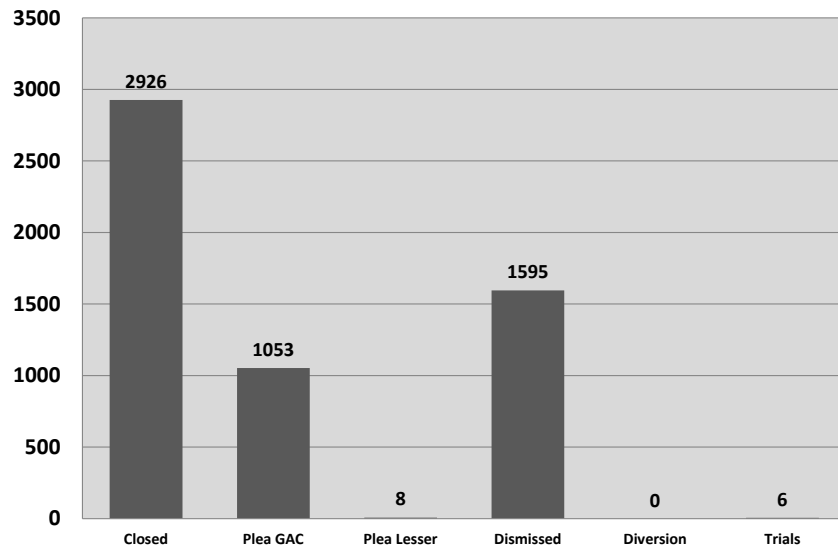
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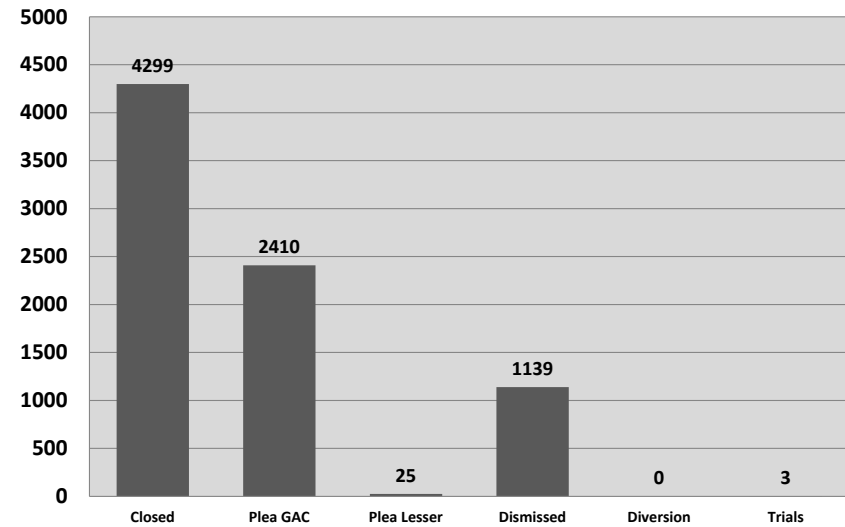
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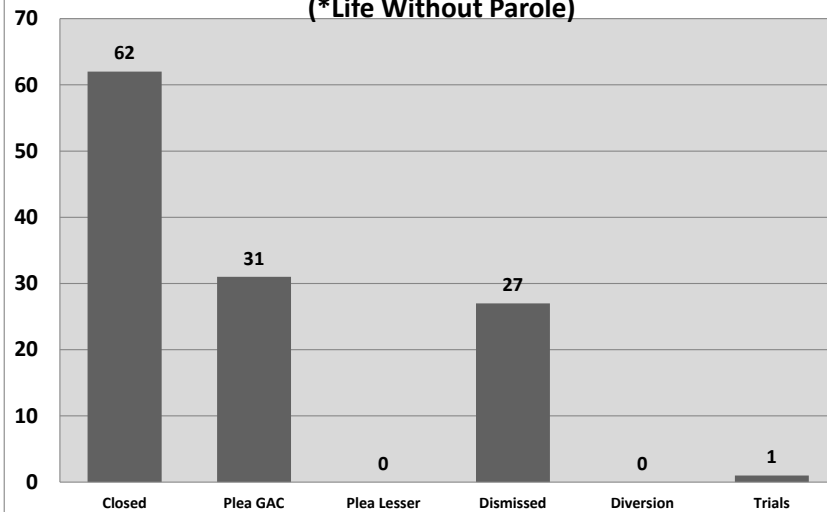
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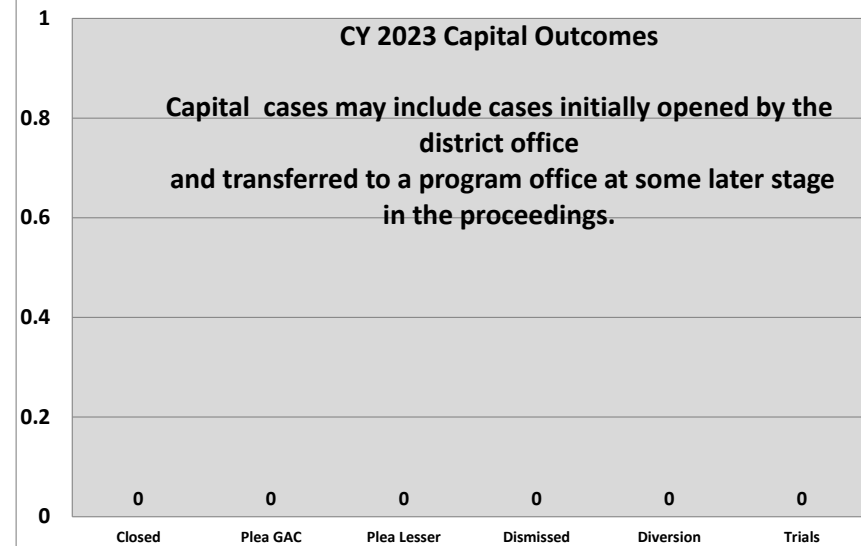
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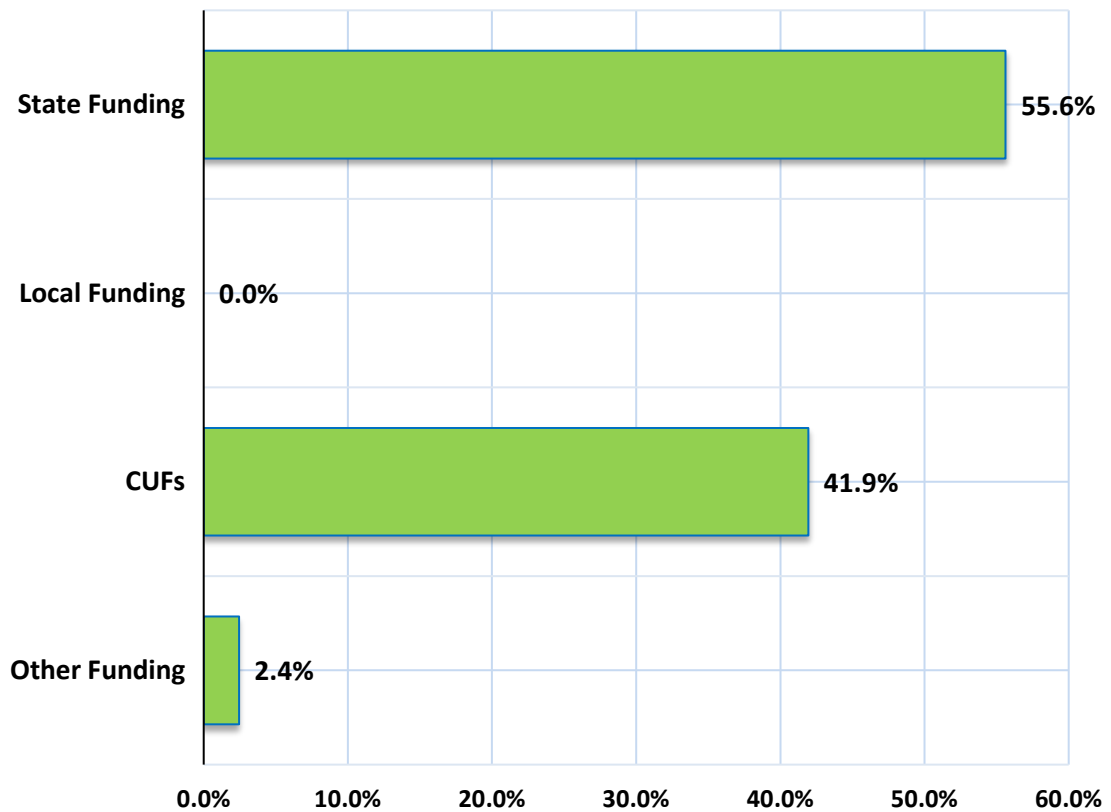
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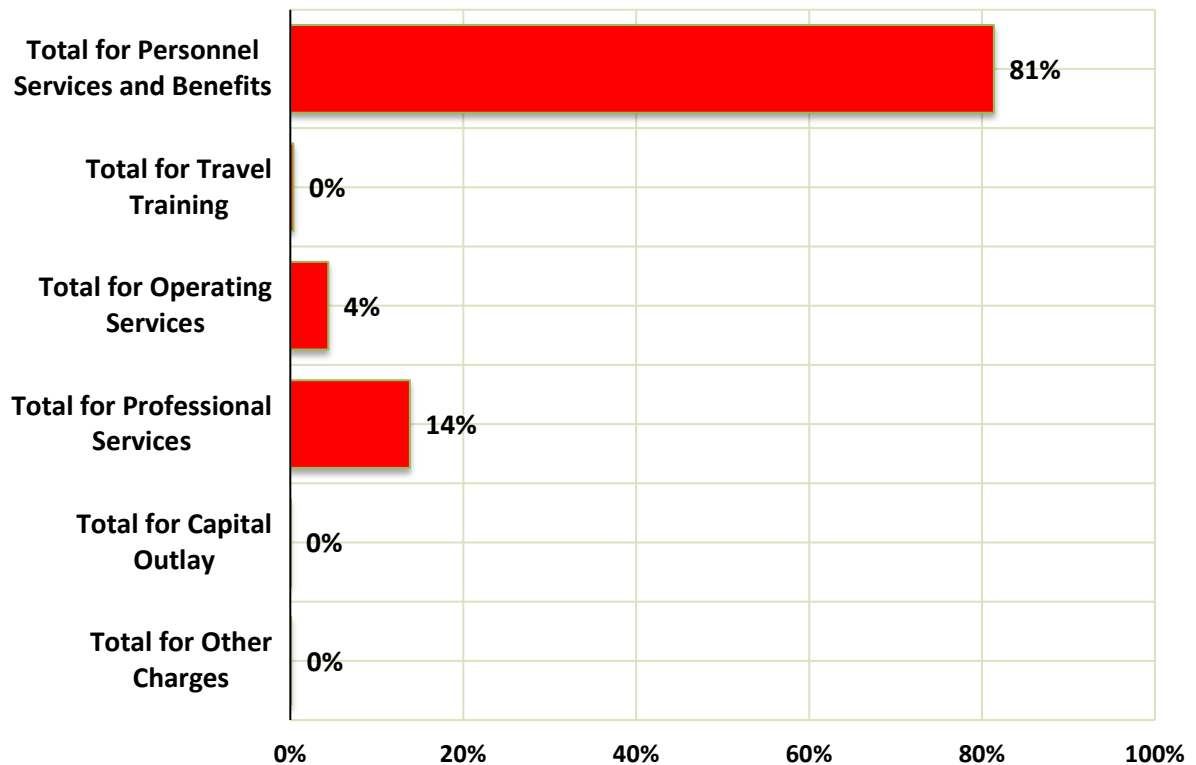
District 21 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Charles Reid</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	83,147
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>83,147</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	106,412
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	2,156,867
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>2,263,280</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	234,738
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	363,118
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	1,985
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	132,401
Municipal Court	270,088
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	625,921
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>1,028,411</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	142,801
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>142,801</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>1,771,053</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	101,180
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>101,180</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>4,218,660</b>

District 21 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Charles Reid</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	2,198,213
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	32,173
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	511,307
Retirement	251,210
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>2,992,902</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	13,014
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>13,014</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	468
Workers' Compensation	1,315
Insurance - Malpractice	22,074
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	3,098
Insurance - Other	3,685
Lease - Office	32,652
Lease - Auto/Equipment	8,298
Lease - Other	13,368
Office Repair and Maintenance	7,716
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	16,700
Dues and Seminars	3,104
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	4,180
Office Supplies	44,641
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>161,300</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	49,700
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	3,778
Investigators	56,110
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	31,434
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	213,299
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	151,122
IT/Technical Support	2,616
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>508,058</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	499
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>499</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	3,249
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>3,249</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,679,023</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



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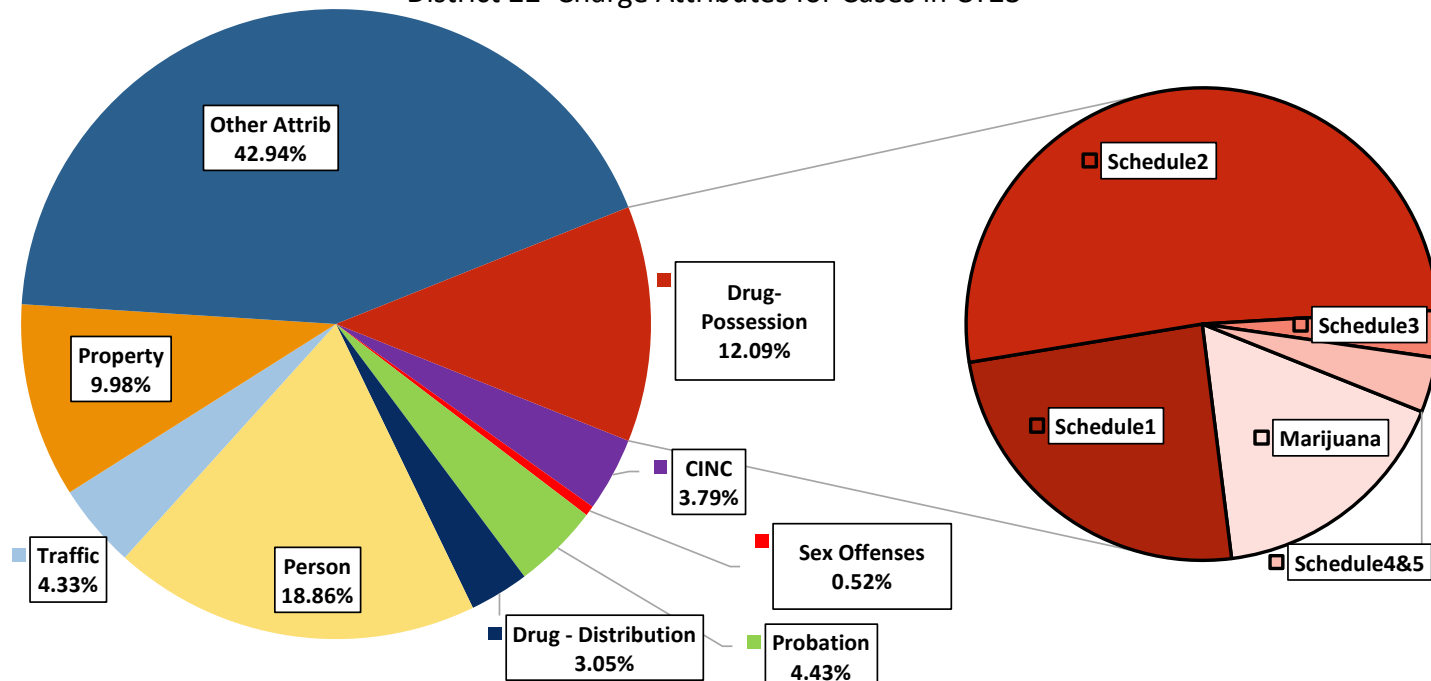




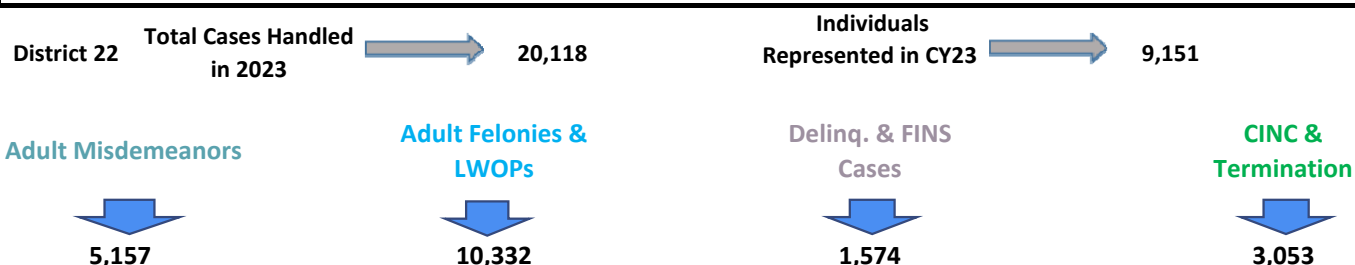
THE 22<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
ST. TAMMANY (COVINGTON) - WASHINGTON (FRANKLINTON)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: JOHN W. LINDNER, II  
402 NORTH JEFFERSON AVENUE  
COVINGTON, LA 70433  
(985) 892-5002

District 22 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23



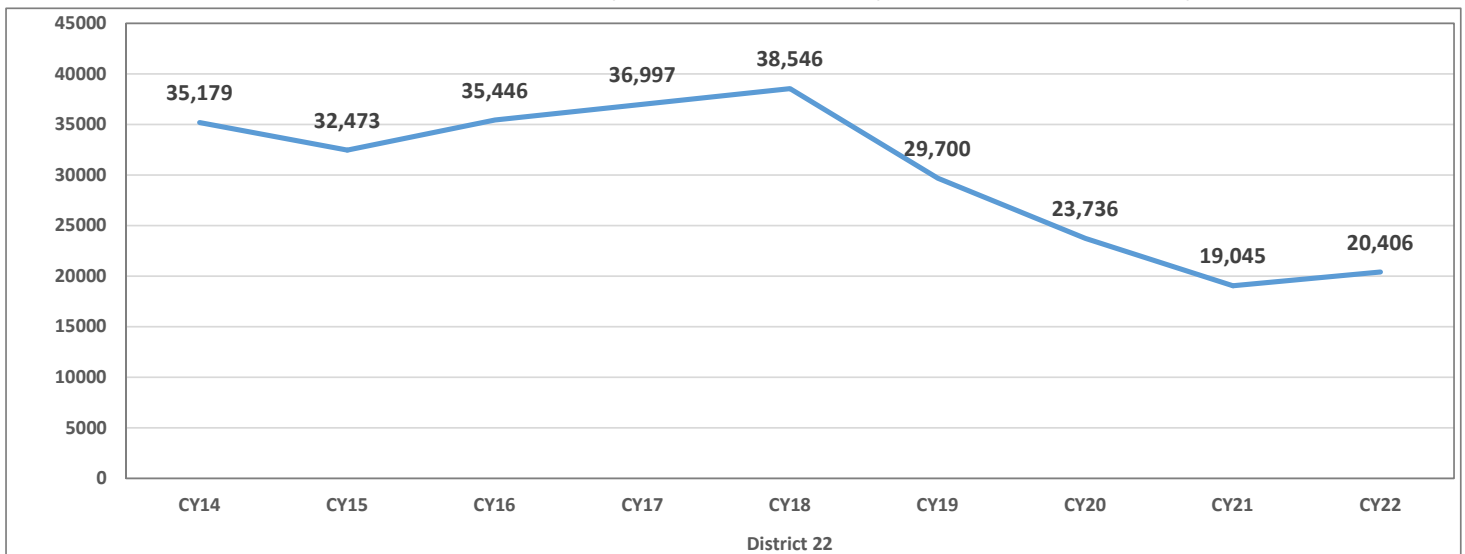
Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 12.09% (2,432) of the 20,118 cases handled by the 22nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 51.3% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

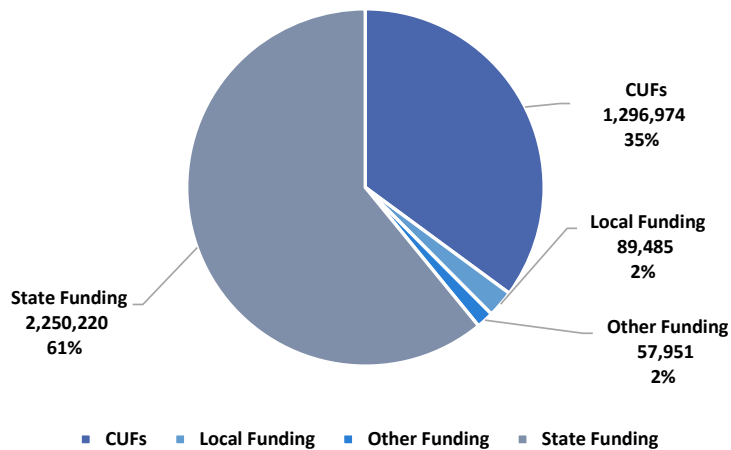


**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



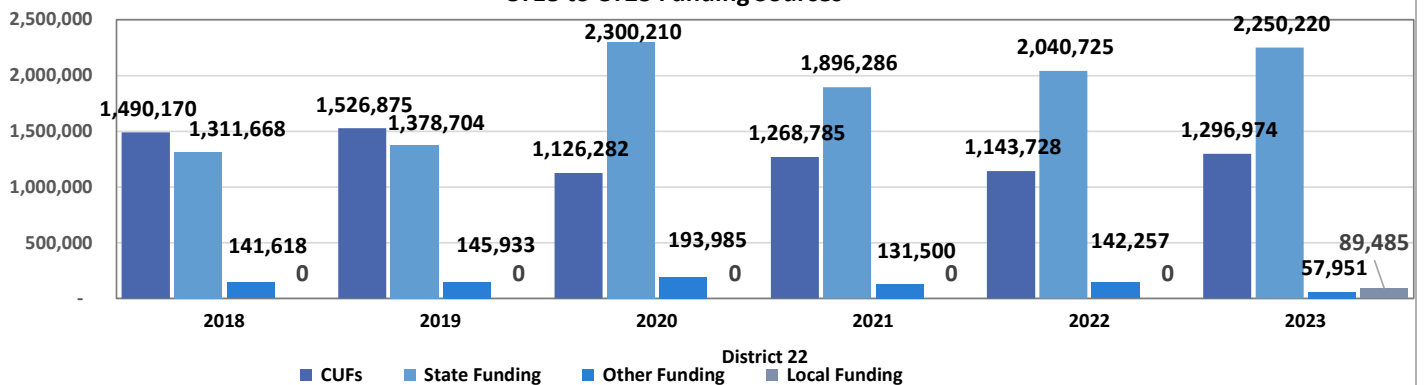
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 22nd Judicial District increased 7% from the previous year. While traffic filings increased during 2022, overall the number of filings has been reduced by 47% since 2018. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison.

**District 22 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 22nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$3,694,630 in total revenues. Thirty-five percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), which is similar to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$153,000. The office also received an additional \$210,000 in state funding. City/parish government also provided \$89,485 in funding.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 22<sup>ND</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	St. Tammany Parish - Covington Washington Parish - Franklinton
<b>Population</b>	St. Tammany: 276,902, Washington parish: 44,783. Total for 22nd: 321,685.
<b>District Defender</b>	John W. Lindner, II
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	12
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	12
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Shannon Donnelly, Covington and Franklinton. Christine Otilio
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	402 North Jefferson Avenue
<b>City</b>	Covington
<b>ZIP</b>	70433-2638
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	985-892-5002
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	402 North Jefferson Avenue, Covington, LA 70433
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	985-898-0102
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	John W. Lindner, II
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	985-778-6205
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Kevin Linder
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	985-630-4320
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	Washington Parish District PDO Office and Bogalusa City Court Office, 911 Washington Street, Franklinton, LA 70438 (985) 839-2245 (Vox) (985) 839-5412 (Fax); Slidell City Court 520 Old Spanish Trail Ste. D2 Slidell, LA 70458 (985) 643-2747 (Vox) (985) 643-2746 (Fax).
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Shannon Donnelly, St. Tammany and Washington parishes.
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Covington and Slidell offices owned by St. Tammany Parish; Franklinton office owned by B&W Commercial Companies, LLC.

<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Parish provides office space in Covington and Slidell. We rent office in Franklinton.
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	Child Support attorney's salary and benefits are covered by contract with Child Support court fund. Specialty Court attorney's salary is covered by contract with Specialty Courts.
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	\$128k to staff non-support & specialty Courts
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	22nd Judicial District Court - Covington; 22nd Judicial District Court - Franklinton; Slidell City Court - Slidell; Bogalusa City Court - Bogalusa; Covington City Court - Covington.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	22nd JDC Covington: 8 adult criminal divisions; 1 adult misdemeanor; 1 juvenile/CINC; 1 non-support court; Franklinton: 2 adult criminal divisions, 1 adult misdemeanor, 1 juvenile/CINC; 1 non-support court; Bogalusa City Court: 1 adult misdemeanor, 1 juvenile/CINC; City Court of East St. Tammany (Slidell City Court): 1 adult misdemeanor, 1 juvenile/CINC; Covington City Court: 1 adult misdemeanor.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	St. Tammany Parish Jail – Covington, LA; Washington Parish Jail – Franklinton, LA; Slidell Police Department Corrections Division – Slidell, LA; Bogalusa City Jail – Bogalusa, LA
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Some clients have been transferred to Plaquemine Parish facility
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Florida Parish Juvenile Detention Center – Covington, LA
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	N/A

<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Juveniles are no longer brought to court in chains.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Collin Sims, Interim District Attorney due to death of Warren Montgomery
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge William Burris, Jr.
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Judge Scott Gardner, St. Tammany and Washington parishes. Judge Bryan Haggerty, City Court of East St. Tammany (Slidell City Court). Judge David M. Duke, Bogalusa City Court.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	St. Tammany: Judge Vincent Lobello, Washington Parish: Judge Ellen Creel
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	Judge John Keller, BHC; Judge Allan Zaunbrecher, Assisted Out-Patient Track
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Sobriety Court: Hon. Vincent Lobello, RE-Entry Court; Hon. William Burris, Jr.; Family Preservation Court: Hon. Scott Gardner; Veterans Court: Hon. Richard Swartz
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	<p>Sobriety Court: specifically designed for clients with 3rd and 4th offense DWI. Sobriety Court follows the Drug Court model. Re-Entry Court: designed for clients facing substantial sentences because of mandatory minimum sentences and/or multiple offender status. Client is sent to Angola for two years and assigned to mentor (LWOP inmate) Must complete training program and counseling. Upon release is monitored by court in a setting similar to Drug Court. Drug court offers an alternative to incarceration for nonviolent, less serious, substance abusing offenders. Drug court is designed to rehabilitate offenders through regular and intense judicial supervision, substance abuse treatment, mandatory drug testing, educational opportunities, and appropriate sanctions and incentives. The goals of drug court are successful rehabilitation of drug court clients and reduced recidivism. Court appointed case managers assist each client through the two year program. Family Preservation Court assists families who are involved with the Department of Child and Family Services (DCFS) with the goal of reuniting the family.</p> <p>The adult program serves St. Tammany and Washington Parishes with over 300 adults and are served monthly by the drug court programs in the 22nd Judicial District. The 22nd Judicial District Behavioral Health Court, commenced July 1, 2013, is intended to provide an alternative sentencing option for offenders with mental health disorders or co-occurring disorders. We are performing services with monthly court funded contributions totaling \$50,000 per year per contractual arrangement. Through this specialty court, participation in which is a special condition of probation, offenders will be judicially supervised and will be provided community services, including mental health treatment, to prevent the recurrence of behaviors that lead to justice system involvement.</p>

<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	The office is still n need of attorneys, both experienced and new attorneys. I am hoping to add four attorneys in 2024
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	In addition to a need to replace funding based on CUF's, Public Defenders must be put in a position of parity with the District Attorney. We are handling approximately 80-85% of the criminal cases. Parity dictates that we receive at least 80-85% of the District Attorney's budget. All Public Defenders should be provided health and retirement benefits by the state.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	A Pre-trial Intervention program has been started in the district to identify clients who can be referred to treatment and Specialty Courts in lieu of prosecution. We are actively working with the District attorney and the Judges to identify candidates for the program. The goa; is to reduce the caseloads and reduce recidivism.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Defender is the overall supervisor. Kevin Linder is now Chief of Trials and supervises the felony attorneys. Jim Flammang is supervisor of misdemeanor divisions. Shannon Christian is supervisor of Delinquent and CINC attorneys. Shannon Donnelly has assumed the duties of Office Manager and supervises the Support Staff in all offices.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Office provides medical, dental, vision, and disability insurance for full time employees. Employee is responsible for spouse and family coverage.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	12
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senators: Sharon Hewitt, Patrick McMath, Beth Mizell. Representatives: Larry Freeman, Melinda White, Robert Owen, Mark Wright, Richard Nelson, Mary, DuBuisson, Paul Hollis.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	The office has continued to strengthen the Pre-trial team. We have assigned two attorneys to Specialty Courts and these attorneys work with pre-trial services to refer eligible clients to substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment. By identifying these clients early, we have been successful in getting more clients placed in specialty courts with the goal of securing dismissal of charges rather than prosecution.

## 22nd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

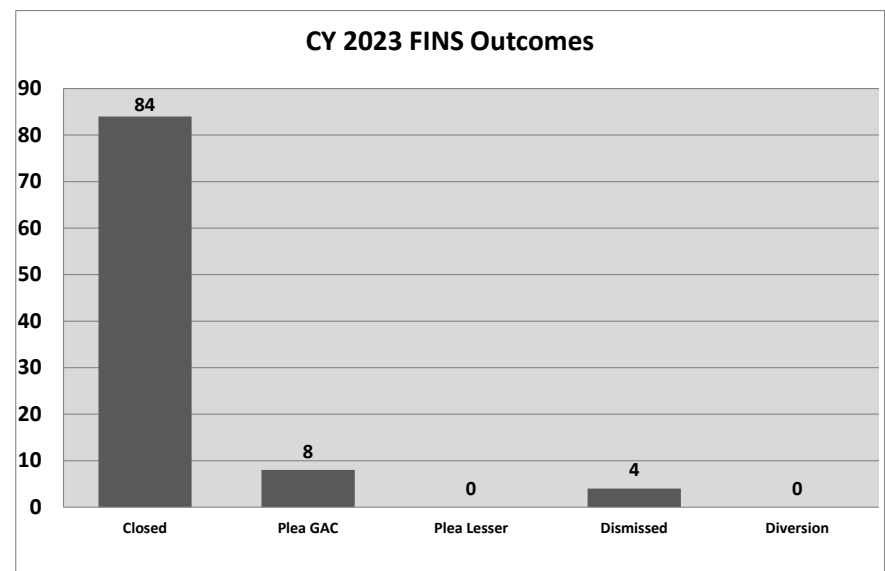
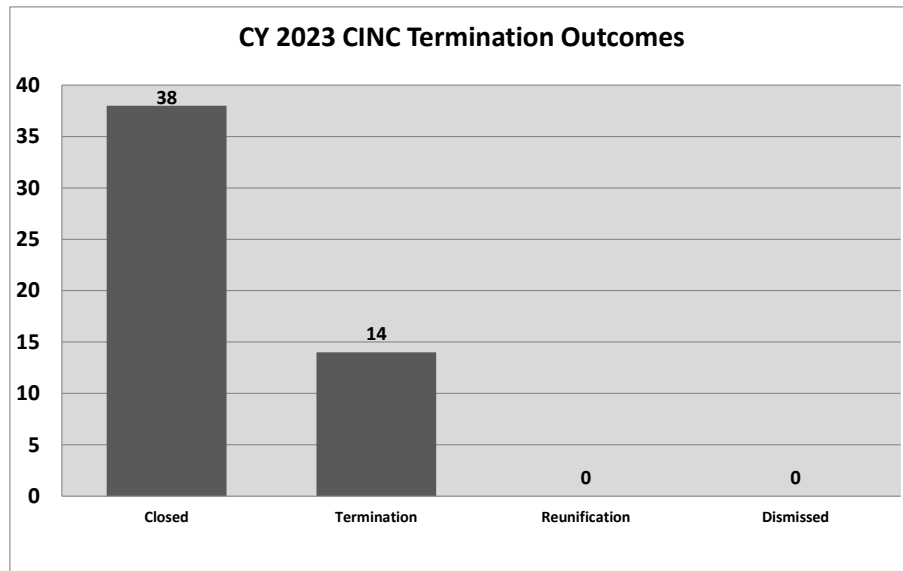
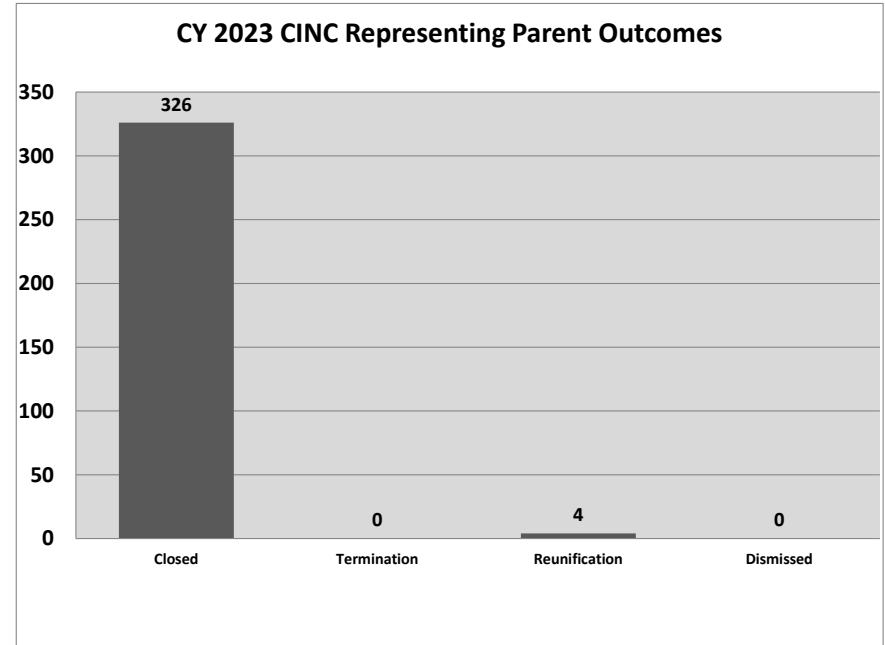
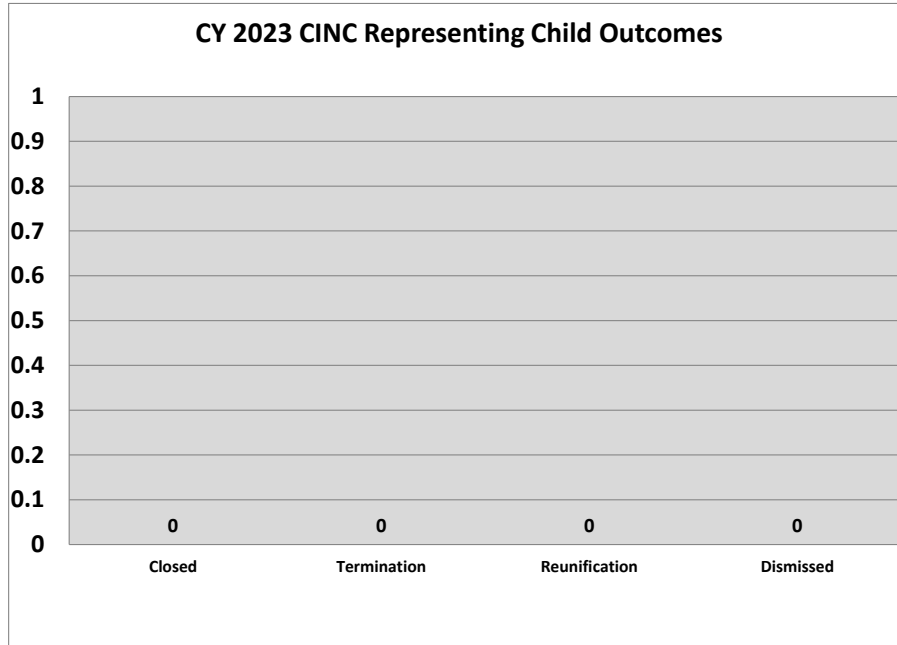
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	675	1583	1363	2038	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	13	13	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	228	326	713	941	0	4	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	20	38	41	61	14	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	66	84	122	188	N/A	N/A	8	0	4	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	378	472	479	857	N/A	N/A	116	38	87	1	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency Felony	202	276	312	514	N/A	N/A	101	22	70	0	N/A	N/A	0	6	6
Delinquency-Life	5	10	10	15	N/A	N/A	8	1	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	2590	2532	2567	5157	N/A	N/A	1975	223	931	0	0	1	2	7	10
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	3038	3240	4955	7993	N/A	N/A	2686	233	575	0	3	15	0	4	22
Adult LWOP	19	21	80	99	N/A	N/A	6	2	1	0	0	5	0	1	6
Capital***	1	1	1	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	374	699	1866	2240	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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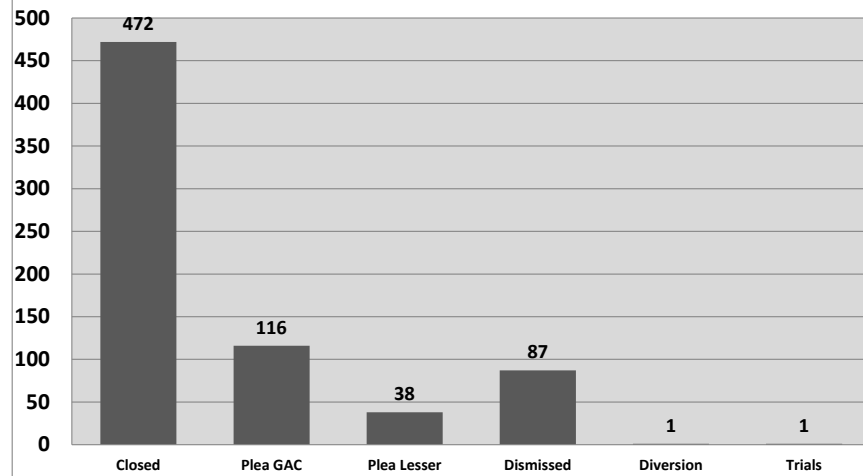
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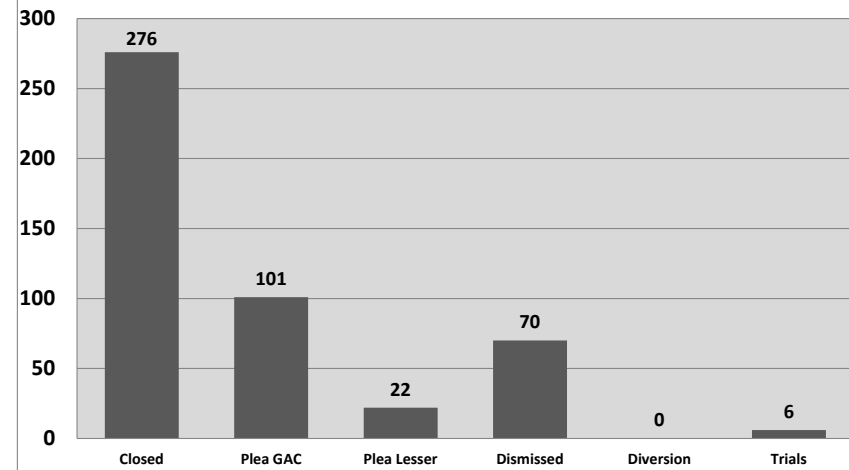
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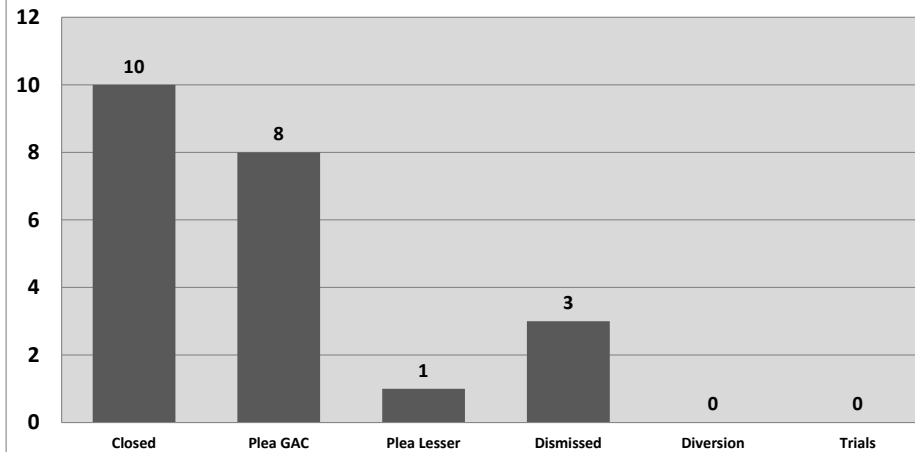
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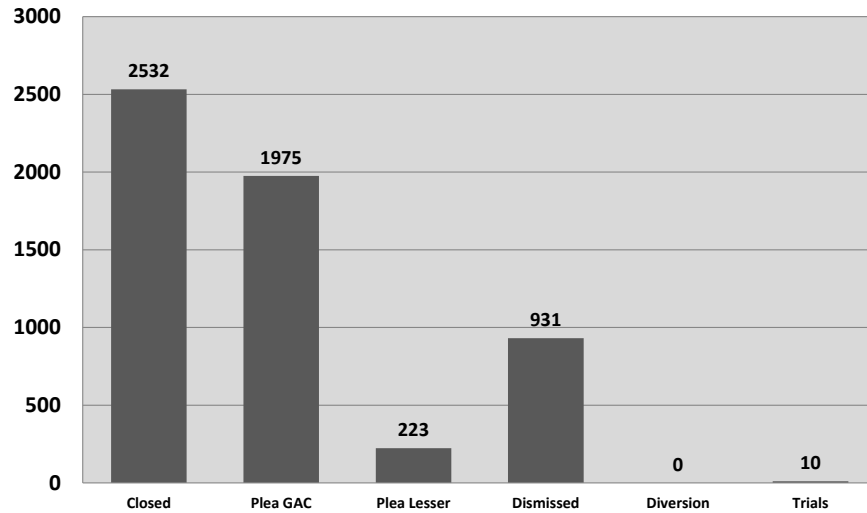


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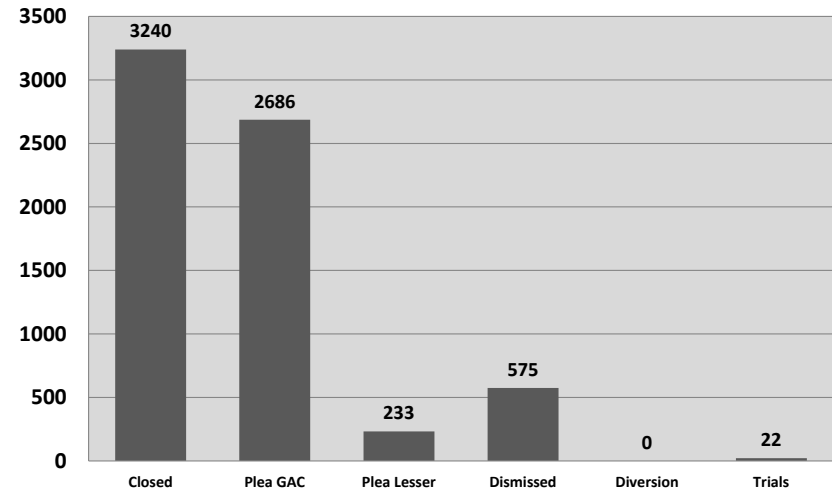




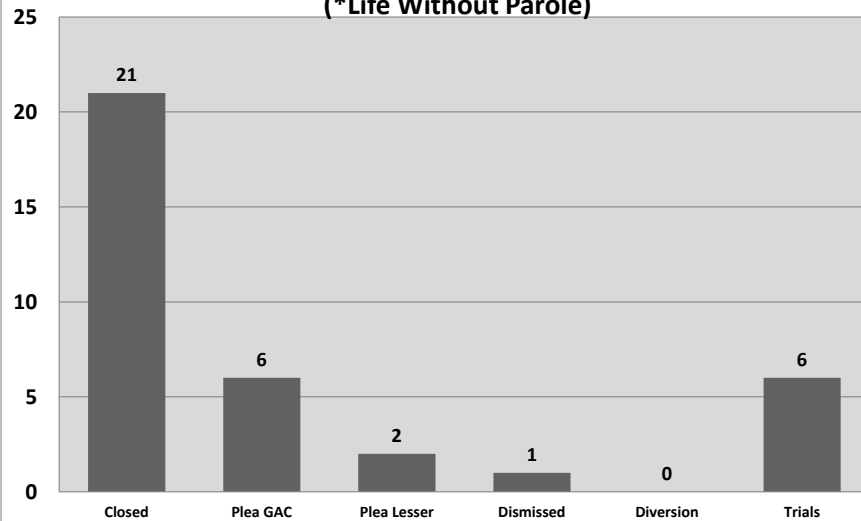
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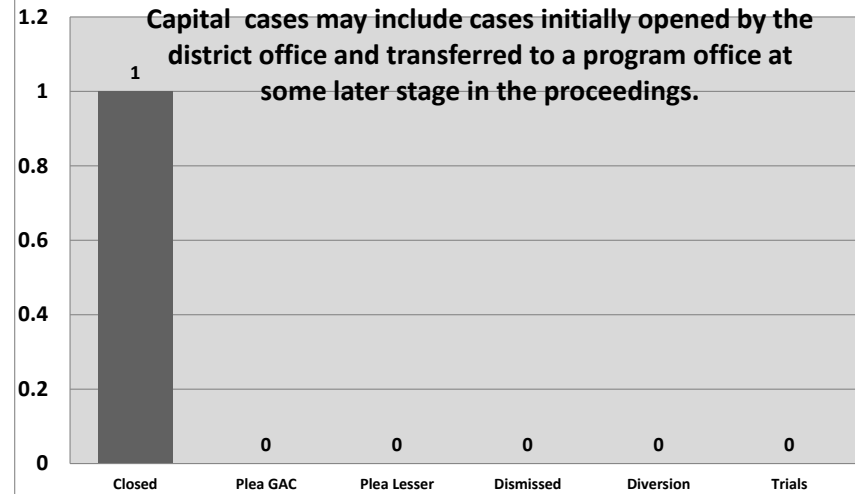
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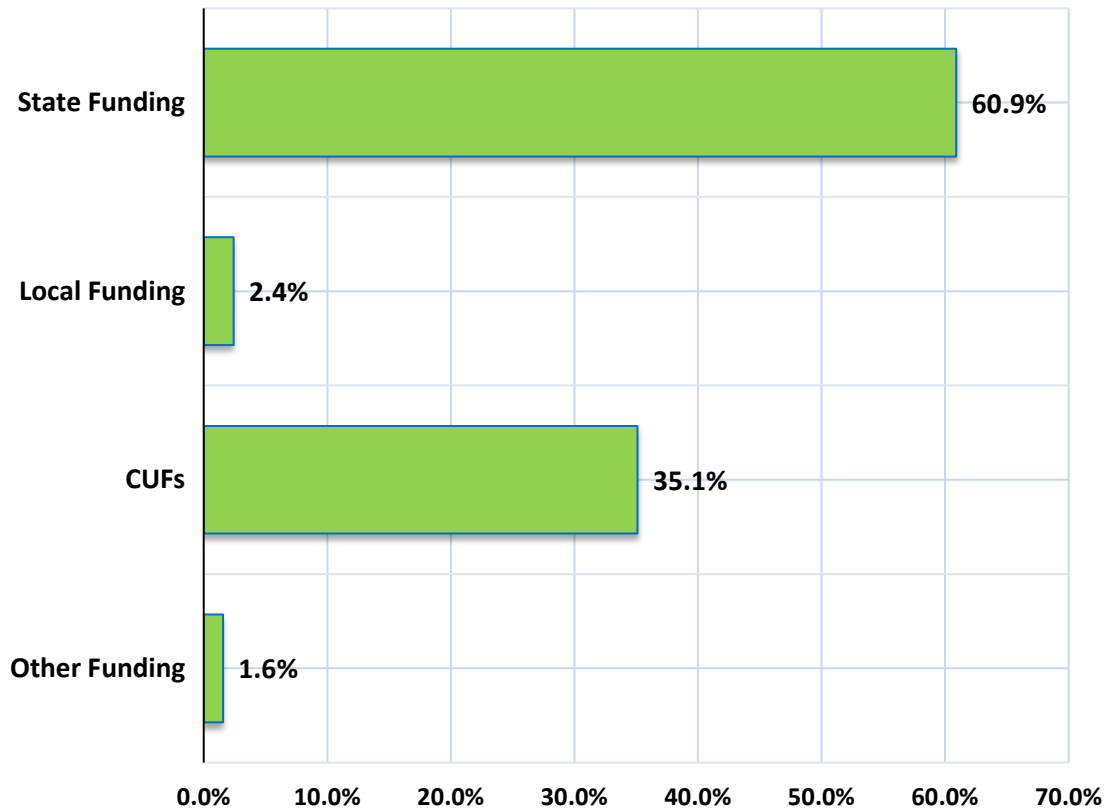
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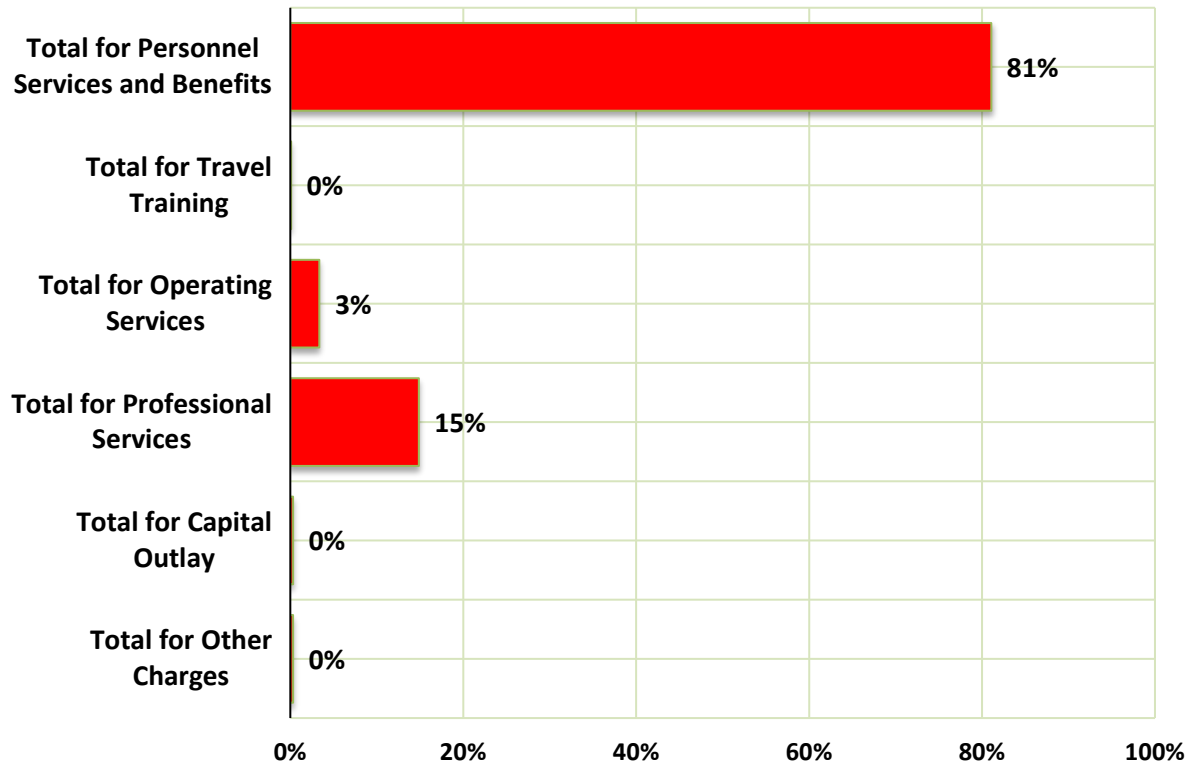
District 22 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: John W. Lindner II</b>	
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Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	53,147
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>53,147</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	53,547
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	2,143,527
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>2,197,073</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	36,417
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	53,068
Condition of Probation	112,917
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	233,185
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	40,627
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	46,071
City & City-Ward Courts	11,610
Judicial District Courts	800
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	88,511
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	27,041
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	99,731
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	279,826
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	337,201
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>890,791</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	60,079
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	72
Other Local Income -List source(s)	2,766
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>62,917</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>1,429,924</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	5,622
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	820
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>6,441</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	6,000
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	2,044
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>8,044</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>3,694,629</b>

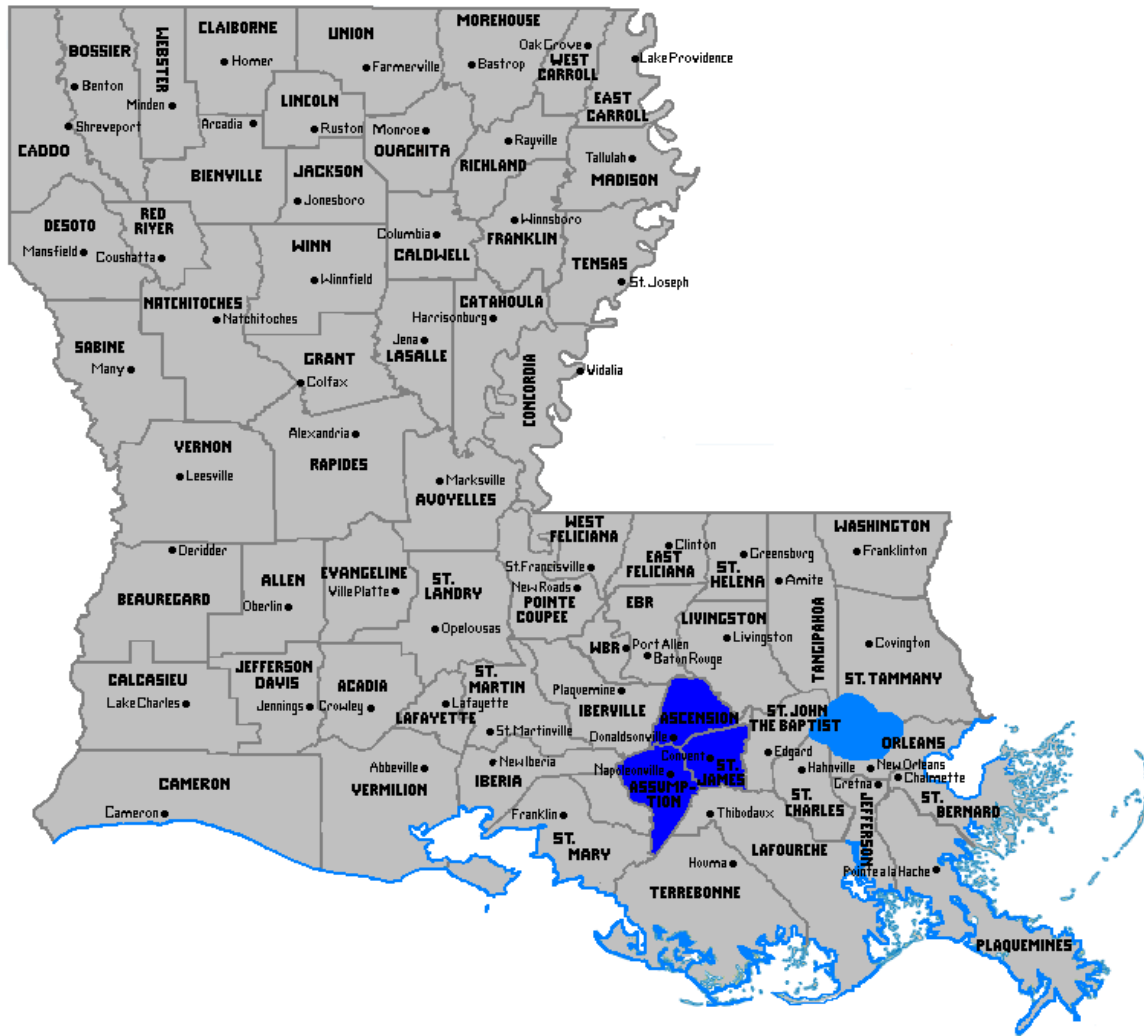
District 22 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: John W. Lindner II</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	2,349,493
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	184,382
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	259,660
Retirement	42,075
Other	63
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>2,835,674</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	2,899
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>2,899</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	142
Workers' Compensation	4,819
Insurance - Malpractice	23,295
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	11,639
Lease - Auto/Equipment	4,667
Lease - Other	3,588
Office Repair and Maintenance	94
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	37,977
Dues and Seminars	5,750
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	15,087
Office Supplies	10,709
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>117,767</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	43,629
Contract Clerical	6,000
Expert Witness	18,026
Investigators	900
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	3,000
Conflict	231,158
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	155,613
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	53,695
IT/Technical Support	7,835
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>519,856</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	11,146
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>11,146</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	10,959
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>10,959</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,498,301</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



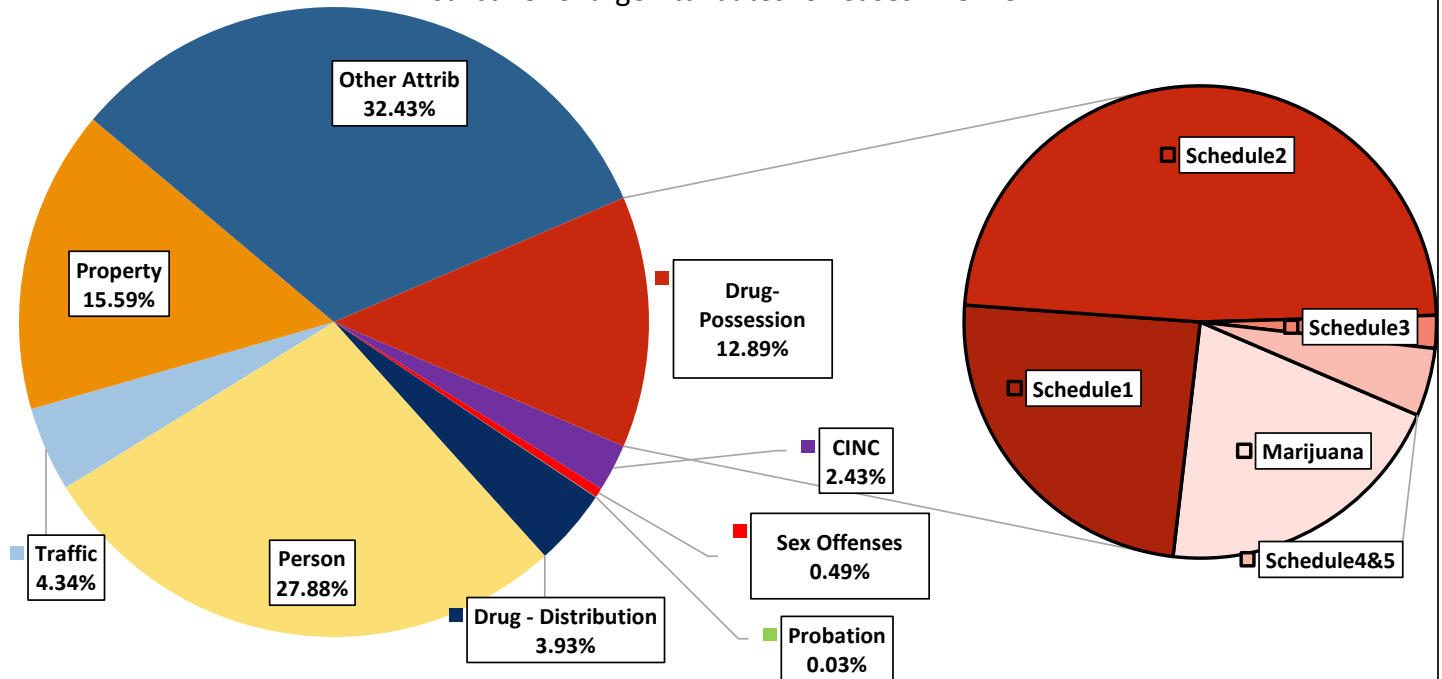


## THE 23<sup>RD</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

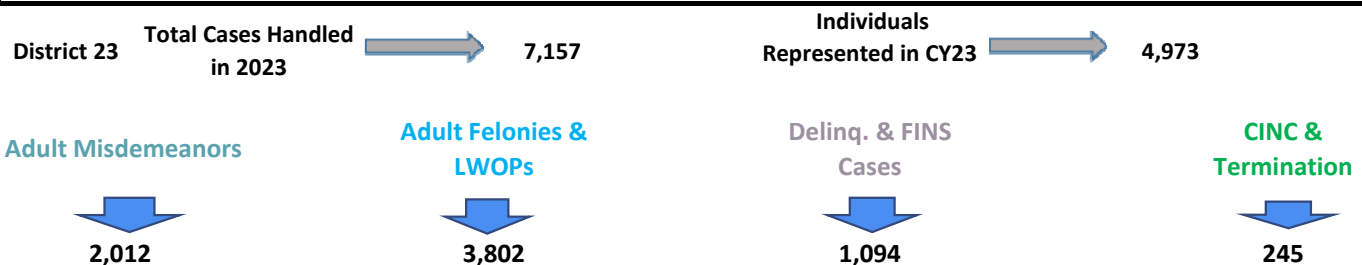
ASCENSION (DONALDSONVILLE) - ASSUMPTION (NAPOLEONVILLE) - ST. JAMES  
(CONVENT)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: TONYA B. CLARK  
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GONZALES, LA 70737  
(225) 647-9673

**District 23 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23**

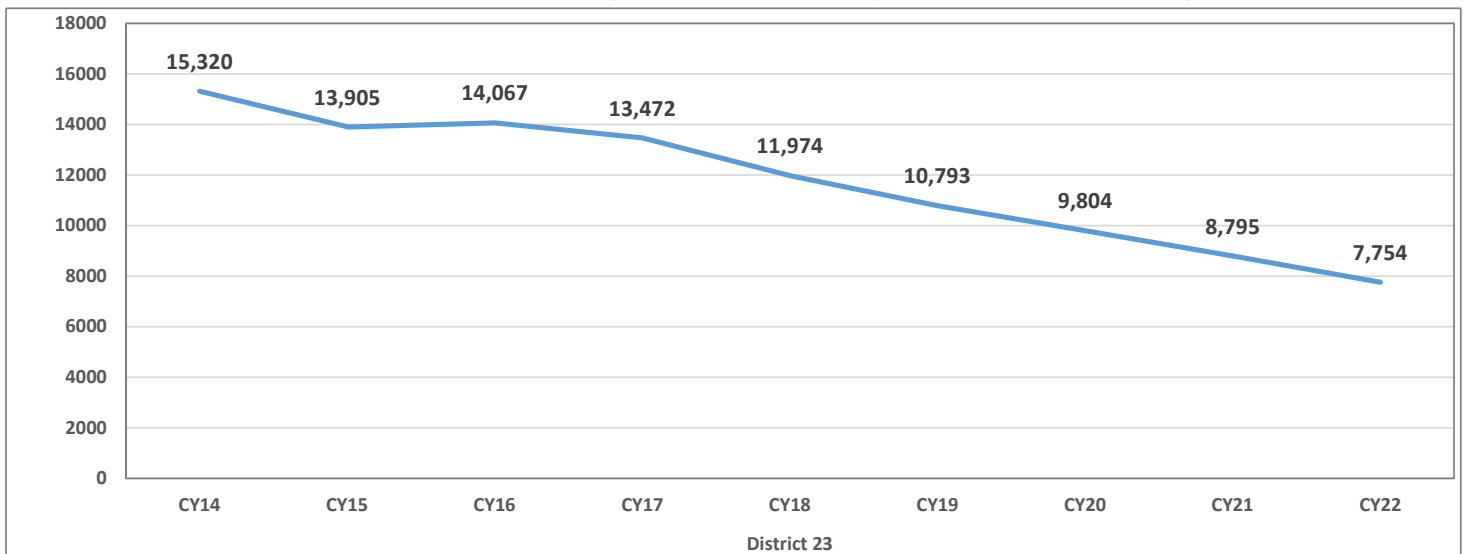


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar 2023, the primary charge in 12.89% (1,008) of the 7,157 cases handled by the 23rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 48.1% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



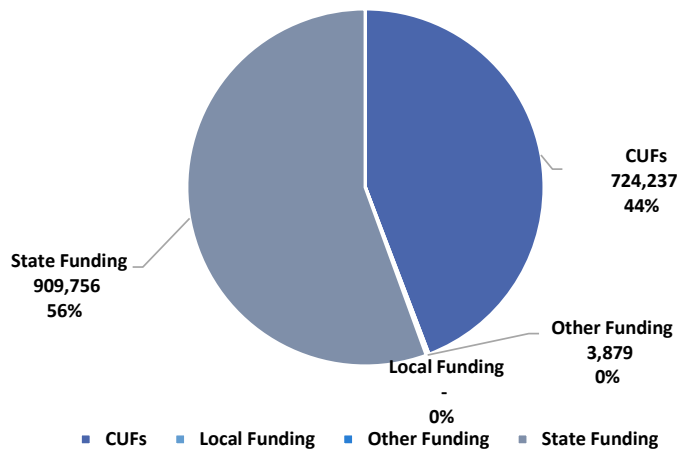
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



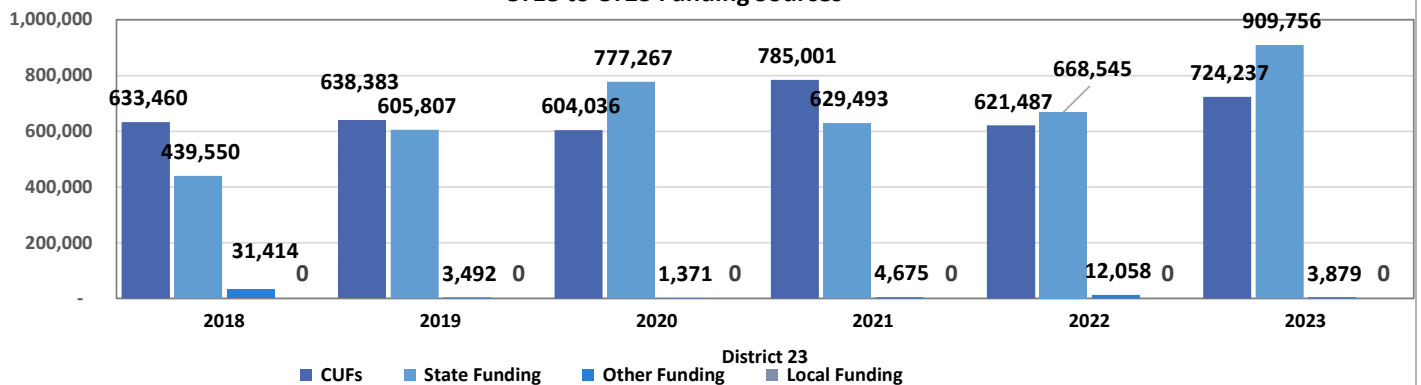
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 23rd Judicial District decreased for the sixth consecutive year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing may have increased in 2023.

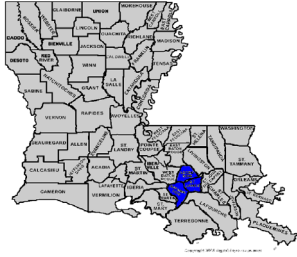
**District 23 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 23rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,637,872 in total revenues. Forty-four percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$103,000, the office also received more than \$240,000 in additional state funds. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 23<sup>RD</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Ascension - Donaldsonville; Assumption - Napoleonville; St. James - Convent.
<b>Population</b>	171,802
<b>District Defender</b>	Tonya B. Clark
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	1 year 2.25 months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	7
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Phyllis Glover
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	828 S. Irma Blvd. #102
<b>City</b>	Gonzales
<b>ZIP</b>	70737
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	225-647-9673
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 1119, Gonzales, LA 70707
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	225-647-9683
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Tonya B. Clark
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	985-513-2717
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Phyllis Glover
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	225-828-0772
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	Assumption - Assumption Community Center 4910 LA-308 Napoleonville 70390; St. James Parish [old courthouse bldg.] 5800 LA-44 Convent, LA 70723
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Phyllis Glover- 828 S. Irma Blvd. #102, Gonzales, LA 70737
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Ascension - Ascension Parish Annex; Assumption - Assumption Parish Police Jury; St. James - St. James Parish Council
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	In kind from parish governments in the district
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None at this time; however, working with local officials to attempt to have current mileages in place allocated to office.



<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	Electricity, heating and air for all three parishes and internet access for Assumption and St. James Parishes.
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	District Court (5 divisions) in Gonzales, Donaldsonville, Napoleonville, Convent; Parish court in Gonzales & Donaldsonville; Juvenile Court in Gonzales, Donaldsonville, Napoleonville, Convent; Non-Support Court in Gonzales, Donaldsonville, Napoleonville and Convent.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Sections A-E [5 divisions] for criminal court meeting in Donaldsonville, Gonzales, Convent and Napoleonville. Juvenile Court has Divisions A-E as well as P [6 divisions] meeting in Donaldsonville, Gonzales, Convent and Napoleonville. One division of Parish court for Ascension Parish meeting in Gonzales and Donaldsonville.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Ascension Parish Jail, Donaldsonville, LA, Assumption Parish Jail, Napoleonville, LA, and St. James Parish Jail, Convent, LA.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Lafourche and St. Mary Correctional Centers house females for Assumption Parish Jail.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	St. Bernard Juvenile Detention Center, Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Detention Center, Adams County Detention Center and Warren County Juvenile Detention Center.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Ricky Babin
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Katherine "Tess" Percy Stromberg
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Judge Jason Verdigets-Div. A; Judge Cody Martin-Div. B; Judge Katherine "Tess" Stromberg-Div. C; Judge Steven Tureau-Div. D; Judge Keyojuan Gant-Turner - Div. E; Judge Erin Lanoux - Ascension Parish Court Judge.

<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Tess Percy Stromberg has a drug section in Div. "C"
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Judge Erin Lanoux - Ascension Parish Court - handles all misdemeanors in Ascension Parish; Patricia Douglas Hearing Officer - Protective Order Court - handles all protective orders in the District; and, Non-Support Court - handles all IV-D child support cases for the district - Hearing Officer Patricia Douglas.
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	See answer above
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Maintaining DAF and CUF funding and ensuring the steady influx of local funding to be able to employ more contract attorneys in an ever-growing district with increasing serious crimes occurring, as well as garner funding for raises for contract attorneys to keep experienced attorneys and foster long-term working relationships within the district.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Receiving a \$25,000 Legislative Allocation from Sen. Price to make technology upgrades to the office. Now every attorney and staff are equipped with an iPad and Apple Pen and have Microsoft Teams as well as research and legal drafting tools in the form of Ayla. Implementing the first website the 23rd PDO every had and making applications and payment of fees online accessible to our clients.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The District Defender is the only full-time attorney and is a hands-on administrator and supervisor over contract attorneys and support staff. The office manager supervises the secretarial and office staff and reports to the District Defender. Contract attorneys are required to adhere to all provisions of their employment contract and are subject to monitoring by the District Defender on all aspects of their employment contract. A formal annual evaluation is required and performed on each contract employee and full-time W-2 employee.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Health, dental, optical and supplemental insurance benefits are provided for all full-time employees, including the District Defender in accordance with the office policy manual and is paid for by the 23rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	7
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0

<p><b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b></p>	<p>Sen. Eddie Lambert, Dist. 18 Ascension/St. James; Sen. Ed Price, Dist. 2 Ascension/Assumption/St. James; Sen. Robert Allain, III Dist. 21 Assumption; Rep. Tony Bacala, Dist. 59 Ascension; Rep. Ken Brass, Dist. 58, Ascension/St. James; Rep. Kathy Edmonston, Dist. 88, Ascension; Rep. Jeff Wiley, Dist. 81, Ascension/St. James; Rep. Beryl Amedee, Dist. 51, Assumption; Rep. Chad Brown, Dist. 60, Assumption.</p>
<p><b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b></p>	<p>In addition to the changes made from last year, which has worked seamlessly, receiving a \$25,000 Legislative Allocation from Senator Ed Price allowed me to make technology upgrades to the office. Now every attorney and staff are equipped with an Apple iPad Air and Apple Pens so that they can utilize electronic dockets and electronic discovery making their files electronic and accessible from any location. I have also installed Microsoft Teams on their iPads so that they have a protected email system as well as Microsoft Office. They can instant message anyone in our organization, as well as utilize research apps such as Lexis and the Defender Data from anywhere. I also have provided them with point and click legal drafting tools in the form of Ayla. I implemented the first website the 23rd PDO ever had which gives clients access to who their attorney is for each division and direct email access to the main office and all of the attorneys and staff. Now clients can fill out applications and pay fees online.</p>

## 23rd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

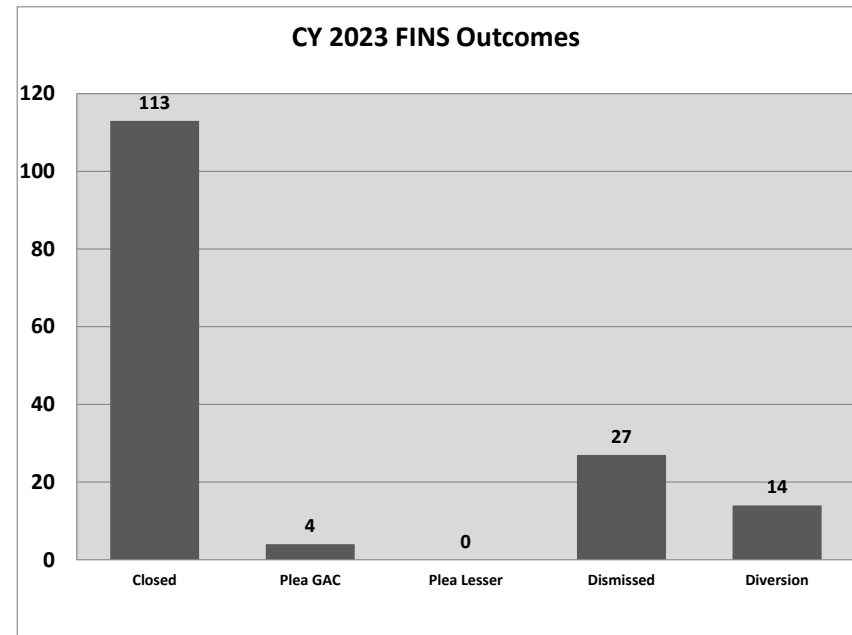
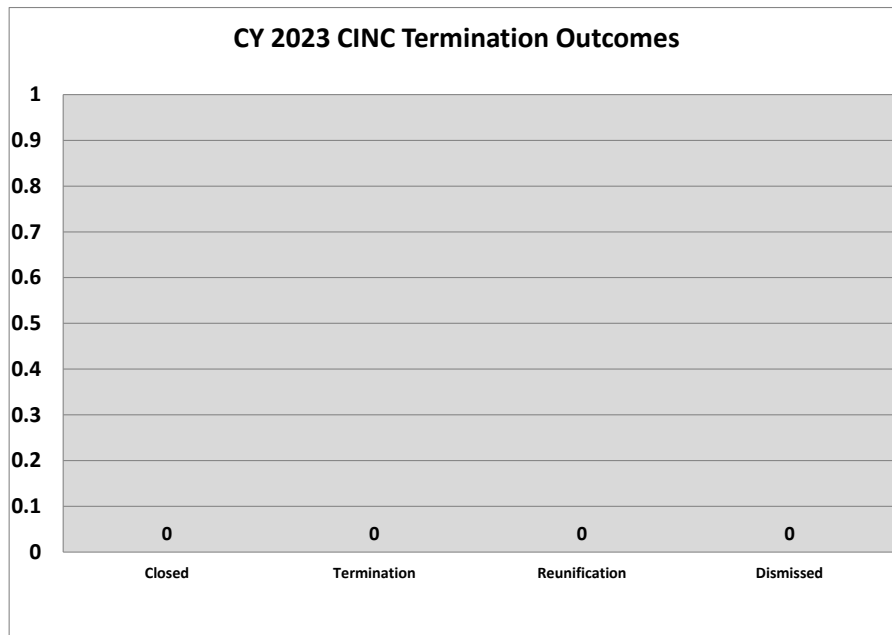
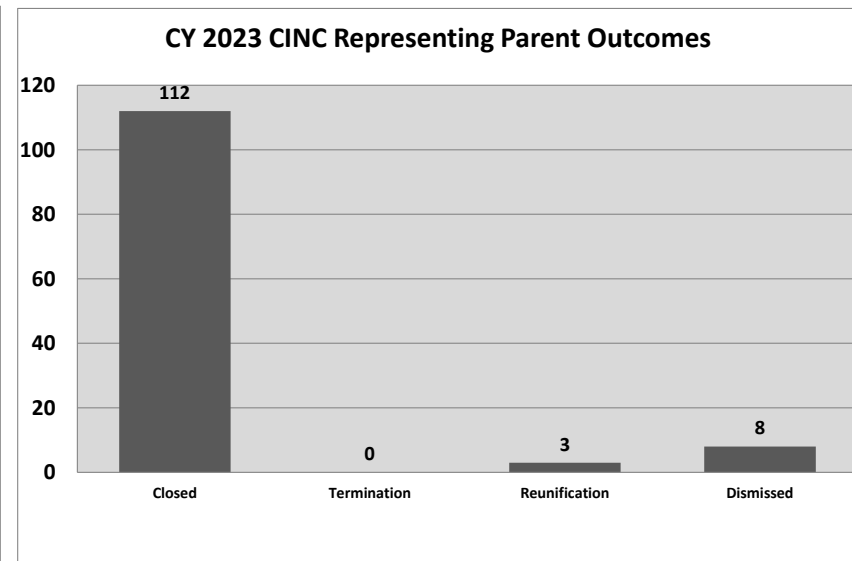
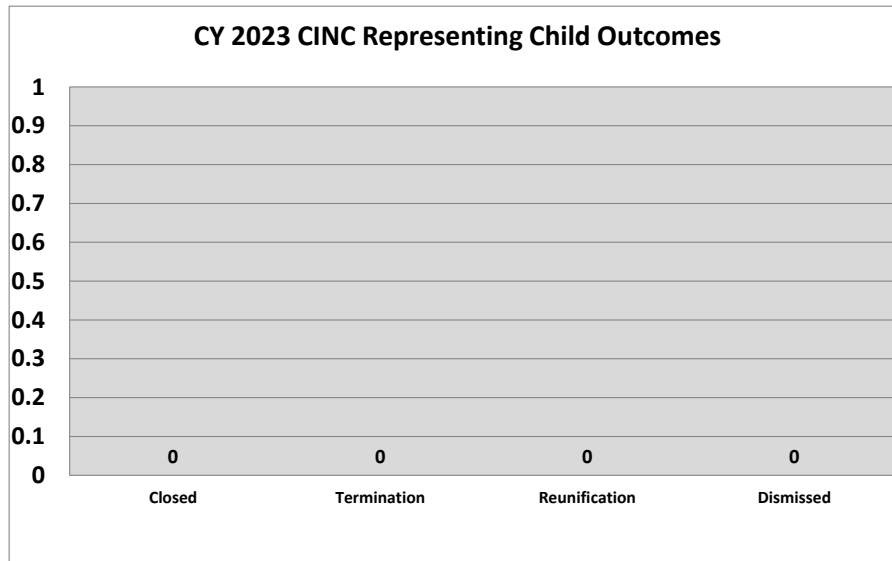
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023-12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	120	112	125	245	0	3	N/A	N/A	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	149	113	29	178	N/A	N/A	4	0	27	14	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	567	405	120	687	N/A	N/A	22	2	173	33	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	143	137	80	223	N/A	N/A	35	4	56	20	N/A	N/A	0	4	4
Delinquency-Life	5	4	1	6	N/A	N/A	0	0	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	948	1526	1064	2012	N/A	N/A	477	22	1017	0	0	0	2	8	10
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1633	2264	2123	3756	N/A	N/A	1042	172	1404	1	0	7	1	2	10
Adult LWOP	6	6	21	27	N/A	N/A	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	1	2	3	4	N/A	N/A	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	4	6	13	17	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	2	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

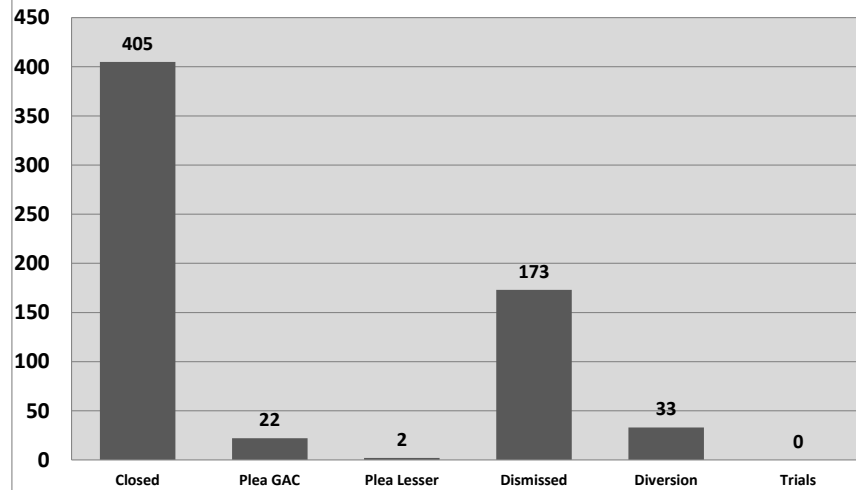
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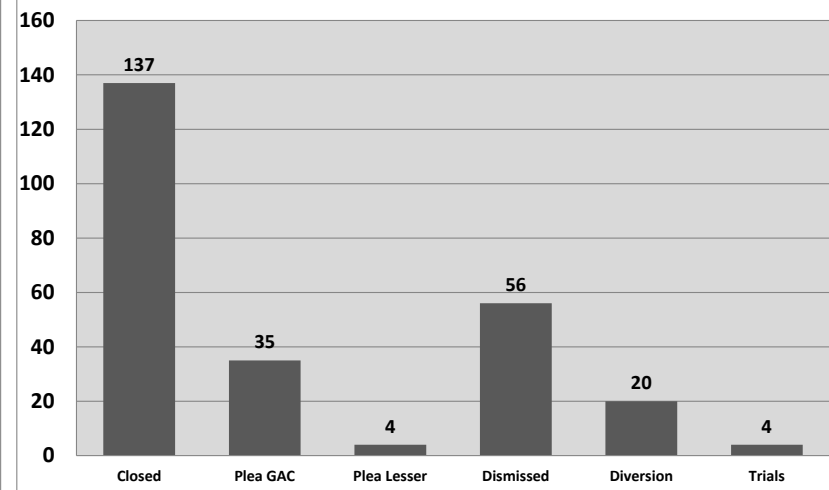
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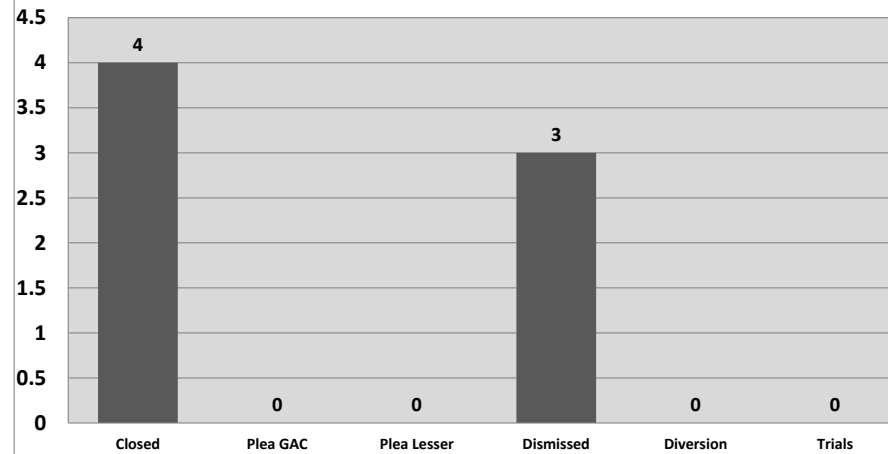
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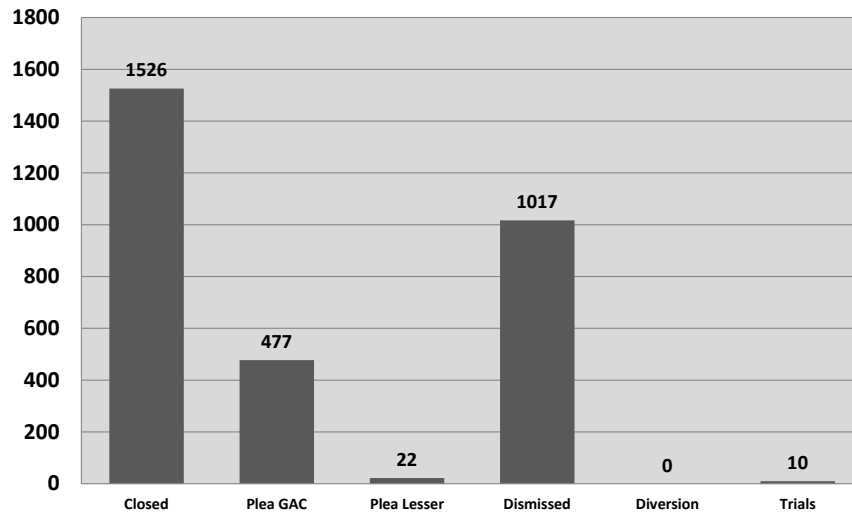
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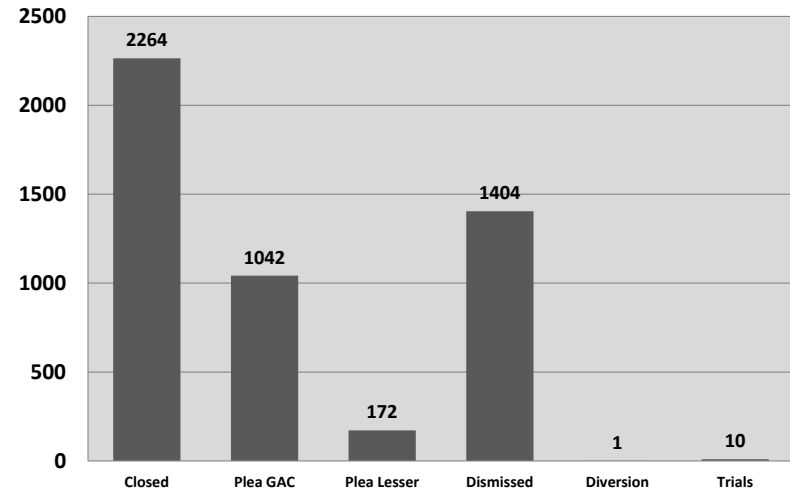
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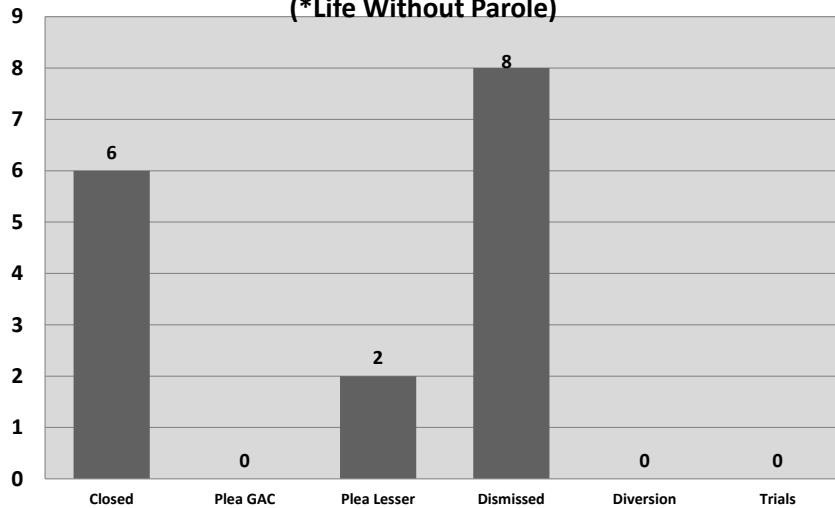
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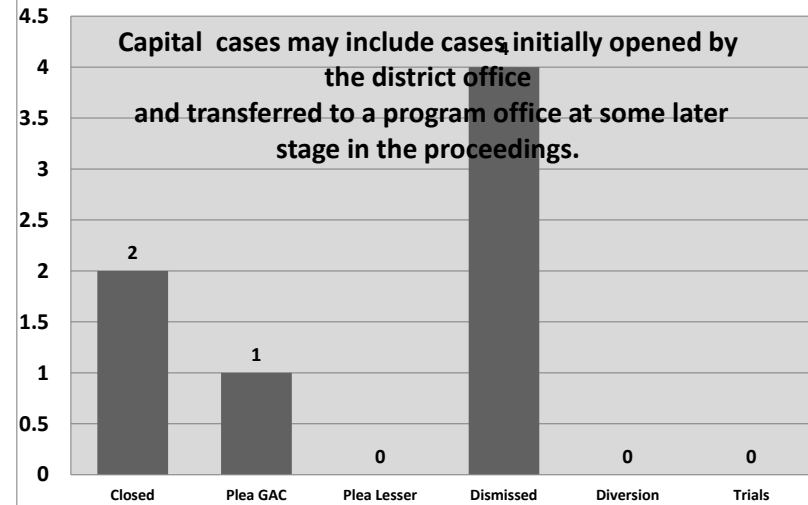
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(\*Life Without Parole)**



**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**

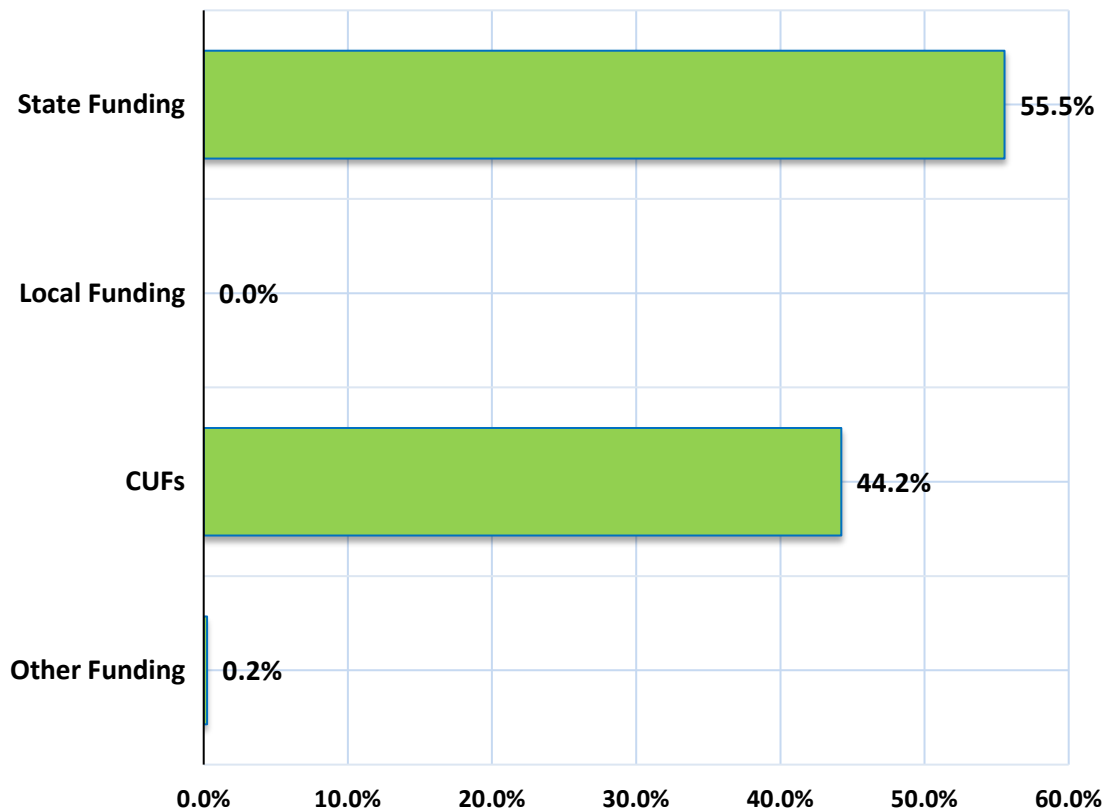


District 23 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Tonya Clark</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
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Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	82,262
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>82,262</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	45,936
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	781,558
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>827,494</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	249,555
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	387,850
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	60,970
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>448,820</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	25,862
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>25,862</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>724,237</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	1,275
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>1,275</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	2,603
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>2,603</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,637,871</b>

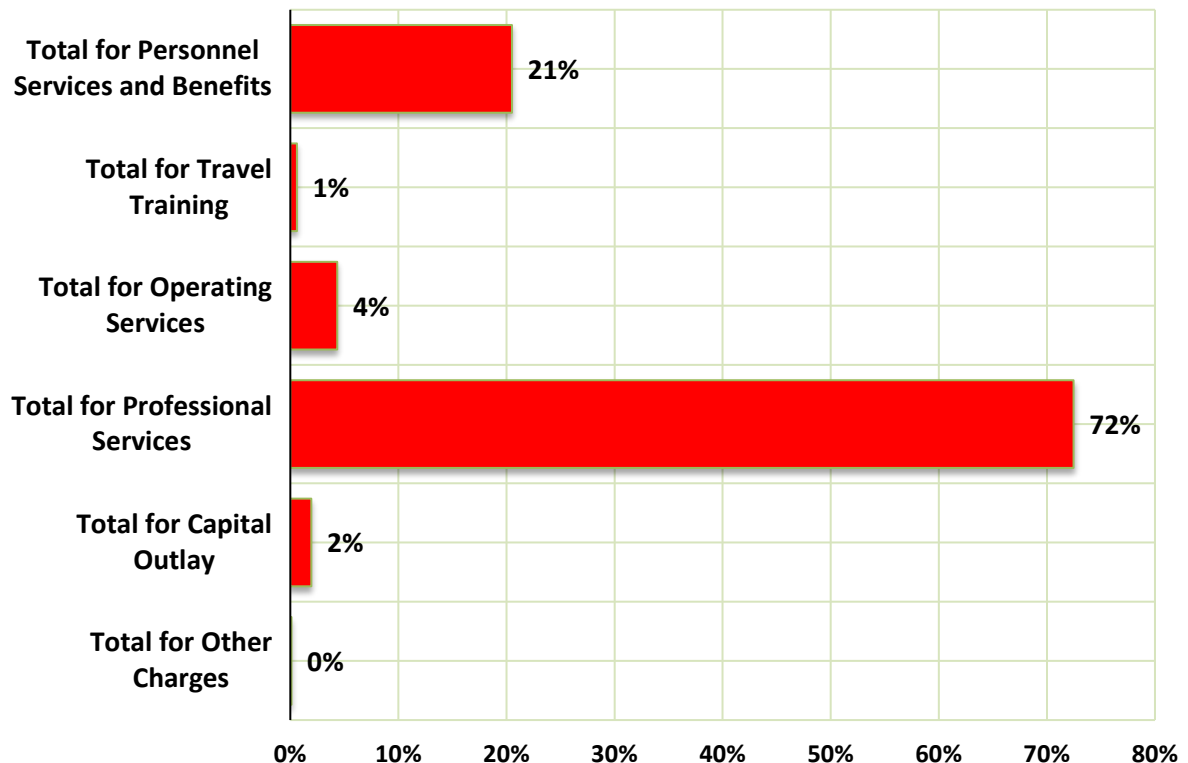


District 23 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Tonya Clark</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	213,430
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	16,327
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	48,777
Retirement	-
Other	2,371
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>280,906</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	8,423
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>8,423</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	3,869
Insurance - Malpractice	16,711
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	2,877
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	1,906
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	5,390
Dues and Seminars	635
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	6,710
Office Supplies	21,563
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>59,661</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	22,785
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	12,980
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	135,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	822,144
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>992,909</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	26,613
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>26,613</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	1,620
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>1,620</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,370,132</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

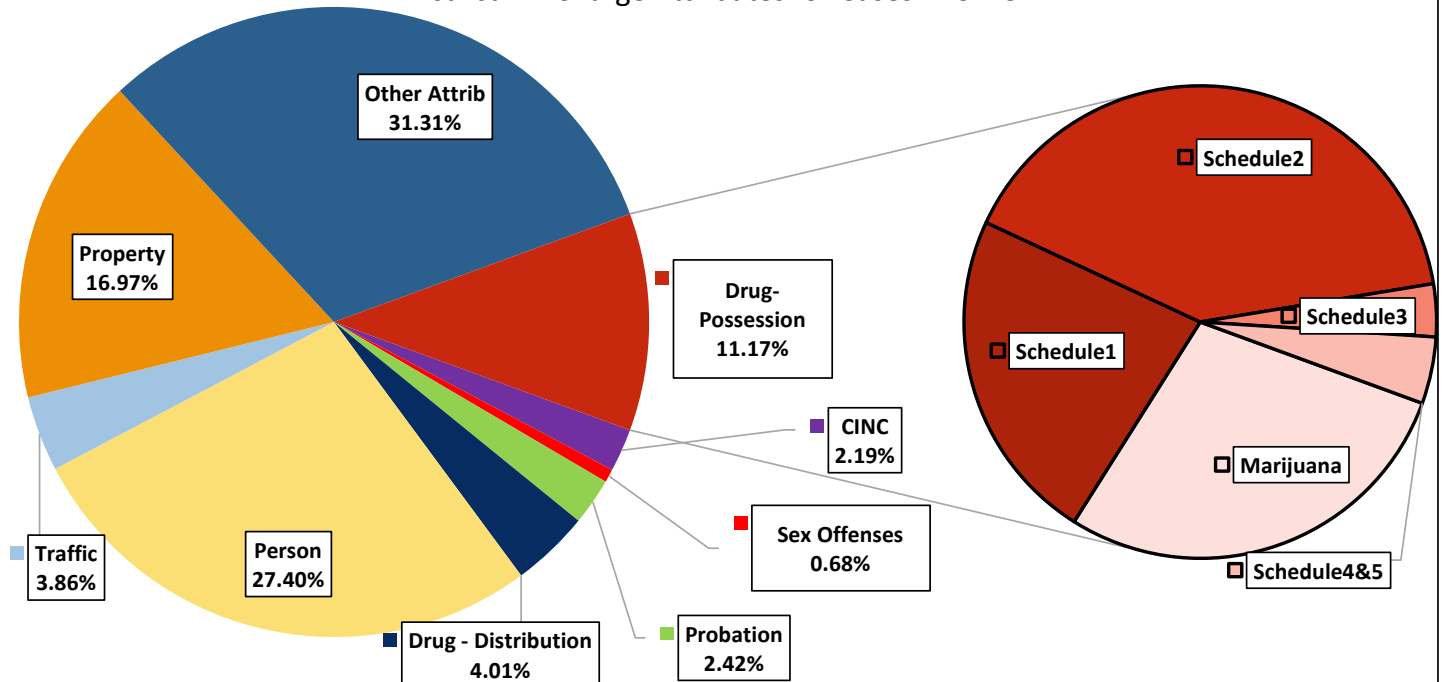




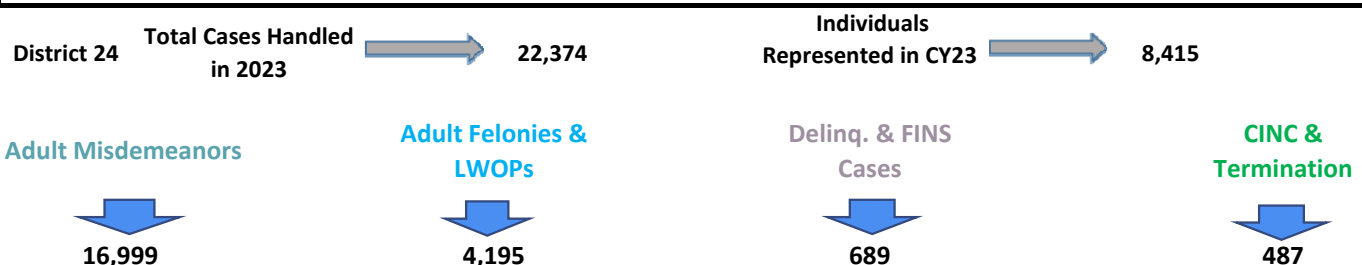
# THE 24<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE JEFFERSON (GRETN)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: RICHARD M. TOMPSON  
848 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
GRETN, LA 70053  
(504) 364-2824

District 24 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

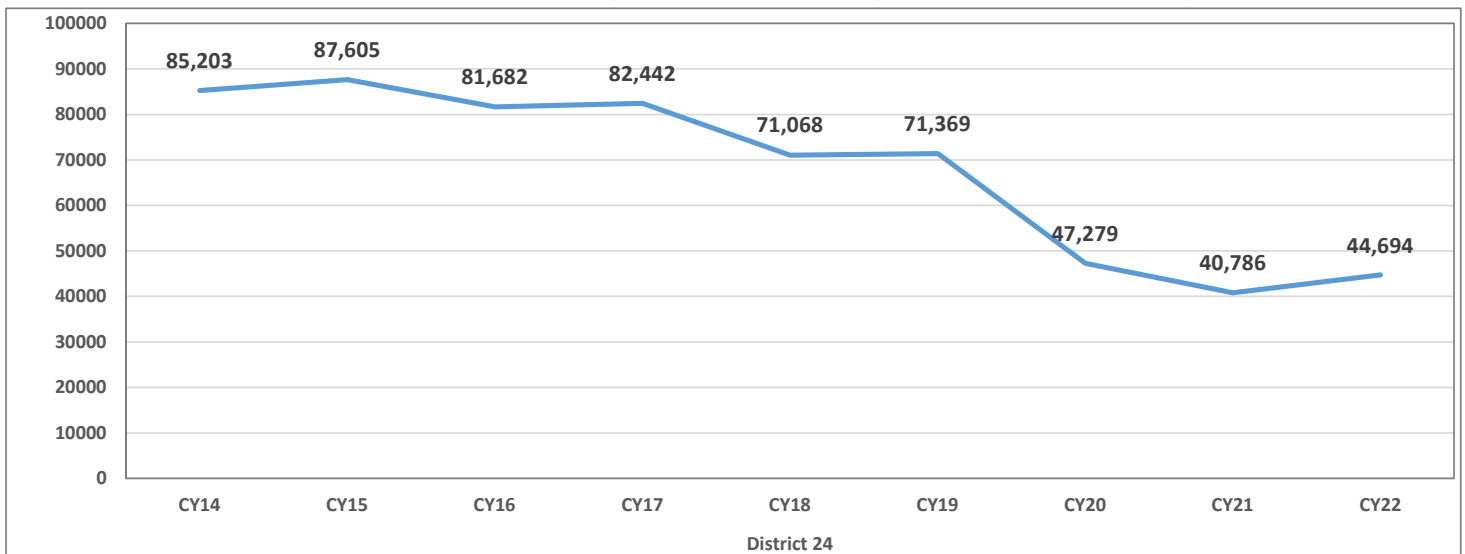


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 11.17% (2,499) of the 22,374 cases handled by the 24th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 40.3% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



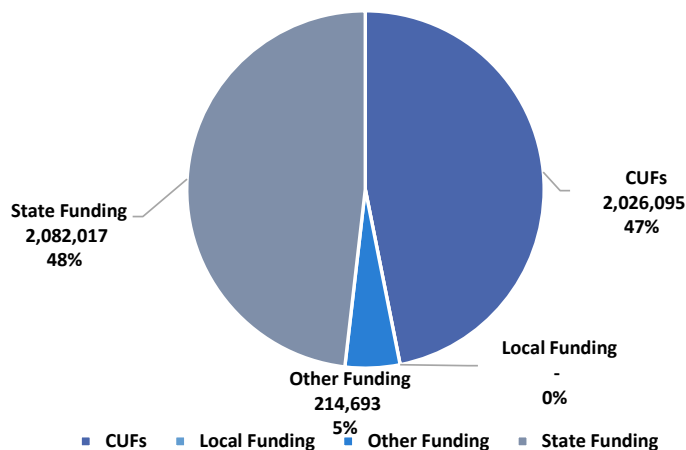
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

# TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)



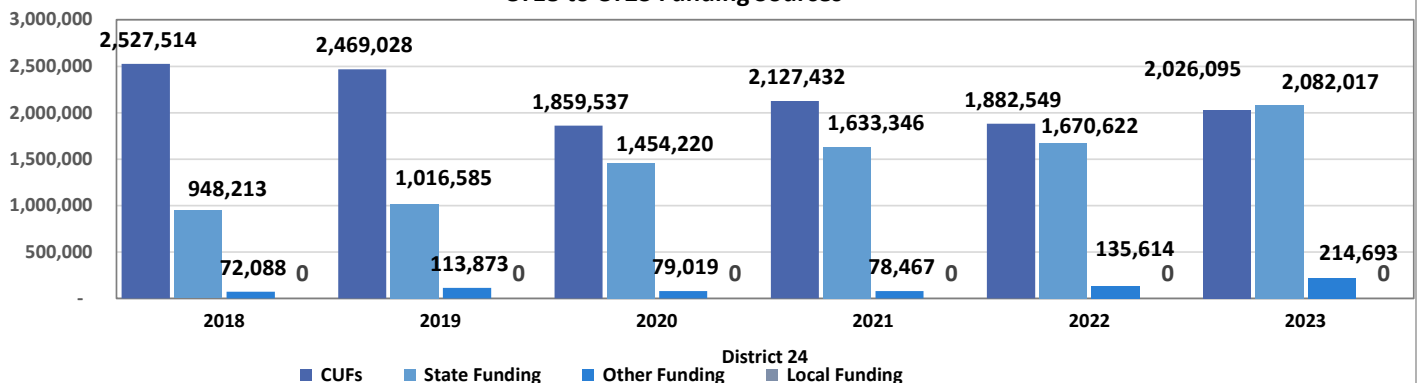
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 24th Judicial District increased by nearly 10% from the previous year. While traffic filings increased during 2022, overall the number of filings has been reduced by 46% since 2018. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison.

## District 24 Funding Sources in 2023



During Calendar Year 2023, the 24th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$4,322,805 in total revenues. Forty-seven percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$143,546, the office also received nearly \$412,000 in additional state funding. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

## CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources





## THE 24<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Jefferson - Gretna
<b>Population</b>	443,250
<b>District Defender</b>	Richard M. Tompson
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	35
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	6
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Lisa LeBlanc
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	848 2nd Street, 3rd Floor
<b>City</b>	Gretna
<b>ZIP</b>	70053
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	504-364-2824
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	848 2nd Street, 3rd Floor, Gretna, LA 70053
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	504-364-2852
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Richard M. Tompson
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	504-554-9723 Cell
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Lisa LeBlanc
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	504-415-9036
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	First Parish Court, 924 David Dr., Metairie, LA 70003; 504-736-8980; Juvenile Court, 1546 Gretna Blvd., Harvey, LA 70058; 504 367-3500 Ext. 327.
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Lisa LeBlanc
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Julie Greenberg
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	DNA - We pay rent
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	Provides use of council chambers for training sessions at no cost to us.
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	24th JDC, 200 Derbigny St., Gretna, LA 70053; First Parish Court, 924 David Dr., Metairie, LA 70003; 2nd Parish Court, 100 Huey P. Long Ave., Gretna, LA 70053; Juvenile Court, 1546 Gretna Blvd., Harvey, LA 70058; City of Kenner 1801 Williams Blvd., Kenner, LA 70065; Town of Grand Isle, P.O. Box 200., Grand Isle, LA 70358; City of Westwego, 1100 Fourth St., Westwego, LA 70094; City of Harahan, 6437 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan, LA 70123-5035
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	District - 17, Parish - 4, Magistrate - 1, Juvenile - 3, Kenner, Gretna, Harahan, Westwego, Grand Isle.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Jefferson Parish Correctional Center
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Rivarde Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Yes
<b>District Attorney</b>	Paul Connick, Jr.
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Nancy Miller
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Baron Burmaster, Jennifer Womble, Amanda Calogero
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	June Darensburg, Lee Faulkner, Ellen Kovach, Adrian Adams, Shayla Beevers-Morvant
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Drug Court, DWI Court, Re-Entry & SAC Court

<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	These courts are basically treatment courts for defendants charged with drug offenses and DWI. Re-Entry Court provides an avenue and training for inmates to re-enter society after a minimum sentence is served.
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Additional funding to handle a 68% increase in LWOP cases since March 2020.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Additional funding to handle capital cases, juvenile transfer cases, and LWOP cases.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The Deputy District Defender assumes a supervisory role under the District Defender.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Medical benefits are no longer provided.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	3 Represented by our office
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	State Reps: Mark Cormier, Kyle Green, Vincent Cox III, Stephanie Hilferty, John Illg Jr., Timothy Kerner, Rodney Lyons, Joseph Orgeron, Joseph Stagni, Polly Thomas, Debbie Villio, Laurie Schlegel. Senators: Joseph Bouie, Gary Carter, Patrick Connick, Cameron Henry, Gary Smith, Kirk Talbot, Royce Duplessis.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Training for less experienced lawyers including monthly meetings.



## 24th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

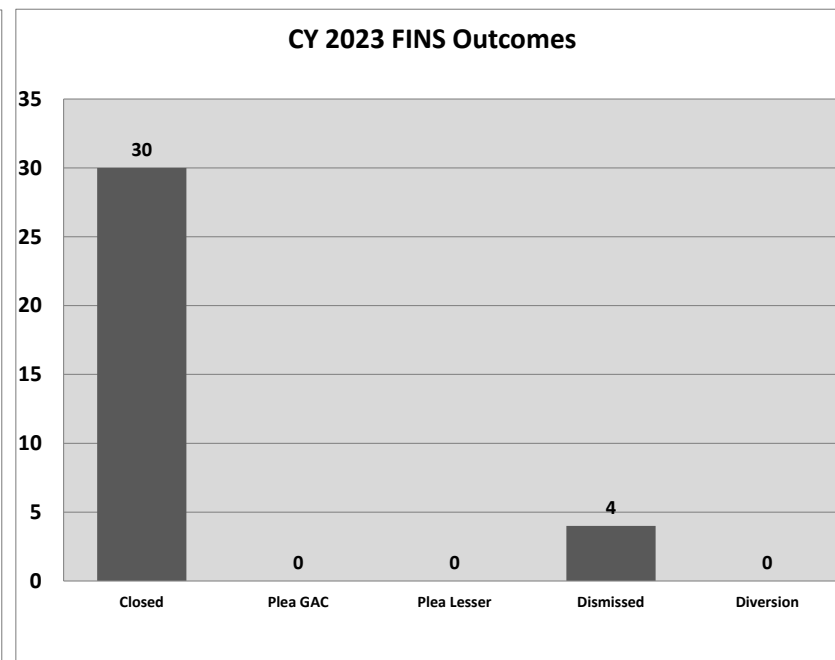
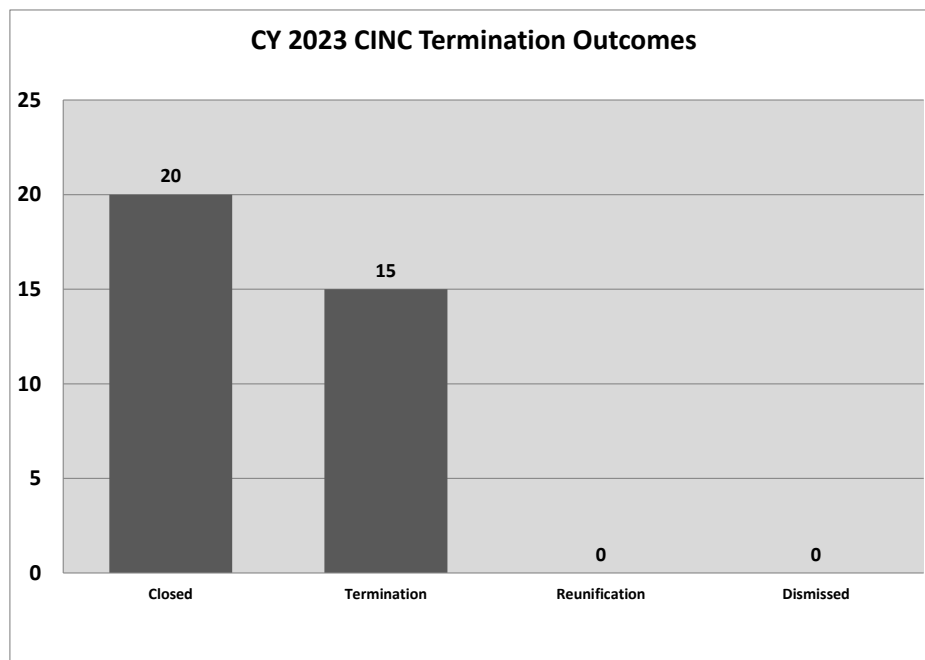
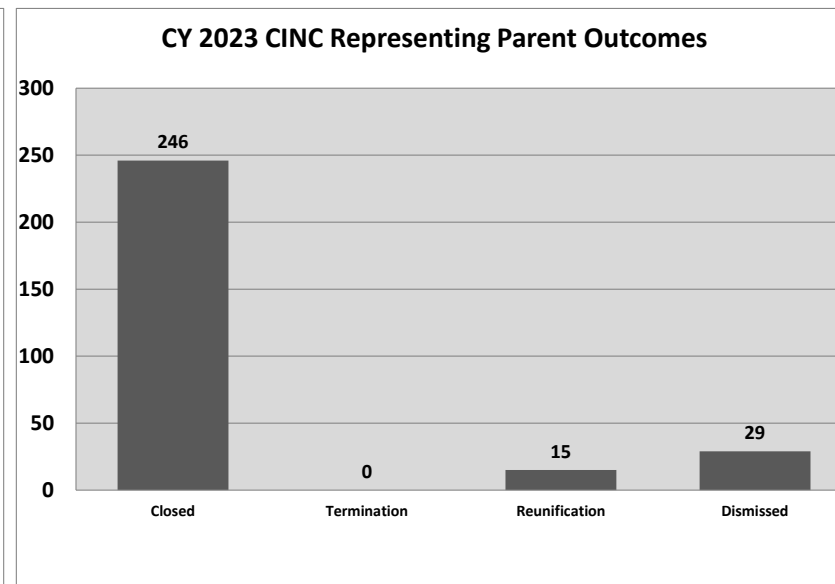
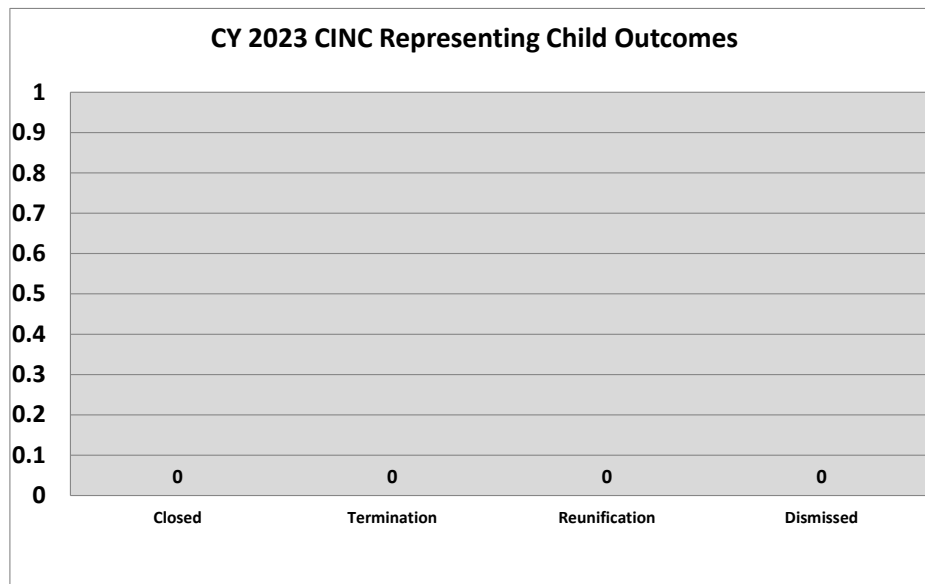
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	346	246	118	464	0	15	N/A	N/A	29	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	19	20	4	23	15	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	39	30	22	61	N/A	N/A	0	0	4	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	89	74	71	160	N/A	N/A	8	3	28	9	N/A	N/A	1	2	3
Delinquency Felony	258	236	196	454	N/A	N/A	59	22	126	24	N/A	N/A	2	13	15
Delinquency-Life	6	8	7	13	N/A	N/A	0	0	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	5163	5802	11836	16999	N/A	N/A	1214	55	477	0	3	7	4	13	27
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	2301	2036	1359	3660	N/A	N/A	1727	237	259	0	4	39	3	15	61
Adult LWOP	33	38	81	114	N/A	N/A	31	18	2	0	1	12	0	0	13
Capital***	4	4	0	4	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	291	280	129	420	N/A	N/A	0	0	5	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

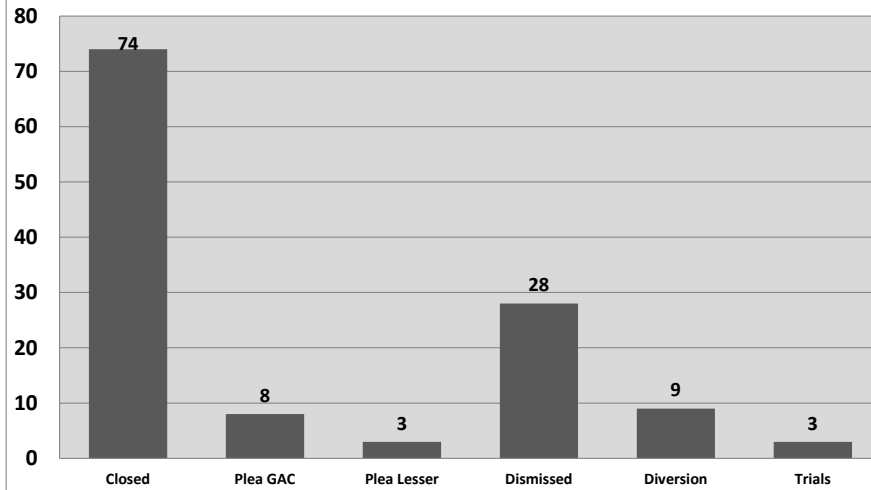
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

\*\*Life Without Parole

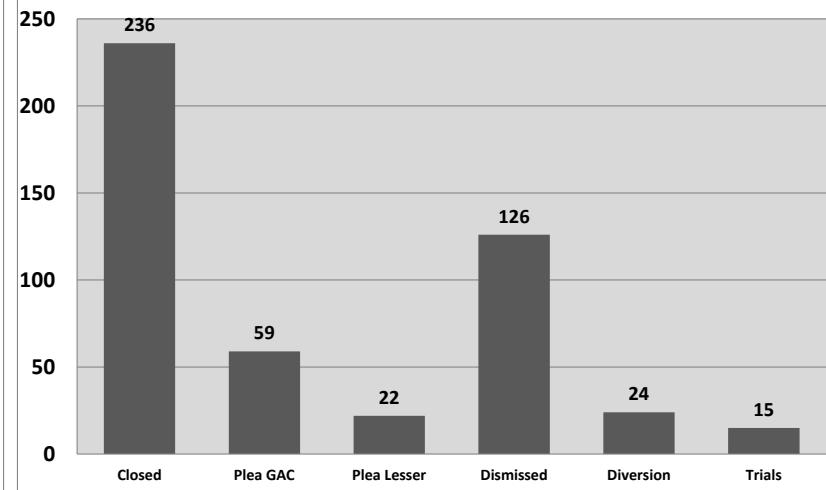
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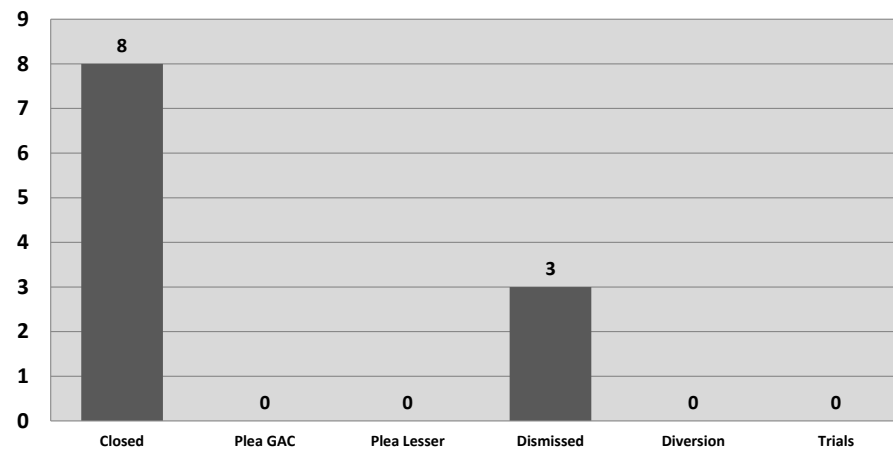
**CY 2023 Delinquency Misdemeanor-Grade Outcomes**



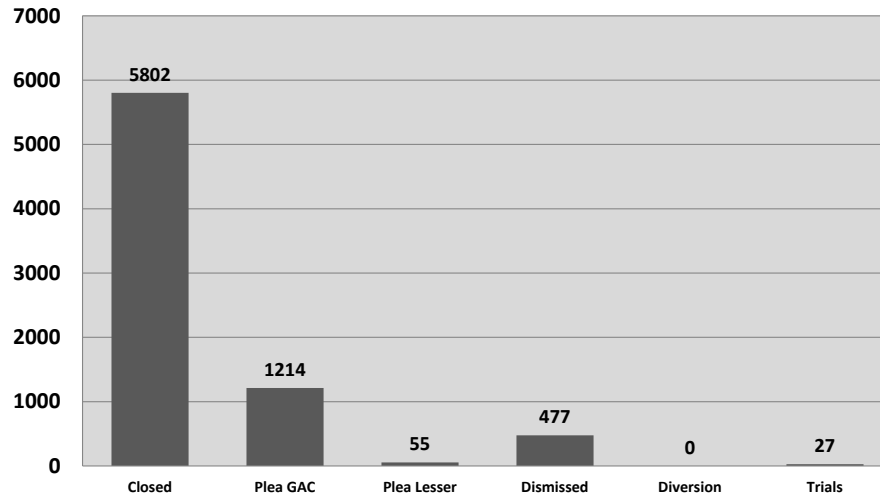
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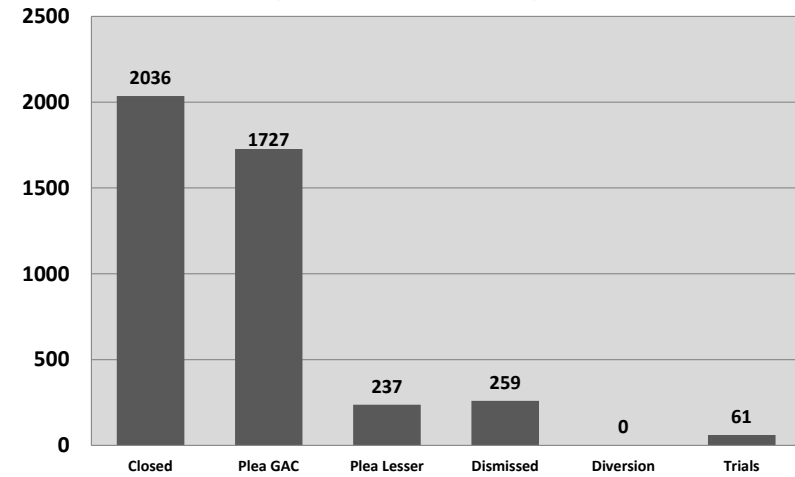
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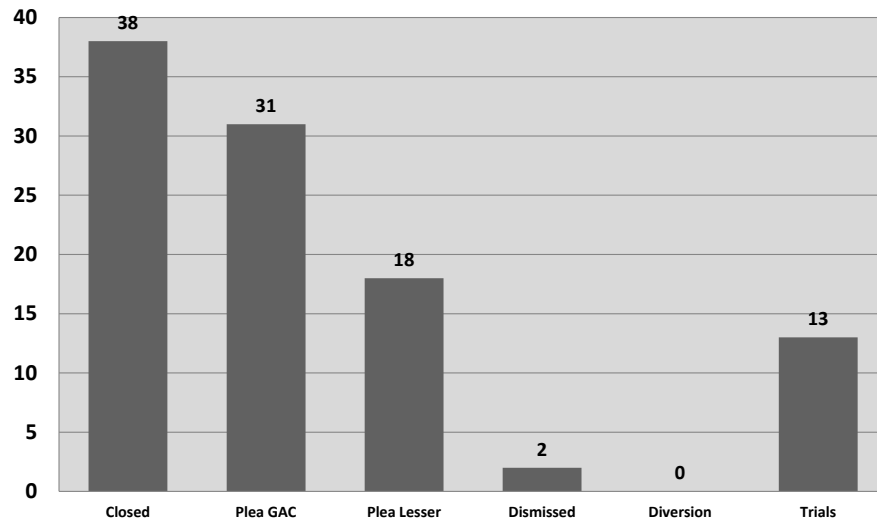
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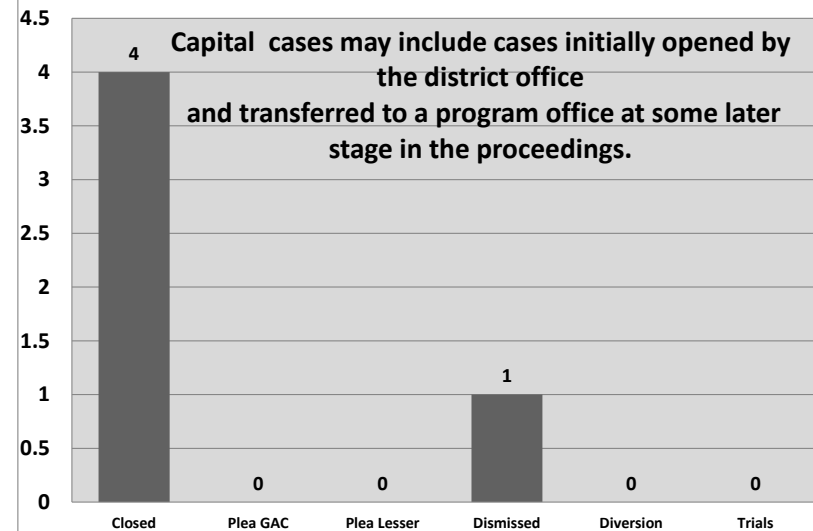
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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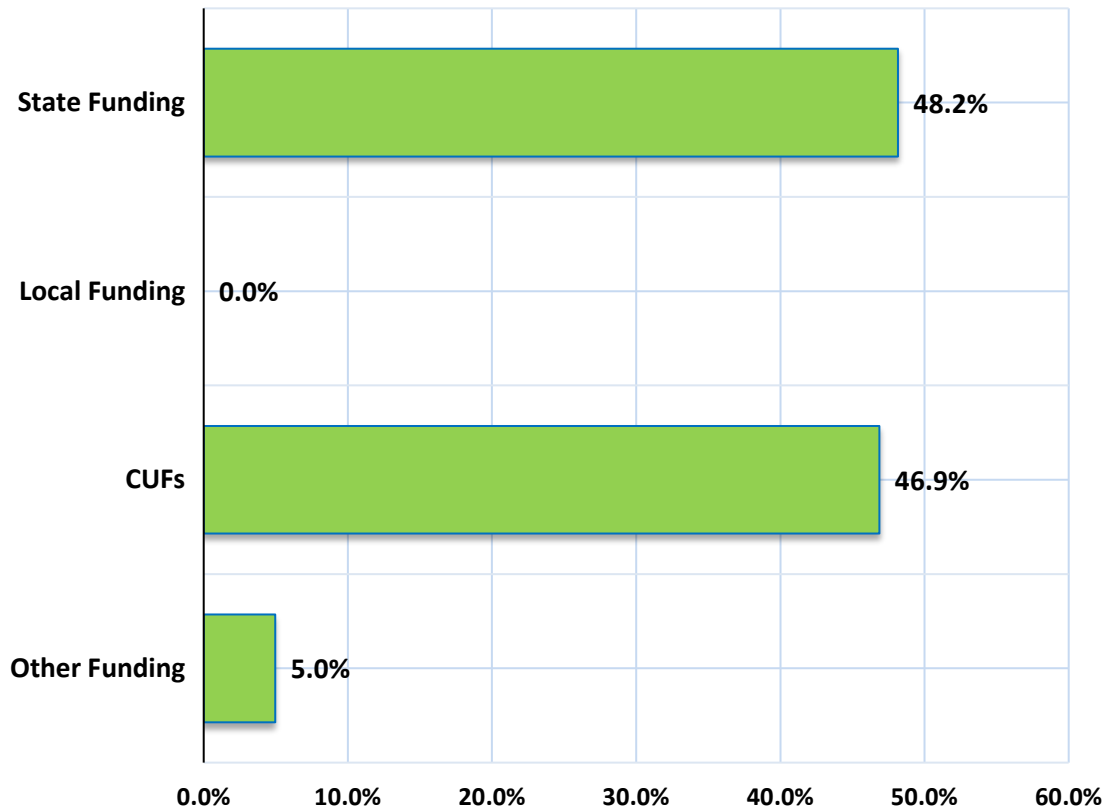
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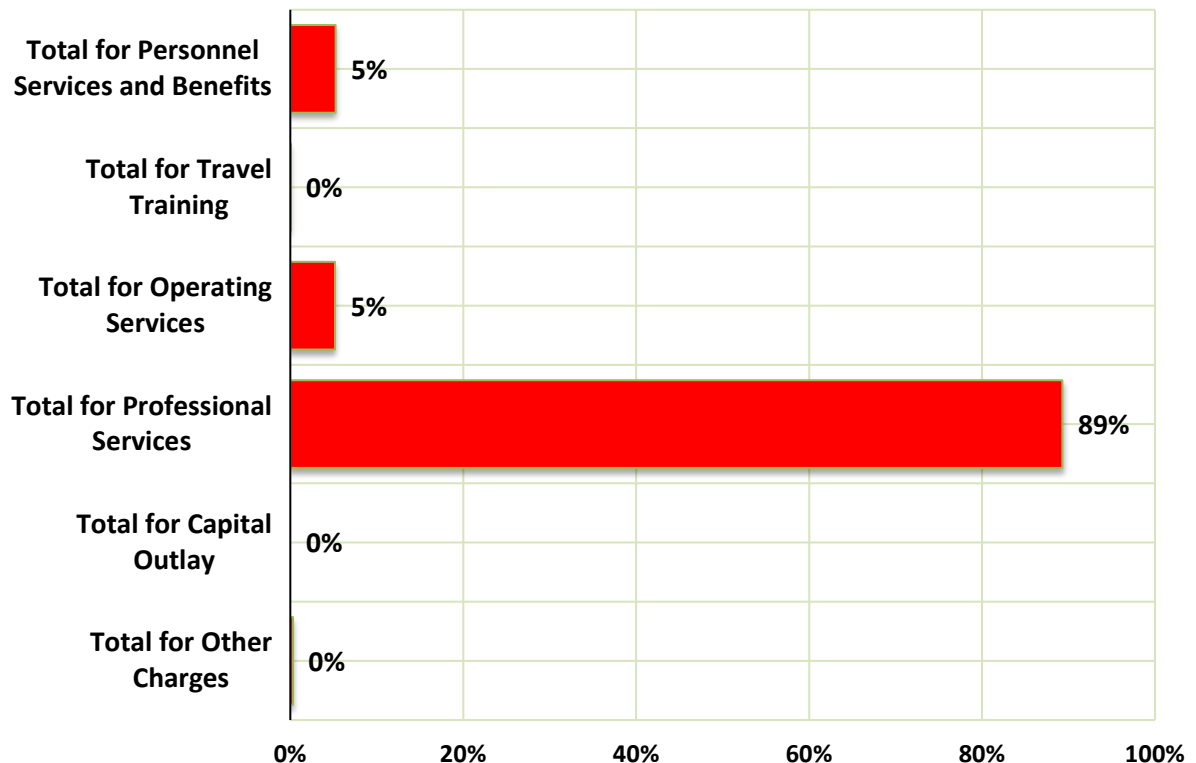
District 24 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Richard M. Tompson</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	2,510
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>2,510</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	107,858
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	1,971,649
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>2,079,507</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	385,620
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	70,000
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	450,480
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	2,815
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	137,827
Parish Courts	1,000,103
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>1,591,225</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	49,250
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	2,254
Other Local Income -List source(s)	410
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>51,913</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>2,098,758</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	142,030
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>142,030</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>4,322,805</b>

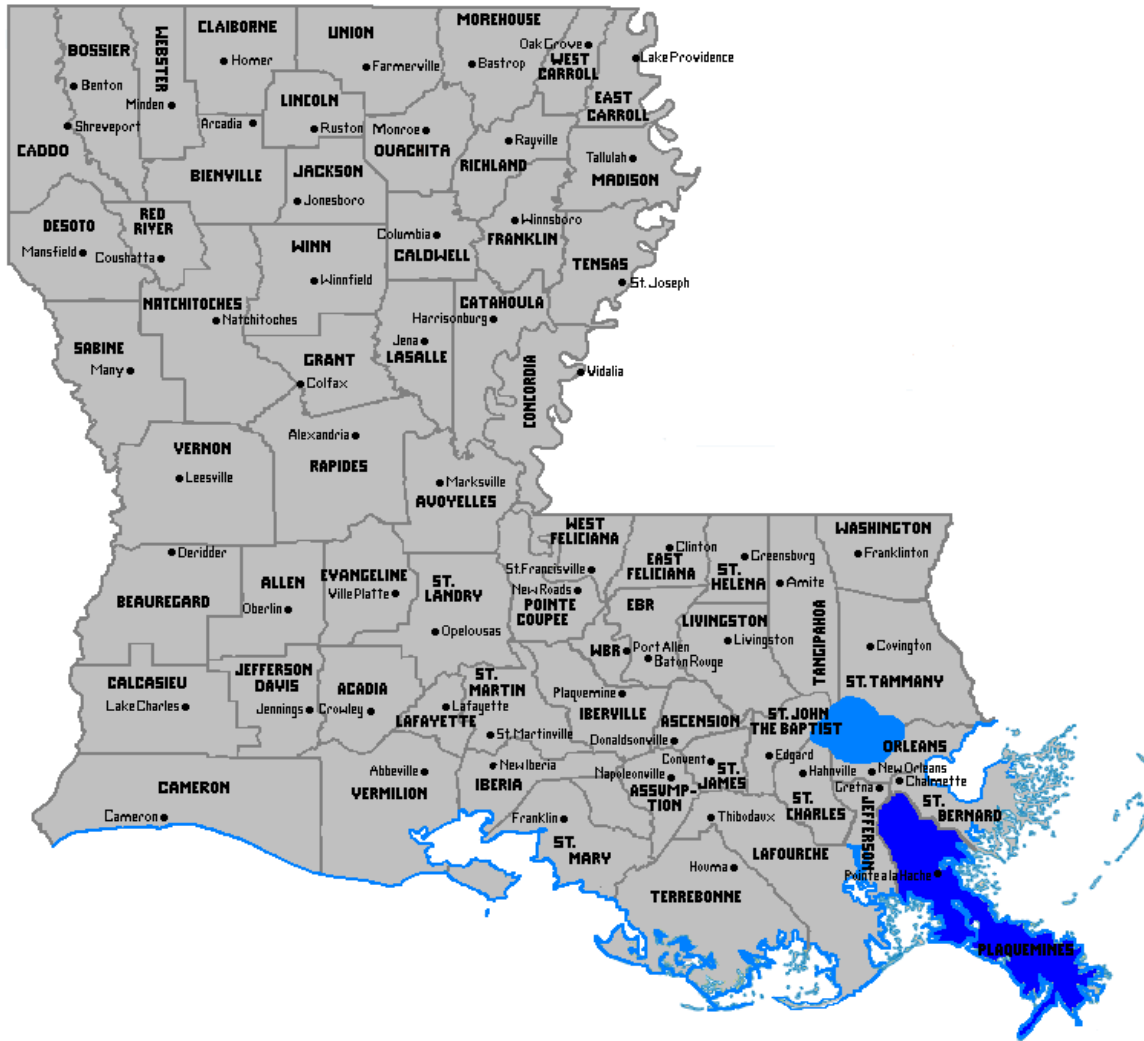
District 24 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Richard M. Tompson</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	182,484
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	5,242
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	16,315
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>204,041</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	329
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>329</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	572
Insurance - Malpractice	72,983
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	4,287
Lease - Office	58,200
Lease - Auto/Equipment	8,192
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	7,869
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	20,552
Dues and Seminars	974
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	8,812
Office Supplies	18,740
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>201,182</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	72,473
Contract Clerical	950
Expert Witness	6,050
Investigators	75,272
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	171,000
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	446,250
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	270,625
Contract Attorneys - all other	2,427,120
IT/Technical Support	9,865
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>3,479,606</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	11,750
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>11,750</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,896,907</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES





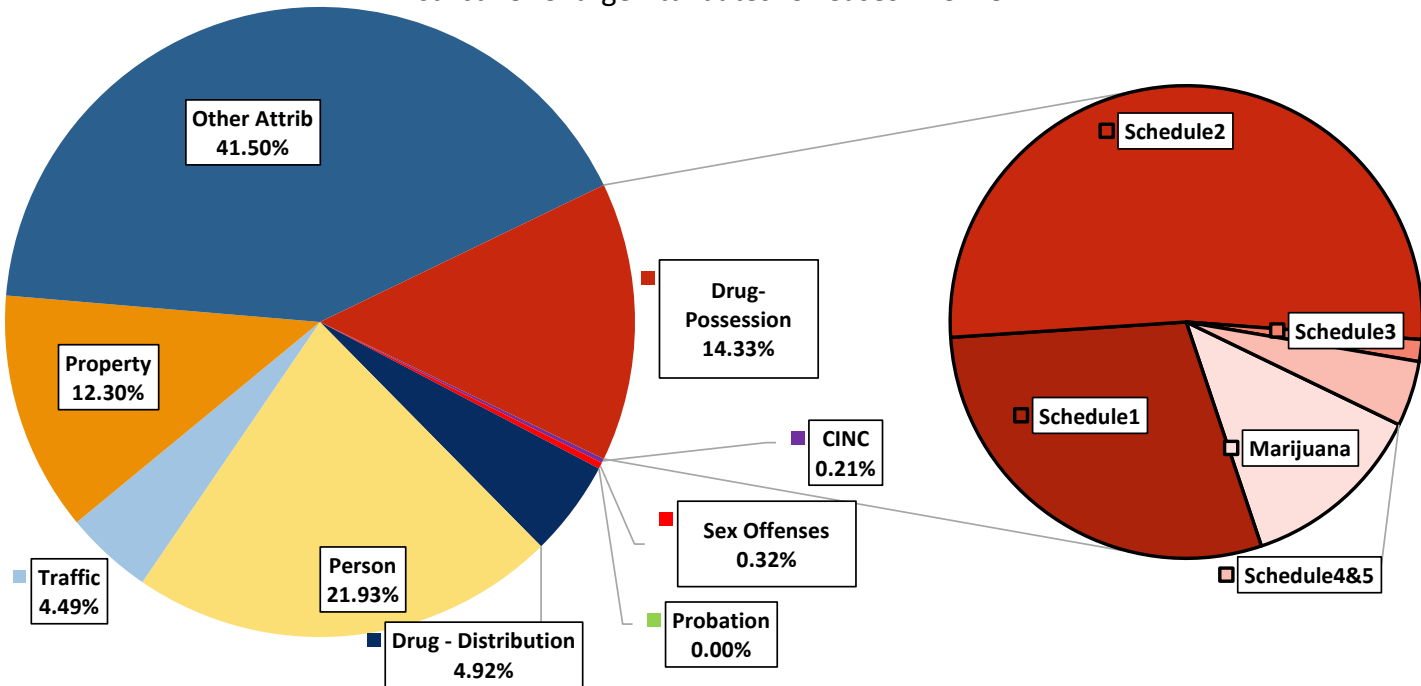
## THE 25<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE PLAQUEMINES (POINTE-A-LA-HACHE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: CHANEL LONG (AUGUST 8, 2019 – MARCH 29, 2023)  
 THOMAS A. "TOM" GERNHAUSER, INTERIM (MARCH 29, 2023 - APRIL 9, 2023)  
 MICHAEL A. "MIKE" MITCHELL, INTERIM (APRIL 10, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2023)  
 PAUL FLEMING, INTERIM (JULY 1, 2023 TO PRESENT)

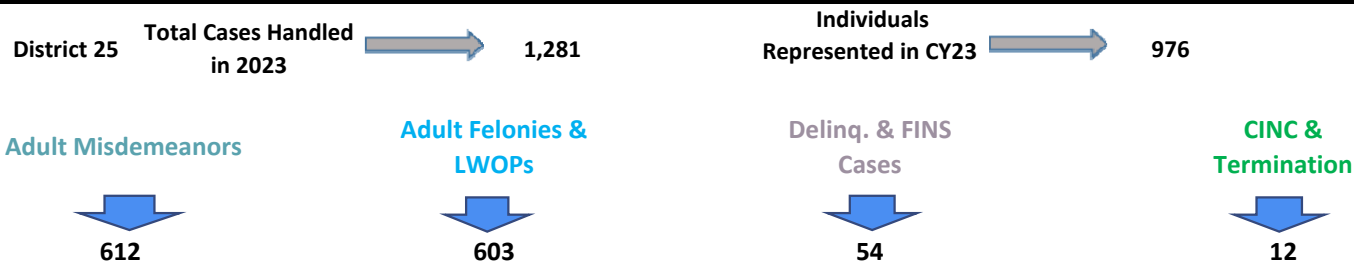
301 MAIN ST, SECOND FLOOR  
 BELLE CHASSE, LA 70037  
 (504) 934-6921



District 25 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

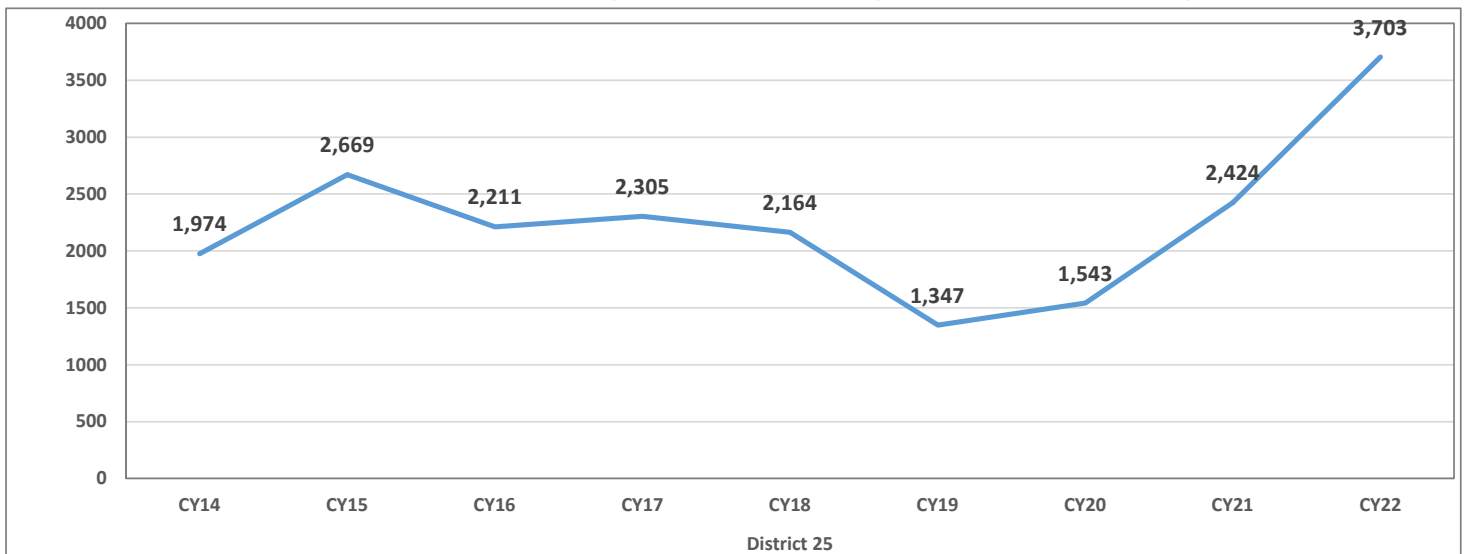


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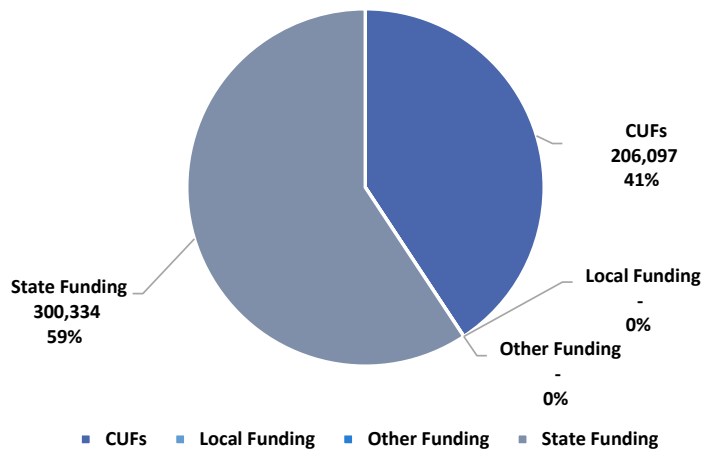
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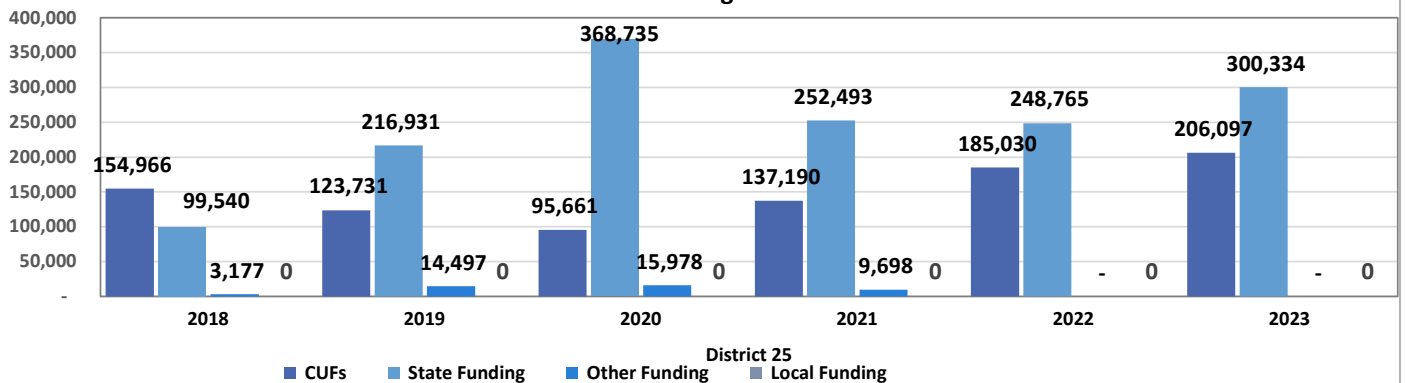
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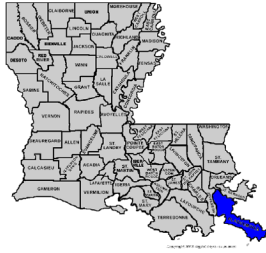
**District 25 Funding Sources in 2023**



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**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 25<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Plaquemines Parish
<b>Population</b>	23,515
<b>District Defender</b>	Paul Fleming Jr (Interim)
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	6 months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	27 years
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	10
<b>Office Manager</b>	Jasmine Barthelemy
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	301 Main St, Second Floor
<b>City</b>	Belle Chasse
<b>ZIP</b>	70037
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F; 8:30-4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	504-934-6921
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 162 Belle Chasse, LA 70037
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	504-934-6929
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Paul Fleming Jr
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	504-222-2446
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Jasmine Barthelemy
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	504-408-9432
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	301 Main St, Belle Chasse, LA 70037, 504-934-6921
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Paul Fleming Jr (504-222-2446)
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Plaquemines Parish Government
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Parish provides
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	n/a
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	All courts are located at 18055 Hwy 15, Pointe A La Hache, LA 70082
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Divisions A and B (includes Juvenile and Drug Court)
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Plaquemines Parish Correctional Center (same as last year), Belle Chasse lockup, Port Sulphur
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	none
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	St Bernard Juvenile Justice Center
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Juveniles are often transported in shackles and held in the holding room in shackles. Prior to entering the courtroom the shackles are removed.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Charles Ballay
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge Kevin D. Conner, Division "A"
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Judge Michael D. Clement, Division "B"
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Yes, Kevin Conner, Division "A"
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	None
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	n/a
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Recruitment of experienced attorneys
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Paul Fleming Jr, Interim District Defender; Jasmine Barthlemy, Office manager

<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Beginning in CY 2024, the office pays full coverage for the office manager (this does not include family)
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Sen Gary Carter, Jr; Sen Patrick Connick; Rep Stephen Braud
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	The Interim District Defender (IDD) eliminated the use of client communications apps, so that clients can more easily communicate directly with their attorneys; the IDD also implemented the use of a separate free app for attorneys and staff to communicate with each other (and everyone at once) (This is an app that the IDD has used in the 24th PDO for the same purposes)

## 25th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

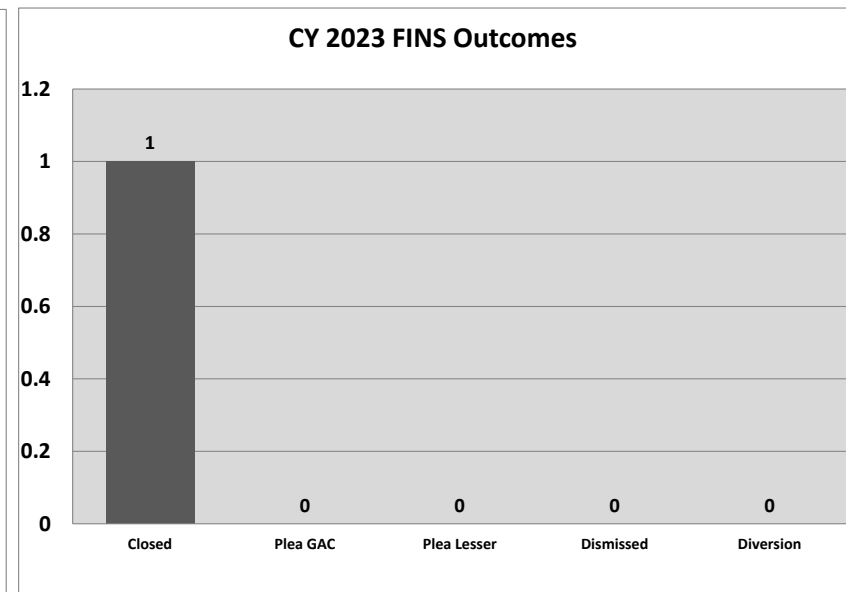
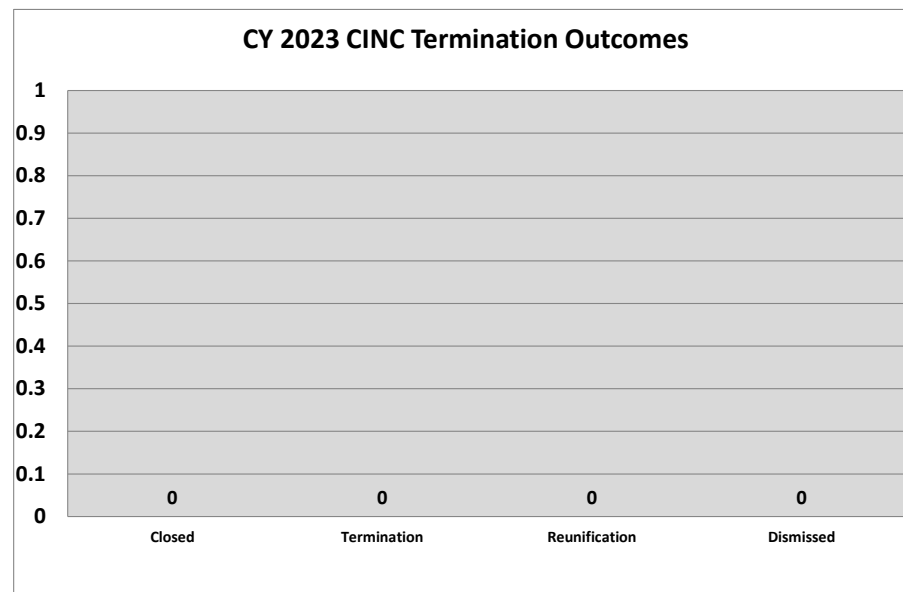
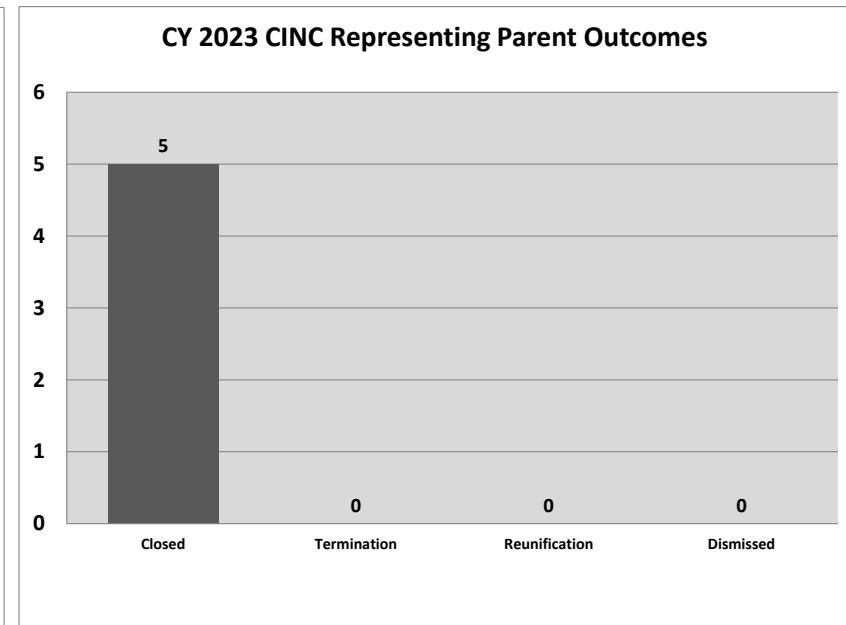
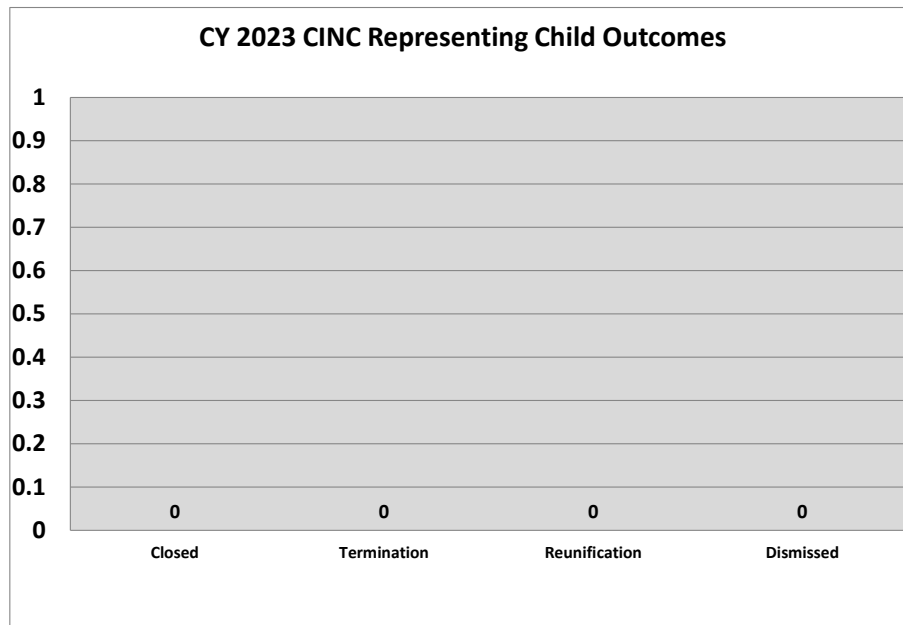
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	4	5	8	12	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	1	3	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	14	12	25	39	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	4	1	5	9	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	3	3	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	346	309	266	612	N/A	N/A	73	11	74	0	0	2	0	18	20
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	274	190	242	516	N/A	N/A	88	28	77	0	0	1	0	2	3
Adult LWOP	0	1	2	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	1	1	84	85	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

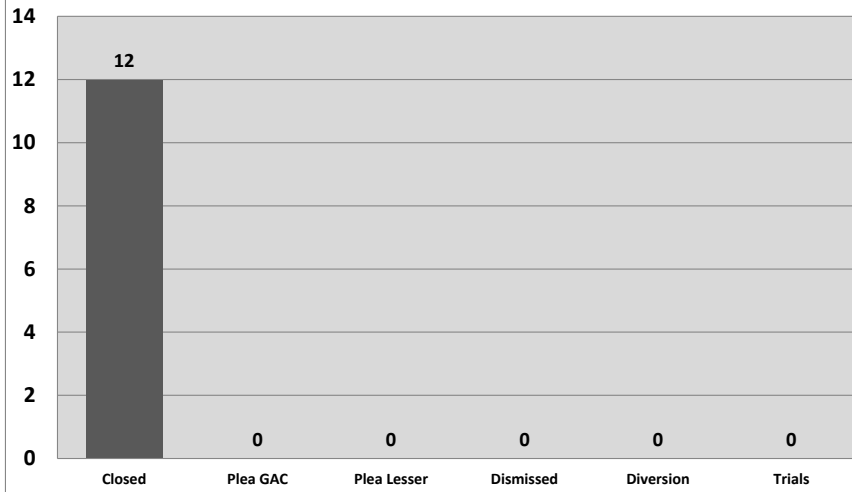
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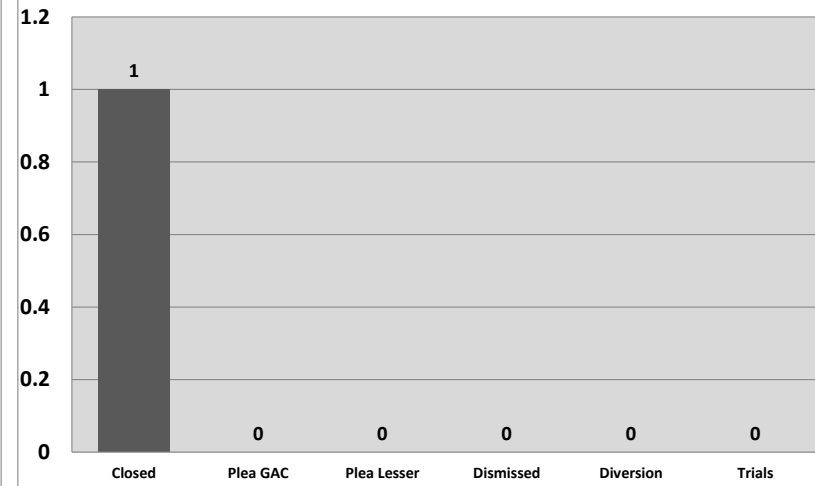
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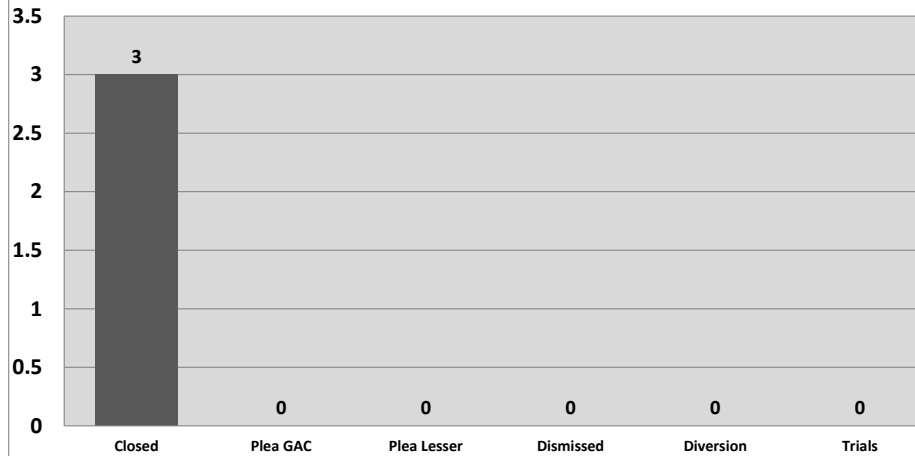
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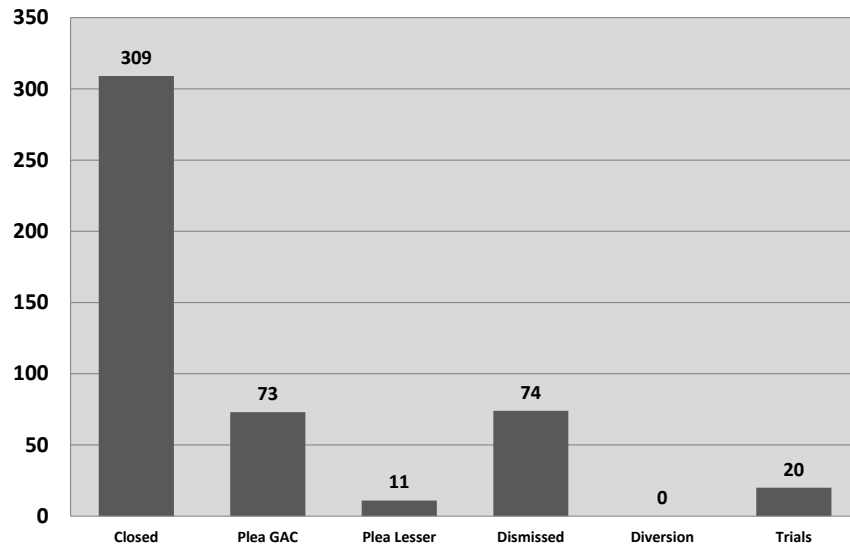


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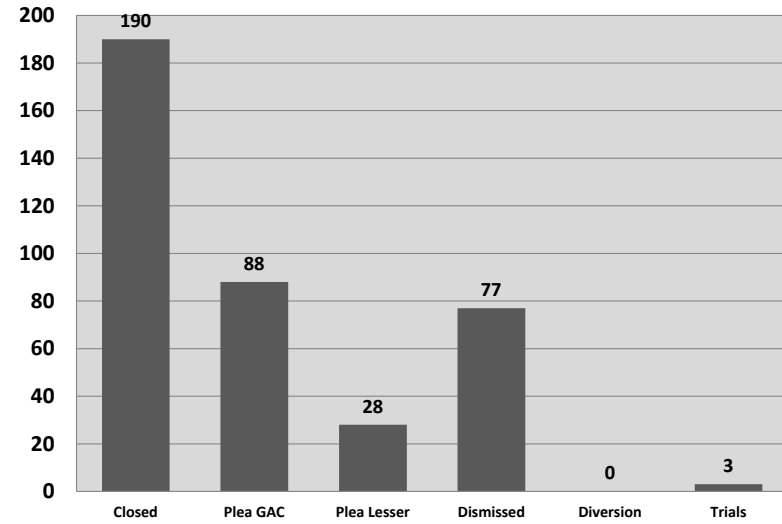




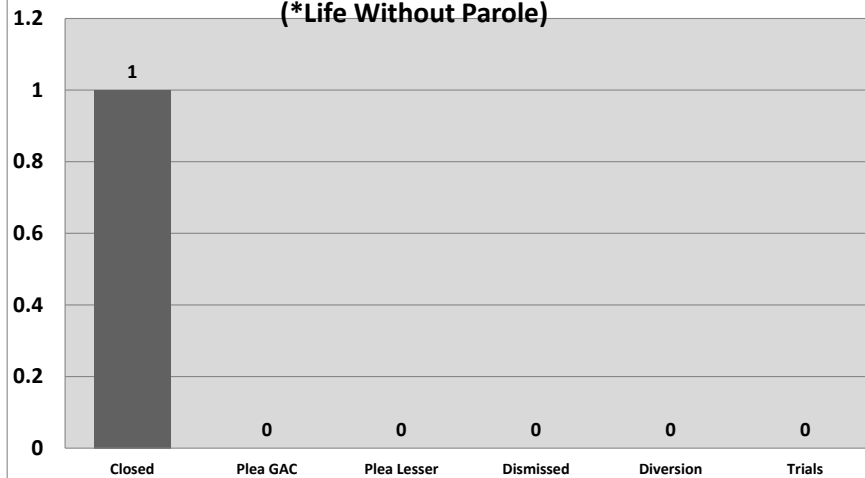
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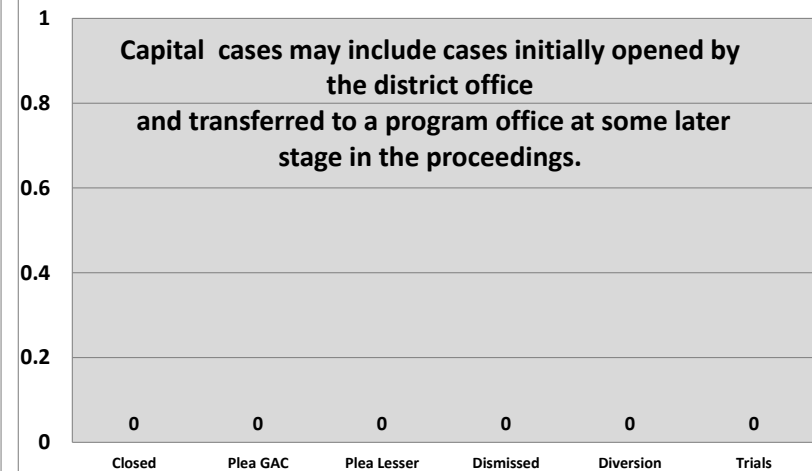
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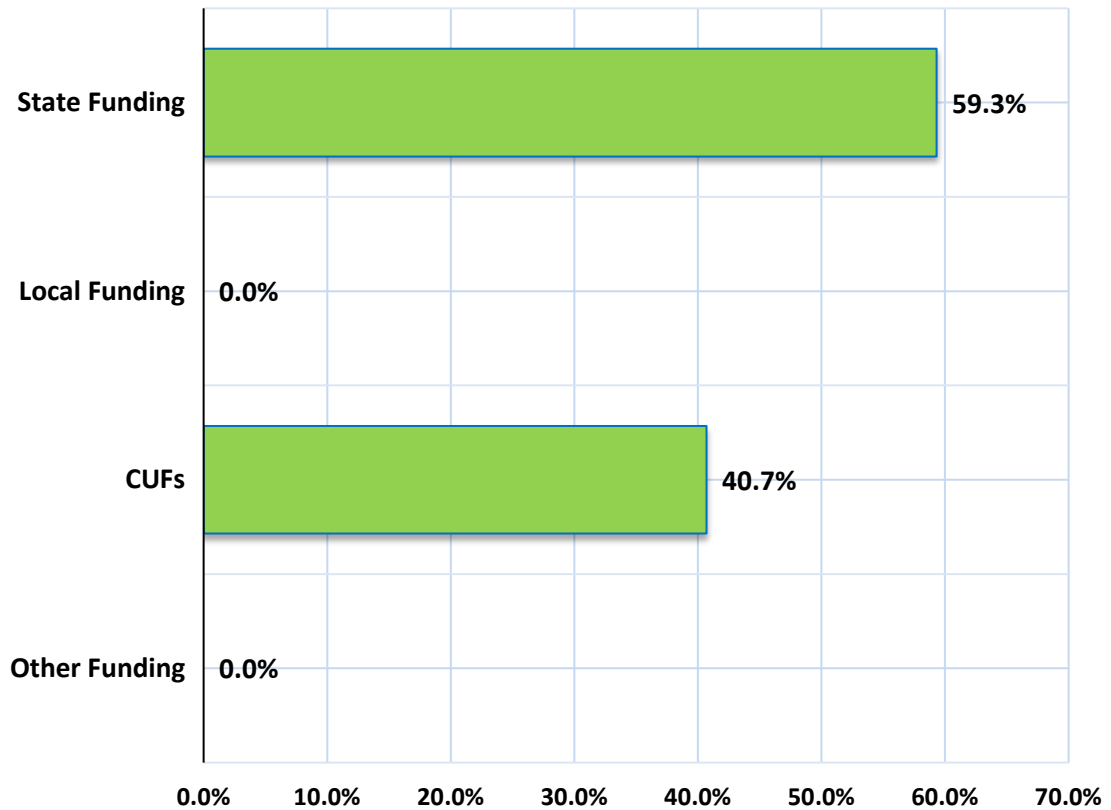
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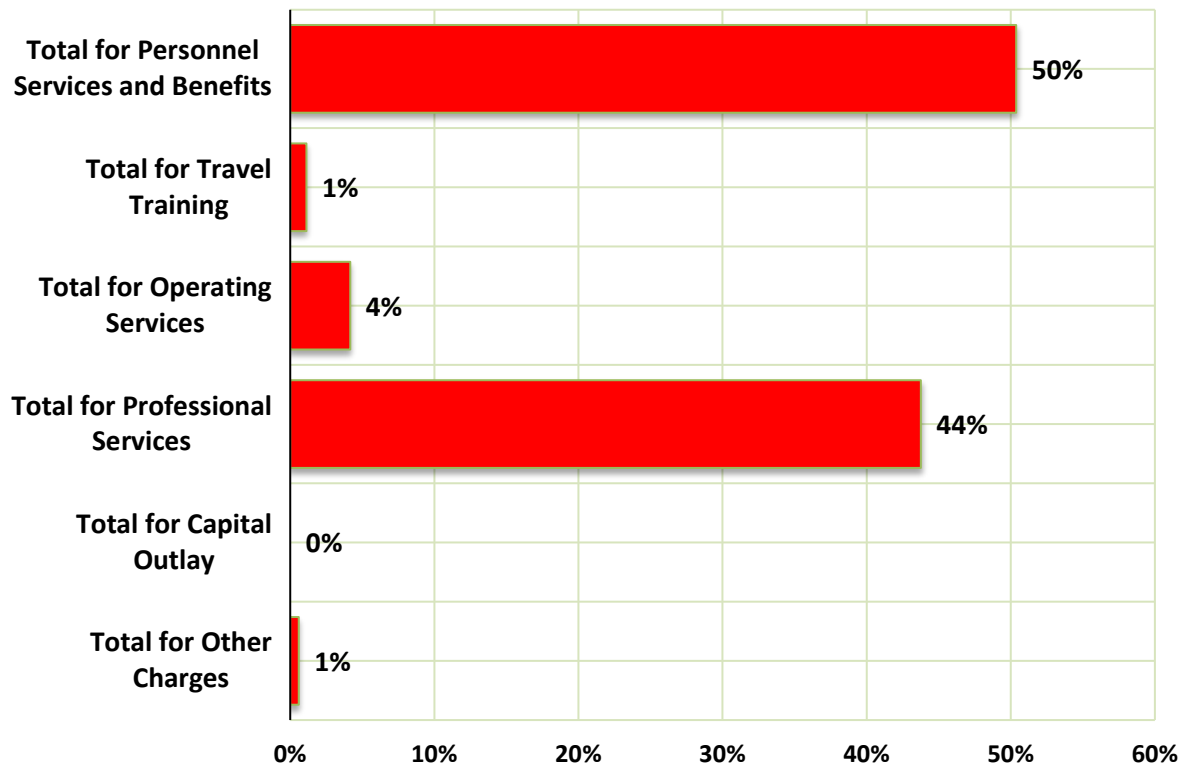
District 25 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Paul Fleming - Interim</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	379
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>379</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	1,750
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	298,205
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>299,955</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	992
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	375
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	204,731
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>205,106</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	-
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>206,097</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>506,431</b>

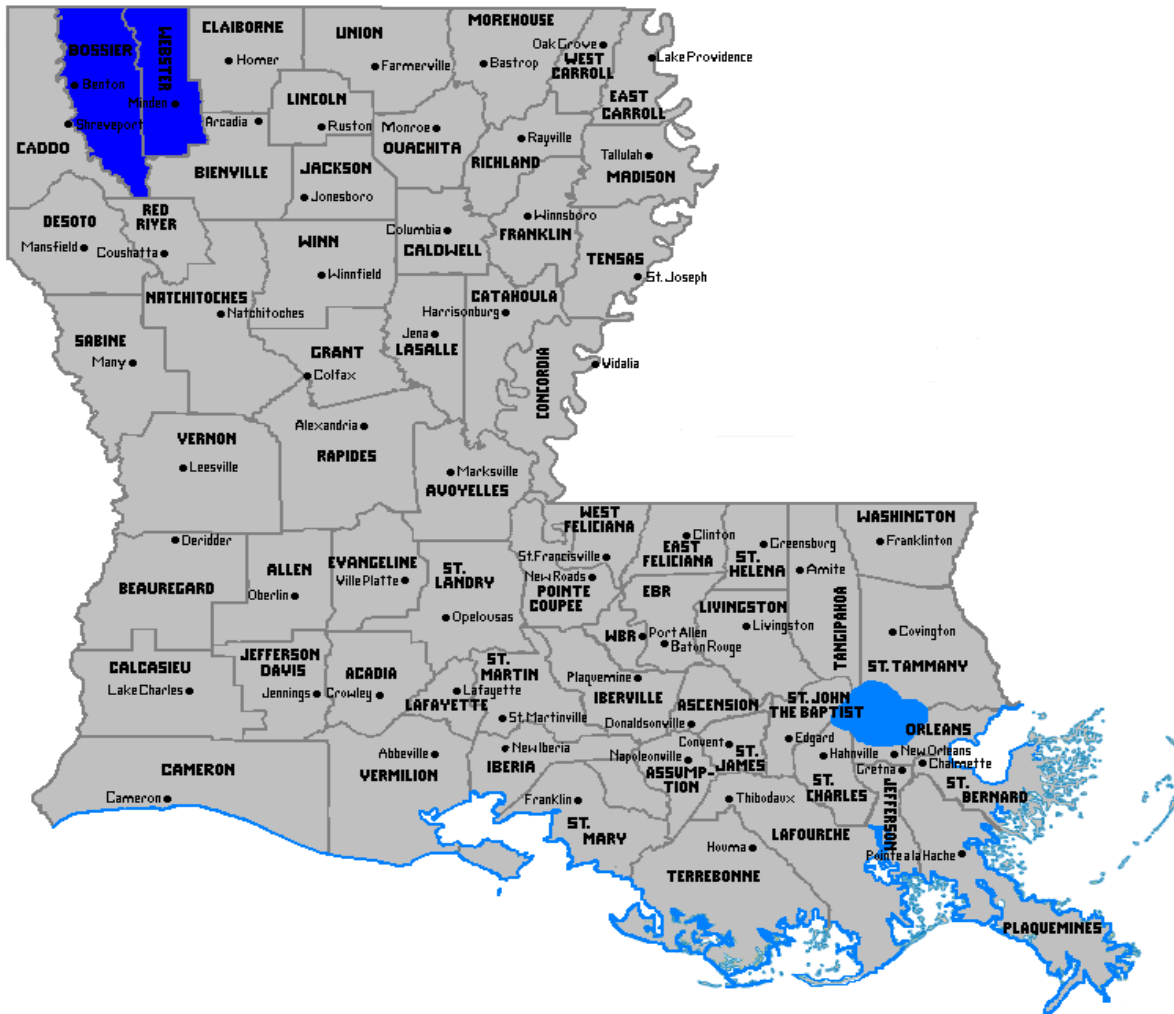
District 25 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Paul Fleming - Interim</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	165,420
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	2,191
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	1,000
Retirement	15,737
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>184,348</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	4,149
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>4,149</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	25
Workers' Compensation	2,208
Insurance - Malpractice	1,871
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	300
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	2,165
Dues and Seminars	3,229
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	1,935
Office Supplies	3,486
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>15,219</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	32,910
Contract Clerical	874
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	89,717
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	3,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	33,625
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>160,126</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	2,138
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>2,138</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>365,980</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



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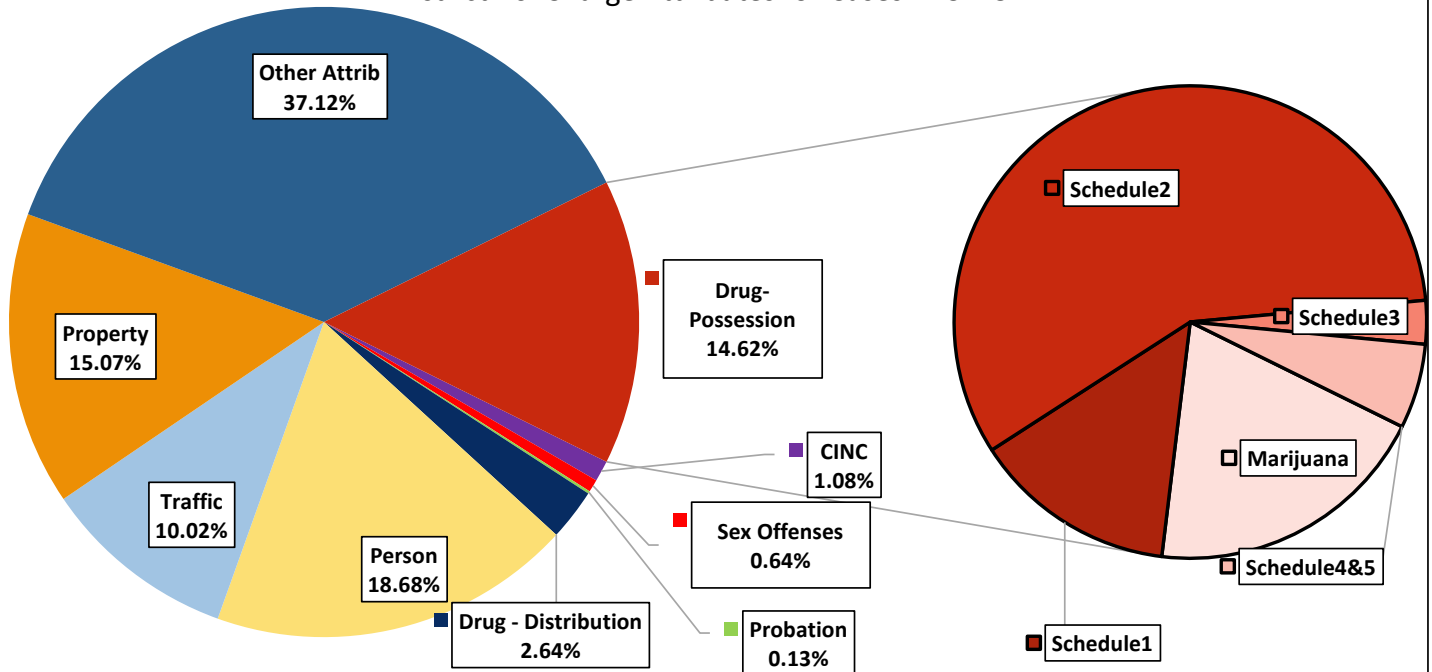




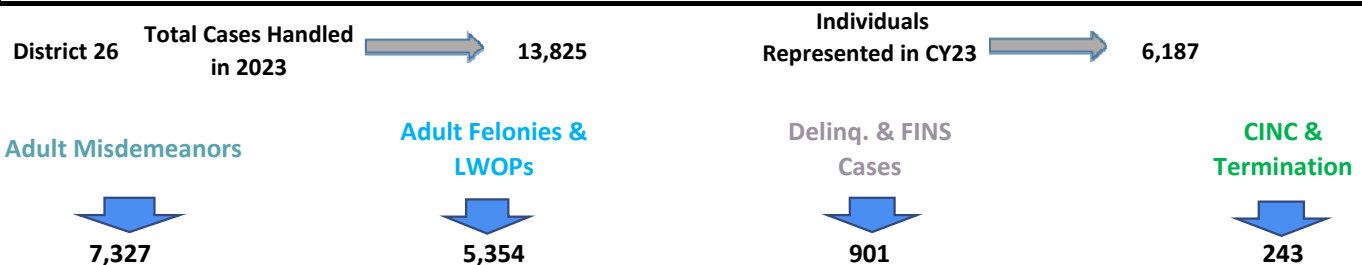
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PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
BOSSIER (BENTON) - WEBSTER (MINDEN)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: MICHAEL F. MILLER  
211 BURT BOULEVARD  
BENTON, LA 71006  
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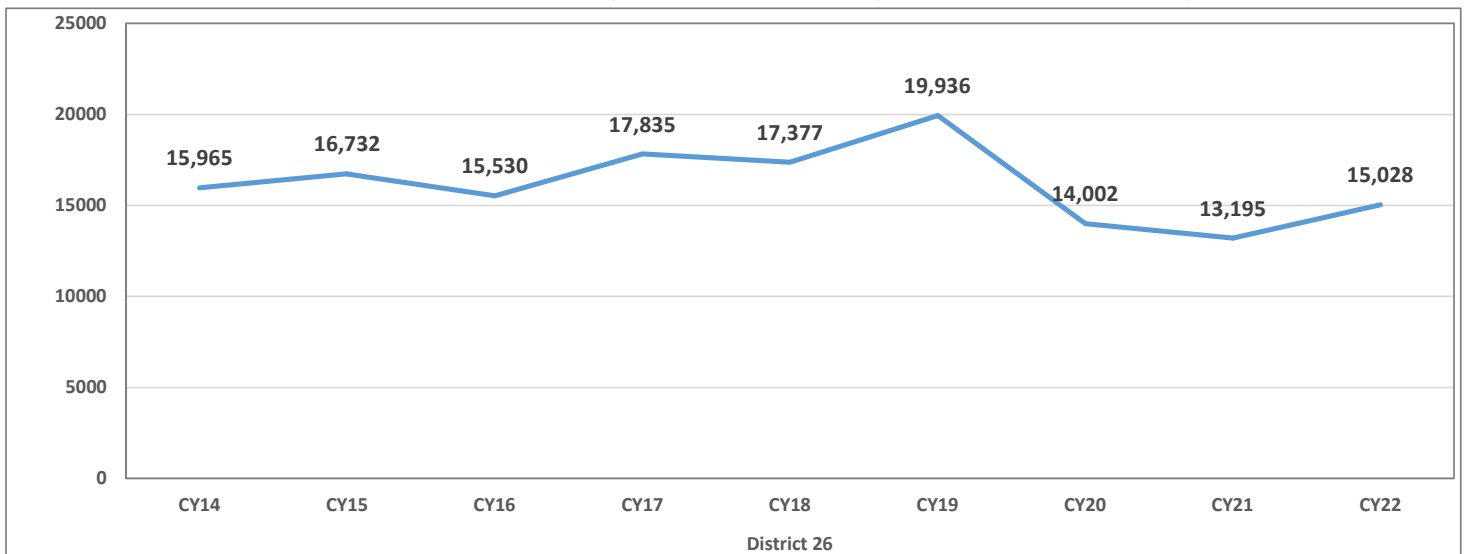


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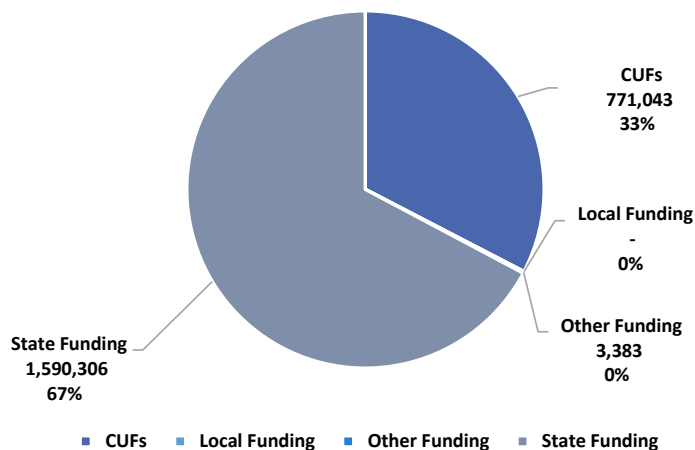
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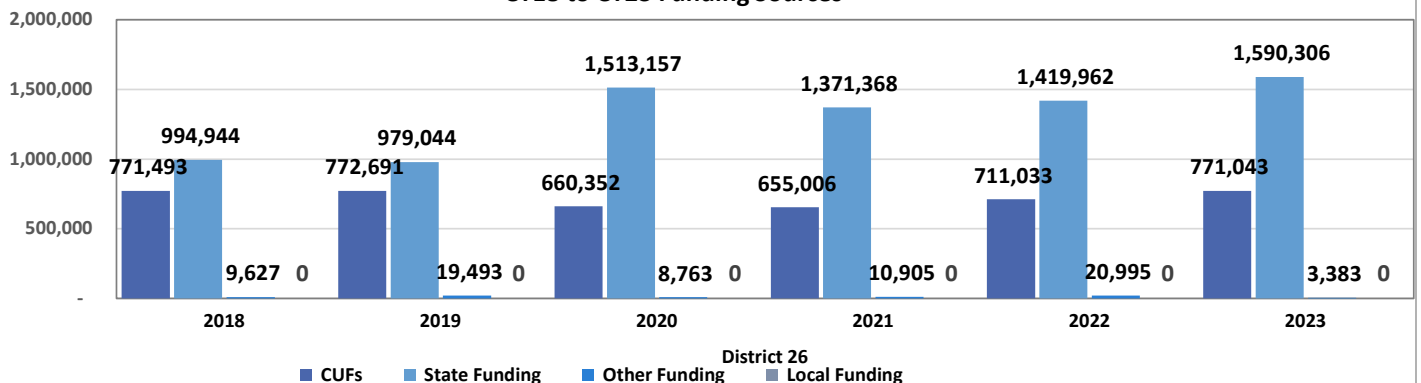
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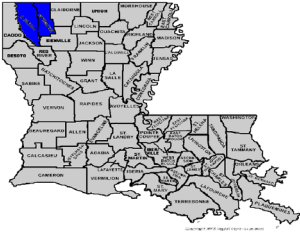
**District 26 Funding Sources in 2023**



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**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 26TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Bossier Parish- Benton; Webster Parish- Minden.
<b>Population</b>	2023 estimated population Bossier Parish 132,277 and Webster Parish 35,695 for a total of 167,972.
<b>District Defender</b>	Michael F. Miller, Chief District Defender
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	7 years 10 months.
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	13 years, 10 months.
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Keevia Johnson
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	211 Burt Boulevard
<b>City</b>	Benton
<b>ZIP</b>	71006
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	8:30 till 4:30 M-F
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-965-0630
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	PO Box 235, Benton, LA 71006
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-965-5521
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Michael F. Miller
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-344-2541 Cell
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Keevia Johnson
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-230-8939 cell
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	221 Main Street, Minden, LA 71055 - Ph 318-377-9255, Fax 318-377-8148; 200 Burt Blvd., Benton, LA 71006 - Ph 318-965-0462, Fax 318-965-9220
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	LaKeia Taylor
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Both Bossier and Webster office are owned by the office. The actual entity on the title is "Indigent Defender Board".
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	The main offices in Benton and Minden are owned by the PDO. Juvenile office in Bossier Parish is located in the Police Jury Annex in Benton, down the street from the main office. Provided rent free.
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	N/A



<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	26th JDC Bossier Parish - Benton; 26th JDC Webster Parish - Minden; Bossier City Court - Bossier City; Minden City Court - Minden; Springhill City Court - Springhill.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Bossier Parish has 6 Criminal Divisions, One Juvenile Court, One Adult Drug Court, and One Traffic Court. Webster Parish has 6 Criminal Divisions. Each Division handles all traffic matters. There is one Juvenile Division in Webster Parish. The District Court Judges handle all misdemeanor, criminal, traffic and juvenile matters. There are three (3) city courts in the district: Springhill, Minden, and Bossier City. The city courts handle all misdemeanor, traffic and juvenile matters.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Bossier Parish Maximum and Medium. Closed the Minimum facility (Plain Dealing); Bossier City Jail (Bossier City); Webster Parish Jail & Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center (Minden).
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Caddo Correctional Center (Caddo Parish), Claiborne Parish Sheriff's Jail (Claiborne Parish), Shreveport City Jail (Caddo Parish), David Wade Correctional Center (Claiborne Parish).
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Closed as of November 30th because lack of funding.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center in Coushatta, Louisiana
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Not in juvenile proceedings. Transportation of a juvenile client will see handcuffs. When a juvenile is transferred to be tried in District Court on a felony charge, then they are handcuffs around the waist. They are not cuffed during trial.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Schuyler Marvin
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Chief Judge for the 26th Judicial District Court for Bossier and Webster Parishes is Judge Michael O. Craig.

<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Bossier and Webster District Court the judges rotate. Michael Nerren is the head of the juvenile court for both districts. Minden City court is Sherb Sentell. Bossier City Court is Santi Parks. Springhill City Court is Stuart McMahan.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Head of drug court is Judge Mike Craig. But criminal judges rotate.
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	As each year, a secure stable funding mechanism to allow each district to budget for the upcoming year and to accurately allocated the funds towards attorneys, support staff, supplies, etc. to reduce case load and provide representation for those individuals charged with violations of the criminal law.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Stable revenue source.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Media coverage has only consisted of high profile felony cases.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Staff attorneys work is monitored by the Chief District Defender through one on one case discussion and courtroom observation. Random selection of staff attorney's files are also implemented by the Chief District Defender. LWOP cases are assigned to an attorney in Bossier and an attorney in Webster. LWOP cases are discussed between the LWOP attorney and the Chief District Defender. Juvenile cases are monitored by the senior juvenile attorney. The office manager handles issues with support staff. The Chief District Defender has the final decision on any issues regarding support staff, staff and/or contract attorneys. The database is monitored by the data entry specialist, the office manager, and the Chief District Defender. LWOP attorney in Bossier has a 2nd chair attorney to assist due to the case load.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	The majority of the attorneys associated with the Public Defender Office from the 26th are contract attorneys. Full-time employees benefits include health, in which the office pays 100% for the employee. If the full-time employee elects to provide health insurance for spouse and/or children, then the office pays 50% and the employee pays 50%. Vision is paid for by the office for full-time employees, if they elect the same.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	8

<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	State Representatives are Raymond Crews, Dodie Horton, Sam Jenkins, Jr., Danny McCormick, Wayne McMahan, and Thomas Pressly. State Senators are Barrow Peacock and Robert Mills.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Maintained the same number of criminal courts (6) and have more contract attorneys to cover felony, misdemeanor, juvenile, and city court in both parishes. Added an additional LWOP attorney in Webster and a second chair for both parishes to assist in LWOP cases.

## 26th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

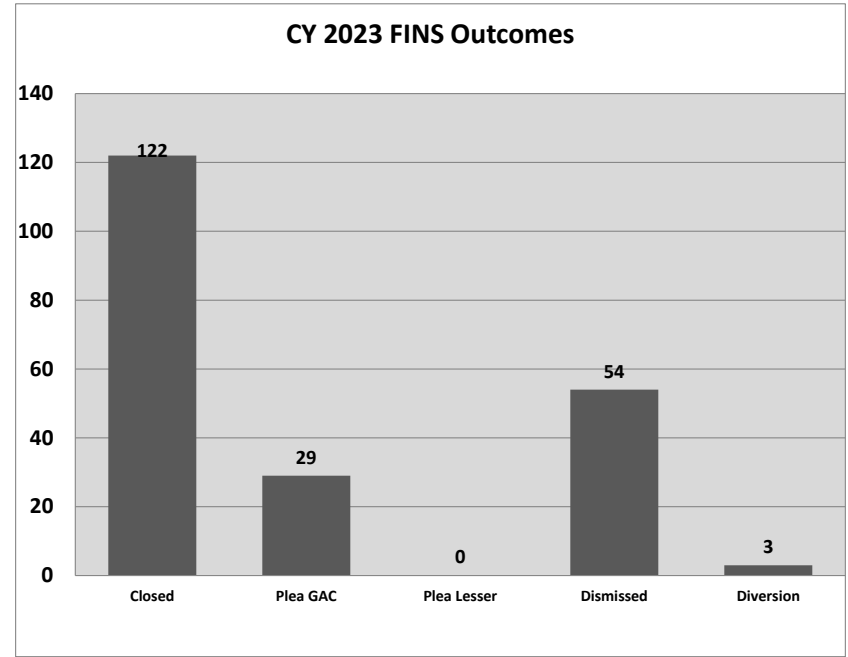
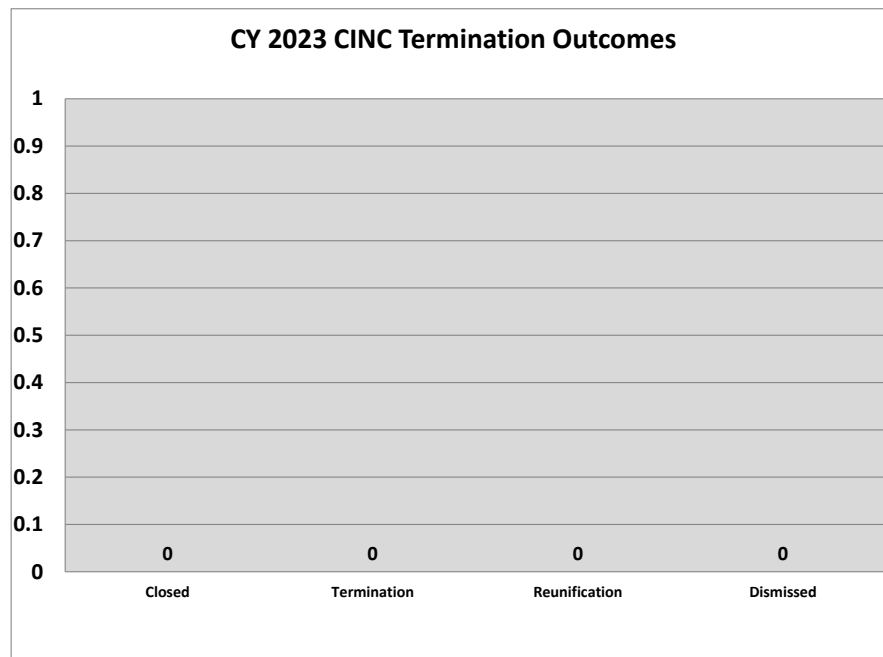
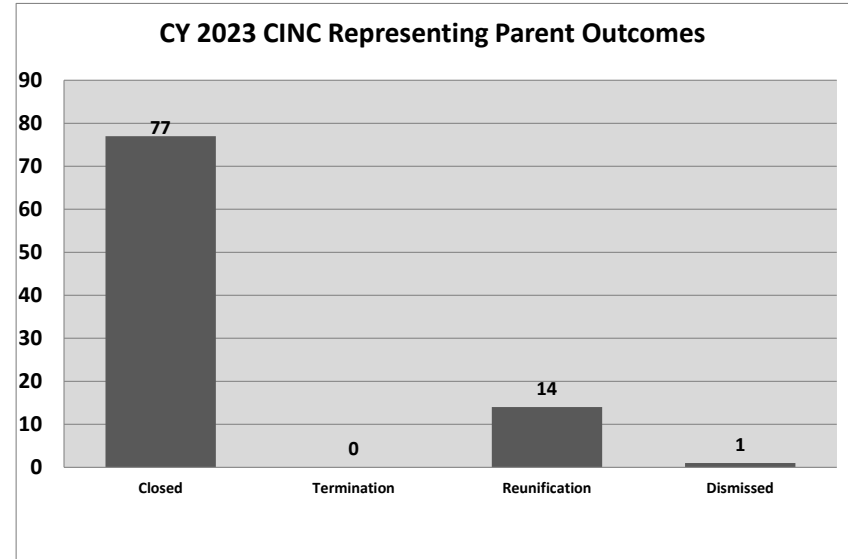
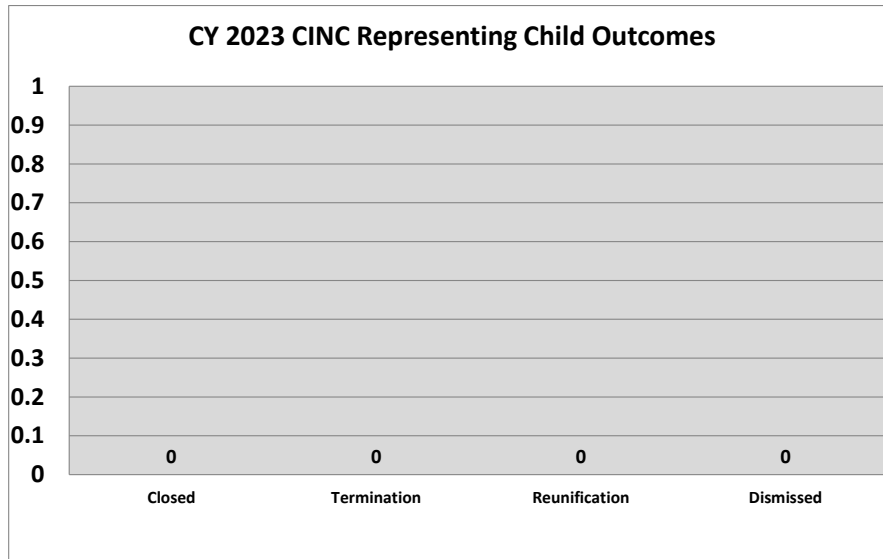
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	108	77	135	243	0	14	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	146	122	20	166	N/A	N/A	29	0	54	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	380	343	77	457	N/A	N/A	100	0	194	49	N/A	N/A	1	0	1
Delinquency Felony	249	184	28	277	N/A	N/A	39	5	173	7	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	5402	3954	1925	7327	N/A	N/A	1479	150	2102	0	0	1	6	8	15
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	3051	2717	1923	4974	N/A	N/A	1182	145	998	0	0	2	1	2	5
Adult LWOP	14	21	34	48	N/A	N/A	7	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	125	167	207	332	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

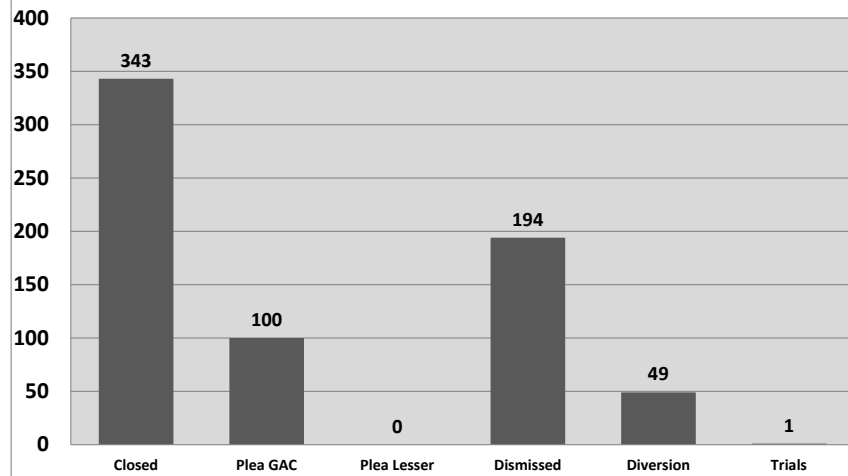
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

\*\*Life Without Parole

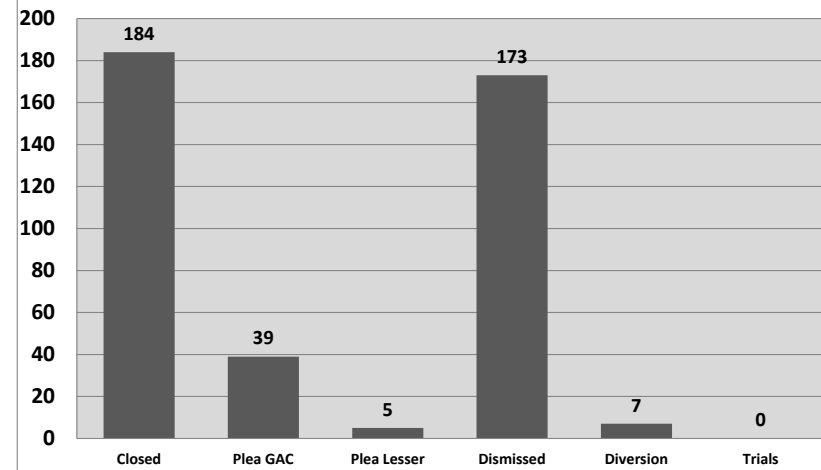
\*\*\*Capital cases may include cases initially opened by the district office and transferred to a program office at some later stage in the proceedings.



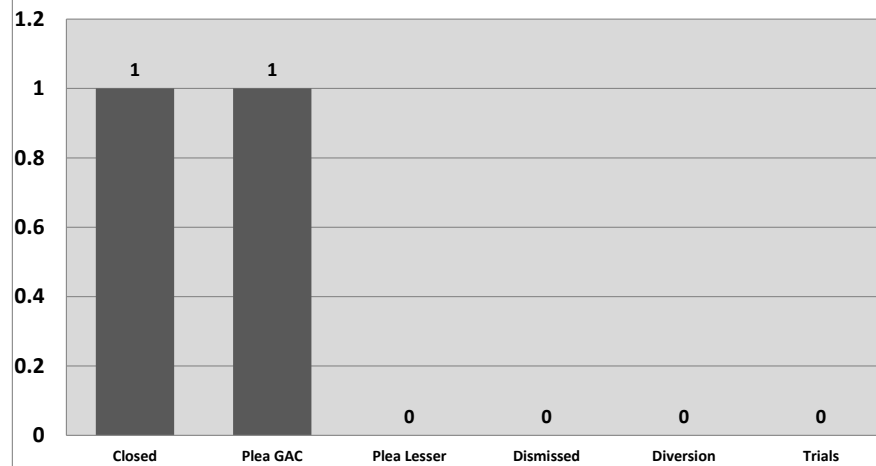
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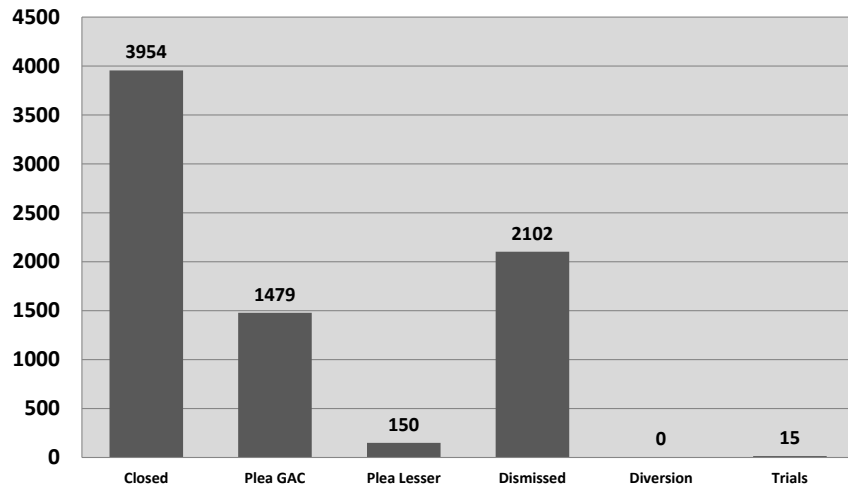
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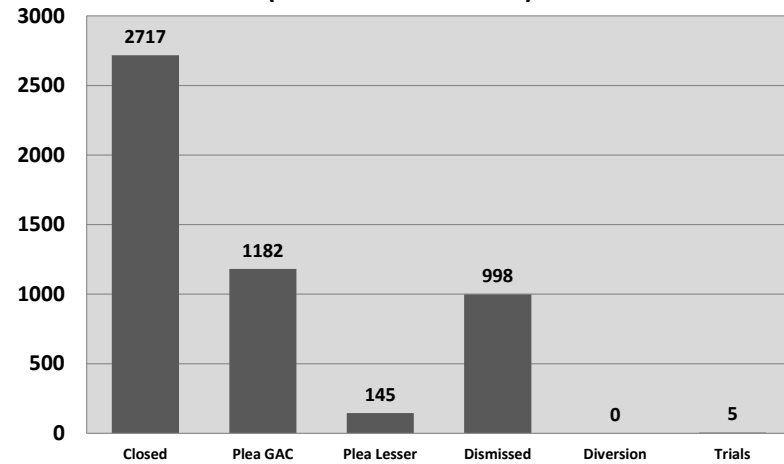
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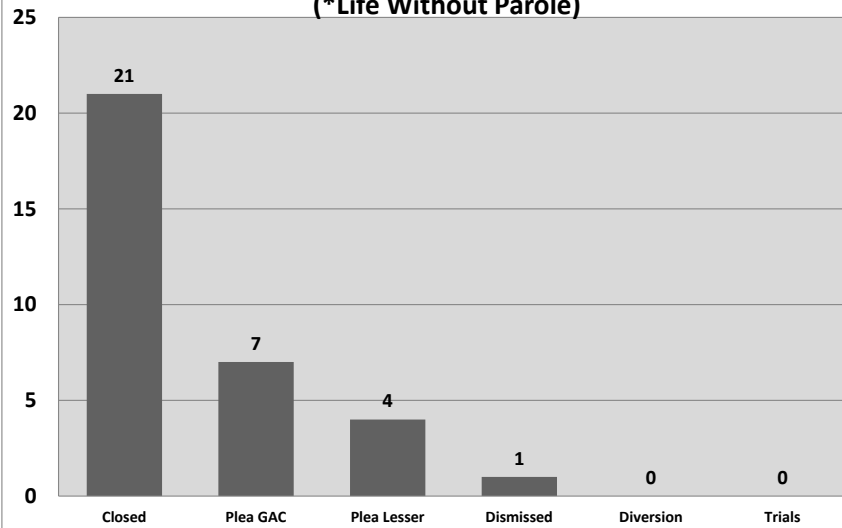
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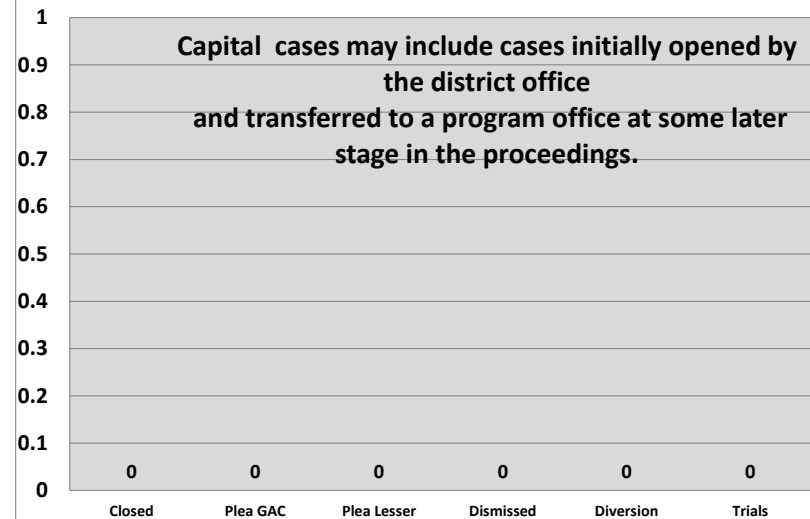
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**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**

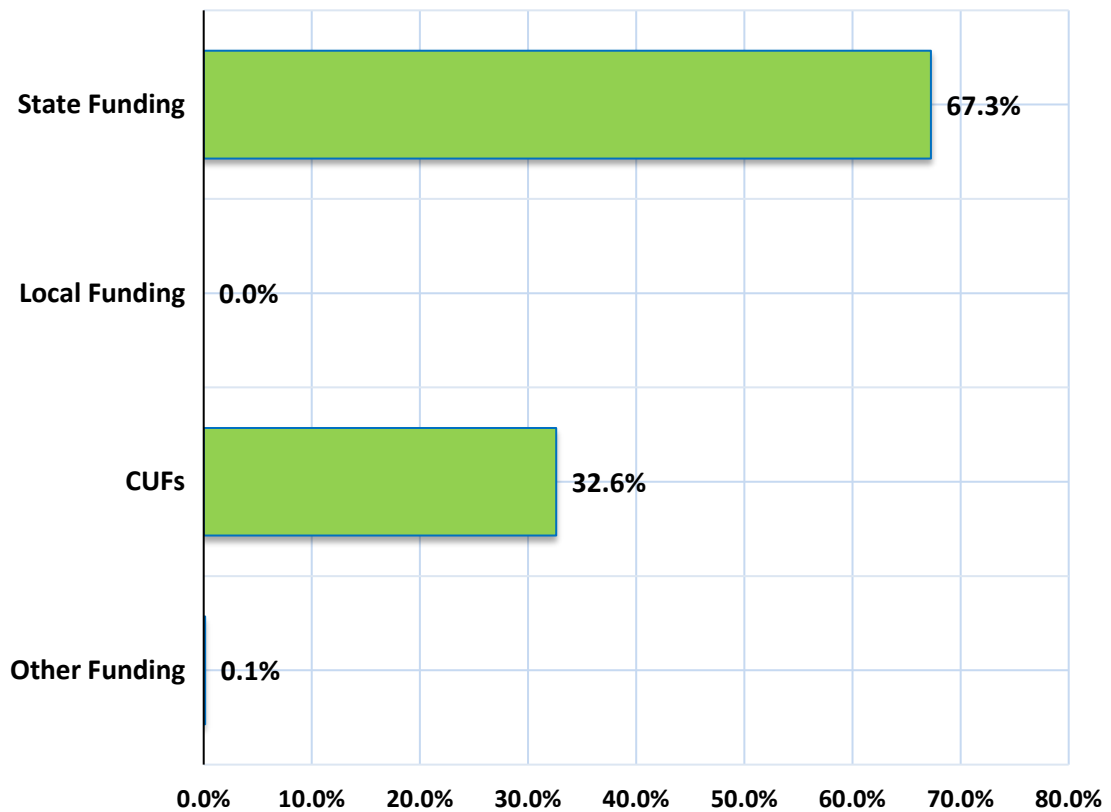


District 26 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Michael Miller</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	2,187
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>2,187</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	41,944
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	1,476,182
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	69,994
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>1,588,119</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	211,854
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	246,092
City & City-Ward Courts	207,759
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>453,851</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	81,419
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	23,919
Other Reimbursements	867
Other Local Income -List source(s)	69
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>106,274</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>771,979</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	2,447
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>2,447</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>2,364,732</b>

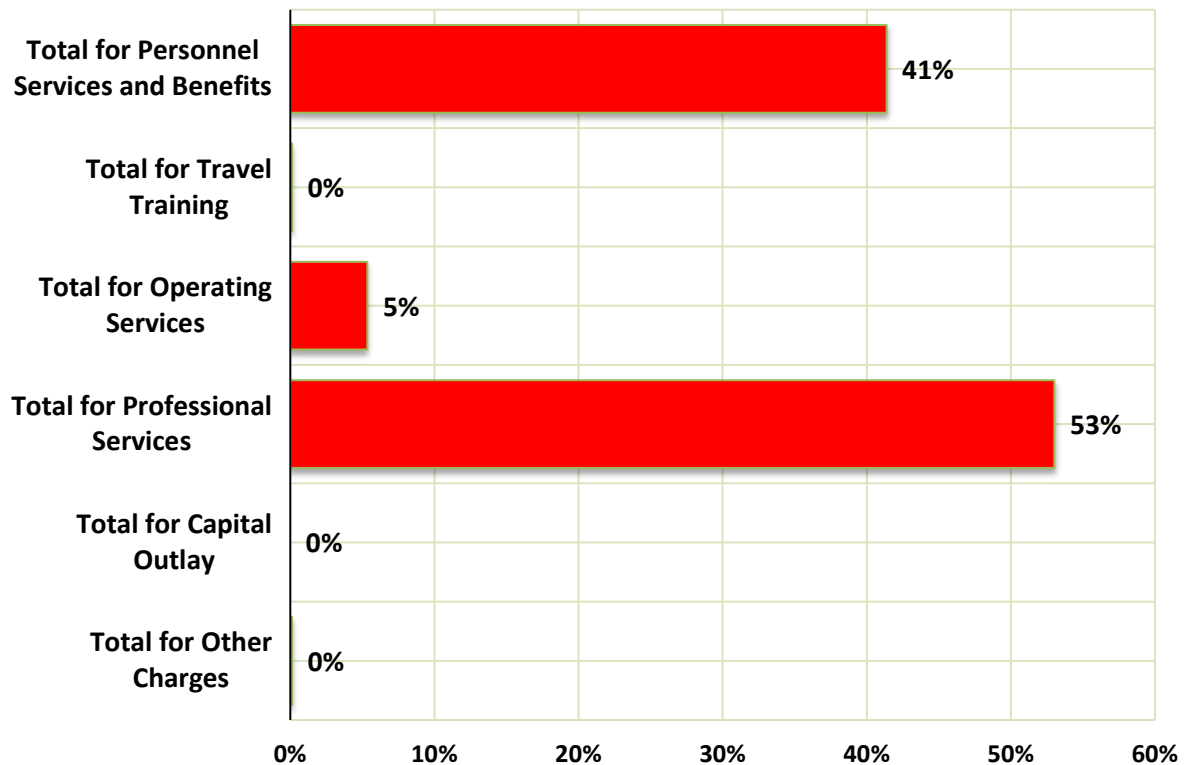


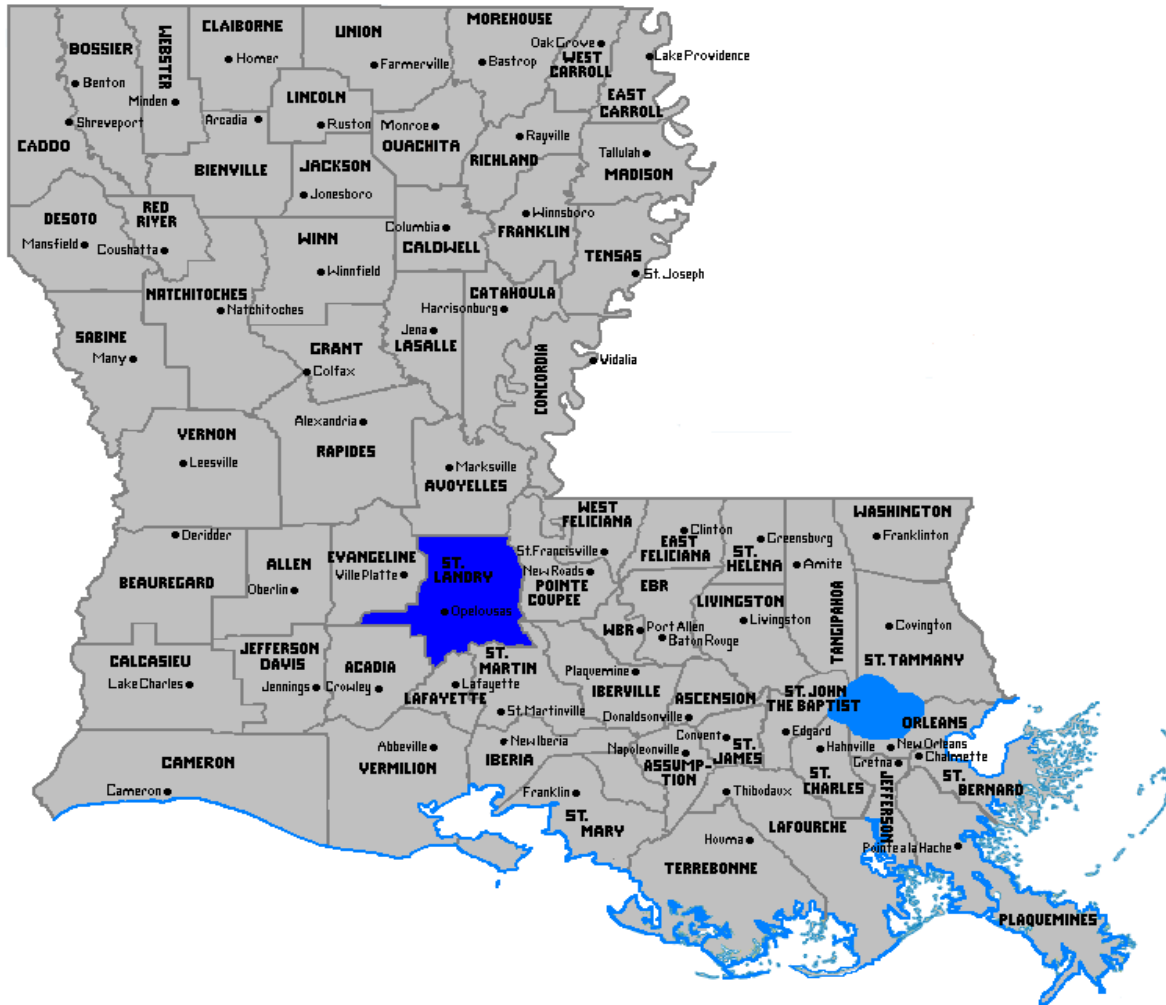
District 26 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Michael Miller</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	782,518
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	70,603
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	130,756
Retirement	10,524
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>994,401</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	3,102
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>3,102</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	499
Insurance - Malpractice	3,691
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	12,927
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	6,718
Lease - Other	2,291
Office Repair and Maintenance	20,063
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	26,718
Dues and Seminars	6,534
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	37,096
Office Supplies	11,993
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>128,530</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	24,355
Contract Clerical	4,277
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	55,800
Conflict	723,111
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	169,200
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	279,700
Contract Attorneys - all other	-
IT/Technical Support	18,000
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>1,274,443</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	3,038
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>3,038</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,403,513</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

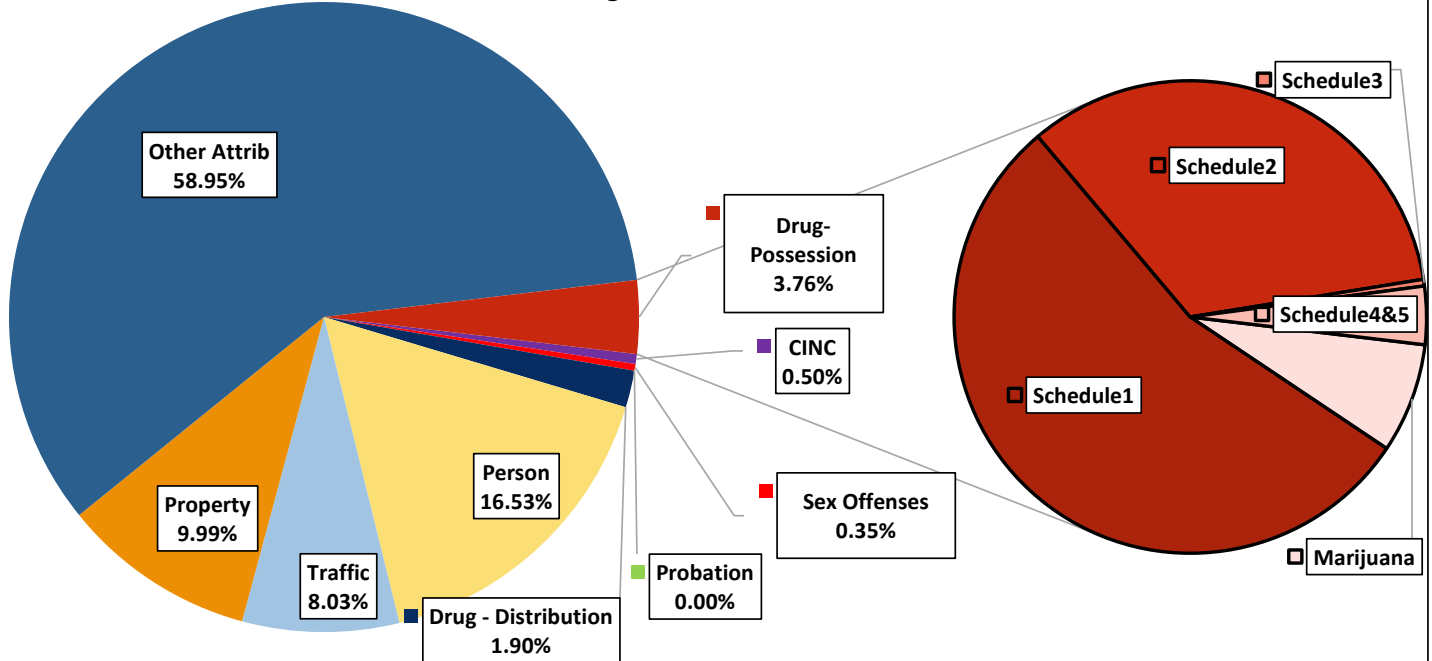




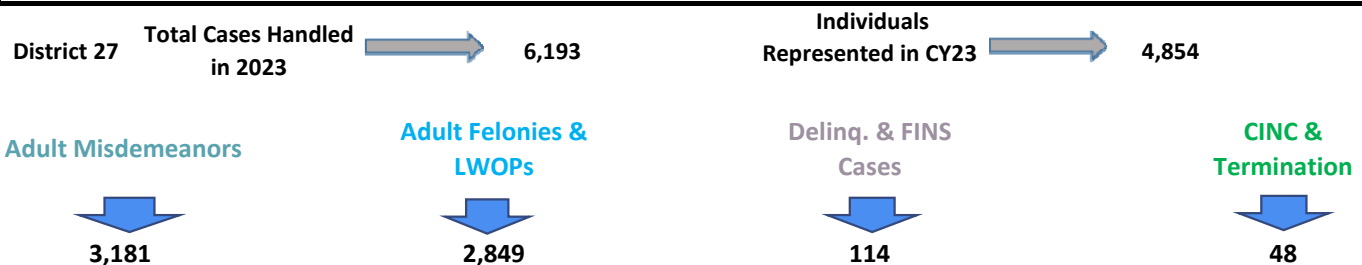
# THE 27<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE ST. LANDRY (OPELOUSAS)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: EDWARD JAMES LOPEZ  
125 WEST LANDRY STREET  
OPELOUSAS, LA 70570  
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District 27 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

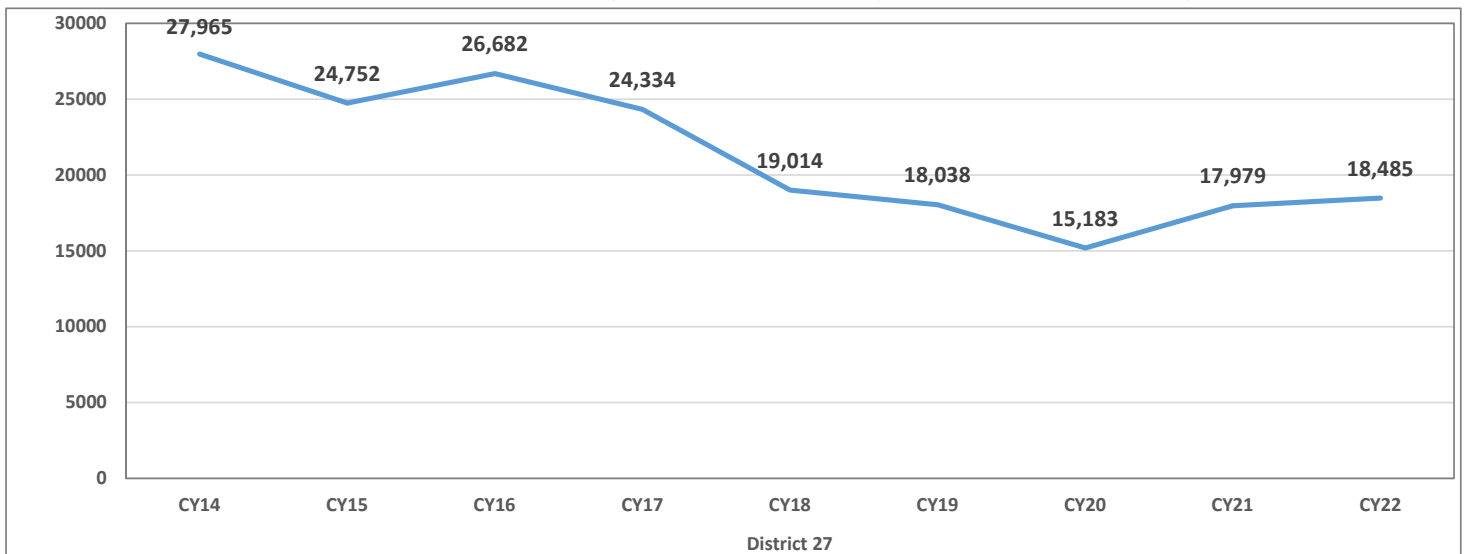


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 3.76% (233) of the 6,193 cases handled by the 27th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 53.2% were charged with Possession of a Schedule I drug. Schedule I drugs include hallucinogens like LSD or ecstasy, heroin, and marijuana. However, for the purposes of this analysis, marijuana has been placed in its own category.



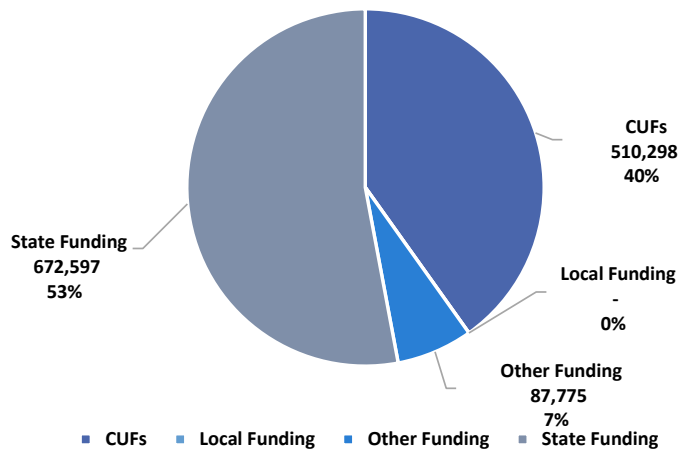
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



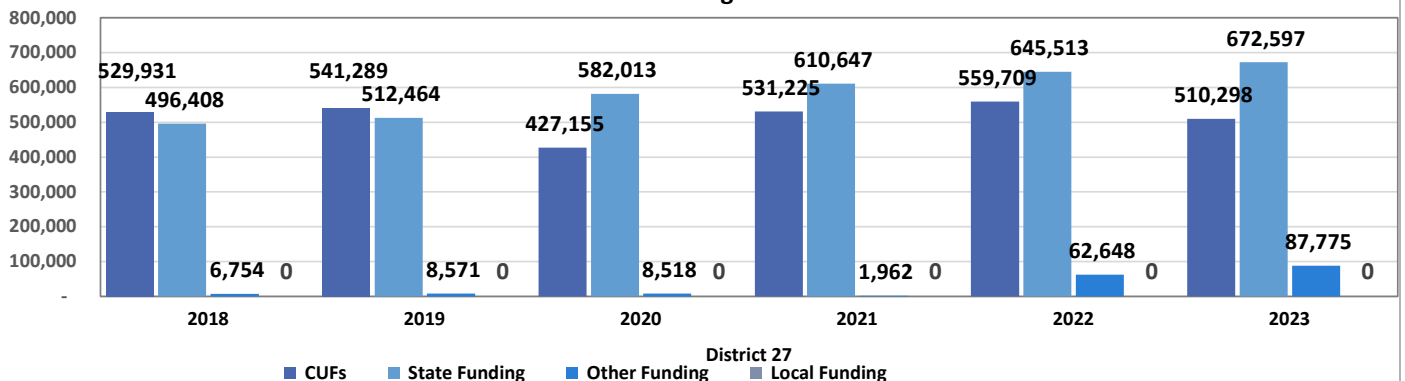
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 27th Judicial District increased slightly. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year.

**District 27 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 27th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,270,670 in total revenues. Forty percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 27TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	St. Landry - Opelousas
<b>Population</b>	82,288
<b>District Defender</b>	Edward James Lopez
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	37
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	14
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Gloria M. Bezet
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	125 West Landry Street
<b>City</b>	Opelousas
<b>ZIP</b>	70570
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-942-3003
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	125 West Landry Street, Opelousas, LA 70570
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-948-7706
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Edward James Lopez
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-351-7053
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Gloria M. Bezet
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-945-9348
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Edward James Lopez owns office building - provides office space and utilities, etc., as part of employment contract with State.
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Provided by DD
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	\$50,000
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	2 public defenders at 72 hour hearing

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	\$50,000.00 annually as long as the Parish Govt. wishes to keep "Second Chance Program"
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	See above
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	27th Judicial District Court, Opelousas; Opelousas and Eunice City Courts.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	27 Judicial District Court- 4 Judges; Opelousas City Court - 1 Judge; Eunice City Court- 1 Judge
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	St. Landry Parish Jail, Opelousas City Jail, Eunice City Jail, Port Barre City Jail, Krotz Springs City Jail, Sunset City Jail, Washington City Jail.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Avoyelles Correctional Center, Madison Parish Correctional Center, St. Charles Parish Jail, Riverbend Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Lafayette Detention Center, Jones County Juvenile Detention Center, Jones County, Mississippi
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Juveniles do not appear in Court shackled unless there is a serious fear that they will try to abscond.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Chad Pitre
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge Jason Meche
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	All District Court Judges handle juvenile matters on a rotation basis. Opelousas City Court Judge and Eunice City Court Judge handle juvenile matters in their jurisdictions.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	All District Court Judges handle Drug Court on a rotation basis one year at a time.
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Sobriety Court
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Similar to Drug Court but for people with alcohol related addictions
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Lowering felony case loads per attorney

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Lowering case loads
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Defenders are contract attorneys -District Defender monitors work load and representation.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	3
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Sen. Gerald Boudreaux- Dist. 24, Sen. Heather Cloud-District 28, Sen. Bob Hensgens, Dist. 26, Sen. Fred H. Mills, Jr. - Dist. 22, Rep. Rhoni Gaye Butler, Dist. 38, Rep. Phillip Devillier- Dist. 41, Rep. Julie Emerson, Dist. 39, Rep. Mike Huval, Dist. 46, Rep. Dustin Miller, Dist. 40
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Added one additional felony defender to handle conflicts



## 27th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

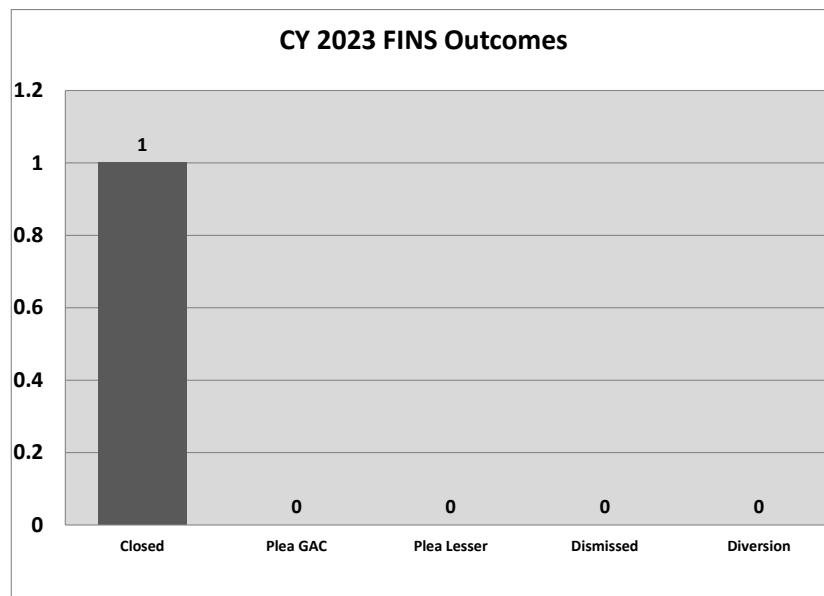
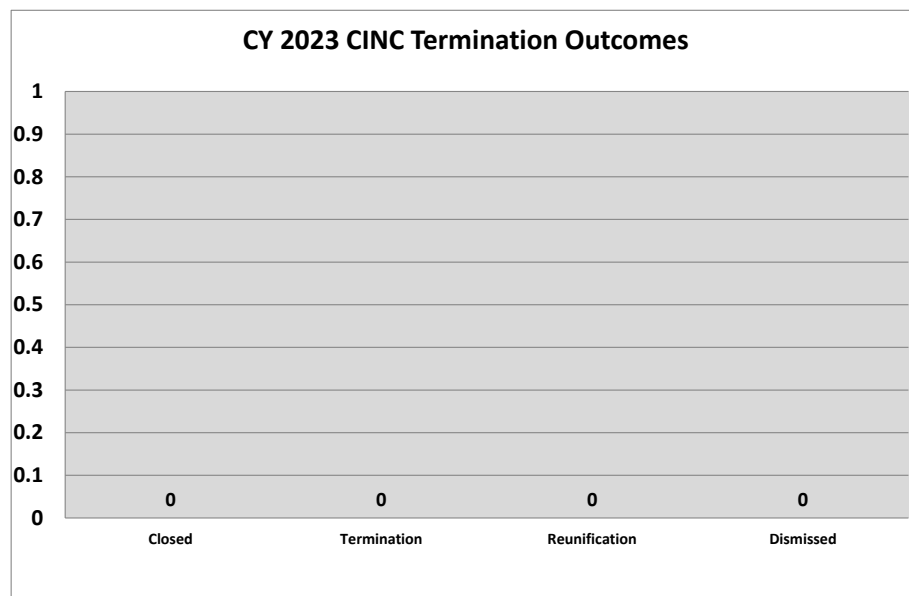
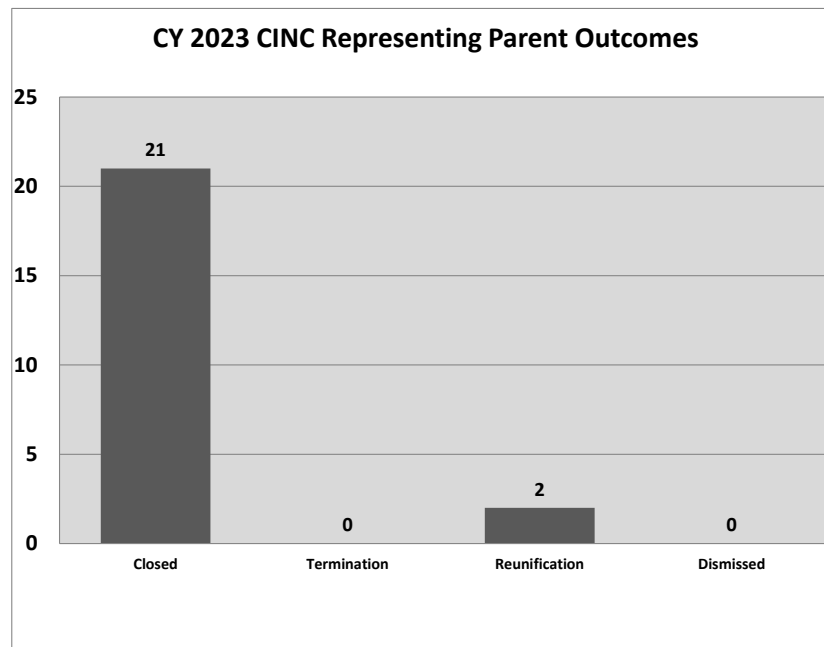
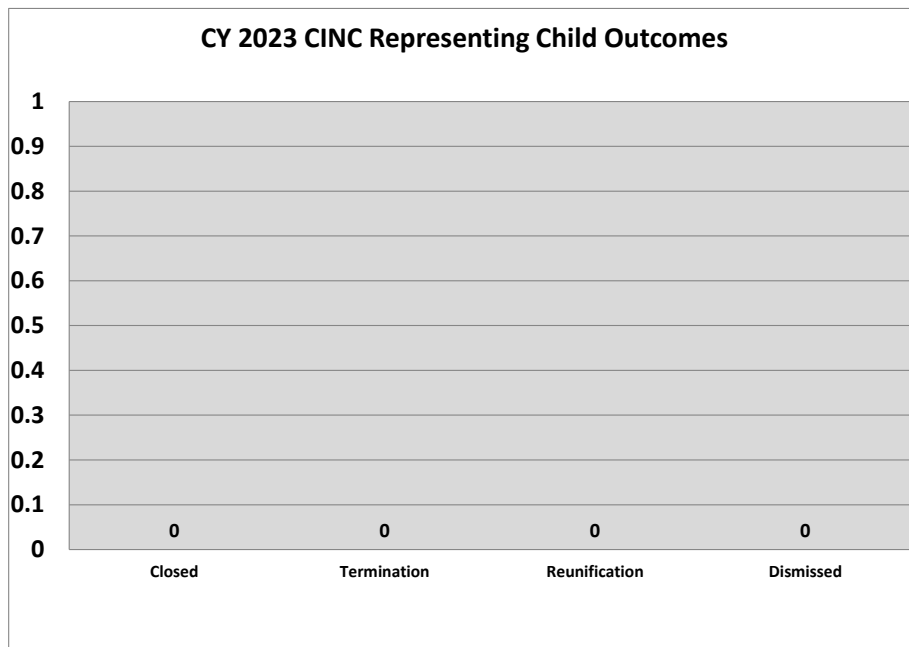
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	29	21	19	48	0	2	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	94	87	2	96	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	79	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	16	15	0	16	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	16	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	2933	2734	248	3181	N/A	N/A	3159	0	154	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1347	889	1447	2794	N/A	N/A	775	8	732	0	0	2	0	0	2
Adult LWOP	5	10	27	32	N/A	N/A	5	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	2
Capital***	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	23	22	0	23	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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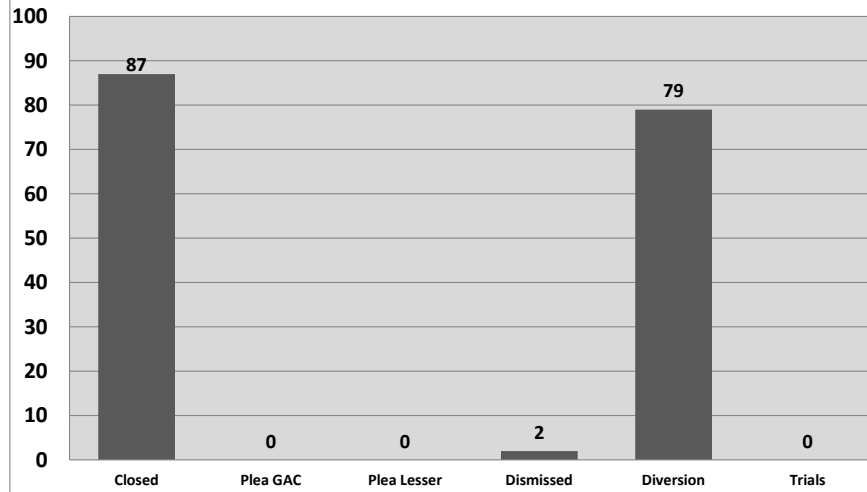
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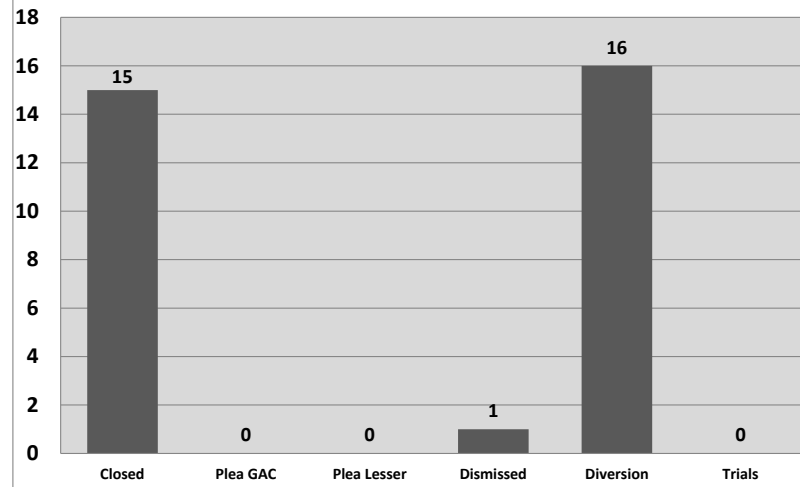
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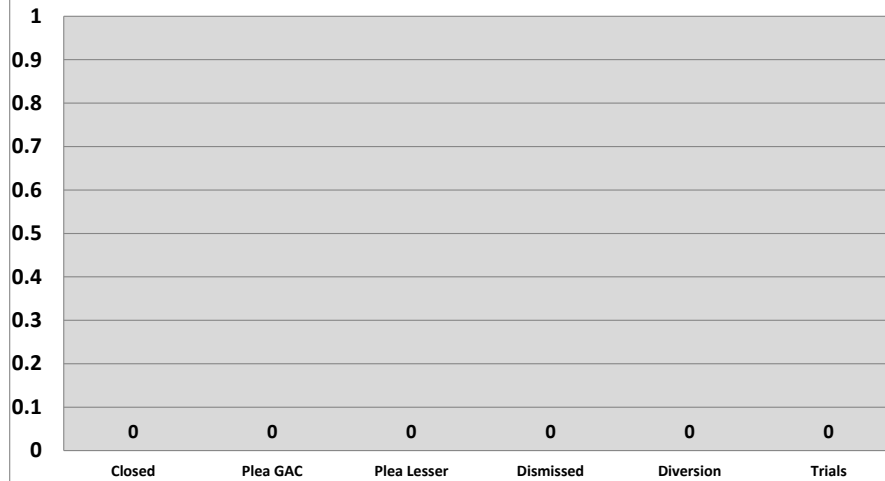
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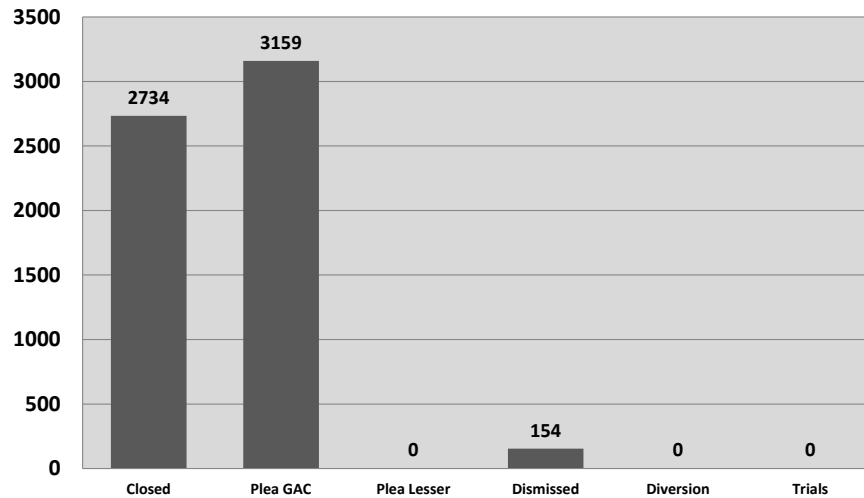
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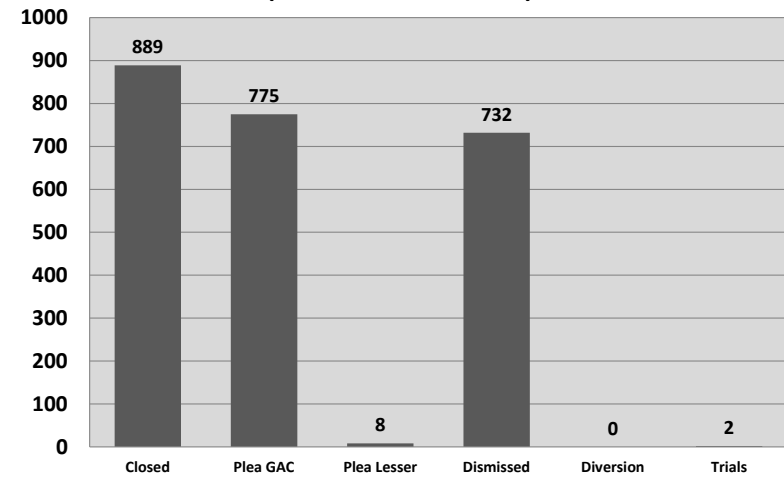
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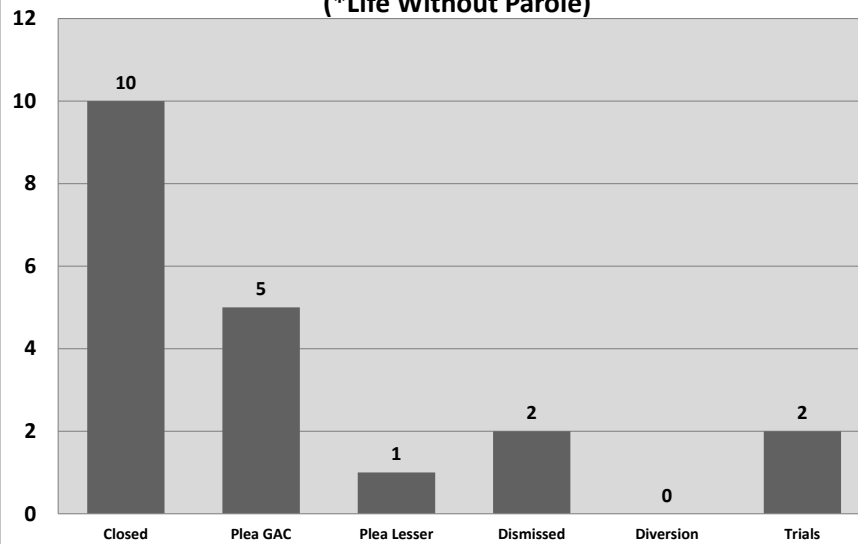
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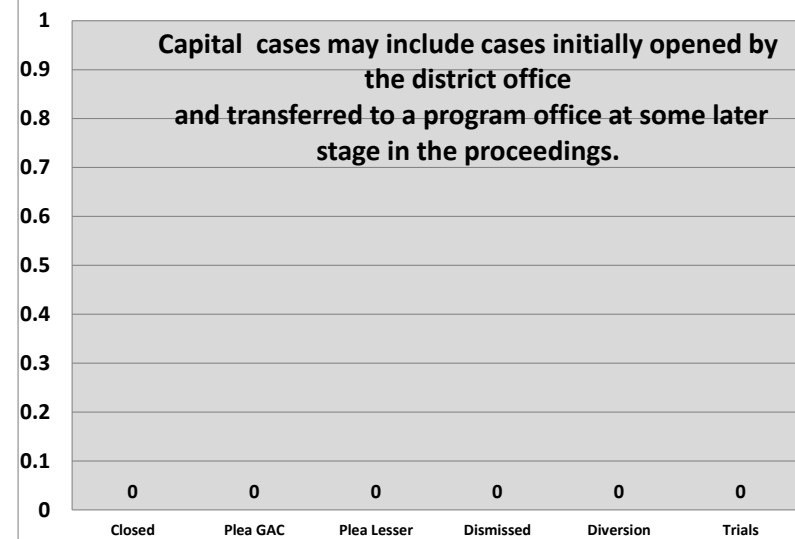
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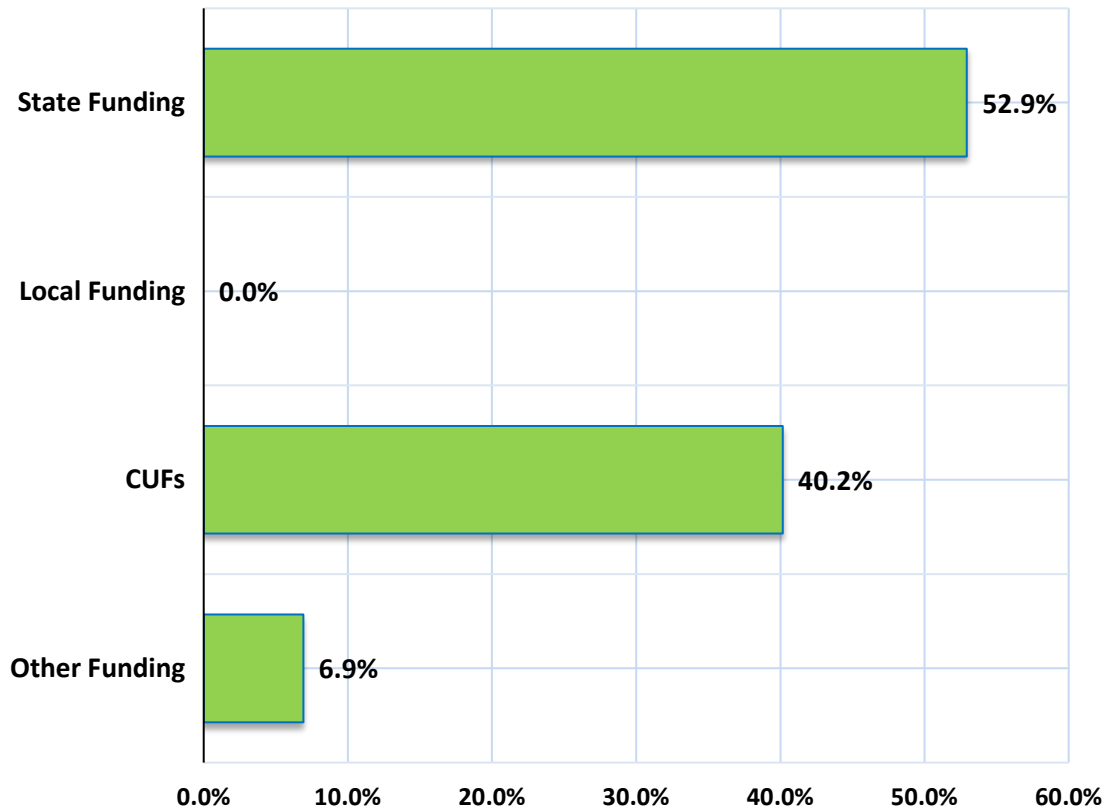
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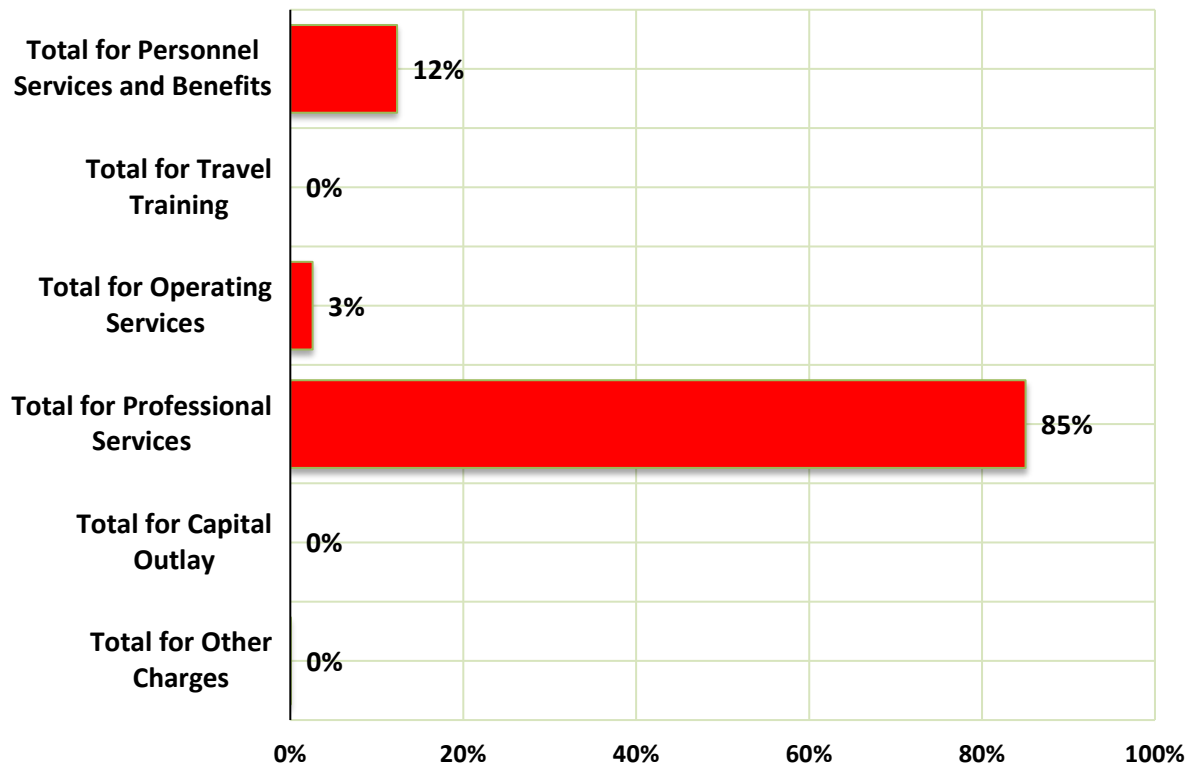
District 27 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Edward James Lopez</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	999
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>999</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	671,598
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>671,598</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	2,186
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	65,881
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	50,000
Other Local Income -List source(s)	1,000
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	124,198
Judicial District Courts	271,705
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>395,903</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	46,328
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>46,328</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>561,298</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	36,582
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	193
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>36,775</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,270,669</b>

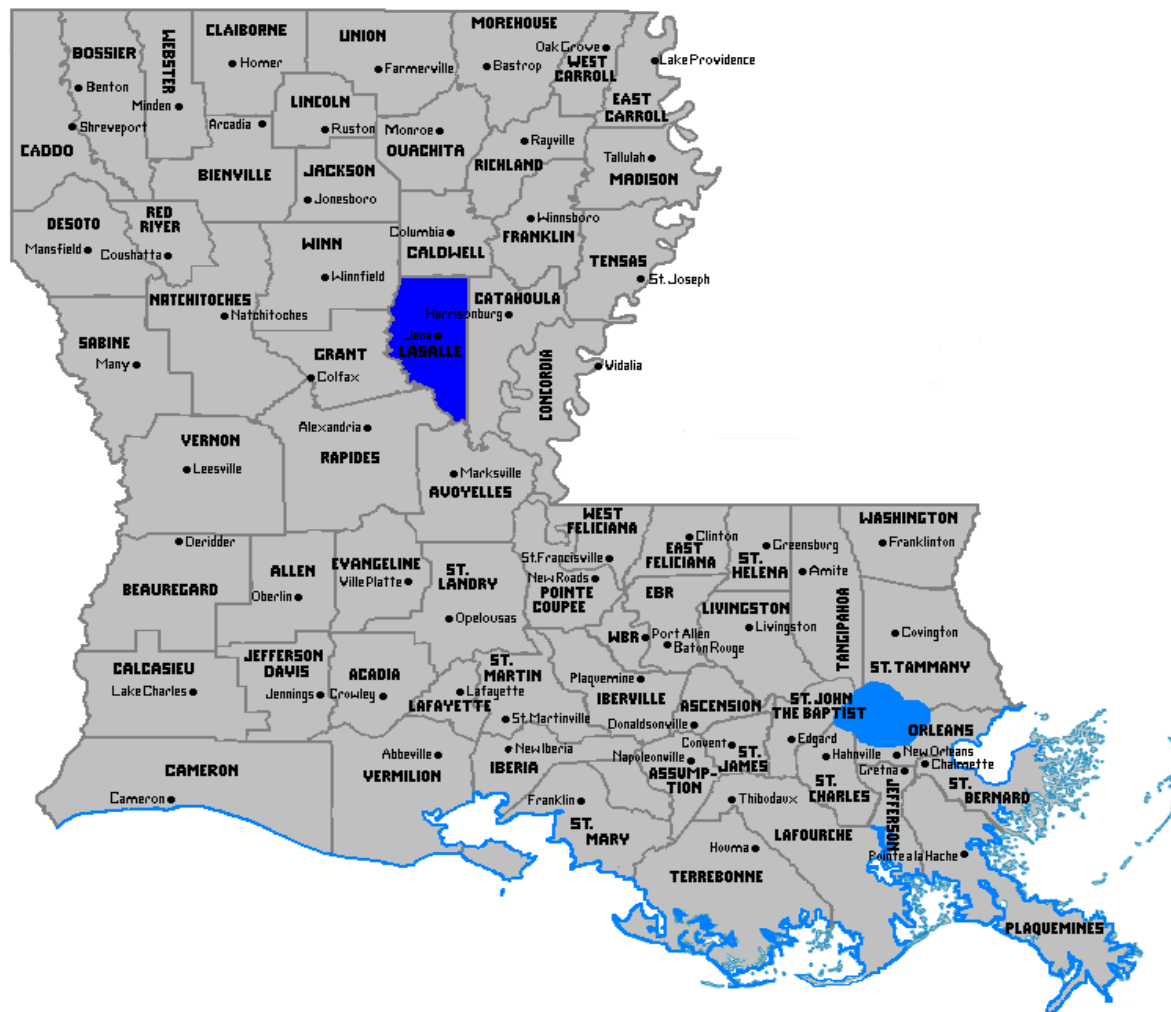
District 27 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Edward James Lopez</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	134,941
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	11,968
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>146,909</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>-</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	63
Workers' Compensation	-
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	184
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	2,098
Office Repair and Maintenance	1,843
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	15,496
Dues and Seminars	1,310
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	4,236
Office Supplies	5,423
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>30,654</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	10,614
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	3,436
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	37,800
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	235,740
Contract Attorneys - all other	719,413
IT/Technical Support	4,247
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>1,011,251</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	450
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>450</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,189,265</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES



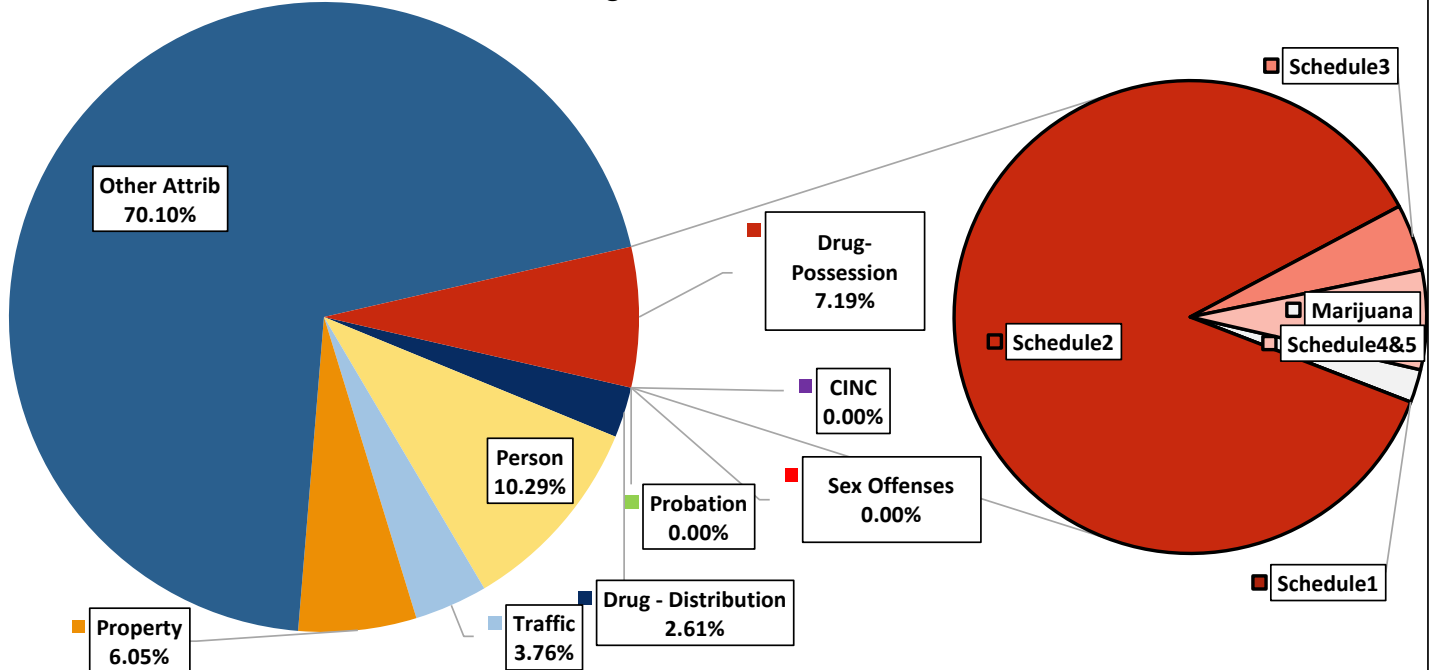


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PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
LASALLE (JENA)

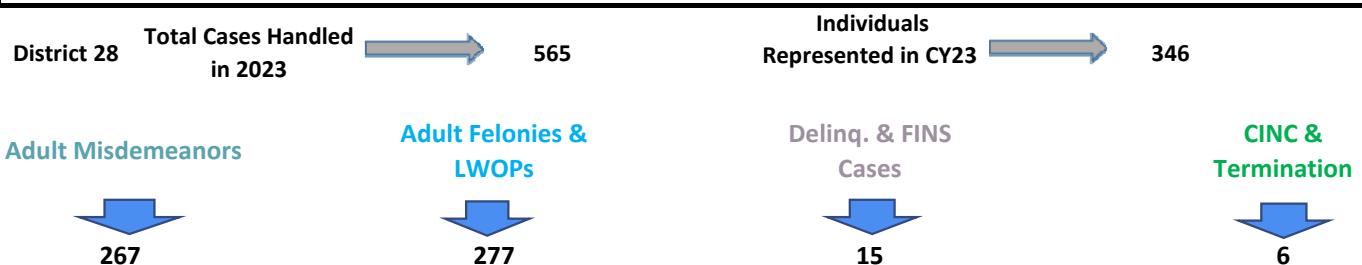
DISTRICT DEFENDER: DERRICK CARSON  
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JENA, LA 71342  
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District 28 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

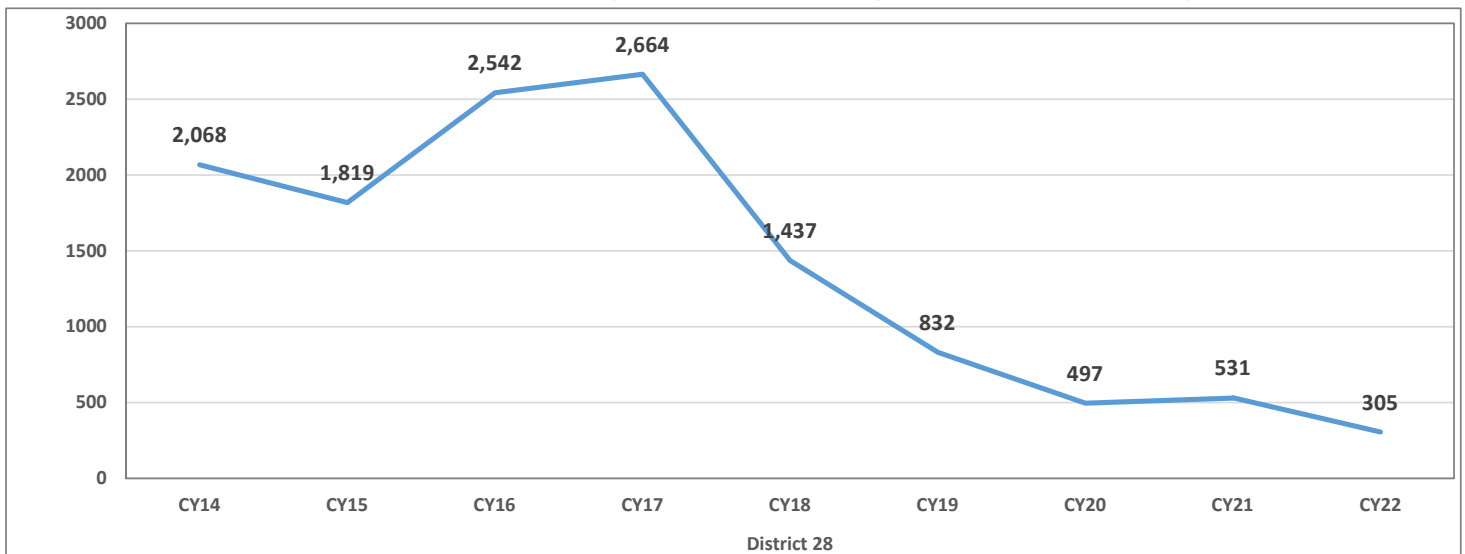


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 7.19% (41) of the 565 cases handled by the 28th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 86.2% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



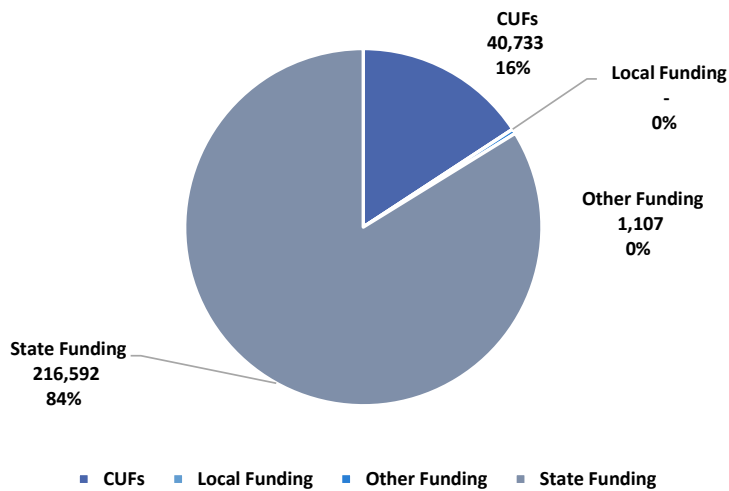
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

### TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)



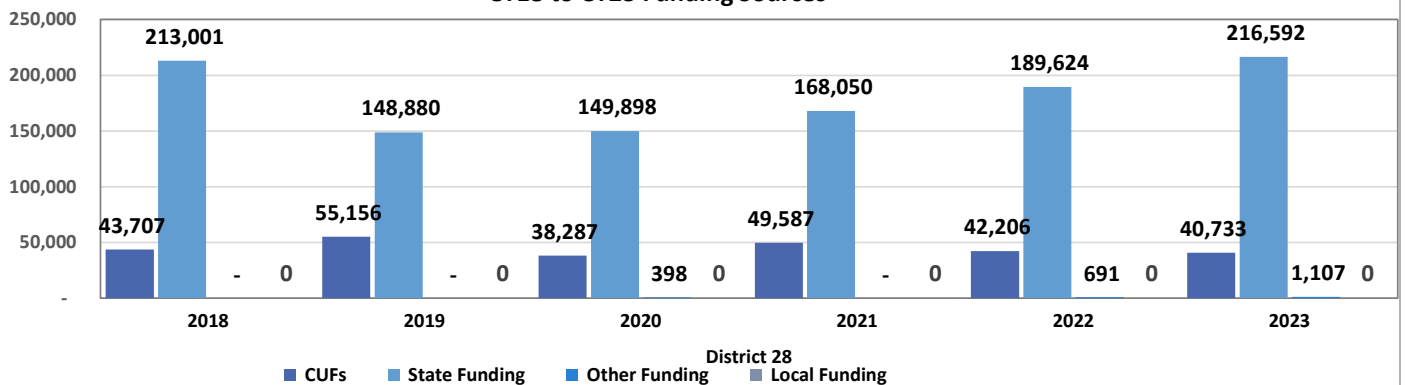
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 28th Judicial District decreased by 42% from the previous year. The number of traffic filings filed each year has declined by 88% since 2017. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to those of the previous year.

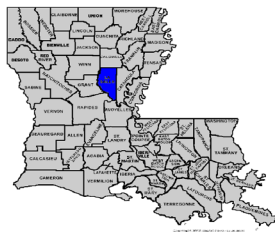
### District 28 Funding Sources in 2023



During Calendar Year 2023, the 28th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$258,432 in total revenues. The district is heavily reliant on state supplemental assistance as only 16% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

### CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources





## THE 28TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	LaSalle - Jena
<b>Population</b>	14,834
<b>District Defender</b>	Derrick Carson
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	16.5
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	7.5
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	25
<b>Office Manager</b>	Judy Pugh
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	3170 N. 1st St
<b>City</b>	Jena
<b>ZIP</b>	71342
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Mon-Thur 8:00-3, closed Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-992-0881
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 13, Jena, LA 71342-0013
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-992-0887
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Judy Pugh
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-452-5746 cell, 318-757-2870 home
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Derrick Carson
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-623-0390 cell, 318-757-0473
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Par 3, contact Malcolm Ward 318-801-3753
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	28th JDC Jena, LA
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	1
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	LaSalle Parish Courthouse, Jena, LA. LaSalle Corrections, 15976 Hwy 165, Olla, LA.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Richland Parish (women only) Hwy 15; Monroe, Caldwell Corrections(women only); Franklin Parish Detention Winnsboro, LA.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Renaissance Home for Youth, 6177 Bayou, Alexandria, LA.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No, do not normally house juveniles.
<b>District Attorney</b>	J. Reed Walter
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Christopher Peters
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Judge Christopher Peters
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Funding to be able to continue to provide services and represent clients.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Funding
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Chief, Office Adm. Attorneys, Office Staff

<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None
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<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Glen Womack, Representatives Michael Gabe Firment
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	None

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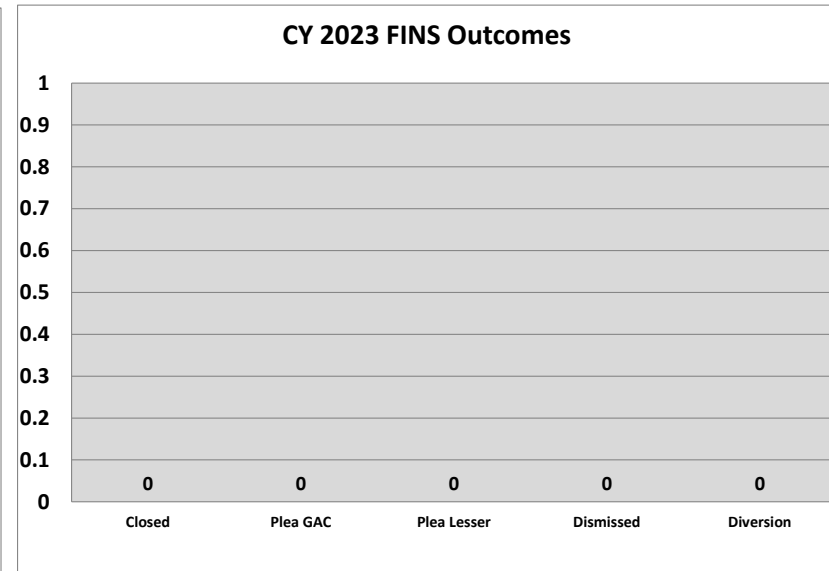
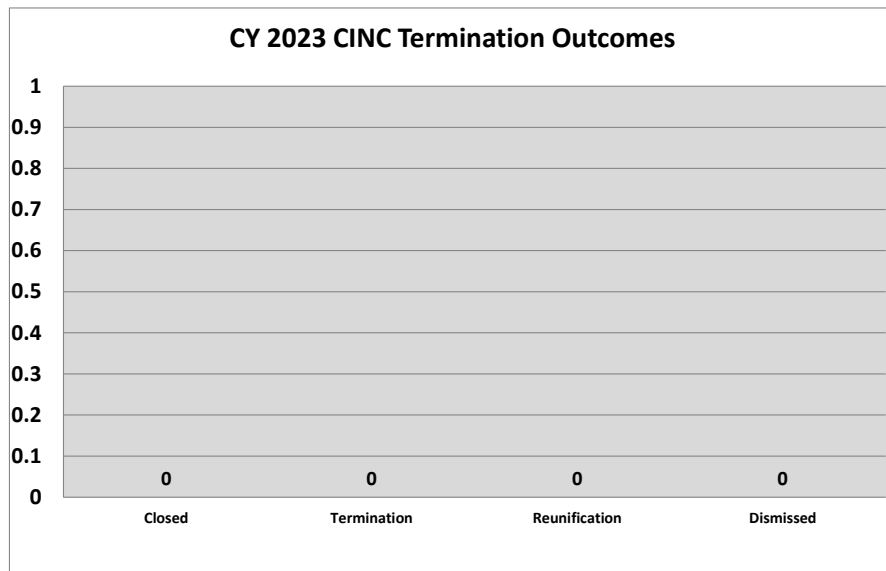
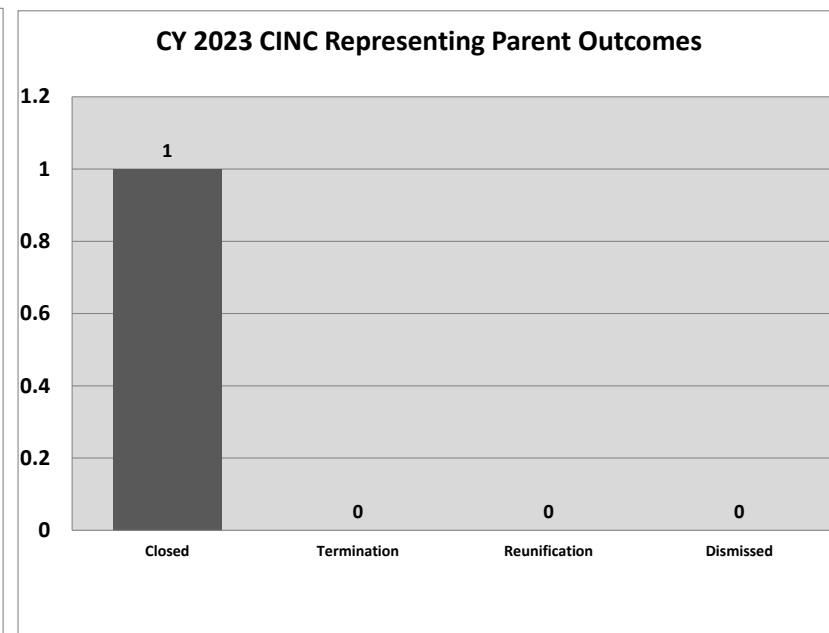
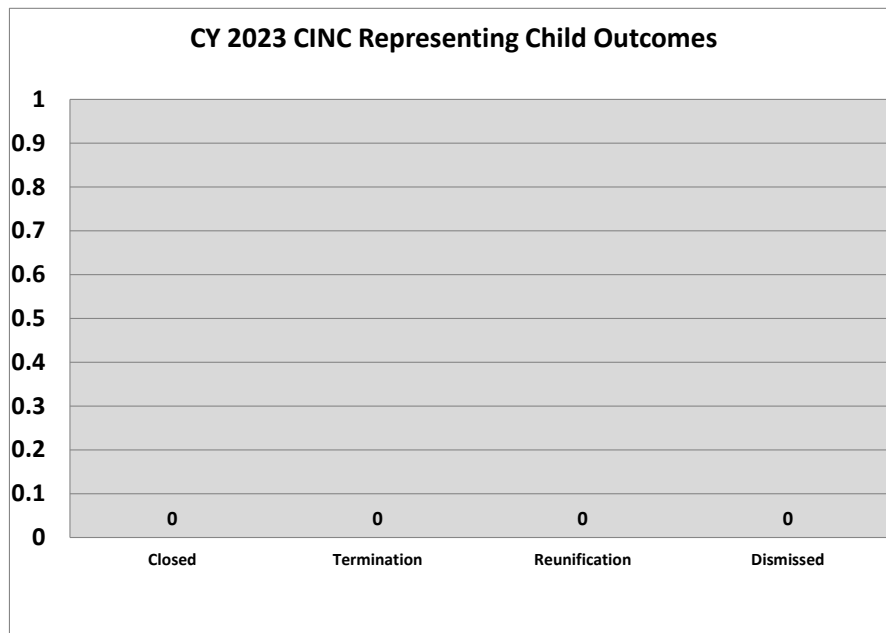
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CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
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Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	11	4	1	12	N/A	N/A	4	0	4	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	2	1	1	3	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	212	102	55	267	N/A	N/A	23	3	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	194	115	83	277	N/A	N/A	16	13	15	0	0	1	0	0	1
Adult LWOP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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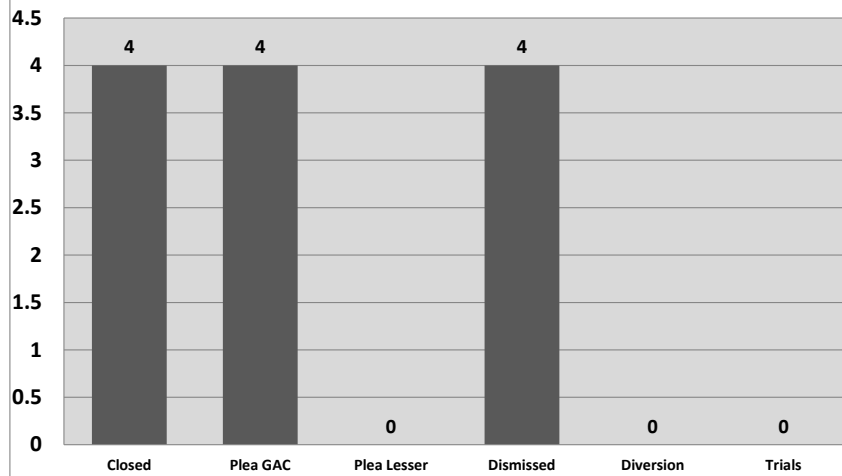
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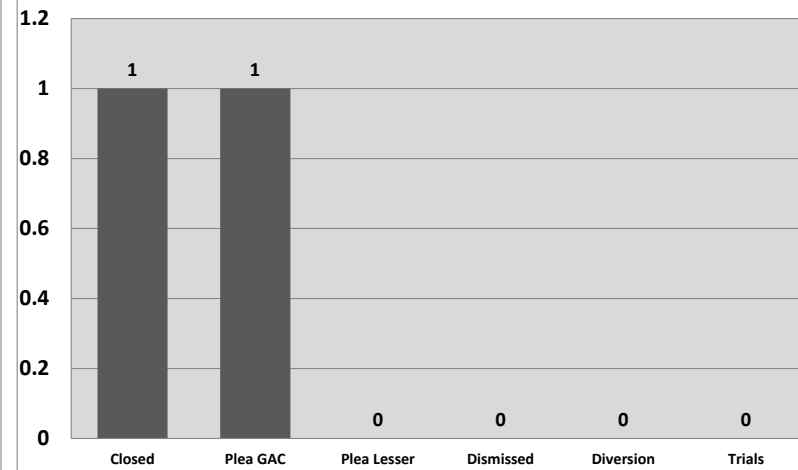
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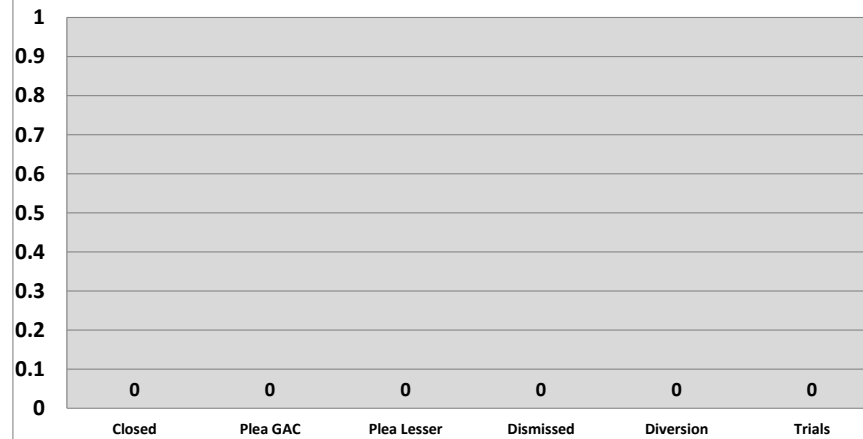
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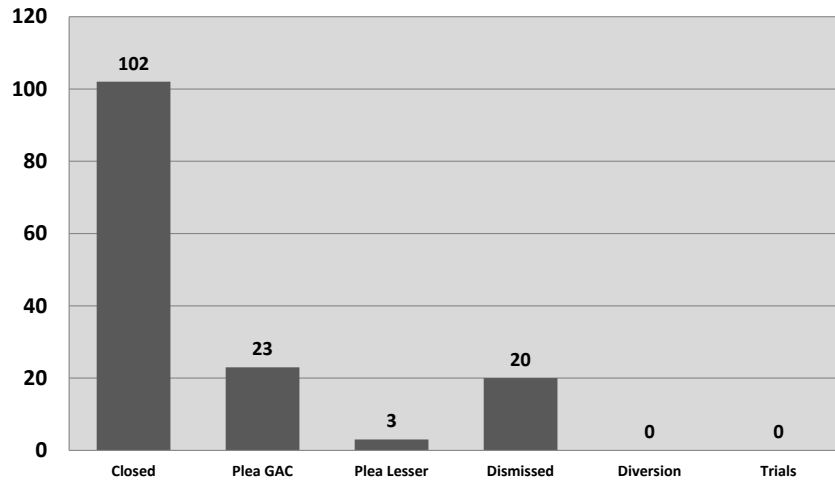


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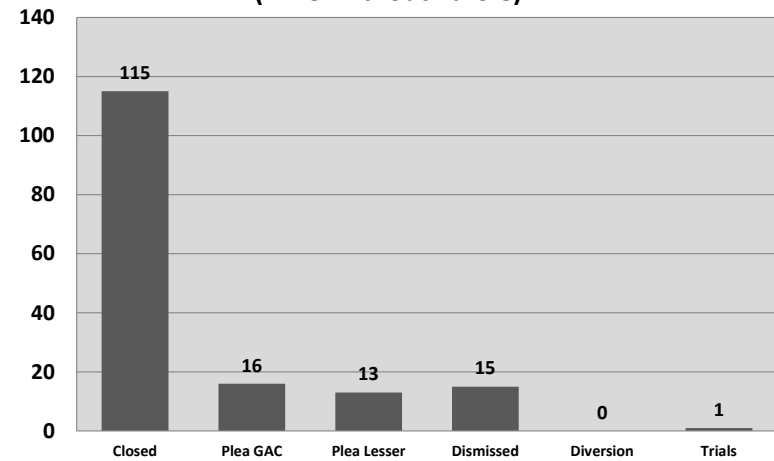




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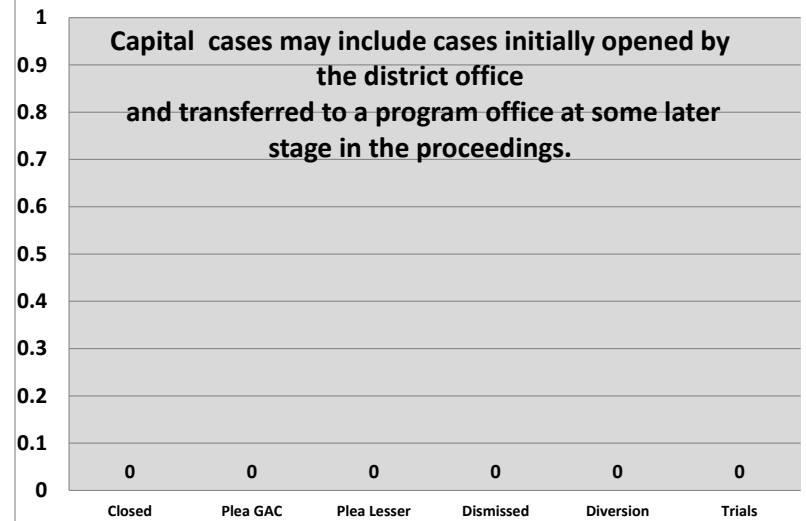
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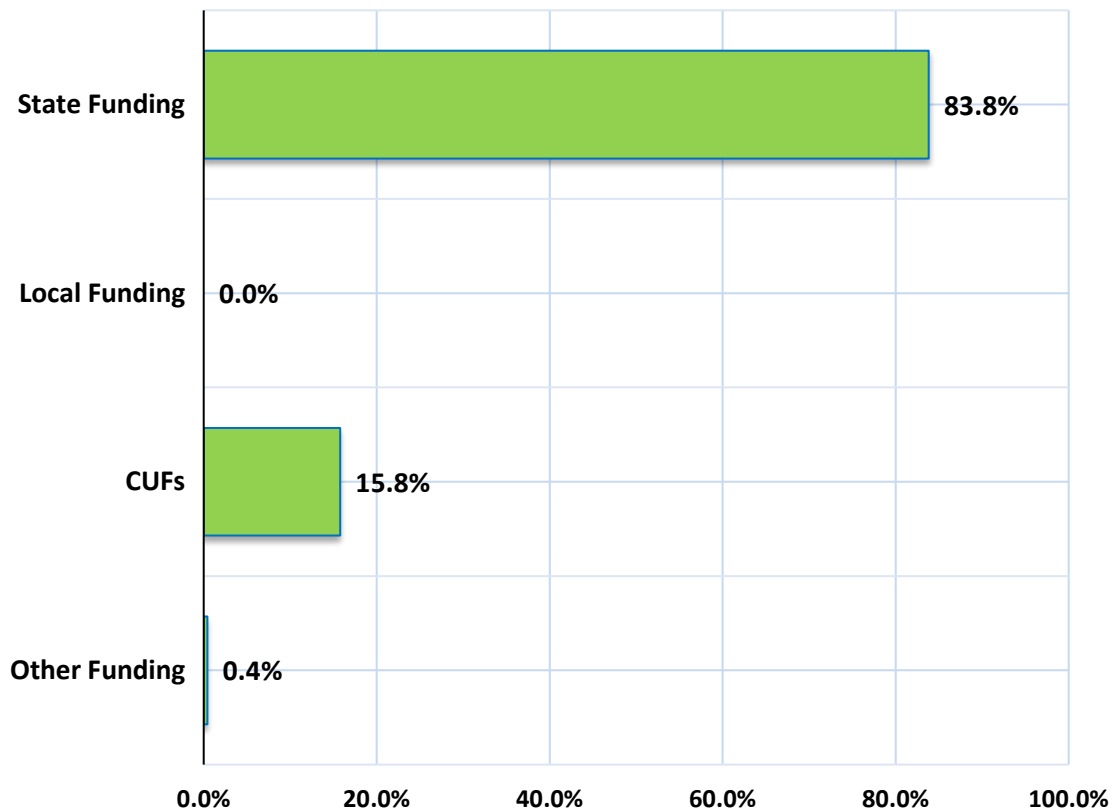
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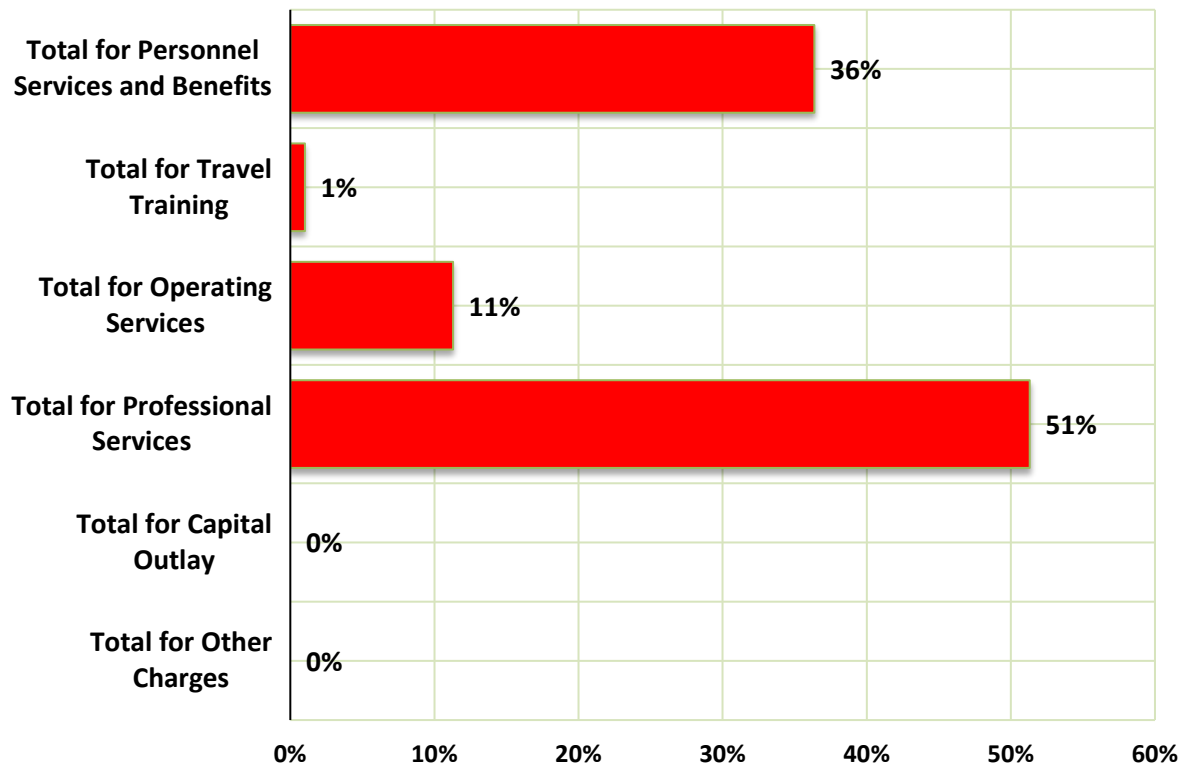
District 28 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Derrick Carson</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	257
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>257</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	195,988
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	20,347
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>216,335</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	1,935
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	15,176
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	2,706
Parish Courts	15,575
Traffic Court	675
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>18,956</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	1,595
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	3,071
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	1,107
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>5,773</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>41,840</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>258,432</b>

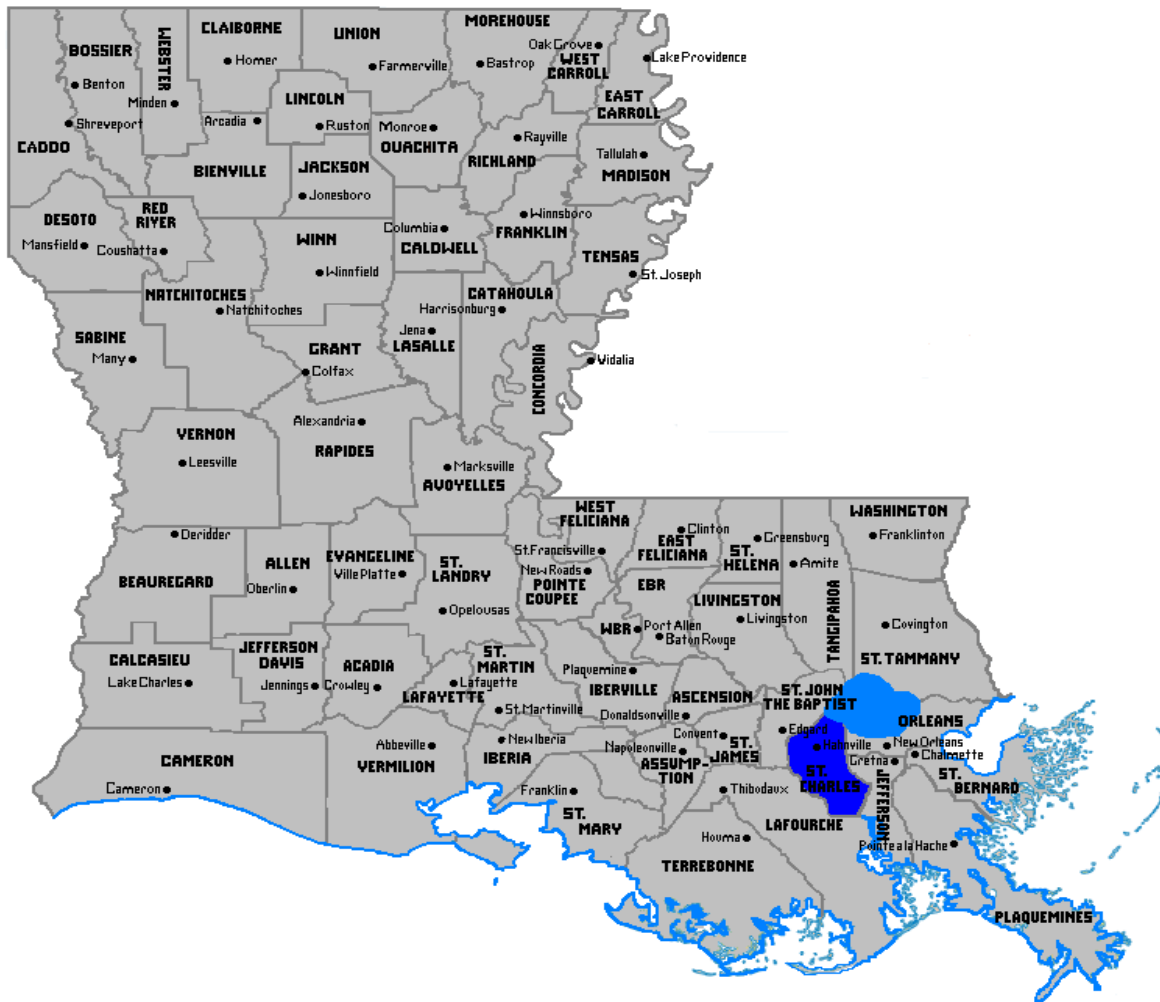
District 28 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Derrick Carson</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	77,460
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	6,367
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>83,827</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	2,353
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>2,353</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	2,496
Insurance - Malpractice	4,289
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	7,550
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	11,059
Dues and Seminars	350
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	-
Office Supplies	307
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>26,050</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	8,454
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	25,300
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	3,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	81,514
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>118,268</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	-
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>230,498</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

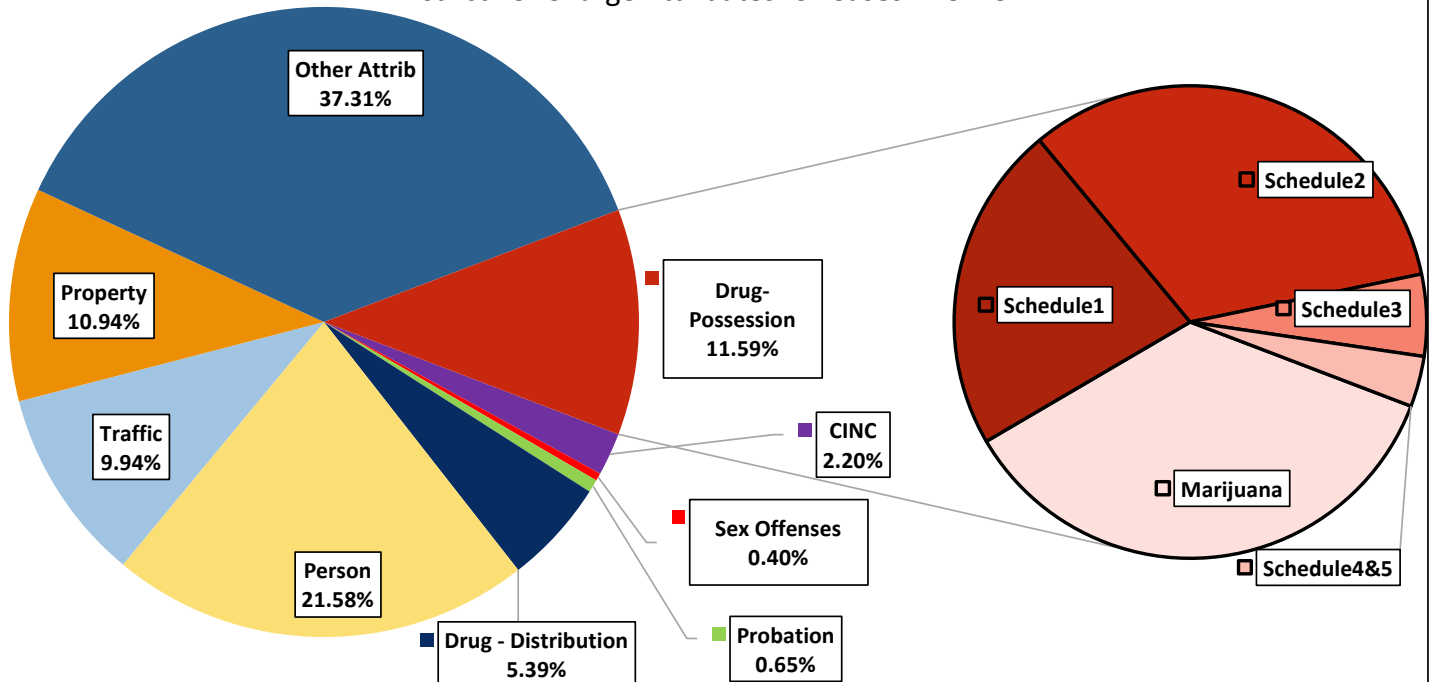




THE 29<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
ST. CHARLES (HAHNVILLE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: FENWICK A. SWANN, III  
13309 RIVER ROAD  
LULING, LA 70070  
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District 29 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

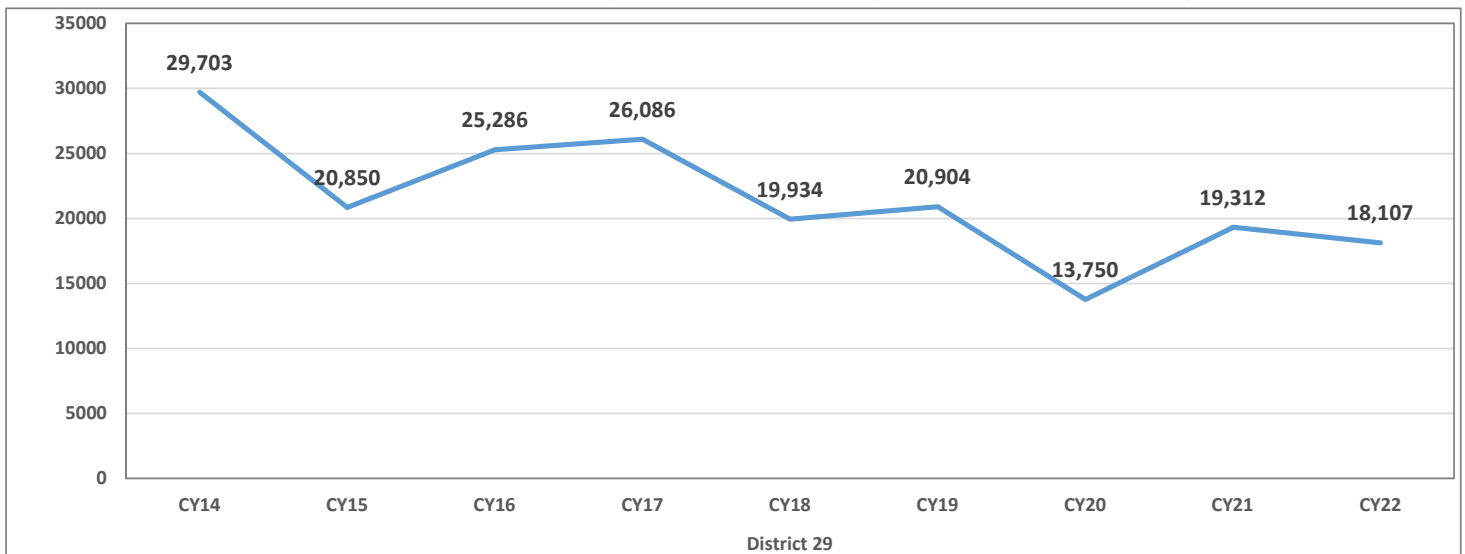


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 11.59% (229) of the 1,973 cases handled by the 29th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 35% were charged with Marijuana Possession.



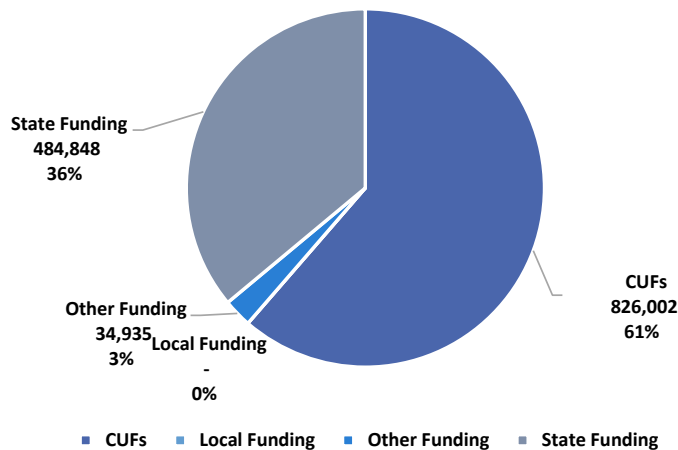
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



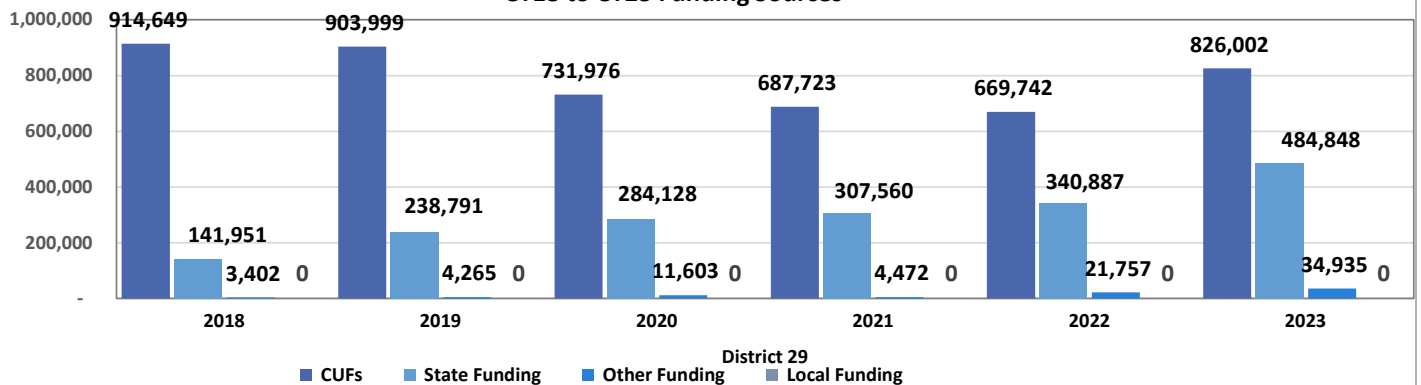
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 29th Judicial District decreased by 6% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be higher than the previous year.

**District 29 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 29th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,345,785 in total revenues. Sixty-one percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 29TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	St. Charles - Hahnville
<b>Population</b>	52,282
<b>District Defender</b>	Fenwick A. Swann, III
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	4
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	20
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Tammy Haydel
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	13309 River Road
<b>City</b>	Luling
<b>ZIP</b>	70070
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	9am-4pm Monday -Thursday, 9am-1pm Friday. Client Support, and Phone availability 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	985-331-5170
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	13309 River Rd. Luling, LA 70070
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	985-785-6831
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	District Defender Fenwick Swann
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	504-491-4696
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Tammy Haydel
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	504-606-9509
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	NONE
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Manina Dubroca, Kirk Granier
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	N/A
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A



<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	29th JDC, Temporary Courthouse, Luling, LA
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	29th Judicial District Court, Hahnville - 3 Sections.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Nelson Coleman Correctional Center, Killona
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Plaquemines Parish Detention Center, house all female pretrial inmates.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Detention Center, 3565 US-71, Coushatta, Louisiana 71019
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No-Accused and detained Juveniles are no longer shackled in court, and the Alternative to Detention (ATD) Program has been used to limited the number of Juveniles being detained through the use of ankle monitors, and supervision while awaiting disposition of the case.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Joel T. Chaisson, II
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	January to November 2023- Timothy Marcel; November-December 2023 Connie Aucoin
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	The 3 District Judges alternate juvenile court monthly.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Timothy Marcel/ Judge Rochelle Champagne-Fahrig
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Yes, Family Intervention Court.
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Family Intervention Court is a pilot program through LASC that helps Juveniles accused of delinquency matters to attempt to stem repeat offenses. It uses counselling for mental health, substance abuse, and family counseling for the entire family, not just the juvenile.

<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Court is still being held in temporary courthouse. Reconstruction, and repair of courthouse from Hurricane Ida is not yet complete. The scheduled move in date has been moved several times, and is not yet officially set. 2 out of 3 Judges will officially change (due to retirement and election to hire court), this will cause short term issue of reassignment of line defenders to avoid conflicts of interest.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Insufficient space to meet with clients during court at courthouse is, and will continue to be a problem. In the original renovation plan, the PDO was provided with 2 attorney visitation rooms. These were deleted in the actual construction. PDO will attempt to rectify, but as such, it has not occurred.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	St Charles Herald-Guide ran an article in the September 28, 2023- October 4, 2023 edition on the St Charles Public Defenders Office Community Oriented Defense Program
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	District Public Defender supervises all adult felony/misdemeanor attorneys. Juvenile Supervisor supervises all juvenile delinquency and CINC parent attorneys. Administrator supervises office staff and interns.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Yes for full-time employees, PDO pays 100%
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	2
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	1
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	2023- Gary L. Smith, Jr.- Senator- 19th District; Gregory A. Miller- Representative- 56th District; Randal L. Gaines- Representative-57th District; Joseph Stagni- Representative- 92nd District 2024- Gregory A. Miller- Senator- 19th District; Beth Billings- Representative- Representative-56th District; Sylvia Taylor- Representative-57th District
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Increased number of Juvenile/CINC Public Defenders allowing for the Defenders to specialize only in Juvenile case, thus creating a stronger defense team. Instituted platooning hybridized office staff work. Admin Staff work in office 3 days a week, and from home 2 days a week. The days are staggered insuring in staff support everyday, but increasing productivity, and morale. Instituted regular monthly juvenile attorney meetings to review training, procedures and case load.

## 29th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

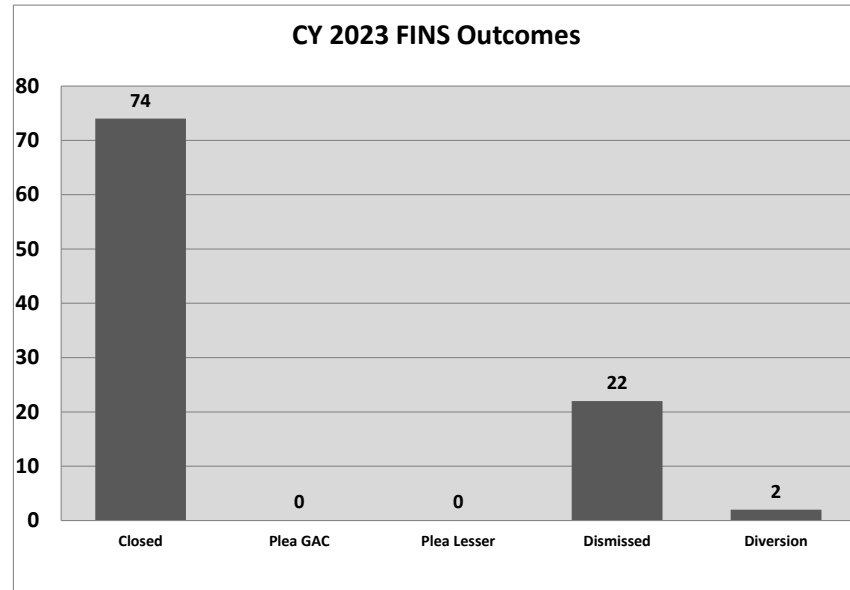
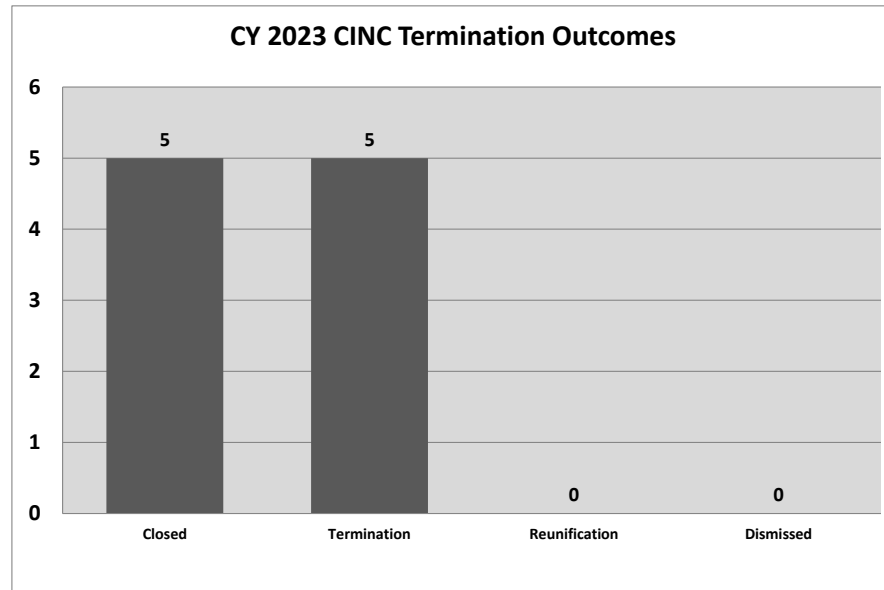
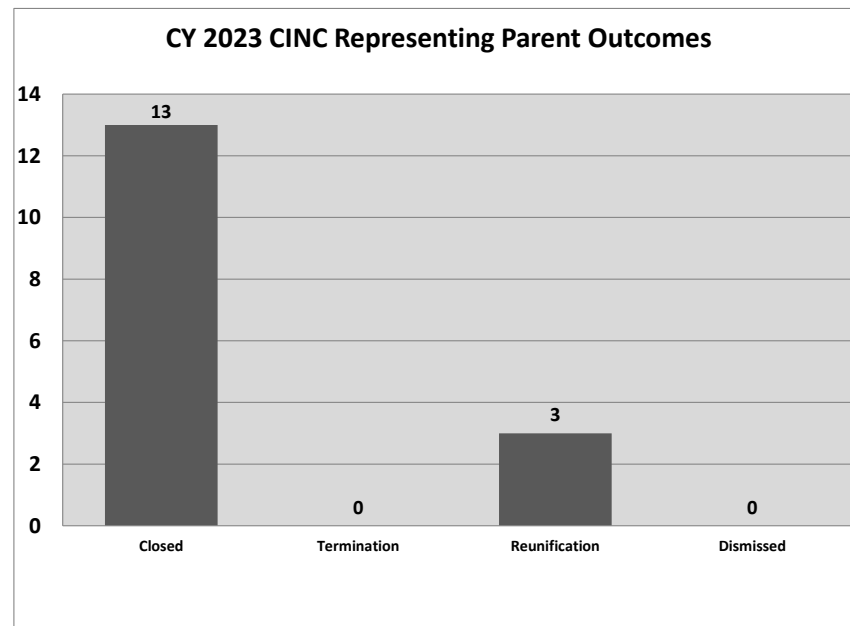
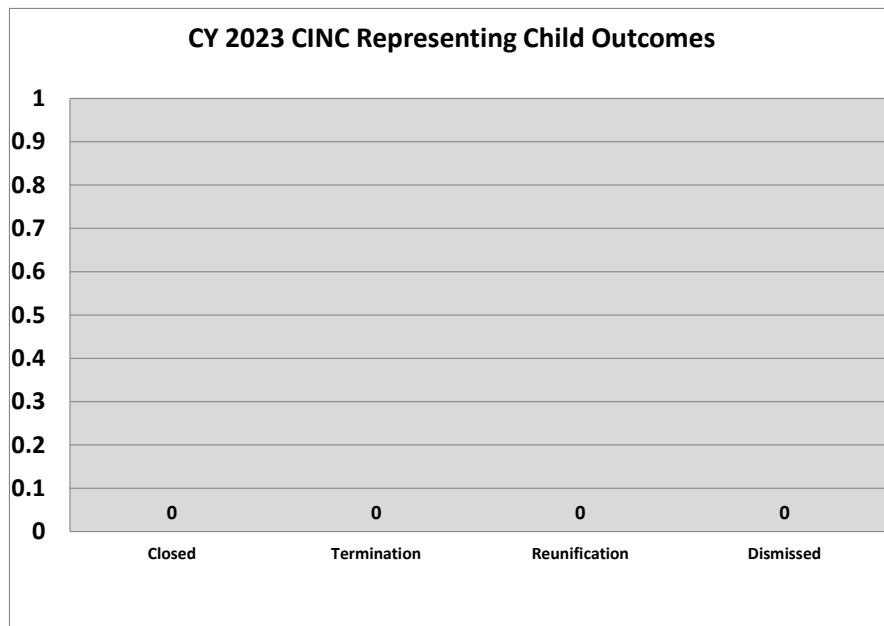
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	9	13	19	28	0	3	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	10	5	4	14	5	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	120	74	32	152	N/A	N/A	0	0	22	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	128	117	76	204	N/A	N/A	1	0	17	11	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	26	24	21	47	N/A	N/A	3	0	7	6	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	496	329	183	679	N/A	N/A	145	7	150	3	0	1	0	3	4
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	475	485	260	735	N/A	N/A	180	48	178	1	0	2	0	1	3
Adult LWOP	1	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	14	44	99	113	N/A	N/A	3	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

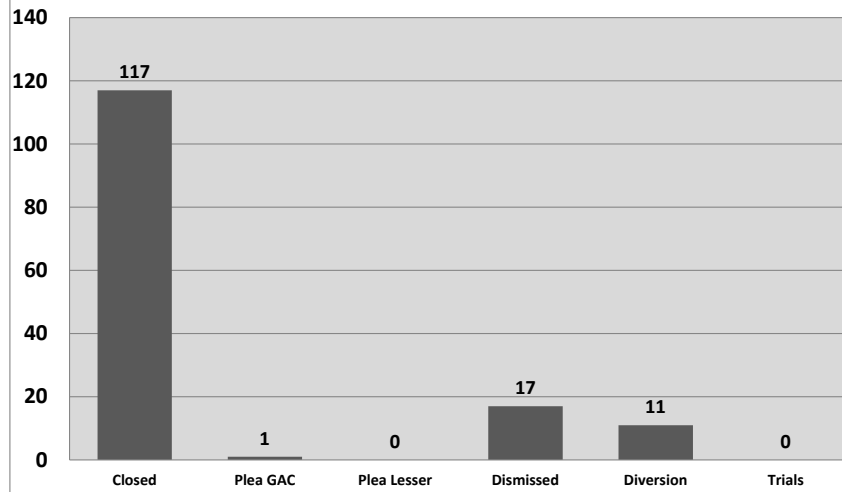
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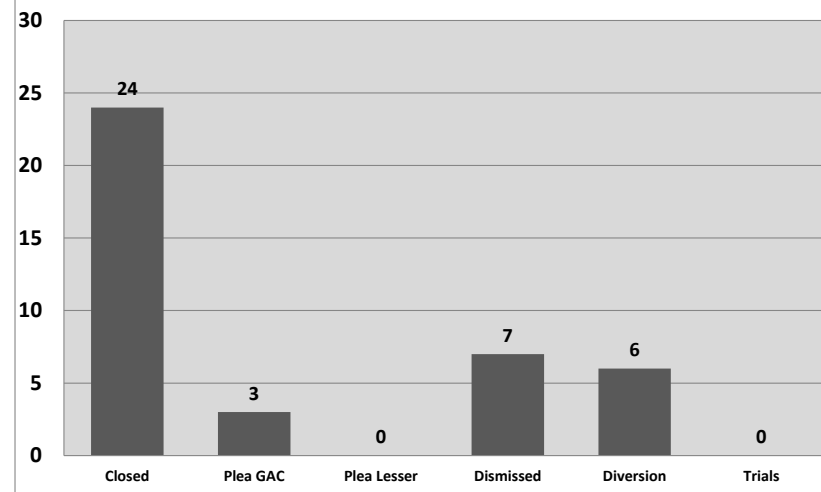
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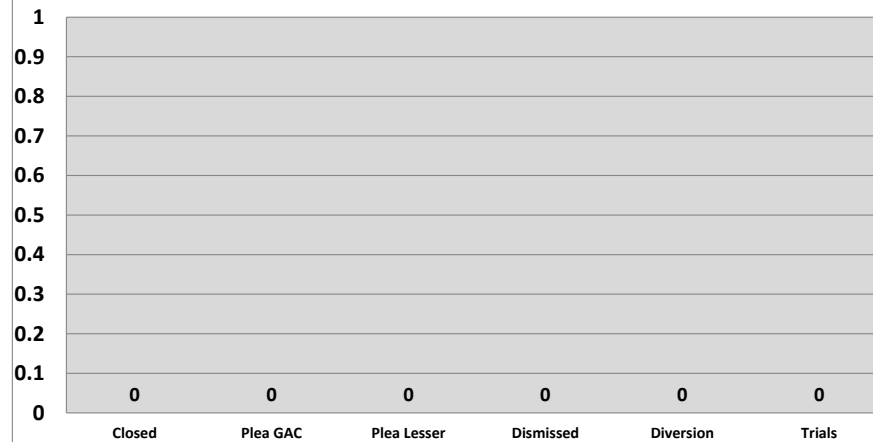
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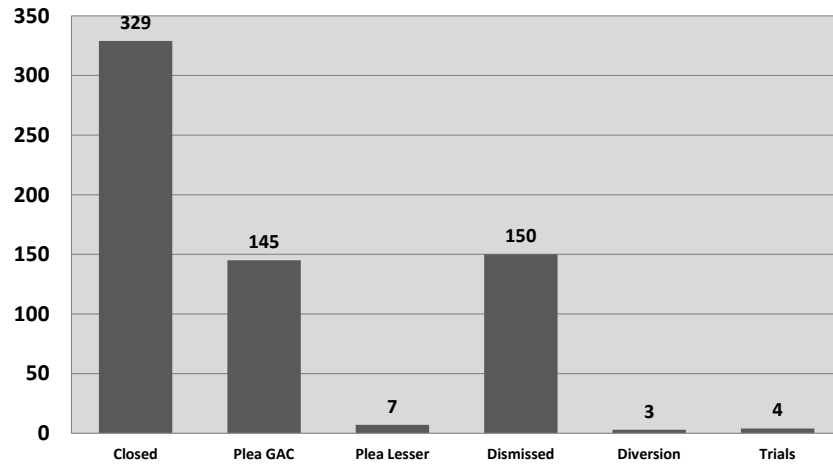
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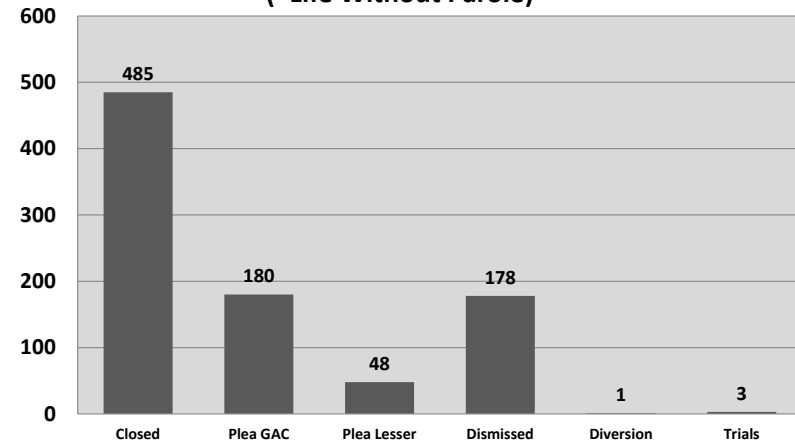
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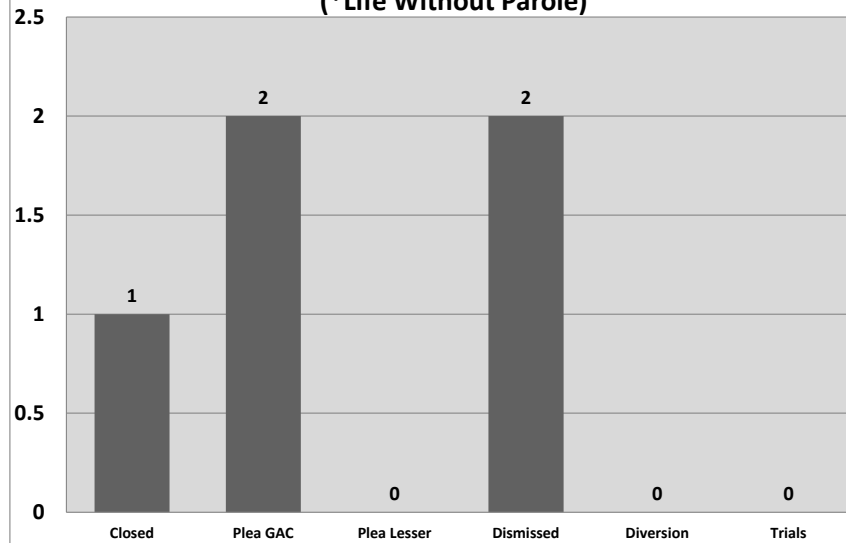
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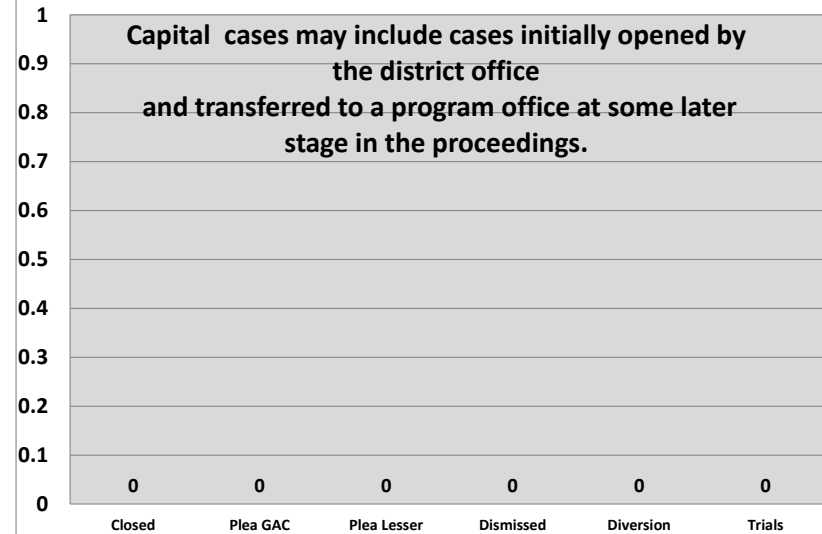
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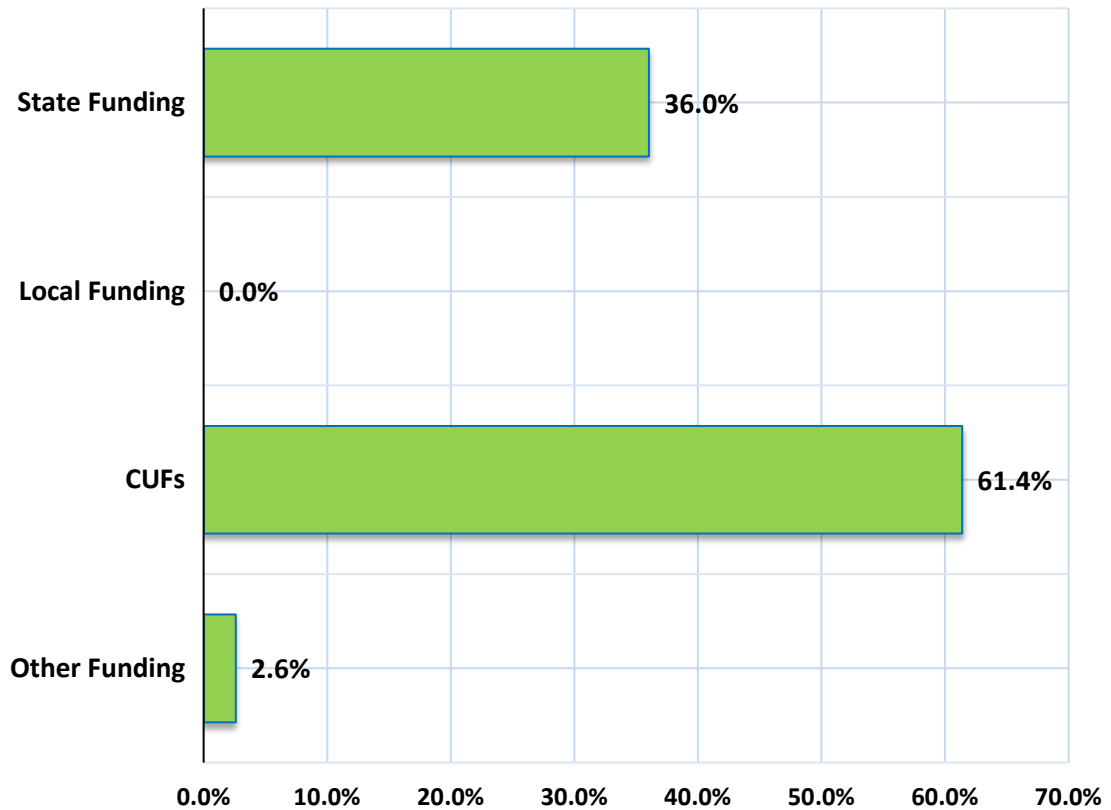


District 29 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Fenwick Swann</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	453
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>453</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	41,237
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	443,158
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>484,395</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	7,596
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	22,083
Other Local Income -List source(s)	2,917
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	807,023
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>807,023</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	2,151
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	9,232
Other Reimbursements	3,802
Other Local Income -List source(s)	6,081
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>21,266</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>860,885</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	52
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,345,785</b>

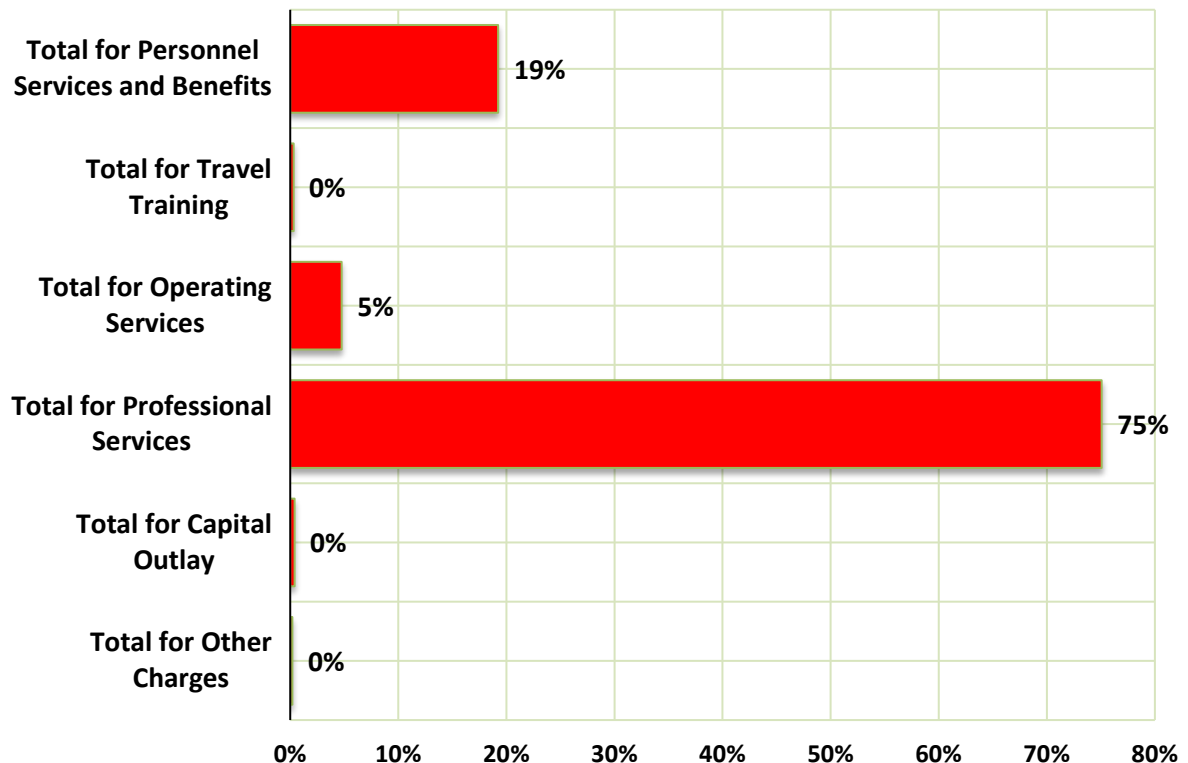
District 29 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Fenwick Swann</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	186,448
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	15,863
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	20,943
Retirement	21,400
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>244,653</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	23
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	3,811
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>3,834</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	206
Workers' Compensation	3,405
Insurance - Malpractice	3,799
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	3,597
Lease - Office	21,600
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	4,317
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	9,581
Dues and Seminars	2,172
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	975
Office Supplies	10,972
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>60,625</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	16,873
Contract Clerical	2,194
Expert Witness	6,931
Investigators	36,500
Interpreters	370
Social Workers	39,700
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	9,466
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	158,548
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	177,090
Contract Attorneys - all other	491,799
IT/Technical Support	14,835
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>954,306</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	5,093
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>5,093</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	2,582
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>2,582</b>
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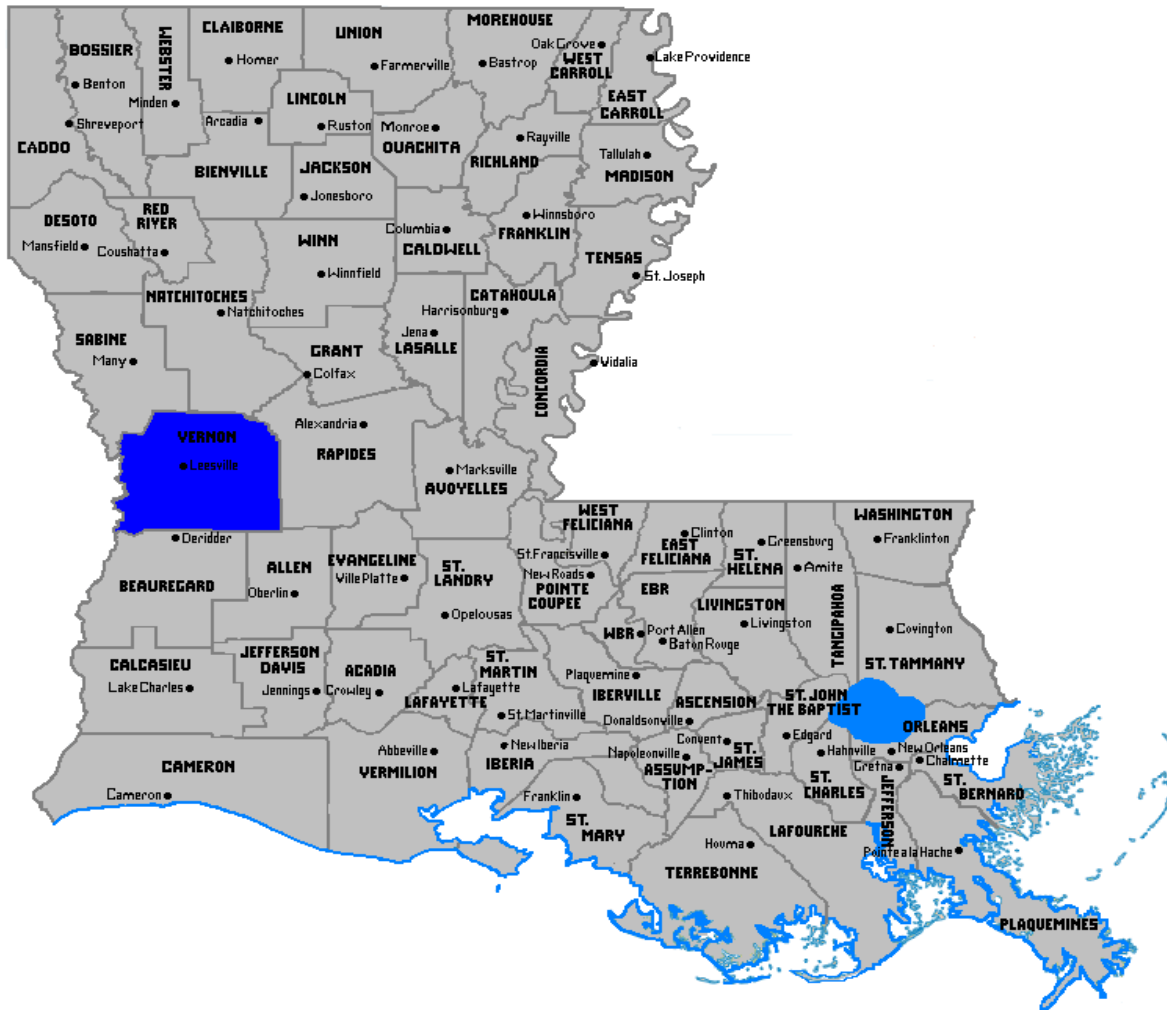


## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

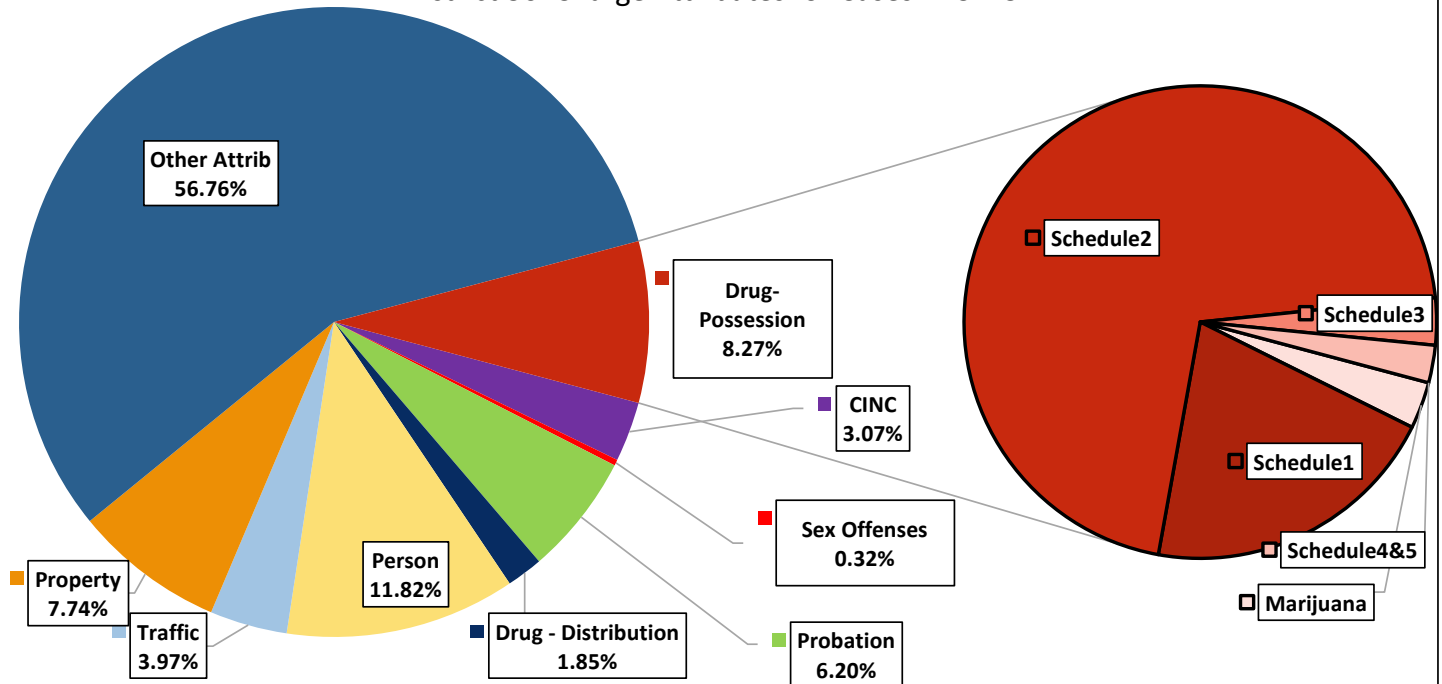




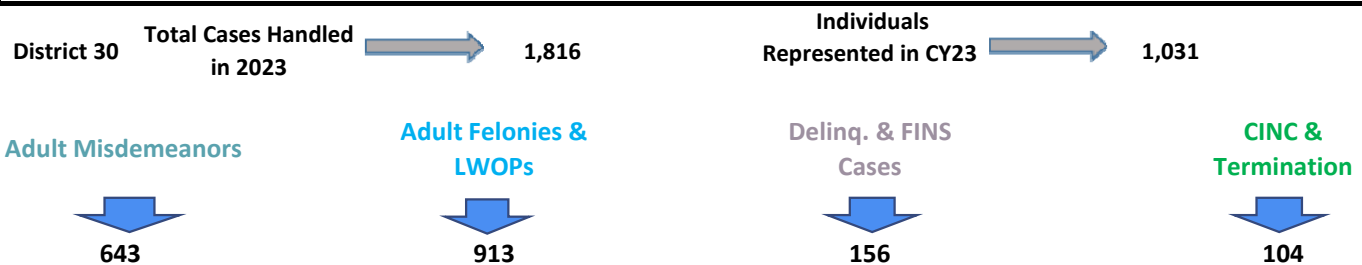
THE 30<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
VERNON (LEESVILLE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: TONY TILLMAN  
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District 30 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

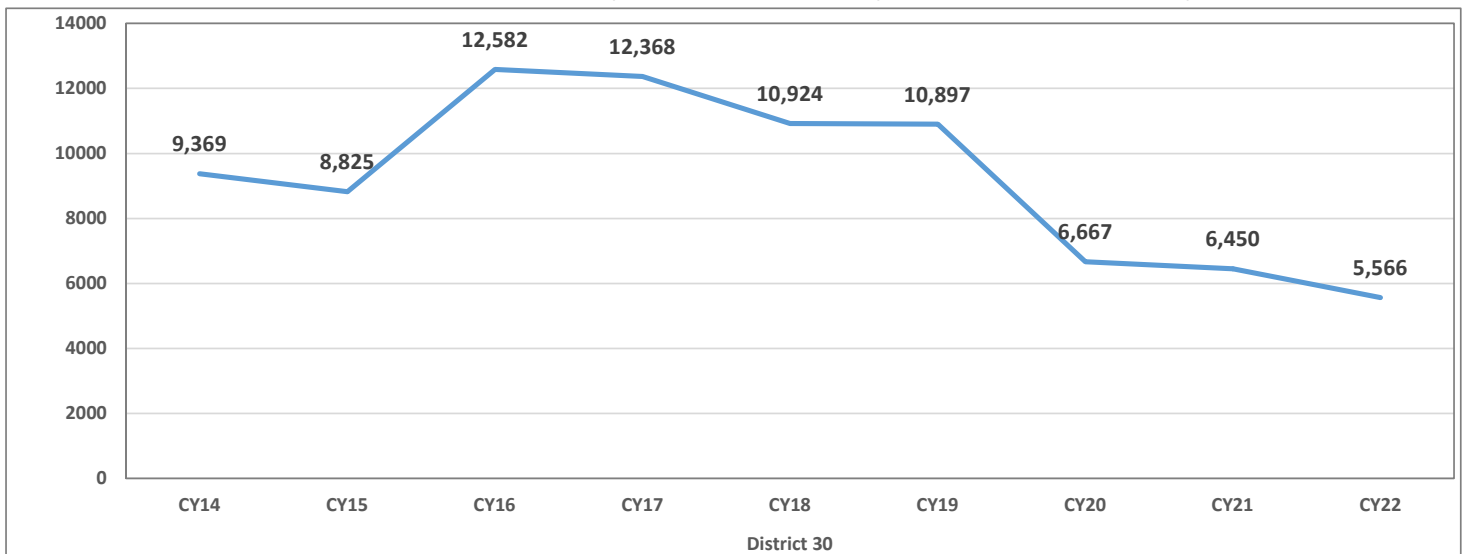


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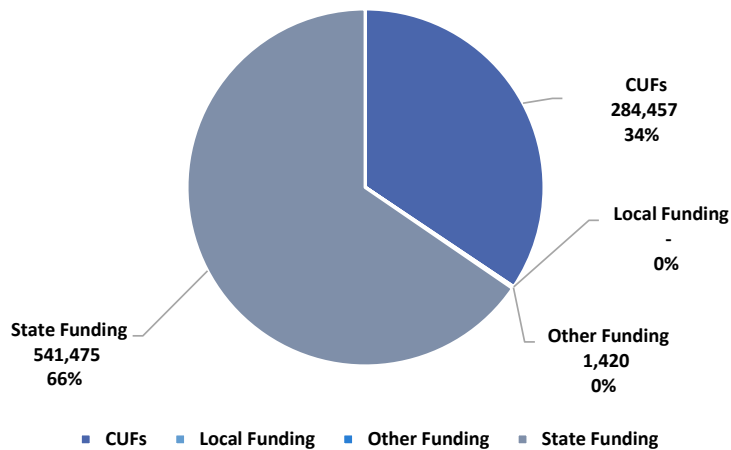
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



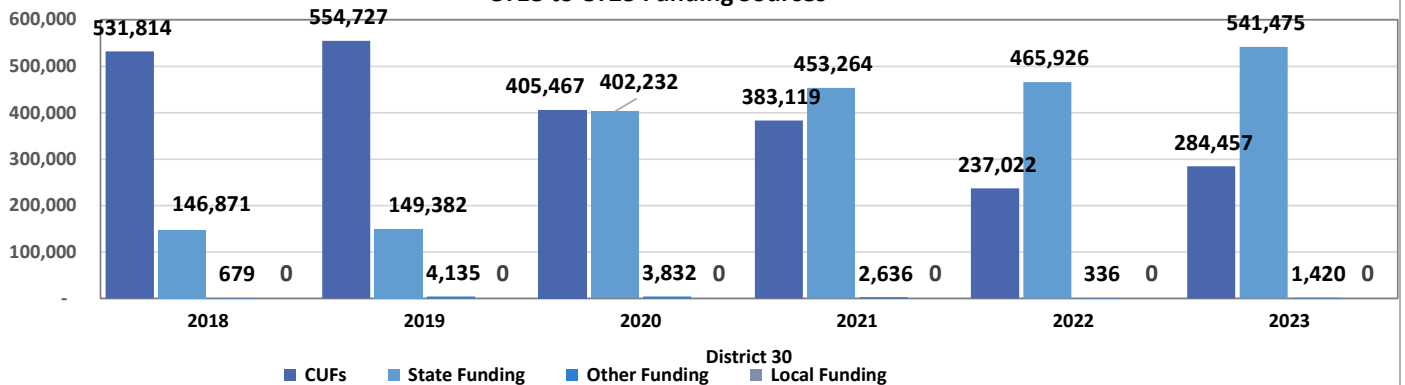
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 30th Judicial District decreased slightly from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison.

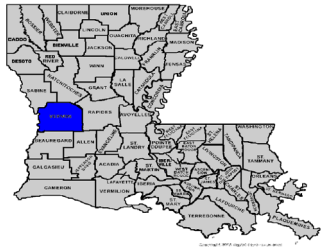
**District 30 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 30th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$827,352 in total revenues. Thirty-four percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the 75% received during 2017. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 30TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Vernon - Leesville
<b>Population</b>	47,247
<b>District Defender</b>	Tony Tillman
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	14
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	27
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	35 hours monthly
<b>Office Manager</b>	Jennifer Prewitt
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	501 South Fourth Street
<b>City</b>	Leesville
<b>ZIP</b>	71446
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8-noon and 1-4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-392-3077
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	501 South Fourth St. Leesville, LA 71446
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-392-3078
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Tony Tillman
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-208-5790
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Jennifer Prewitt
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-430-0074
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Tony Tillman
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Tony Tillman
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	30th Judicial District Court- Vernon Parish, 215 S. 4th Street, Leesville; Leesville City Court - 101 W. Lee Street
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	3 Divisions in District Court, 1 in City
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Vernon Parish Jail
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None other than DOC facilities.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center, Coushatta, LA Renaissance House, Alexandria, LA
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	The PDO attorneys are having to ask the Judges to have the shackles removed.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Terry Lambright
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Scott Westerchill
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	District - C. Anthony Eaves, Scott Westerchill, and Tony Bennett. City - Elvin C. Fontenot
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	C. Anthony Eaves
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	No
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Data input is a critical area for us-since the budget is dependent on the data, our district will continue to get short changed until I can solve this problem. The attorneys continually complain that they do Not mind the legal work; it is the data collection they complain about.

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Need of office space and staff, particularly an investigator and social worker. With a drug court and extensive OCS caseload, a social worker would greatly benefit our clients
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	With only two full time employees and two part time supervising them is easy-they both are in offices next to mine, and I am in their offices multiple times a day. The attorneys are all on contract and have their own offices. I see them in court regularly, and meet with the judges and the DA and ask for observations about the attorneys' performances. I have met with individually with each attorneys to discuss issues, i.e. need to document client contact, need to do more frequent jail visits, etc..
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Yes, with the Vernon Parish Police Jury the PDO office pays 80% with employee paying 20%.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Mike Reese; Rep Charles A. Owens; Rep Rodney W. Shamerhorn
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Worked with attorneys' staff to do better job on motion practice, jail visits, and data input. Met with DA and Judges to stream line court time.

### 30th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	52	28	39	91	0	2	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	10	8	3	13	9	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	24	18	5	29	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	73	41	8	81	N/A	N/A	5	0	6	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	35	15	11	46	N/A	N/A	2	0	8	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	418	381	225	643	N/A	N/A	233	12	268	3	0	0	0	3	3
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	379	375	326	705	N/A	N/A	204	34	184	1	0	2	0	3	5
Adult LWOP	2	0	3	5	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	147	103	56	203	N/A	N/A	0	0	3	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

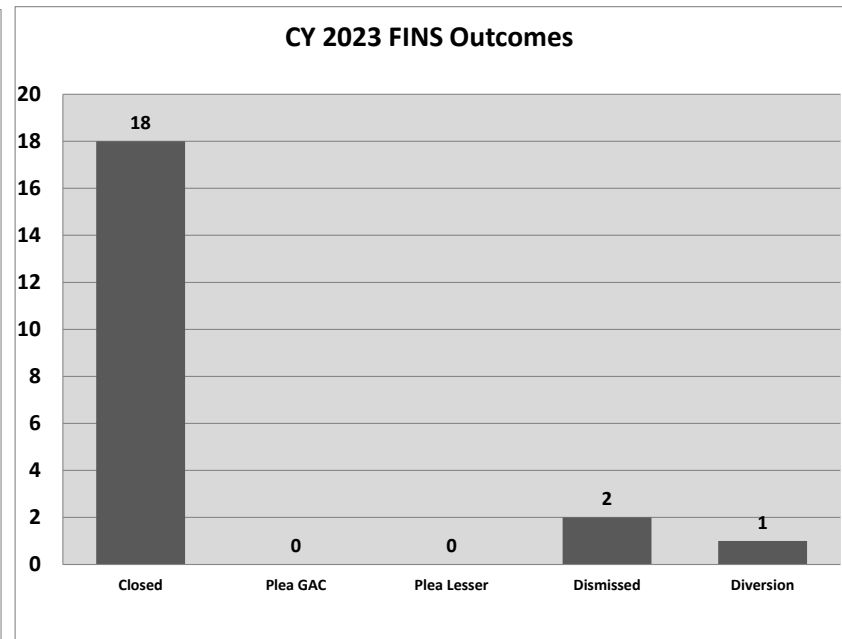
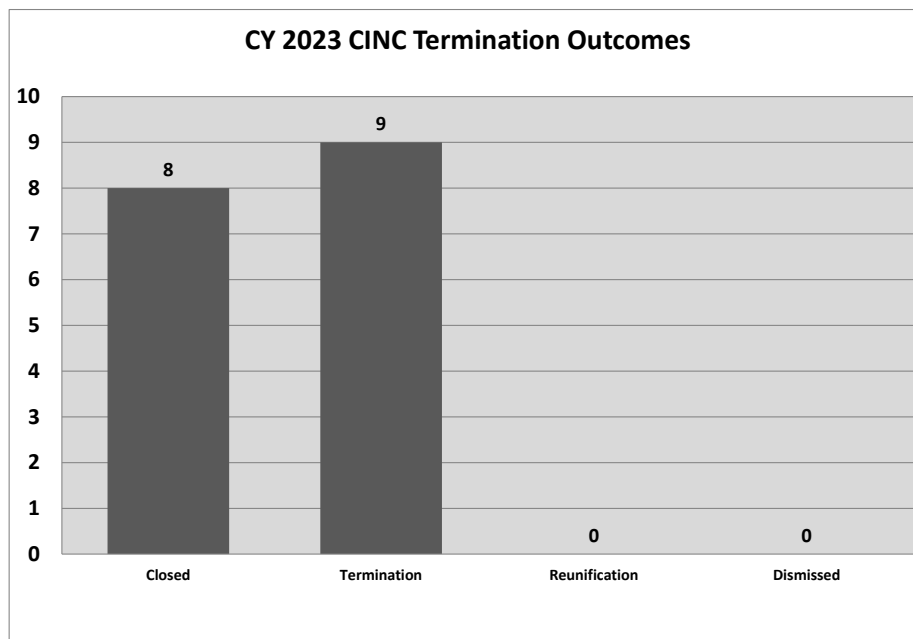
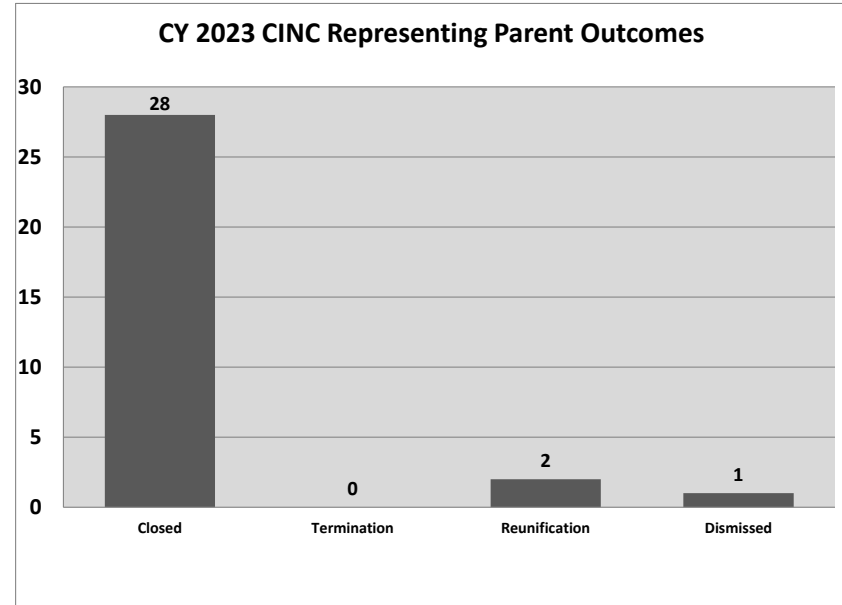
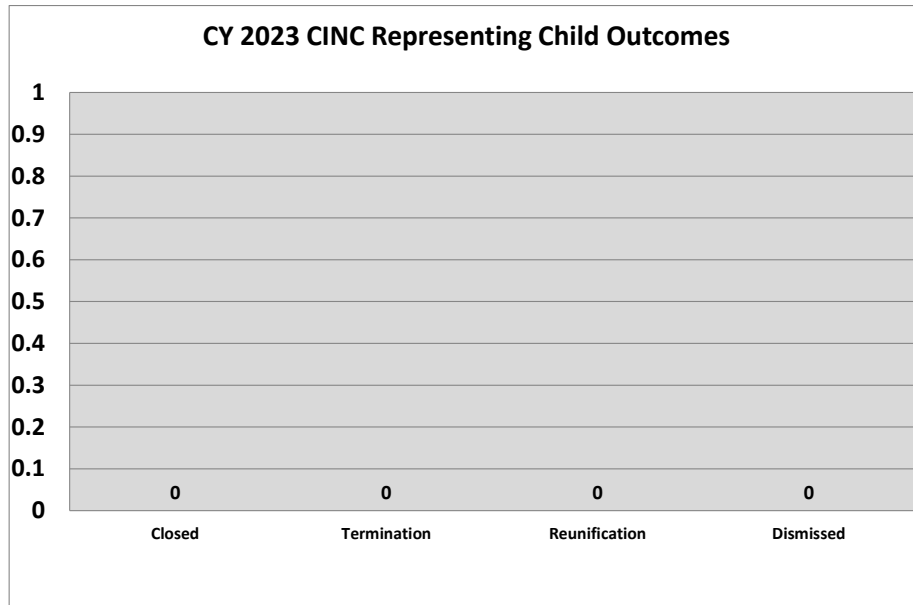
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

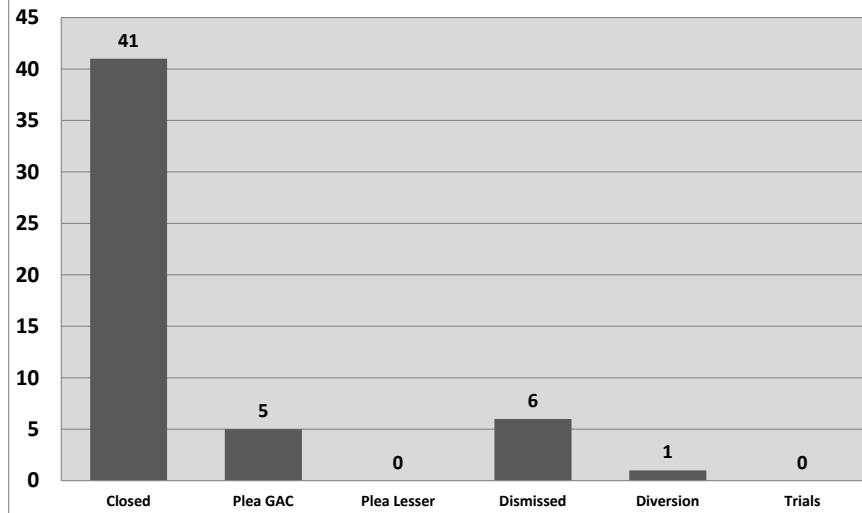
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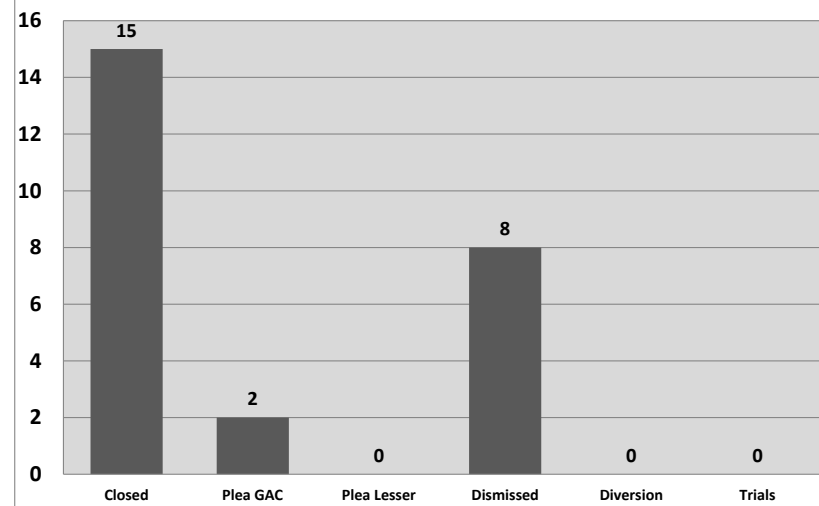




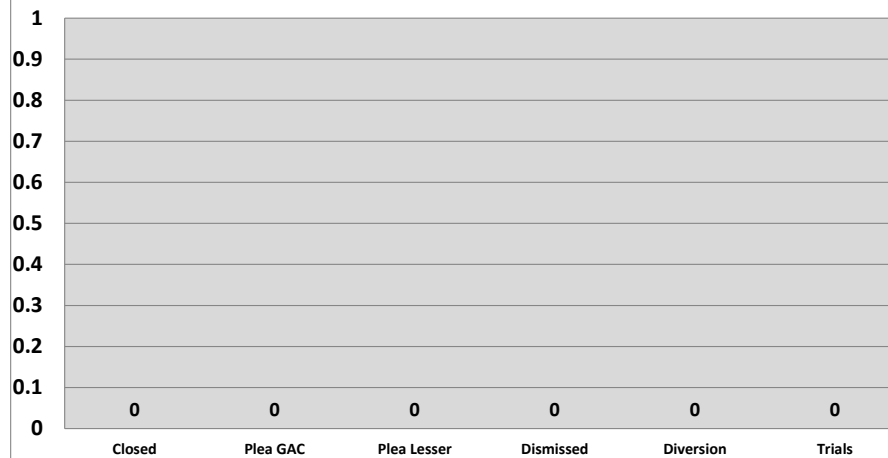
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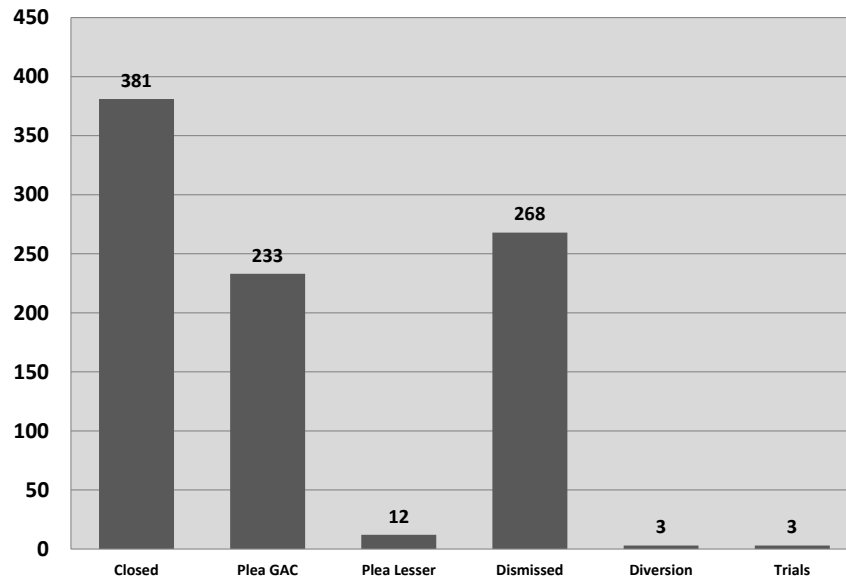
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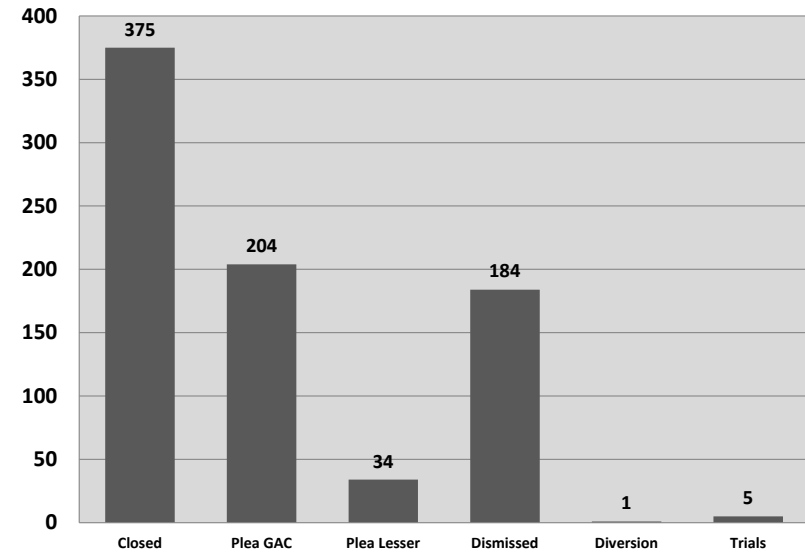
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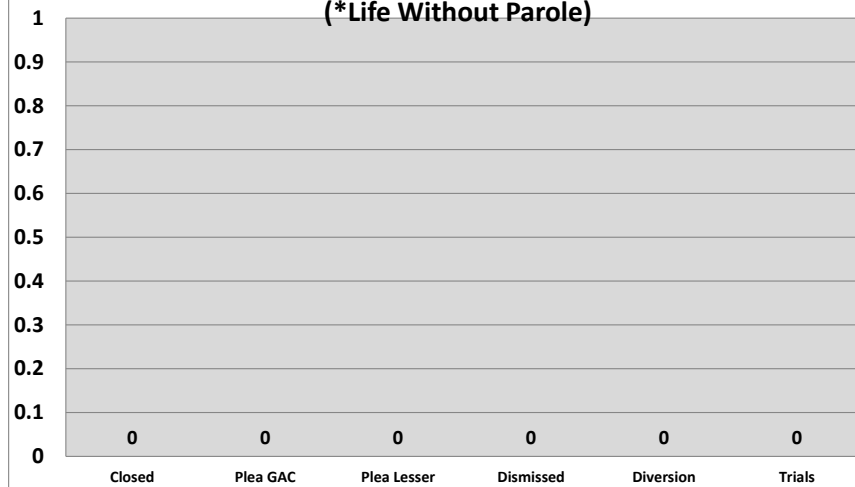
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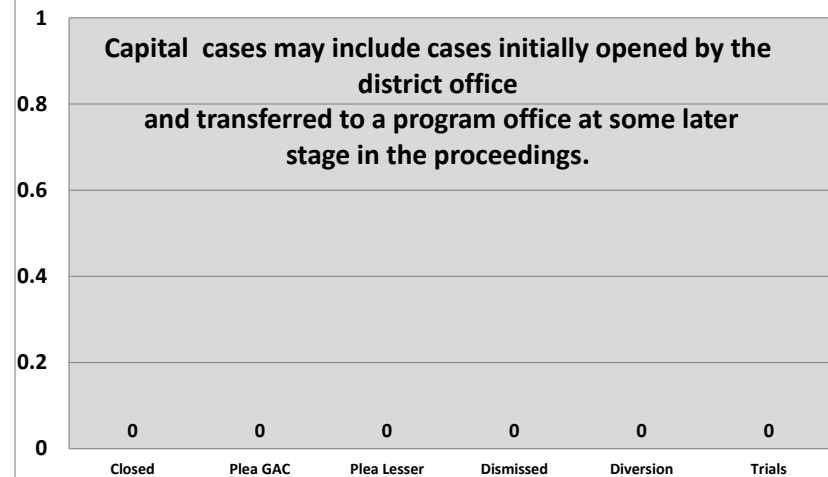
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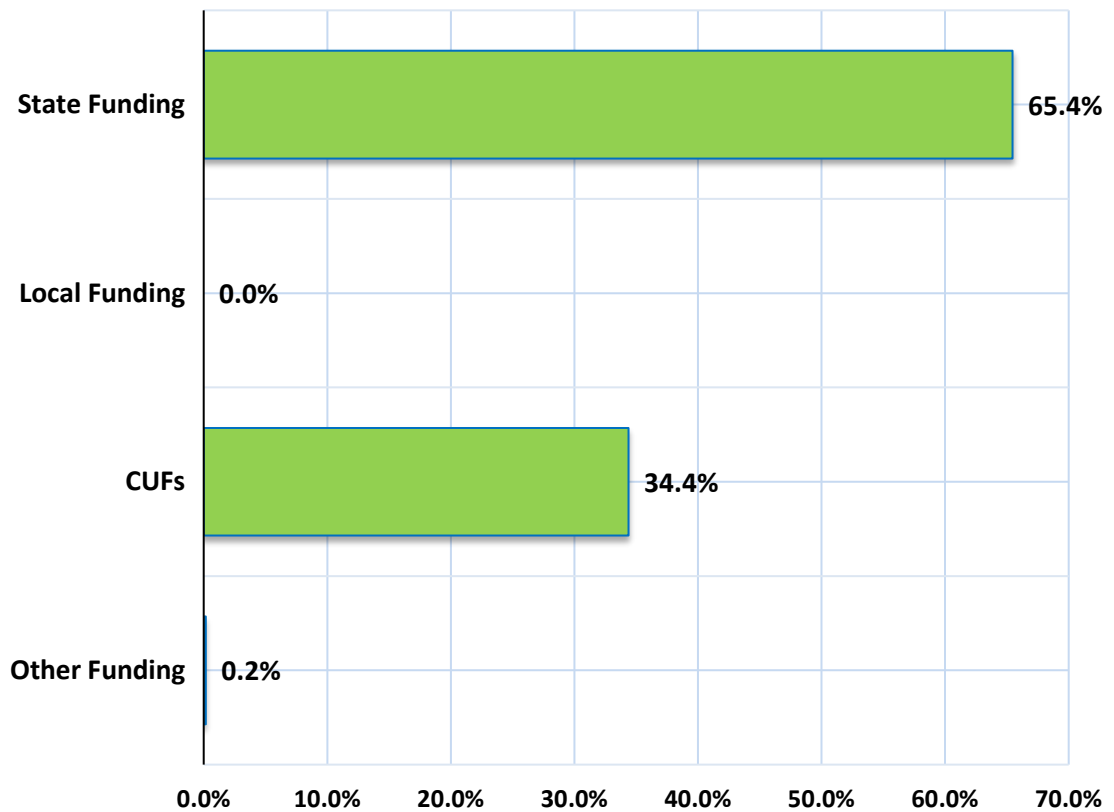
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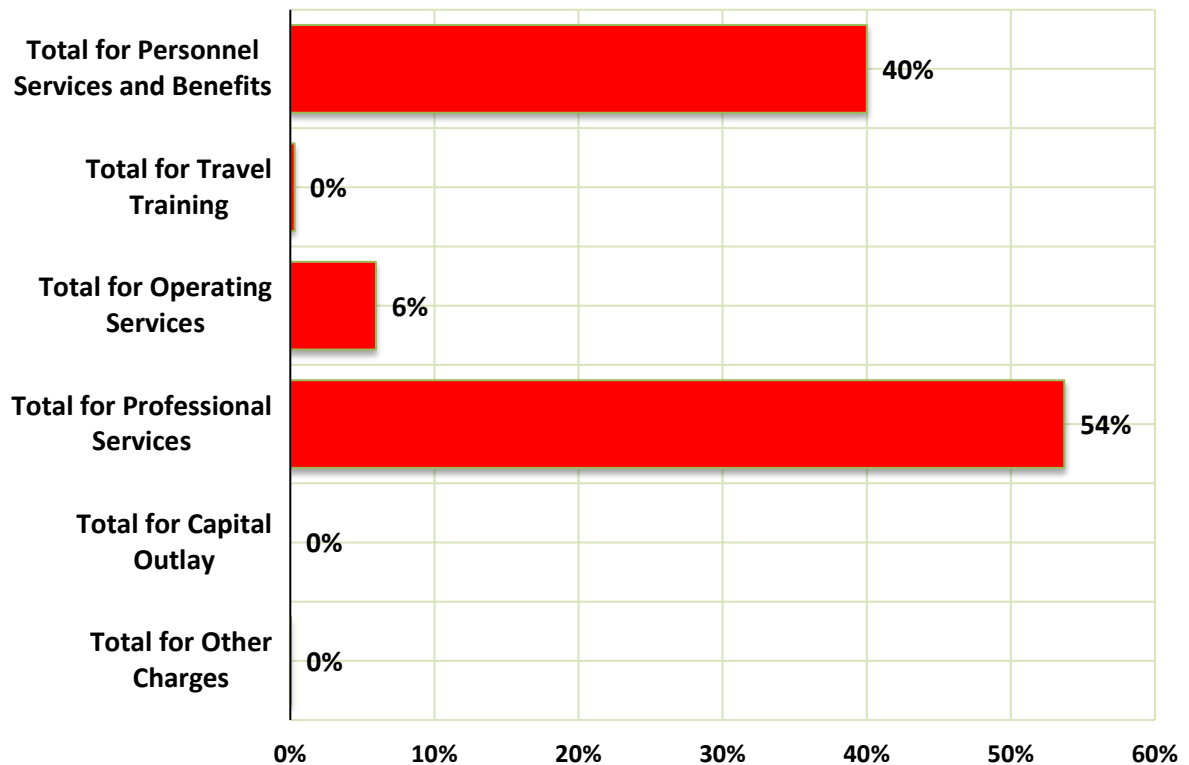
District 30 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Tony Tillman</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	2,666
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>2,666</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	17,960
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	483,844
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	37,005
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>538,808</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	19,617
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	47,761
City & City-Ward Courts	34,272
Judicial District Courts	139,114
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	31,428
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>252,575</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	900
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	11,365
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>12,265</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>284,457</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	1,420
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>1,420</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>827,352</b>

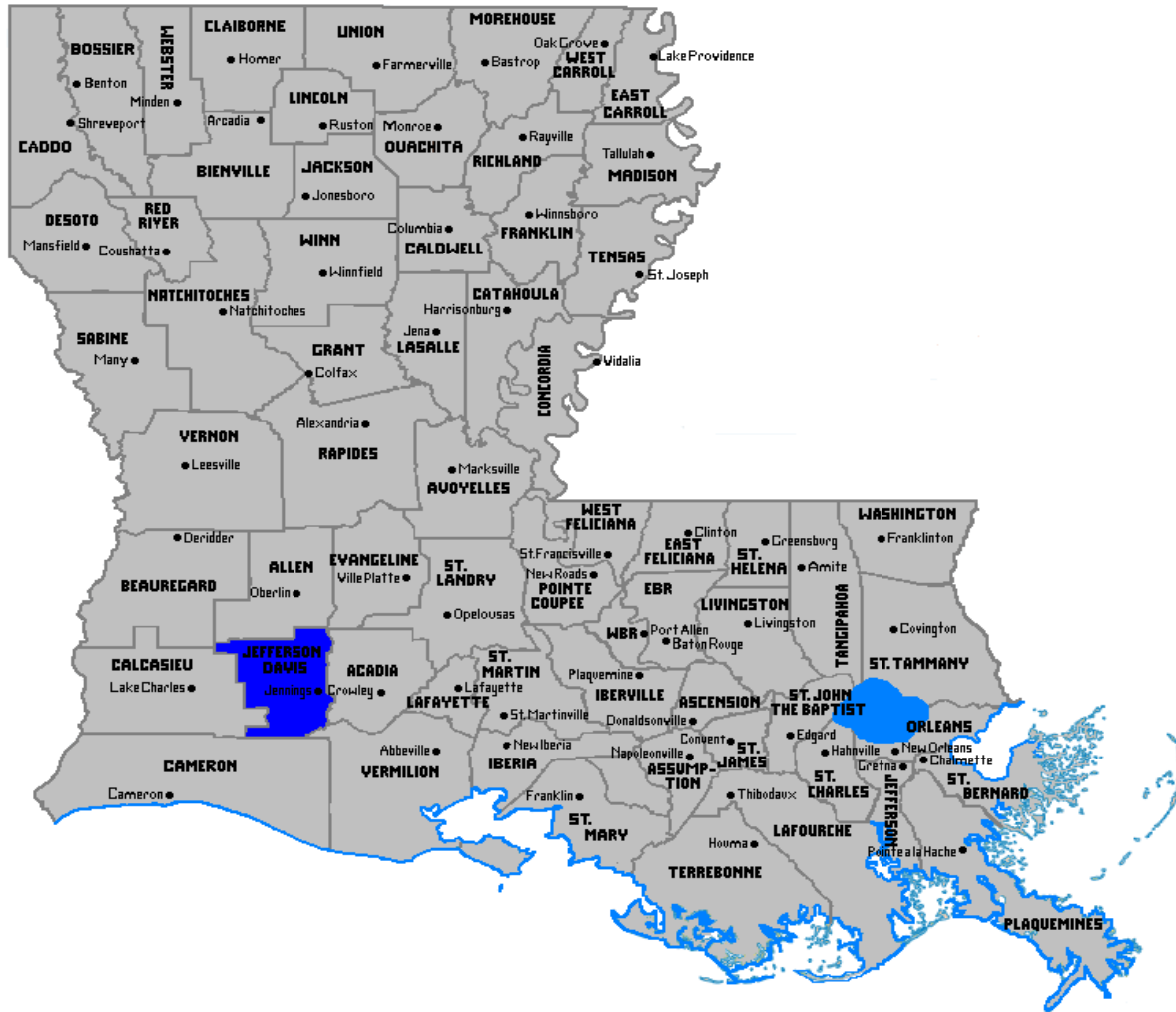
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<b>District Defender: Tony Tillman</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	287,708
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	22,049
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	41,920
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>351,677</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	2,636
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>2,636</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	91
Workers' Compensation	25
Insurance - Malpractice	12,056
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	784
Insurance - Other	548
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	4,515
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Office Supplies	6,126
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Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	14,560
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	6,682
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	445,276
IT/Technical Support	5,700
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>472,219</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	297
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>297</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>879,138</b>
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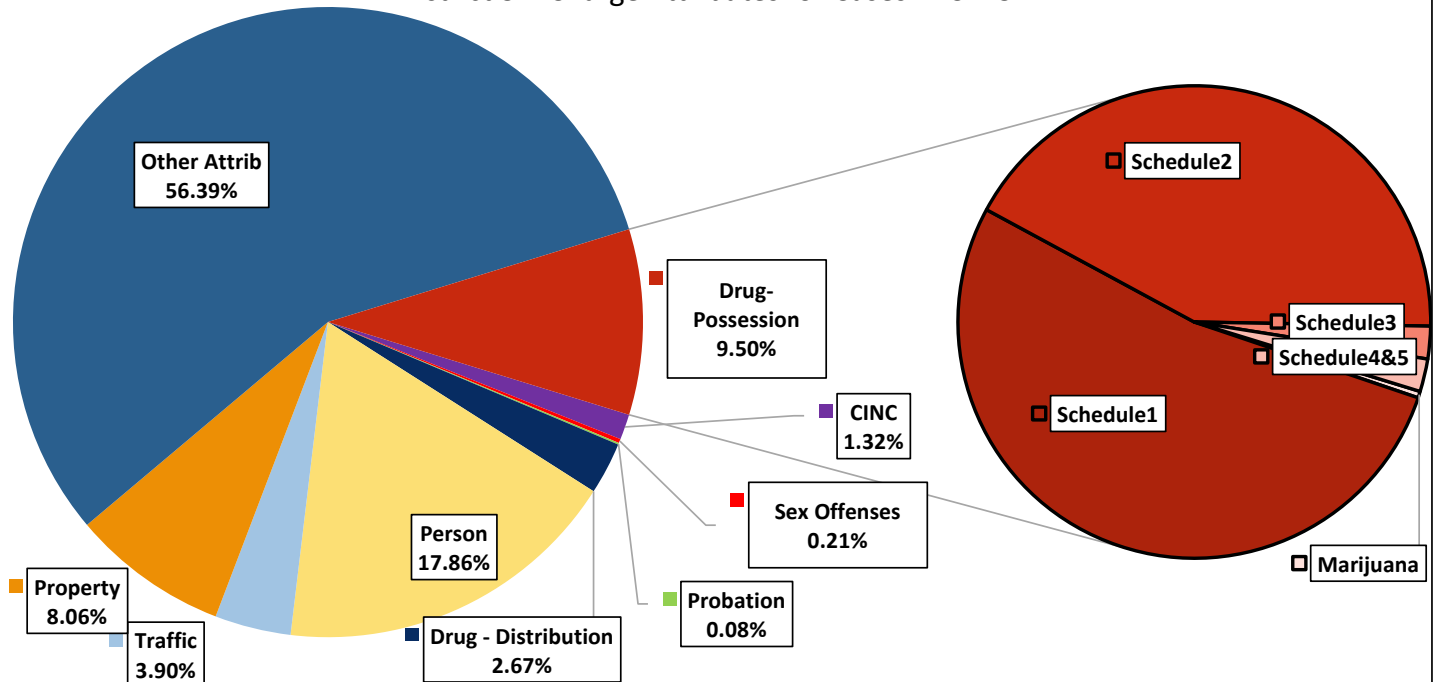




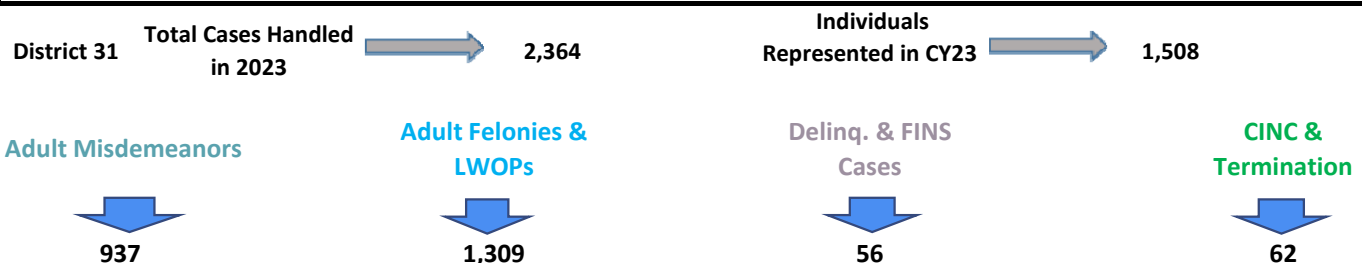
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District 31 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23



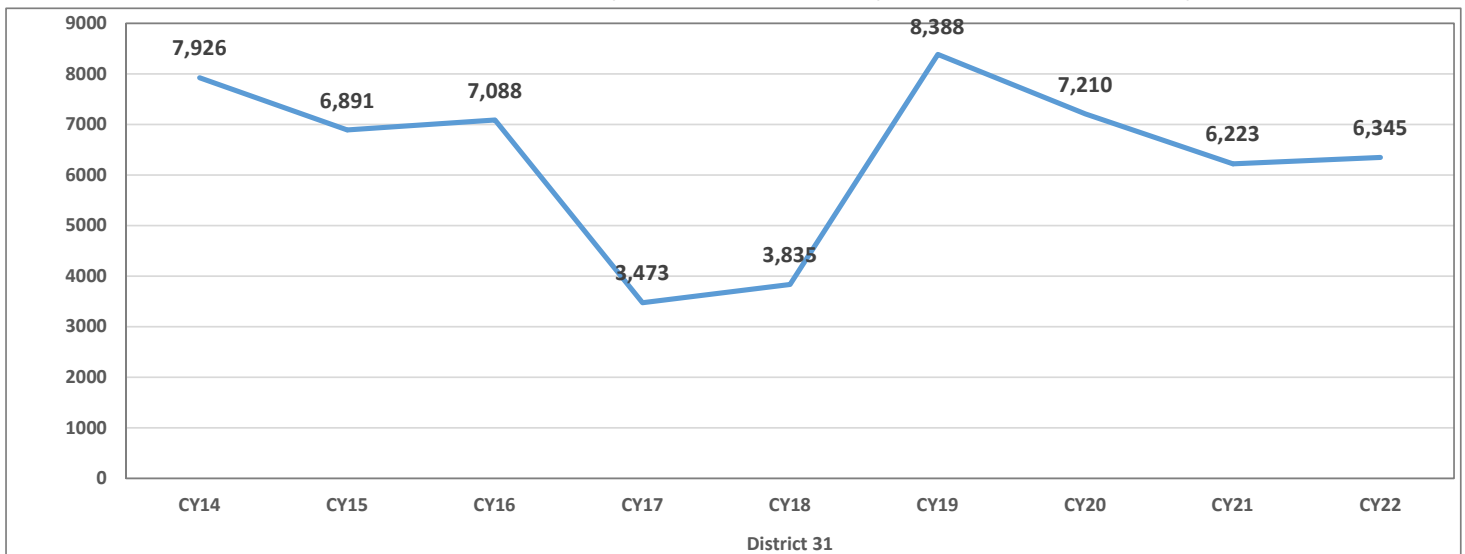
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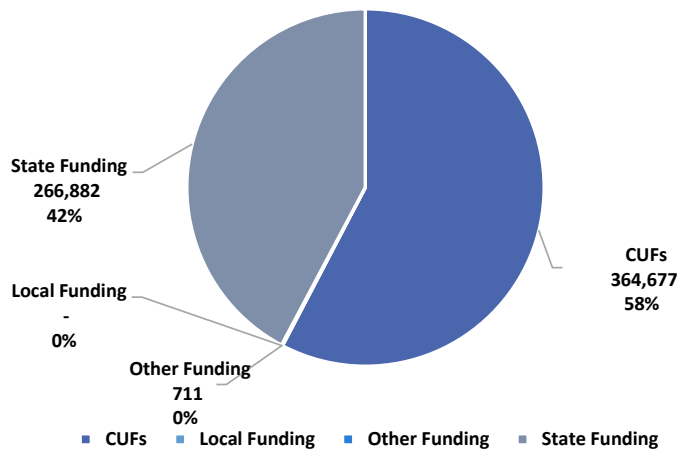


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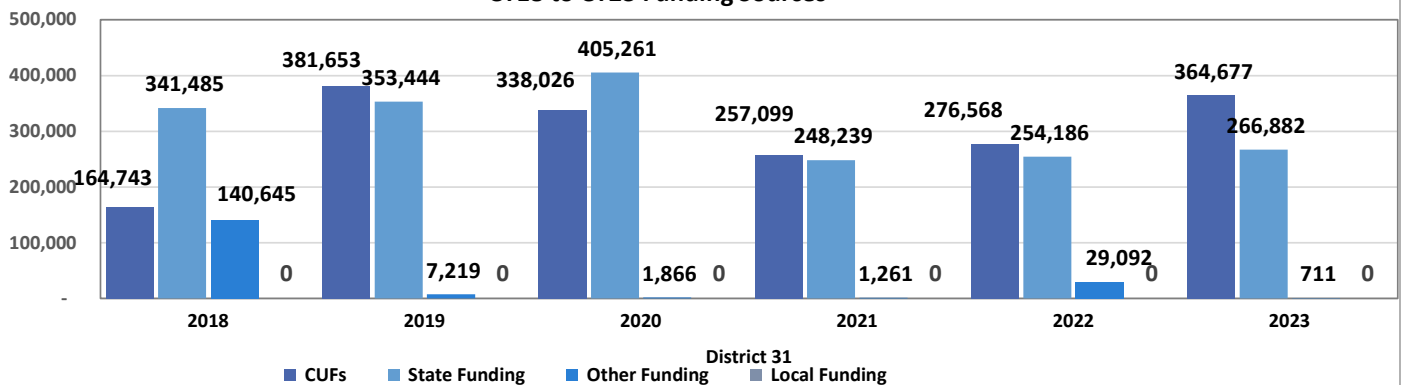
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**District 31 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 31st Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$632,270 in total revenues. Fifty-eight percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 31<sup>ST</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Jefferson Davis - Jennings
<b>Population</b>	32,448
<b>District Defender</b>	David E. Marcantel
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	21
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	10
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	100
<b>Office Manager</b>	April M. Bertrand
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	300 North State Street, Room 203
<b>City</b>	Jennings
<b>ZIP</b>	70546
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday thru Friday, 8:30AM - 4:30PM, excluding holidays and closures due to inclement weather
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-824-4900
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 1326, Jennings, LA 70546
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-824-1009
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	April M. Bertrand
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-842-4870
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Rachel Gary
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-329-2923
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	David E. Marcantel
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Jefferson Davis Police Jury
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Provided by JDPPJ (parish Police Jury provides small office space in courthouse)
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	31st Judicial District Court, Jefferson Davis Parish; Jennings, Welsh, Lake Arthur City Courts, and City of Jennings and Ward II Juvenile Court.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	One each
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Jefferson Davis Parish Jail, Jennings; Welsh City Jail, Welsh; Lake Arthur City Jail, Lake Arthur.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	South Louisiana Correctional Center, Richland Parish Jail, Angola, Calcasieu Correctional Center, Vermillion Parish Jail and Concordia Correctional Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	UNK
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Lauren C. Heinen
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Steve Gunnell
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Steve Gunnell (District Court) & Daniel Stretcher (City Court).
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Increase of Local and State revenues.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	None
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None

<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	On organizational chart
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Medical benefits are provided by the office for full time W-2 employees only.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None. This is a rarified occurrence for our district.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Mark Abraham; Representative Troy Romero
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	None

### 31st District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

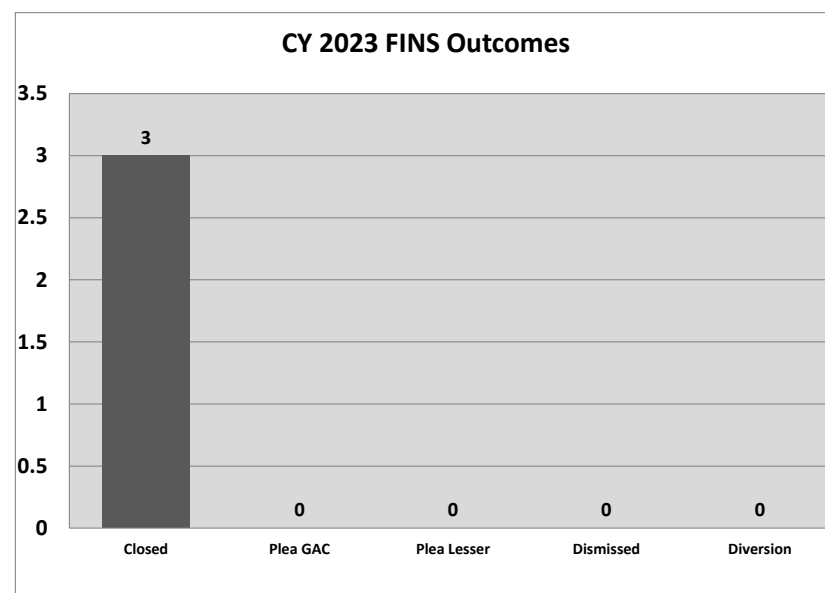
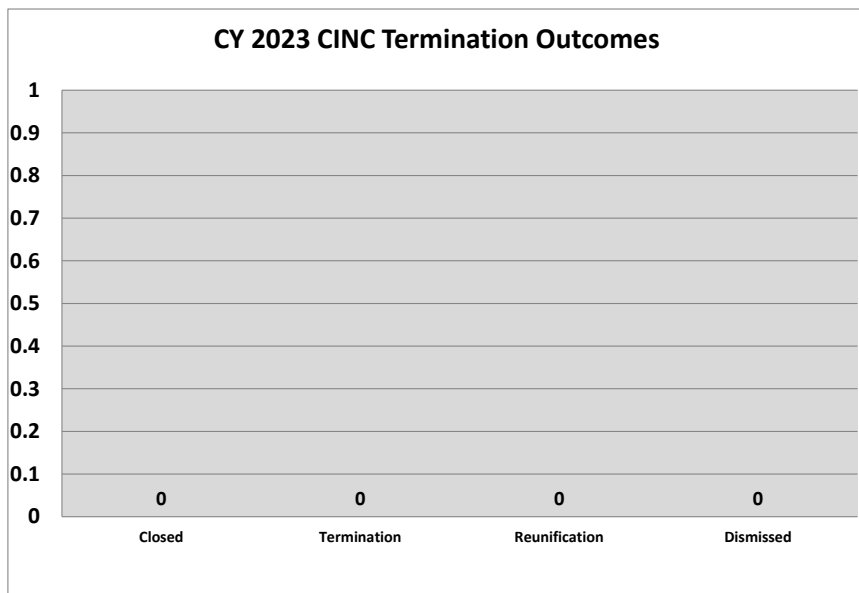
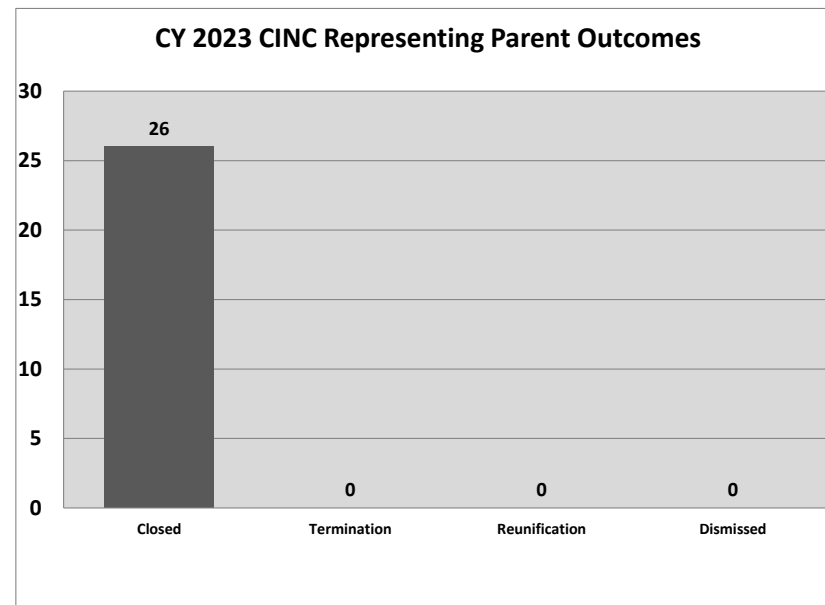
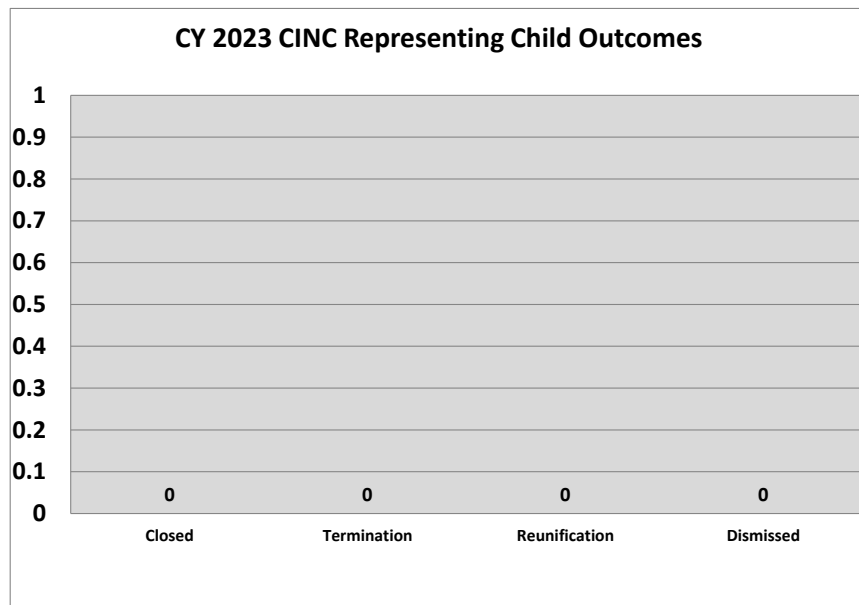
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	35	26	27	62	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	3	3	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	20	16	13	33	N/A	N/A	1	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	8	10	11	19	N/A	N/A	3	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	587	490	350	937	N/A	N/A	269	0	323	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	659	736	607	1266	N/A	N/A	387	7	860	7	0	0	0	1	1
Adult LWOP	6	2	2	8	N/A	N/A	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	3	8	32	35	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

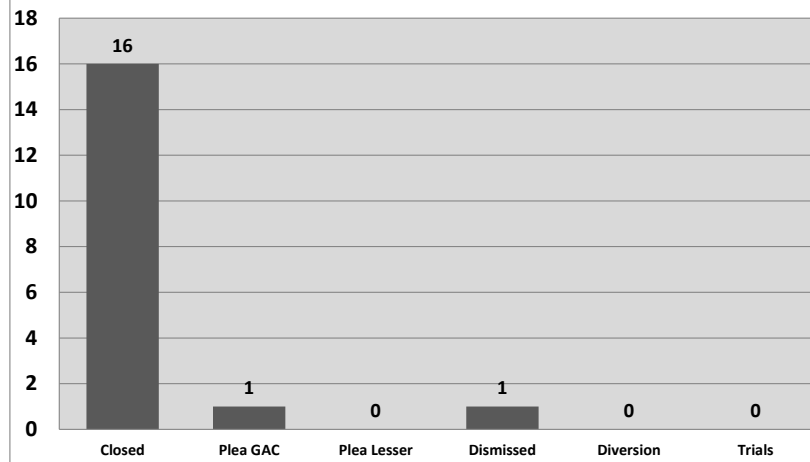
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

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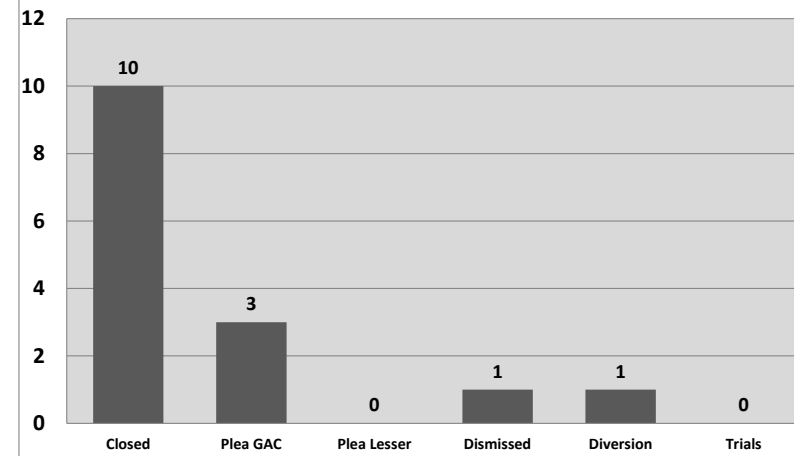
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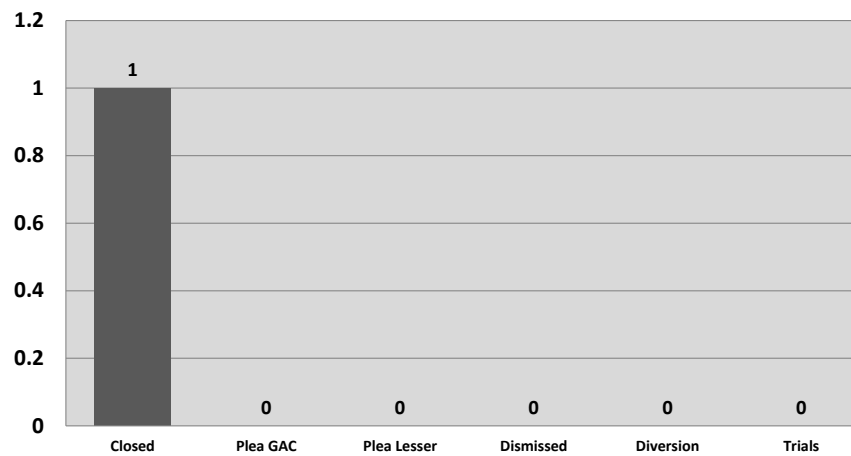
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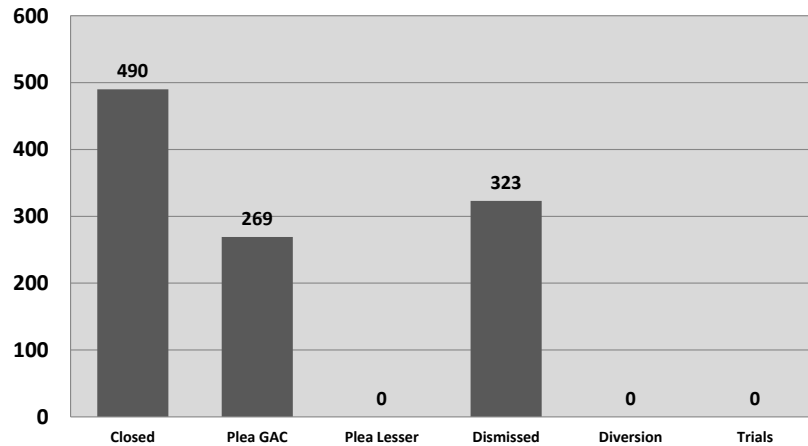
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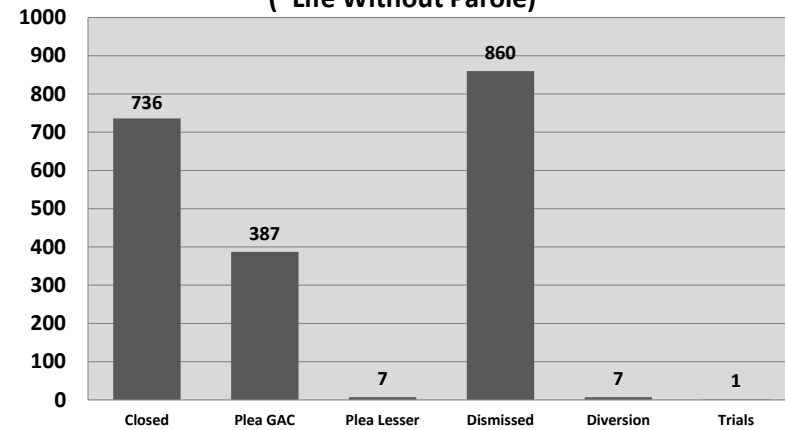
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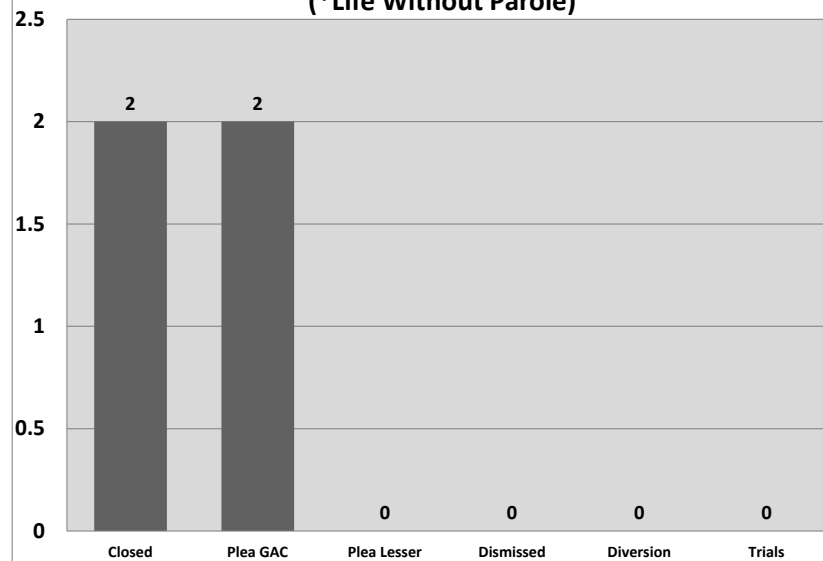
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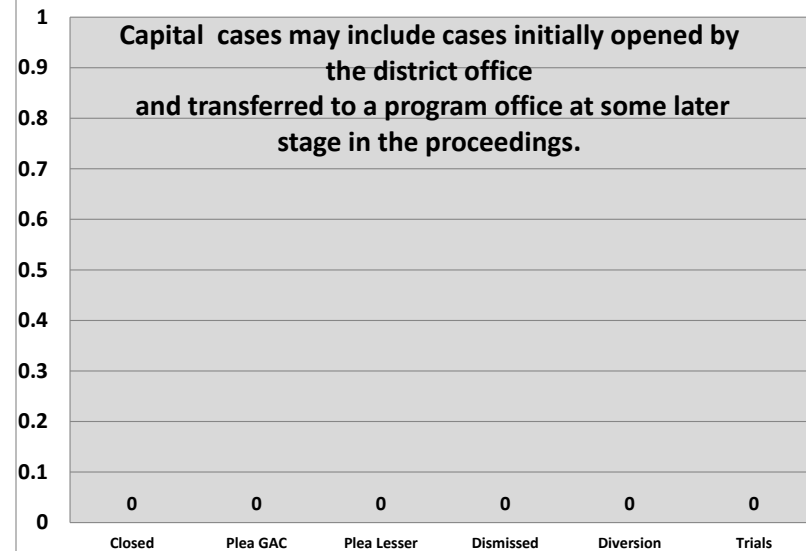
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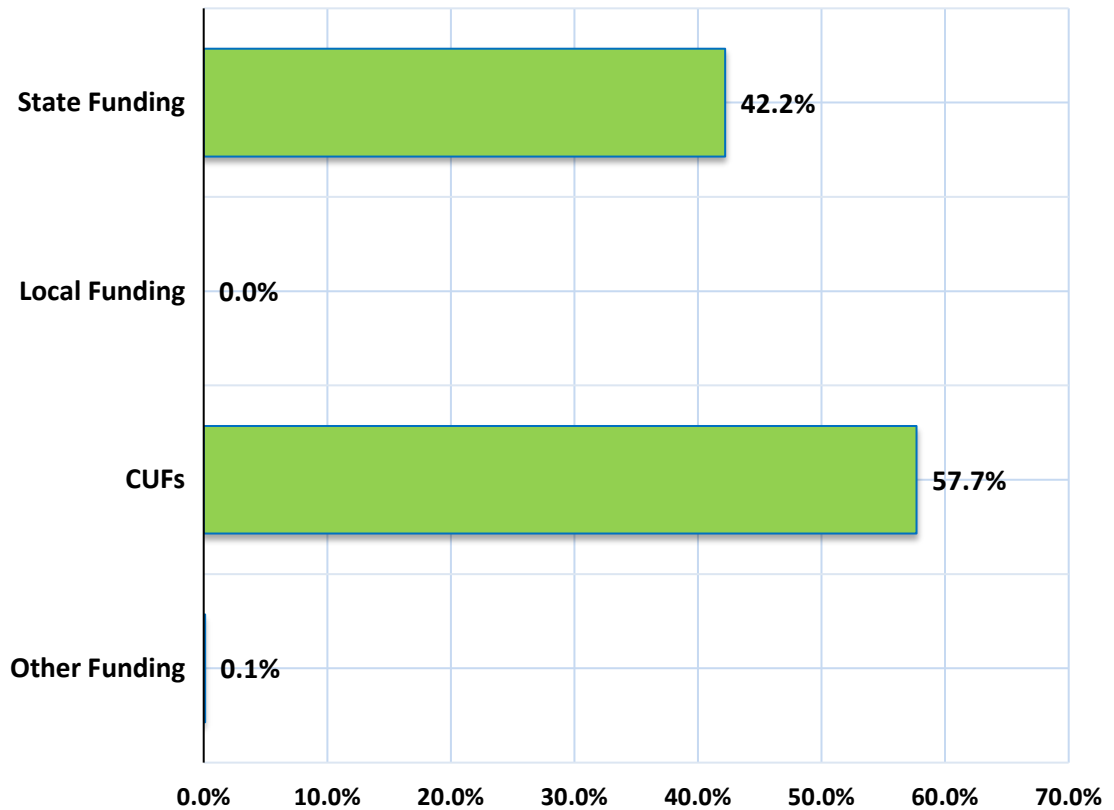




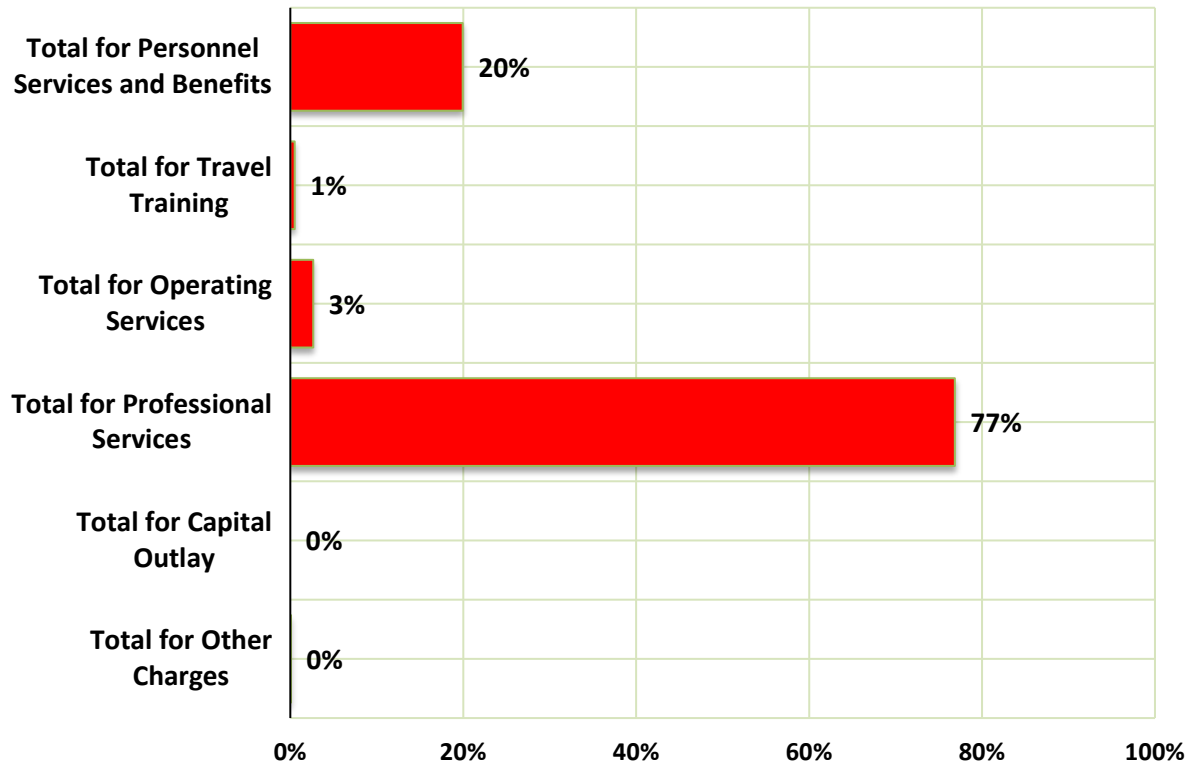
District 31 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: David E. Marcantel</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	379
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>379</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	15,759
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	250,744
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>266,503</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	880
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	39,495
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	189,482
Judicial District Courts	14,417
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	40,012
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	65,945
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>309,855</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	13,047
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	1,400
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>14,447</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>364,677</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	711
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>711</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>632,269</b>

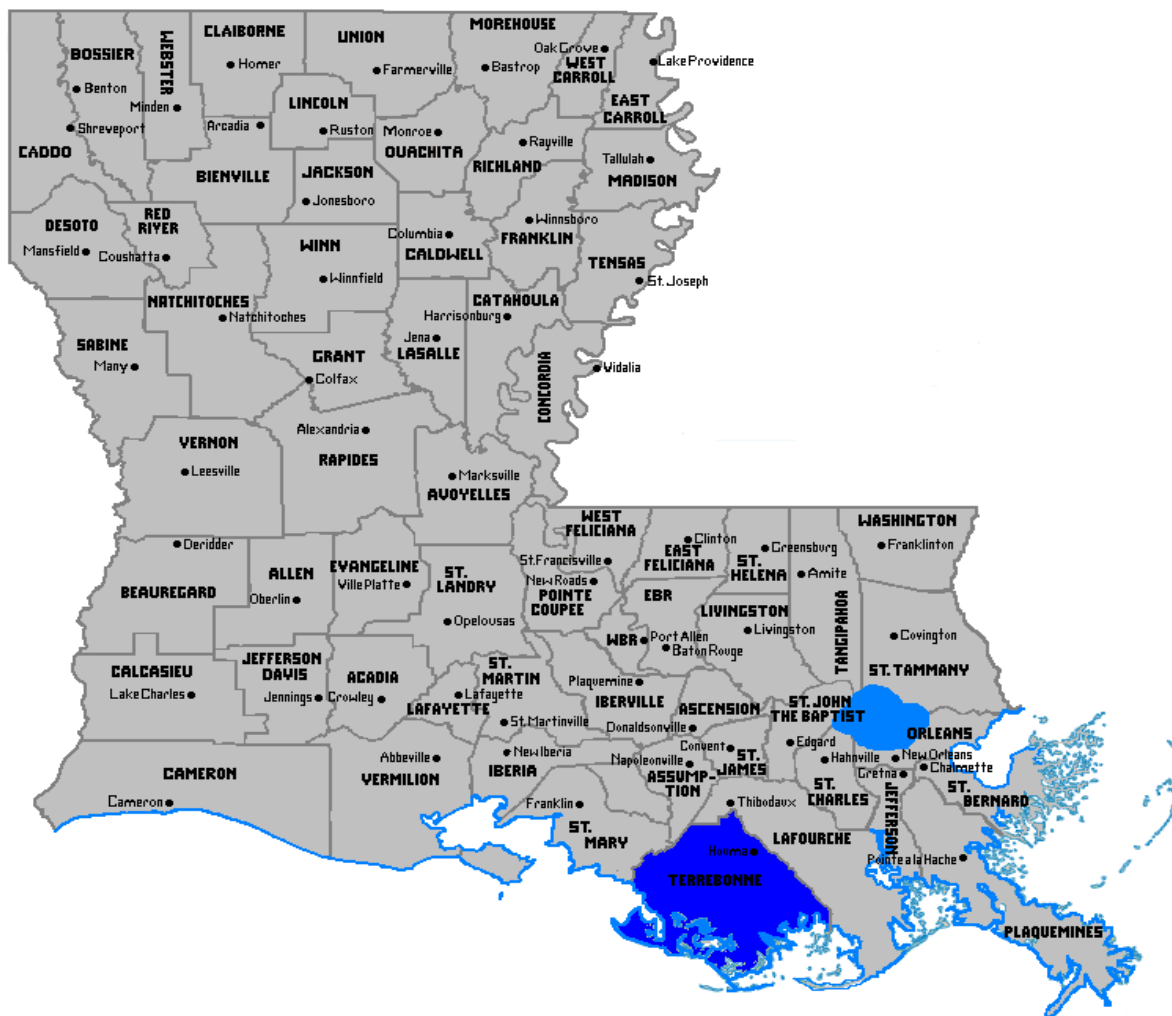
District 31 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: David E. Marcantel</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	72,979
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	5,564
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	18,528
Retirement	15,204
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>112,274</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	2,942
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>2,942</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	31
Workers' Compensation	157
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	1,022
Insurance - Other	486
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	447
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	5,167
Dues and Seminars	1,884
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	3,628
Office Supplies	2,047
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>14,870</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	13,407
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	6,000
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	31,680
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	20,400
Contract Attorneys - all other	361,189
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>432,676</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	356
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>356</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>563,119</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



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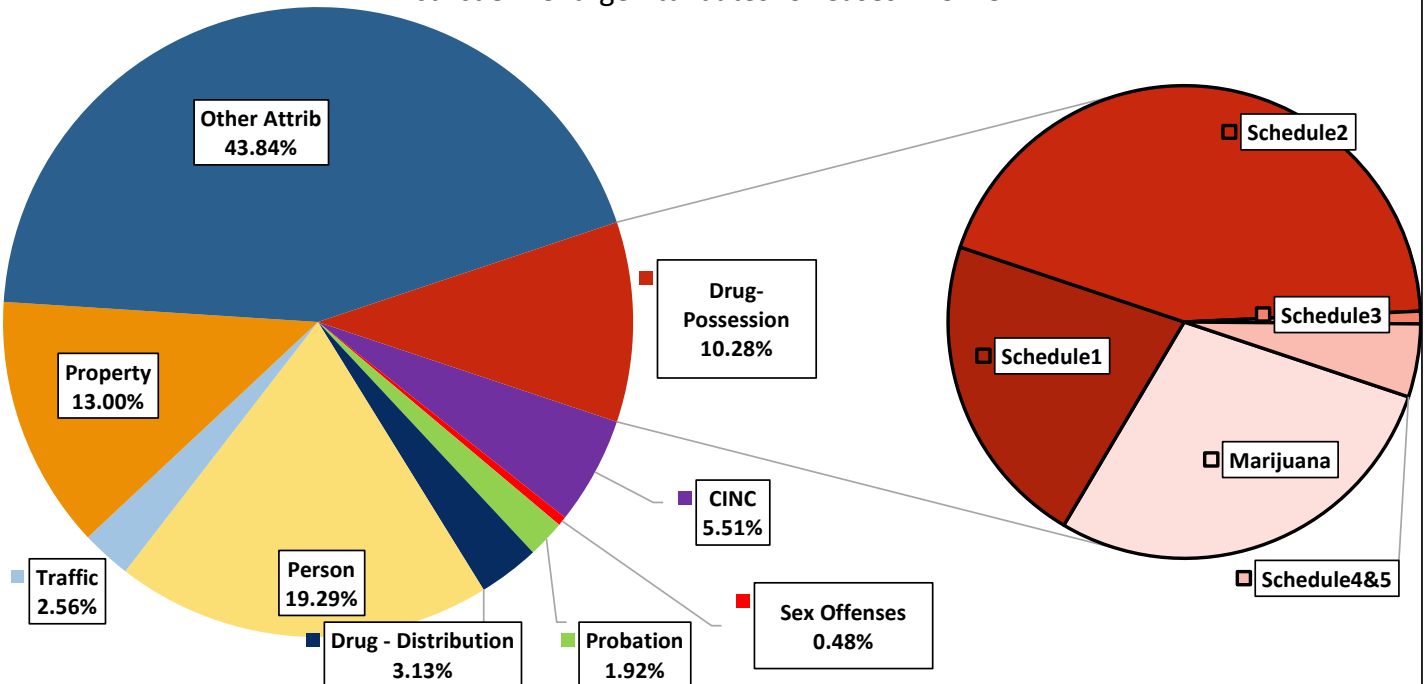




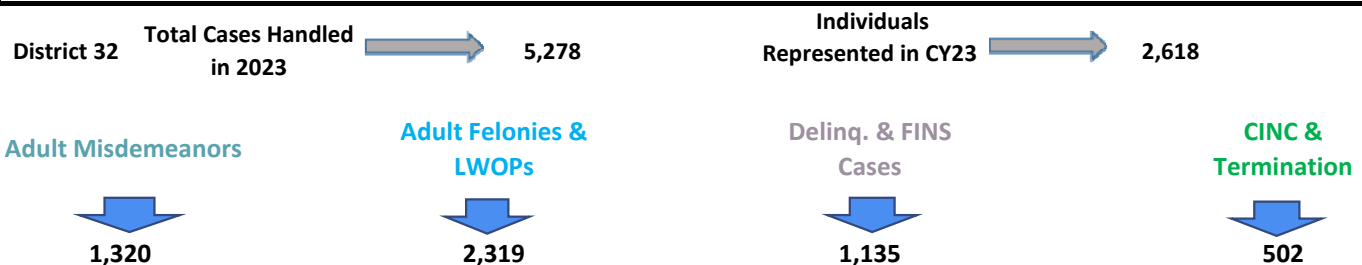
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PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
TERREBONNE (HOUMA)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: ANTHONY P. CHAMPAGNE  
504 BELANGER STREET  
HOUMA, LA 70360  
(985) 873-6831

District 32 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

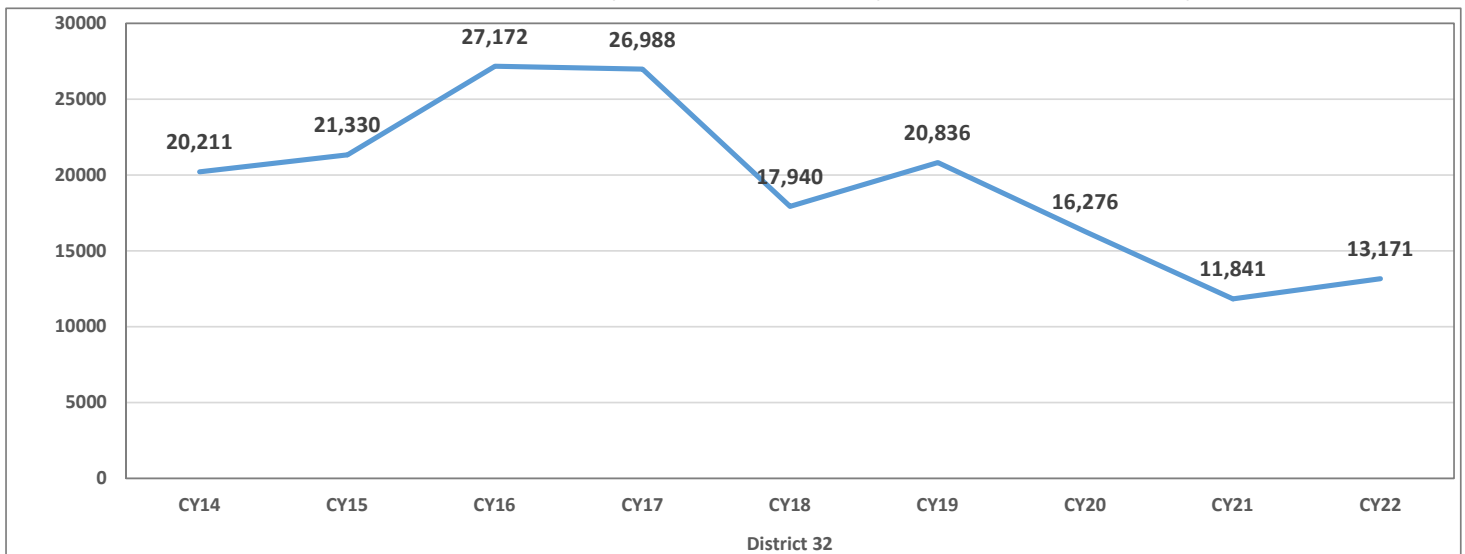


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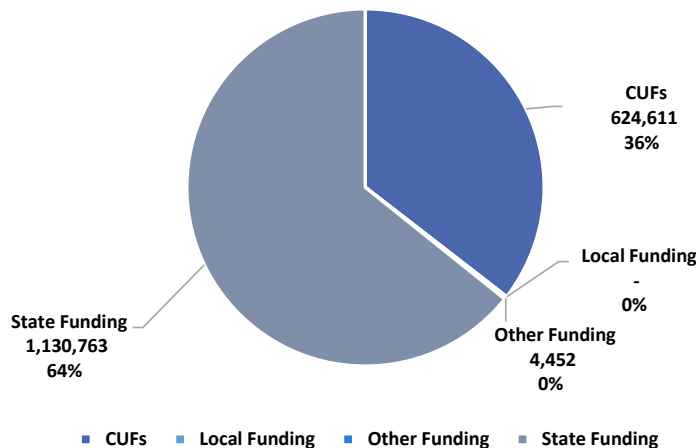
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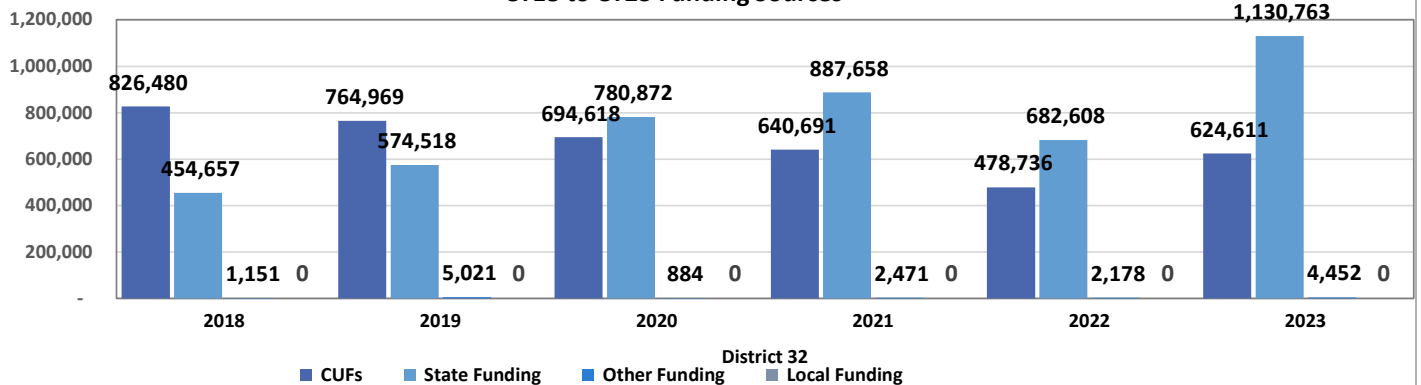
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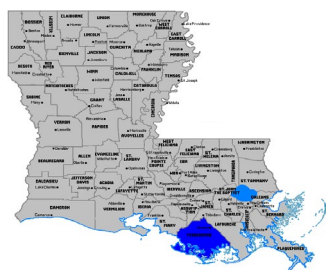
**District 32 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 32nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$1,759,826 in total revenues. Thirty-six percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the 67% received during 2017. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by nearly \$150,000. State funding also increased by \$448,155, which includes \$280,000 in building funds. The office did not receive any funding from city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 32ND JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Terrebonne - Houma
<b>Population</b>	108,896
<b>District Defender</b>	Anthony Champagne
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	37
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	37
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Anthony Champagne
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	504 Belanger Street
<b>City</b>	Houma
<b>ZIP</b>	70360
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 12:00, 1:00 to 5:00 pm M-Th; 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, 12:30 to 4:30 pm on Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	985-873-6831
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	504 Belanger Street, Houma, LA 70360
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	985-873-6574
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Anthony Champagne
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	985-209-0755 (cell phone)
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Leslie Pellegrin
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	985-804-8976
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	504 Belanger St., Office Building is now owned by the Office of the District Public Defender. Storage facility owner: Eric Duplantis, 242 Enterprise Dr., Houma, LA
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	PDO Owns building
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
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<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	Parish Government pays office phone bill
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	32nd Judicial District Court, Divisions A-E , 7856 Main St. Courthouse Annex, Houma, 70360 Houma City Court, 8046 Main St., Houma, 70360.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	5 District Court Divisions and 1 City Court.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Terrebonne Parish Criminal Justice Complex, 3211 Grand Caillou Rd., Houma, LA 70363.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Normally, outside facilities do not hold clients, but recently some female clients are being held at Madison Parish LTCW.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Justice Complex, 180 Government Street, Gray, LA 70359.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None used outside of the parish for juveniles.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Since the passage of recent legislation juveniles are not brought before the judge in shackles unless the State files a motion to do so because of potential risk of harm or flight.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Joseph Waitz, Jr.
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Randall Bethancourt
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Matthew Hagen-City Judge
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Juan Pickett
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Family Preservation Court
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A - None
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Lack of Needed Personnel.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Shortage of funding for provision of services and resources as required by standards.



<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	N/A
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Leslie Pellegrin is the senior secretary supervising all other secretaries. Anthony Champagne, District Defender, supervises attorneys.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Yes-Full Time employees only, 75% of policy paid by employer and 25% of policy paid by employee.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	2
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representatives: Beryl Amedee, Tanner Magee, Gerome Zeringue--Senators: Michael Fesi, R. L. Allain II
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Continuation of CINC representation as specified last year and startup of Family Preservation Court.

### 32nd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

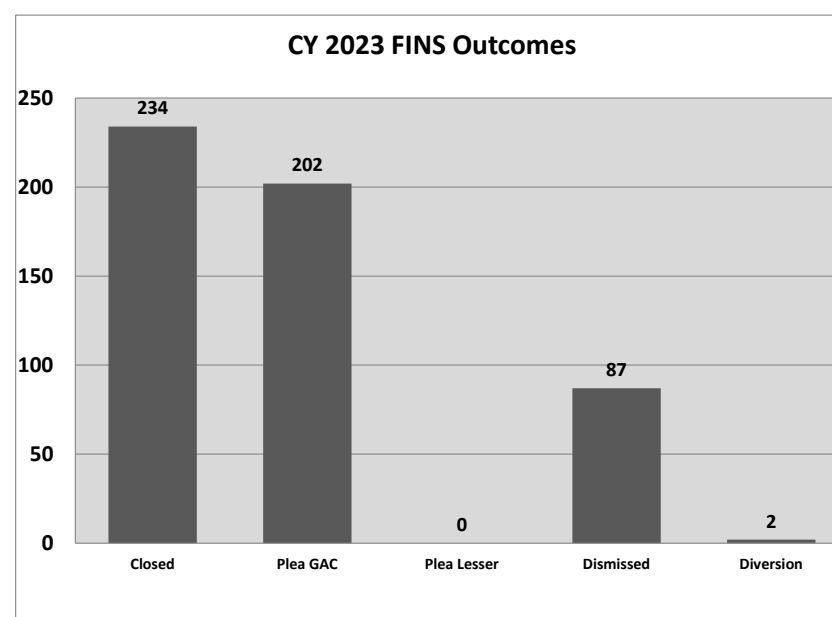
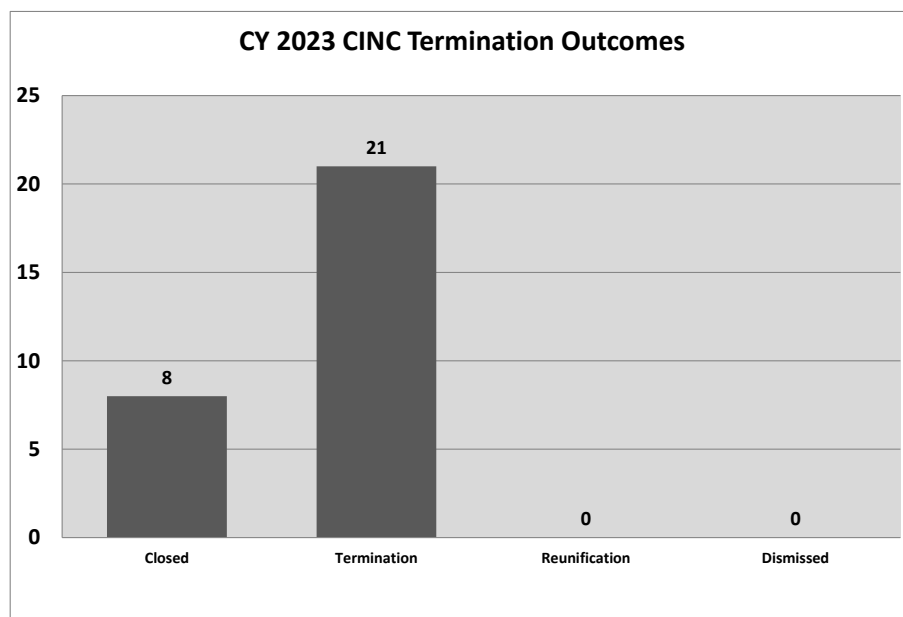
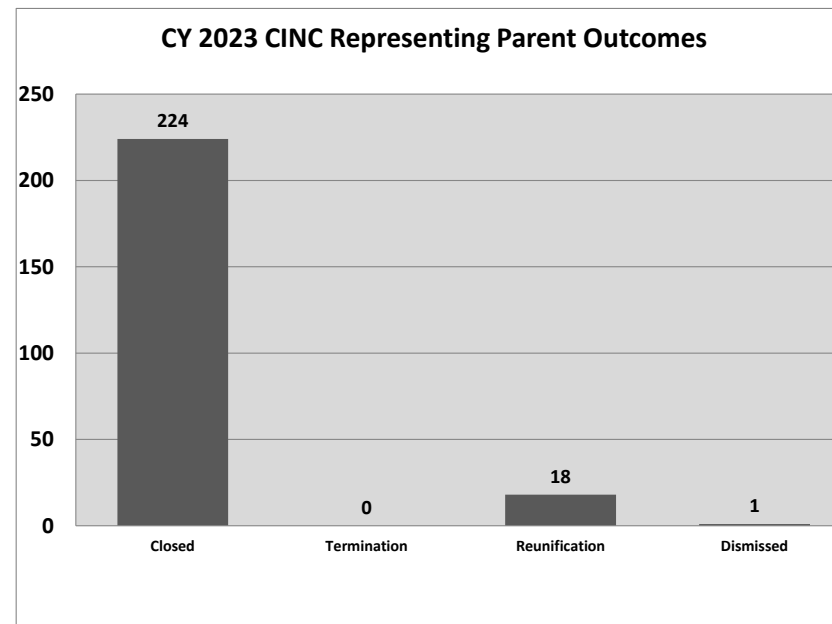
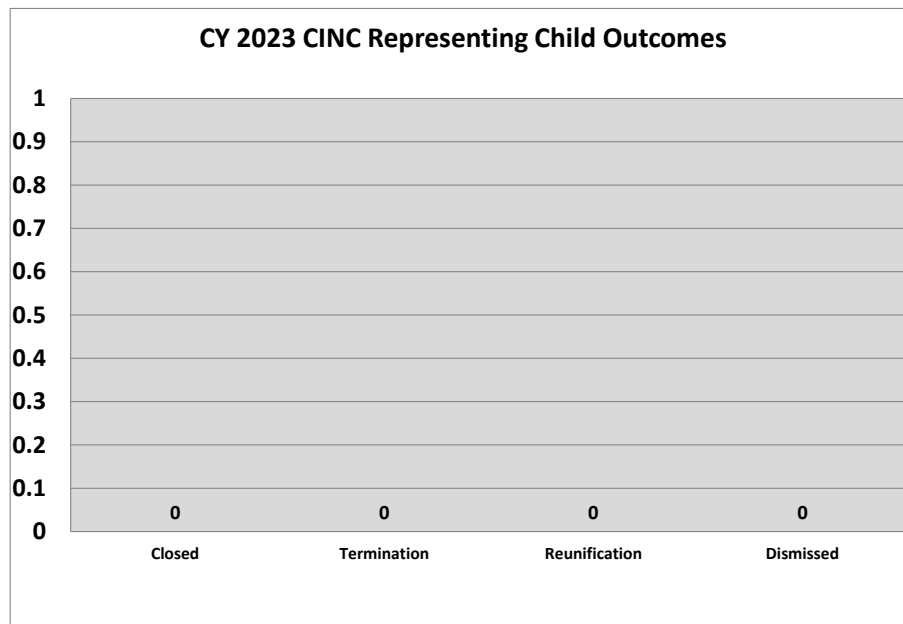
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	210	224	277	487	0	18	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	1	8	14	15	21	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	247	234	42	289	N/A	N/A	202	0	87	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	441	382	74	515	N/A	N/A	301	6	121	4	N/A	N/A	1	1	2
Delinquency Felony	130	138	61	191	N/A	N/A	102	39	85	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	2	3	1	3	N/A	N/A	1	1	3	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	60	242	77	137	N/A	N/A	217	3	24	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	895	1003	425	1320	N/A	N/A	472	29	965	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	1243	1567	1001	2244	N/A	N/A	935	359	849	0	1	1	1	0	3
Adult LWOP	7	4	7	14	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	2	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	29	44	26	55	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	2	3	4	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	3	3
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

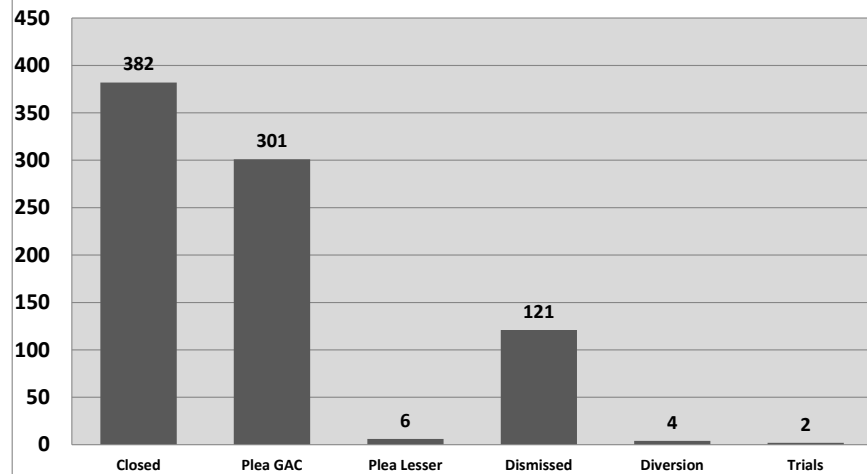
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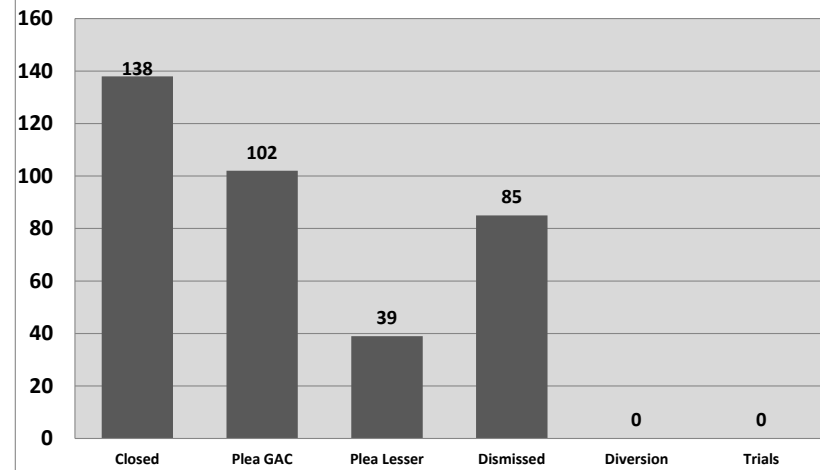
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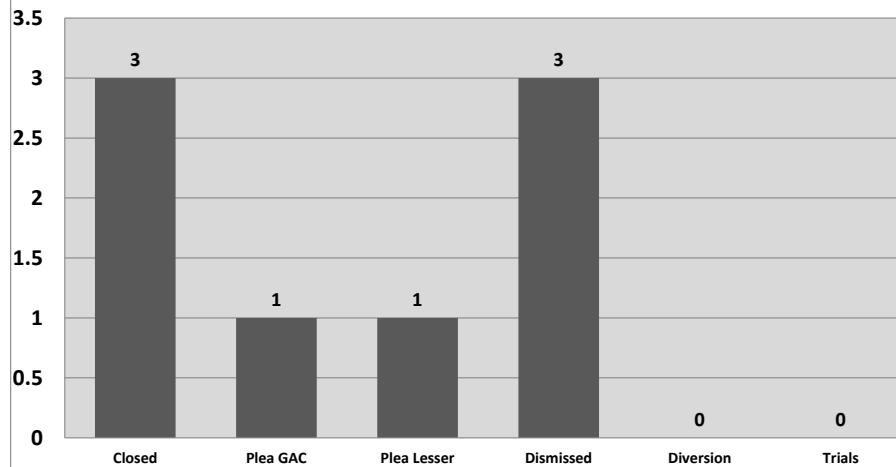
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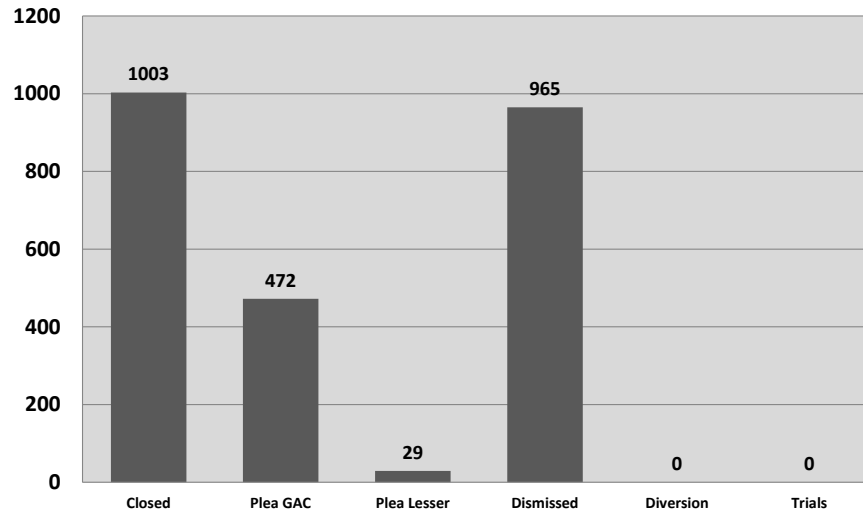
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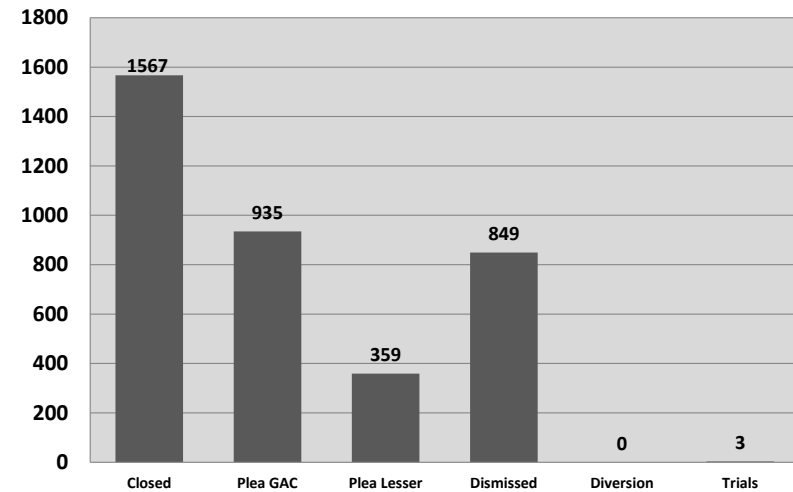
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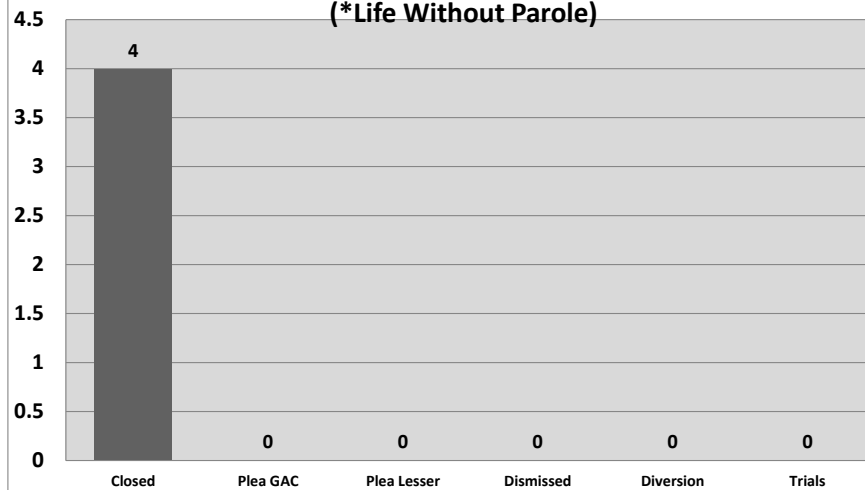
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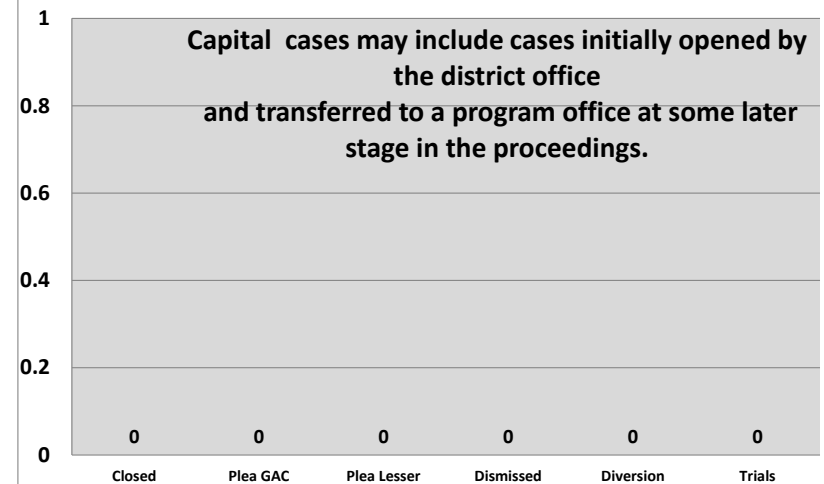
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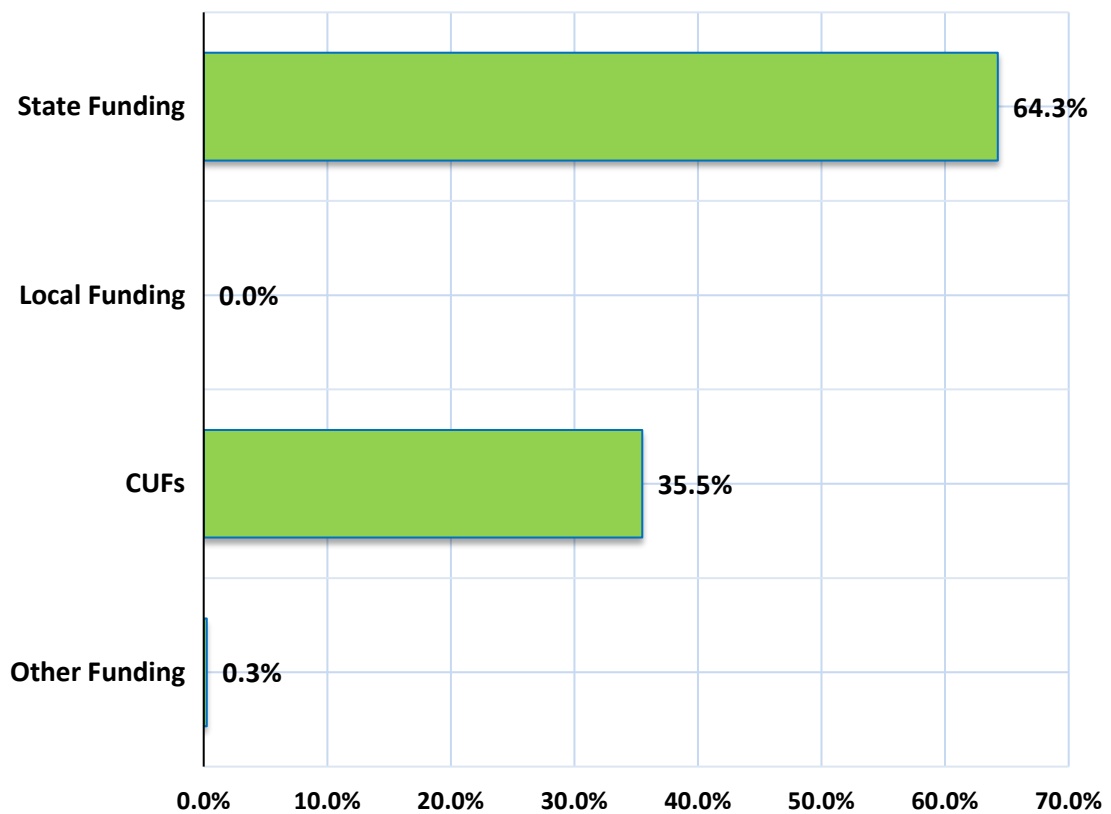
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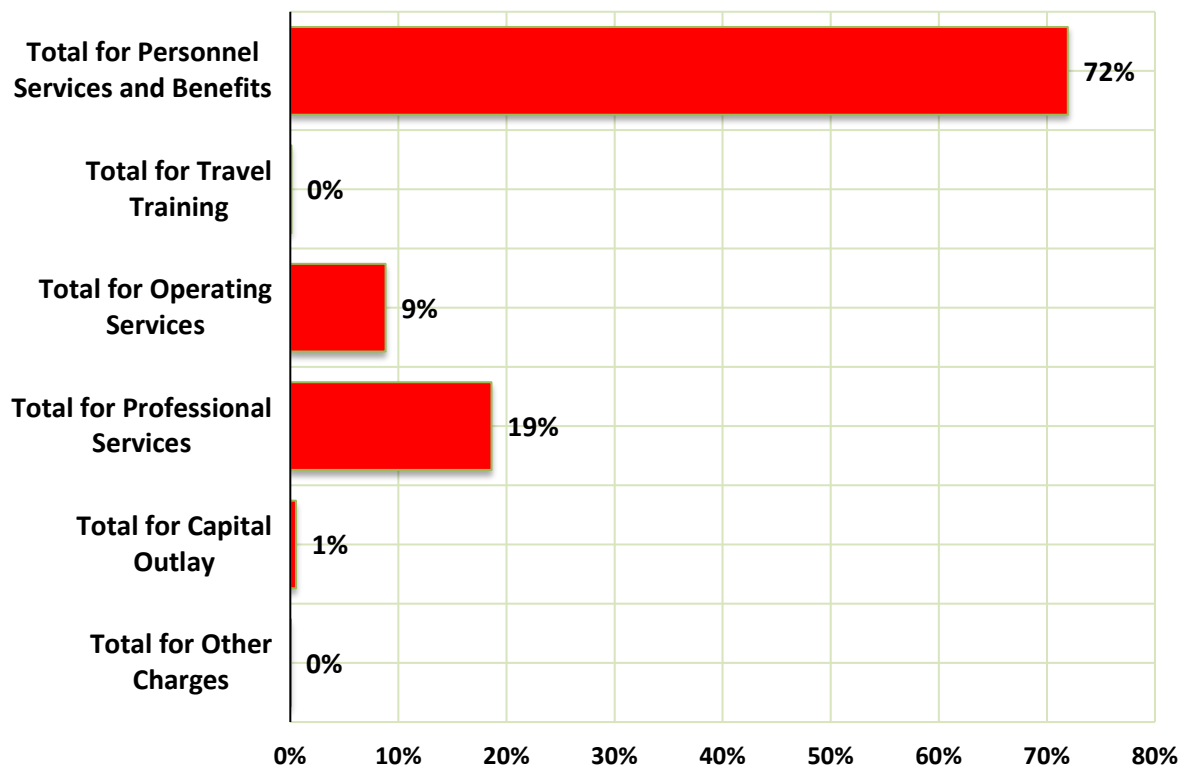
District 32 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Anthony P. Champagne</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	1,012
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>1,012</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	55,415
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	794,337
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	280,000
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>1,129,752</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	90,214
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	2,070
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	160,170
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	42,865
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	315,768
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>518,802</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	2,127
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	13,468
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>15,595</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>626,681</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	2,382
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>2,382</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>1,759,826</b>

District 32 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Anthony P. Champagne</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	829,617
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	15,751
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	67,935
Retirement	88,102
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>1,001,406</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	1,426
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>1,426</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	21
Workers' Compensation	722
Insurance - Malpractice	18,306
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	3,061
Insurance - Other	18,439
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	11,105
Office Repair and Maintenance	7,614
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	8,306
Dues and Seminars	8,642
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	23,921
Office Supplies	22,719
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>122,856</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	19,340
Contract Clerical	931
Expert Witness	7,485
Investigators	250
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	126,752
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	104,500
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>259,258</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	7,306
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>7,306</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	10
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,392,263</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

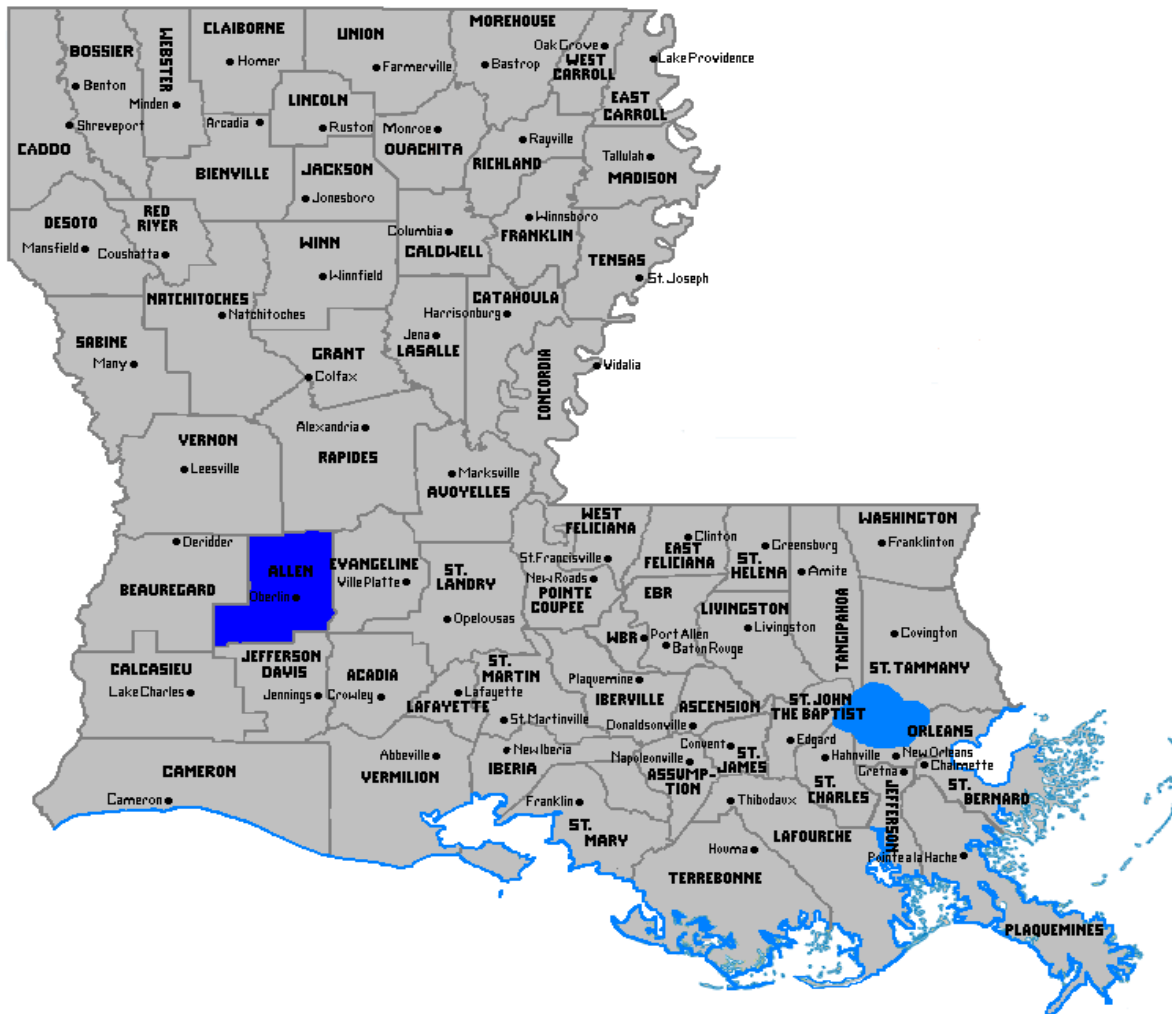
## CY23 REVENUES



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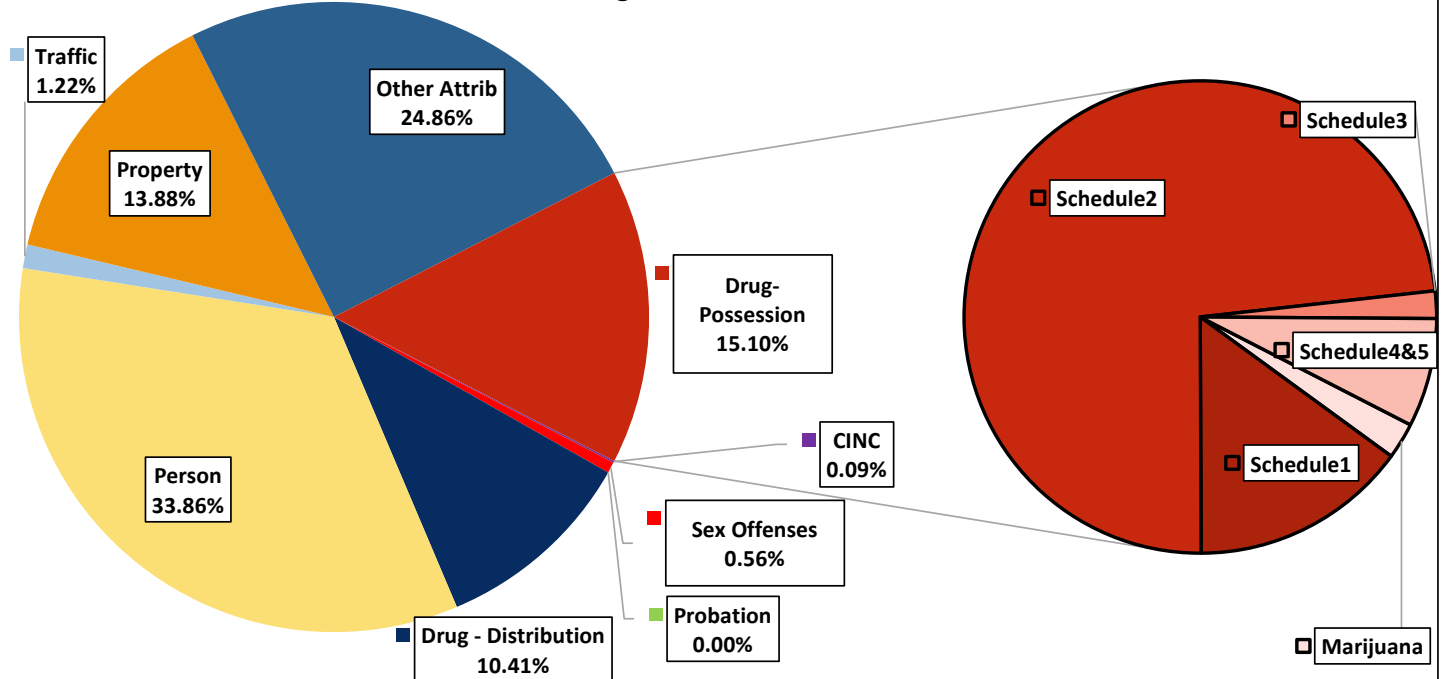




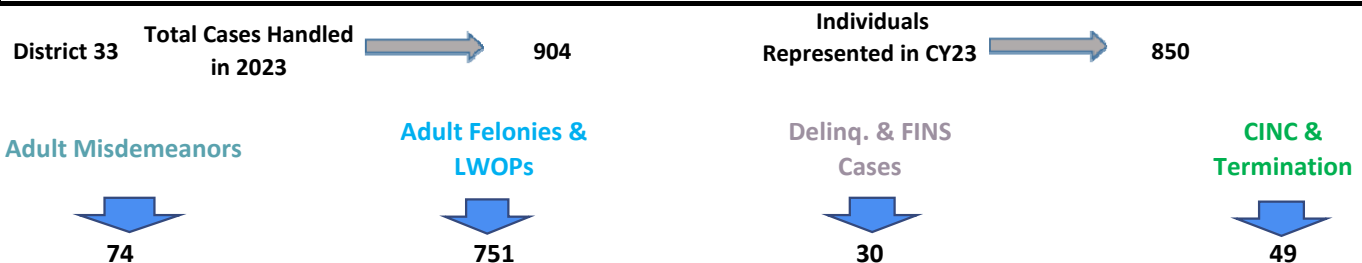
THE 33<sup>RD</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
ALLEN (OBERLIN)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: CHAD B. GUIDRY  
400 WEST SIXTH AVE, COURTHOUSE BLDG.  
OBERLIN, LA 70655  
(337) 639-2475

District 33 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

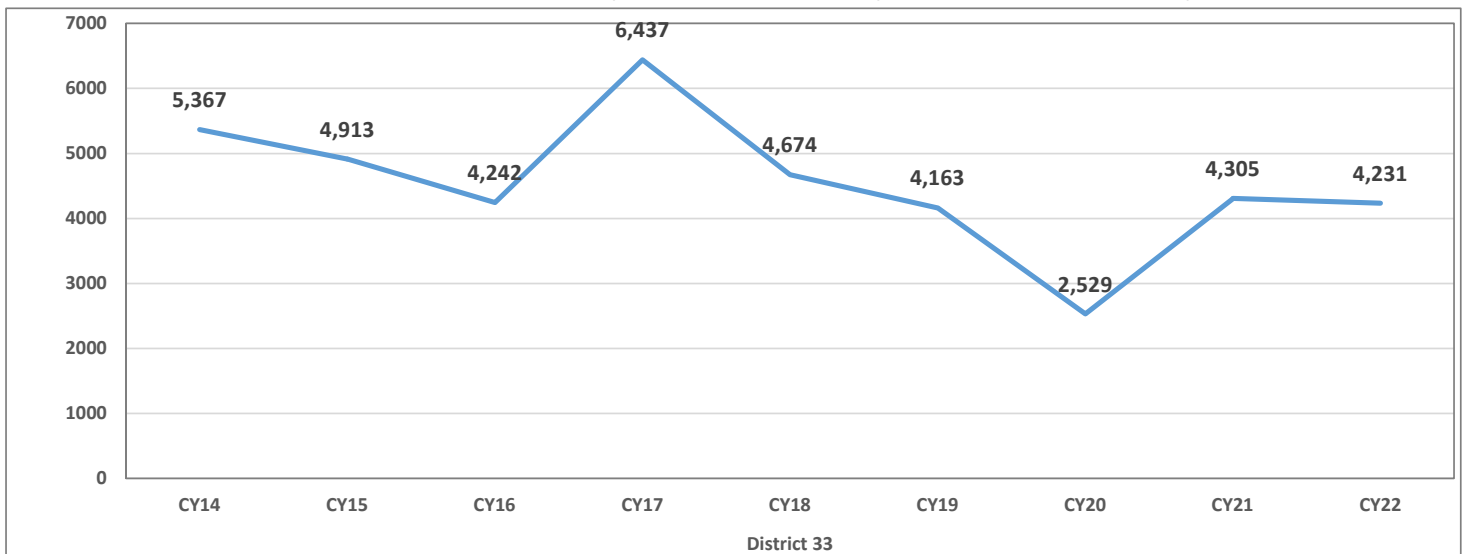


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 15.10% (137) of the 904 cases handled by the 33rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 73.5% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



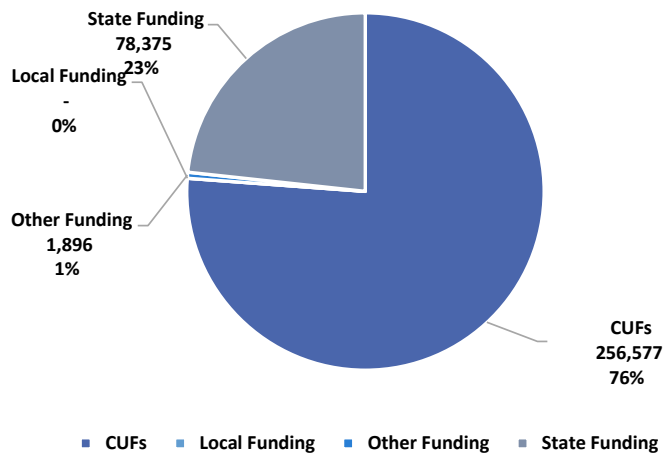
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



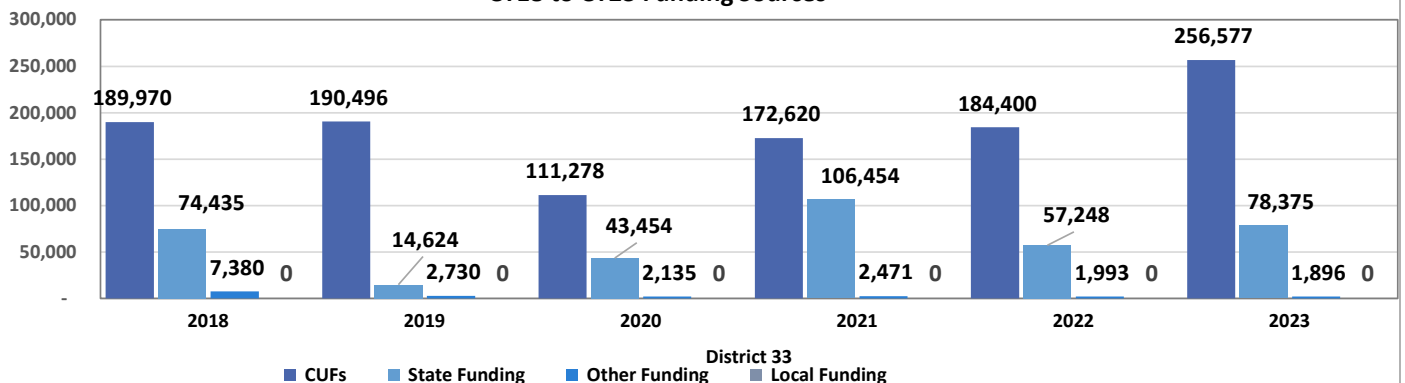
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 33rd Judicial District remained similar to the previous years filing rates. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUF collections, filing rates are expected to be higher than the previous year.

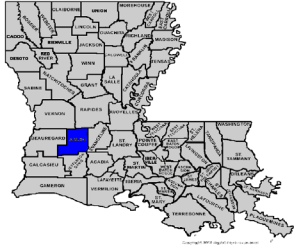
**District 33 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 33rd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$336,848 in total revenues. Seventy-six percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs increased by \$70,000. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 33RD JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Allen-Oberlin
<b>Population</b>	22,320
<b>District Defender</b>	Chad B. Guidry
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	8
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	9
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	It varies greatly but I would estimate between 10 to 25 hours per month
<b>Office Manager</b>	Teressa Myers
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	400 West Sixth Ave Courthouse Bldg.
<b>City</b>	Oberlin
<b>ZIP</b>	70655
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday-Friday 8am to 3pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-639-2475
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	PO Box 399; Oberlin, LA 70655
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-738-2985
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Chad Guidry
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-738-2280
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Teressa Myers
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-639-2475
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	PO Box 447; 831 Fourth Ave.; Kinder, LA 70648; 337- 738-2280
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Sarah Pousson, Mr. Guidry's Assistant, 337-738-2280
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Allen Parish Police Jury
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Parish provides
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	0

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	0
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	0
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	UNK
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	0
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	33rd District- Oberlin; Oakdale City Court, Oakdale Louisiana.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	2 Divisions in District Court and 1 in Oakdale City Court.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Allen Parish Jail, Oakdale City Jail, Kinder City Jail, Allen Correctional Center, & Federal Correctional Institution in Oakdale.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No. The judges in the 33rd JDC and Oakdale City Court almost never shackle juveniles. There have been occasions where this has occurred but it is very rare.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Joseph Green
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge E. David Deshotels, Jr.
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	The two divisions in the 33rd JDC handle all juvenile matters. Oakdale City Court only handles juvenile delinquency matters.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	E. David Deshotels and Judi F. Abrusley
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	None
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	None
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	We have had a huge problem with staffing turnover. However, we are currently fully staffed. Of course, funding is always our most pressing issue.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	As stated above funding is an immediate and long term issue.

<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Chad Guidry is the current District Defender and he oversees work of the other attorneys and office employees.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	1
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	1
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	State Rep. Dewith Carrier & State Sen. Heather Cloud
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Through fiscal management our budget now allows us to hire one additional line defender. In a district of this size, one addition line defender greatly affects individual attorney caseloads and results in faster resolution of cases.

### 33rd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

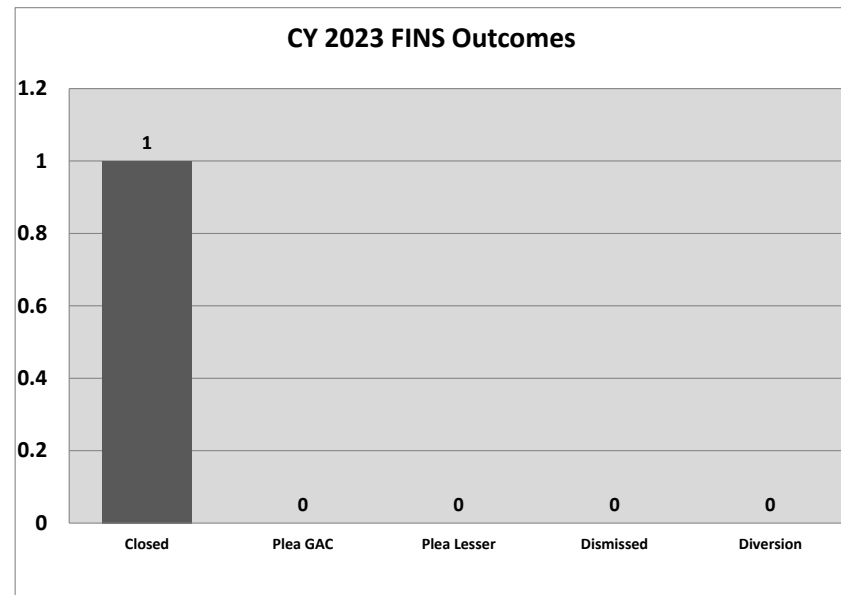
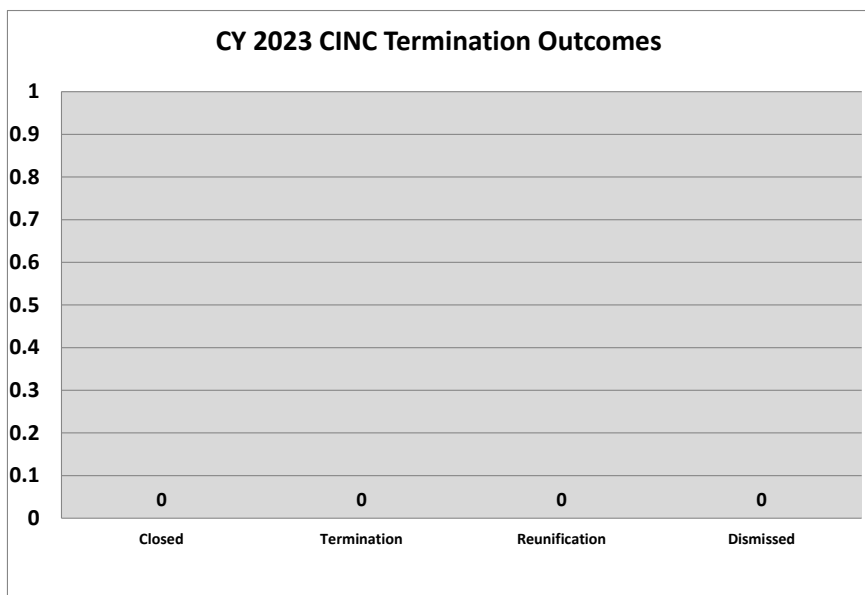
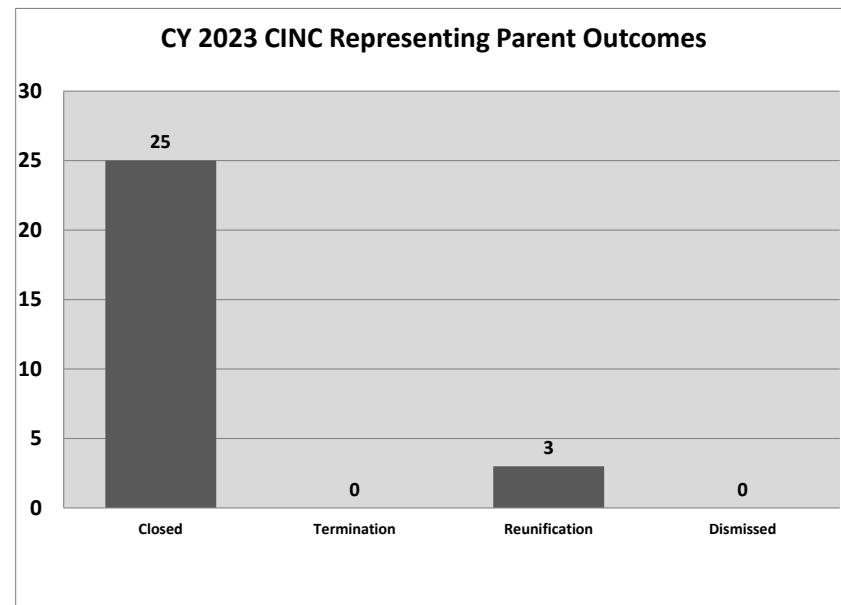
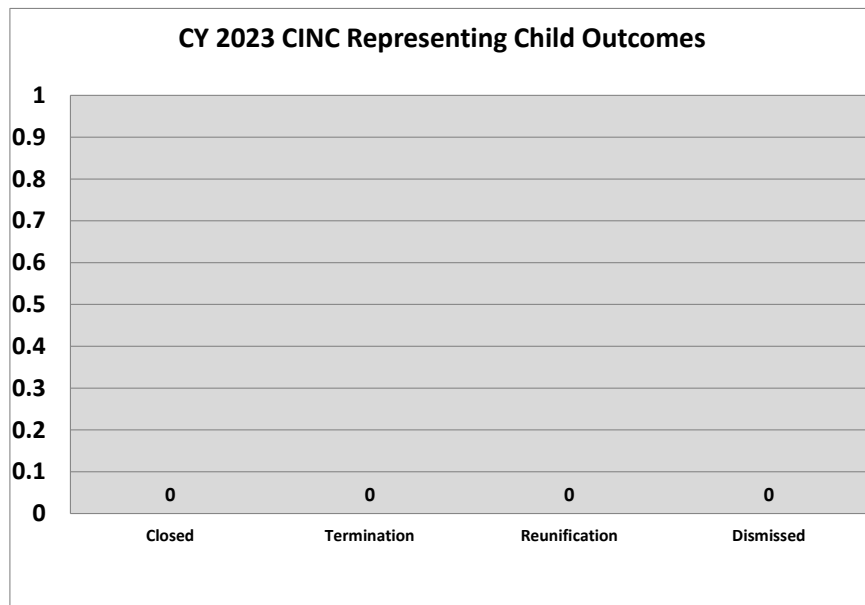
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	17	25	32	49	0	3	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	1	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	18	20	2	20	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	8	6	0	8	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	43	31	31	74	N/A	N/A	2	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	3
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	426	332	320	746	N/A	N/A	20	7	21	0	0	2	0	2	4
Adult LWOP	0	0	3	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	2	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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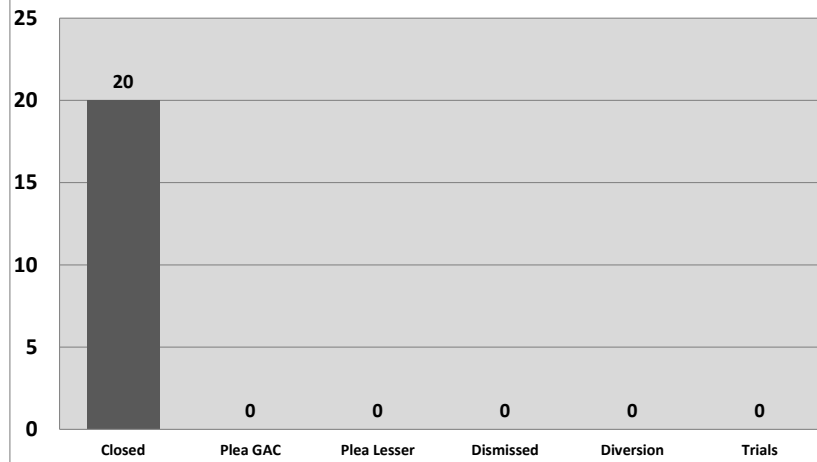
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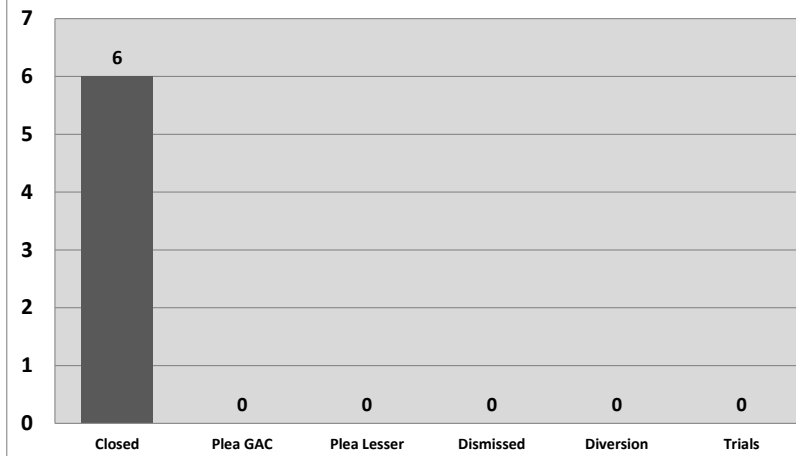




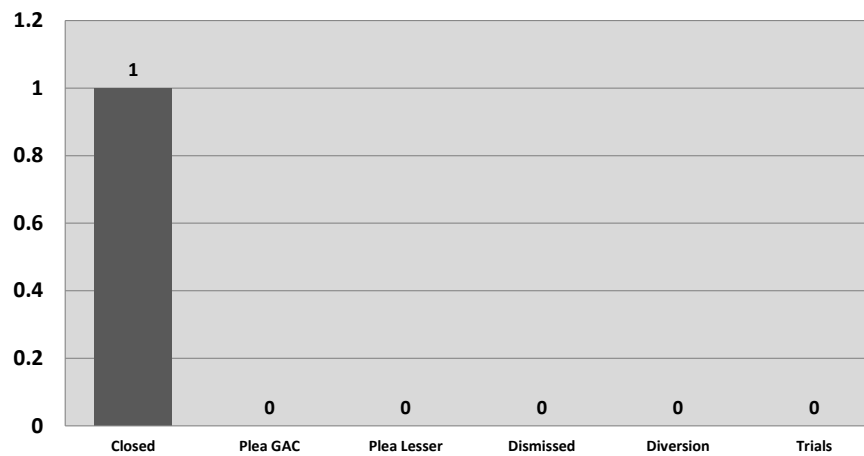
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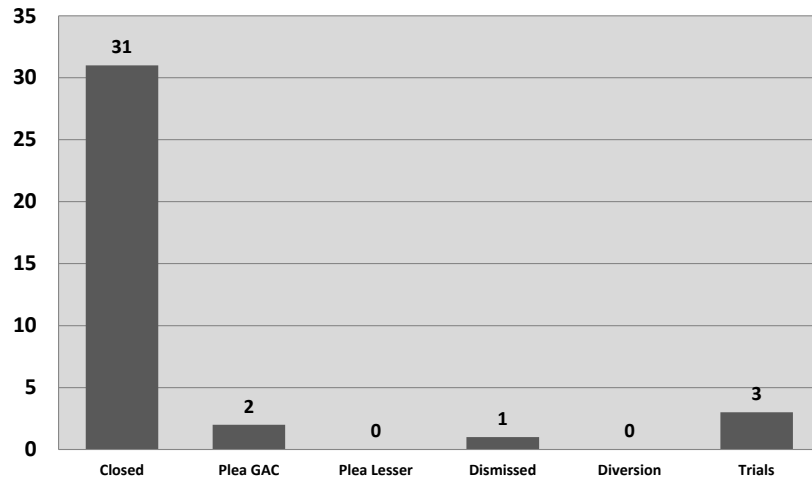
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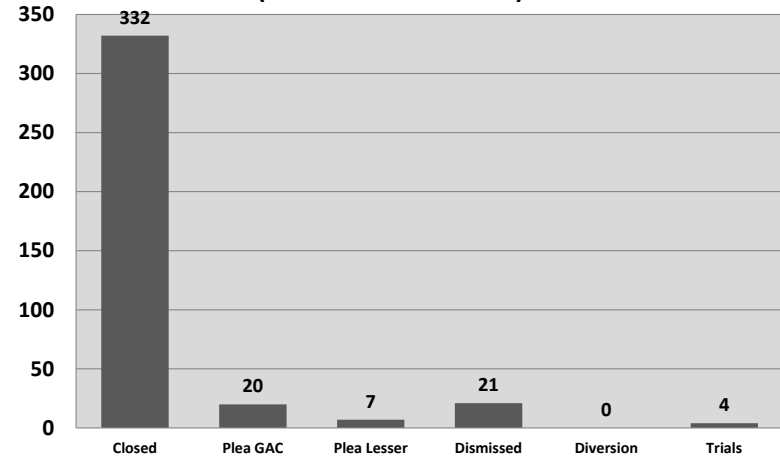
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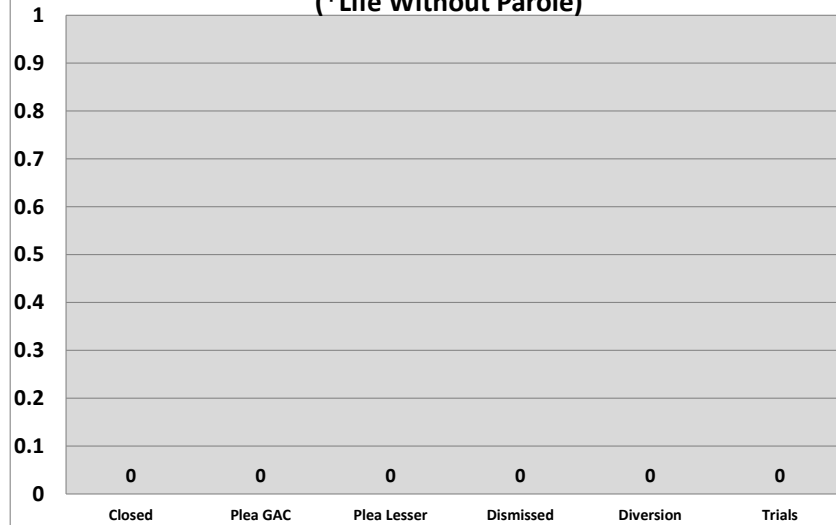
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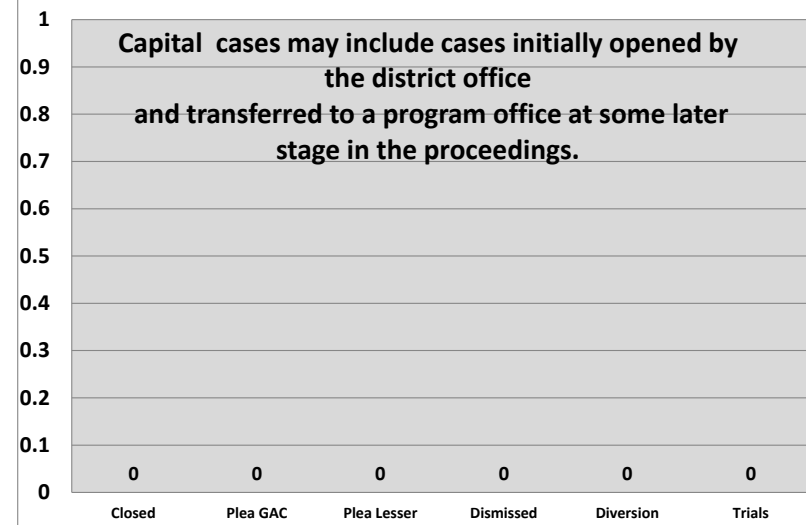
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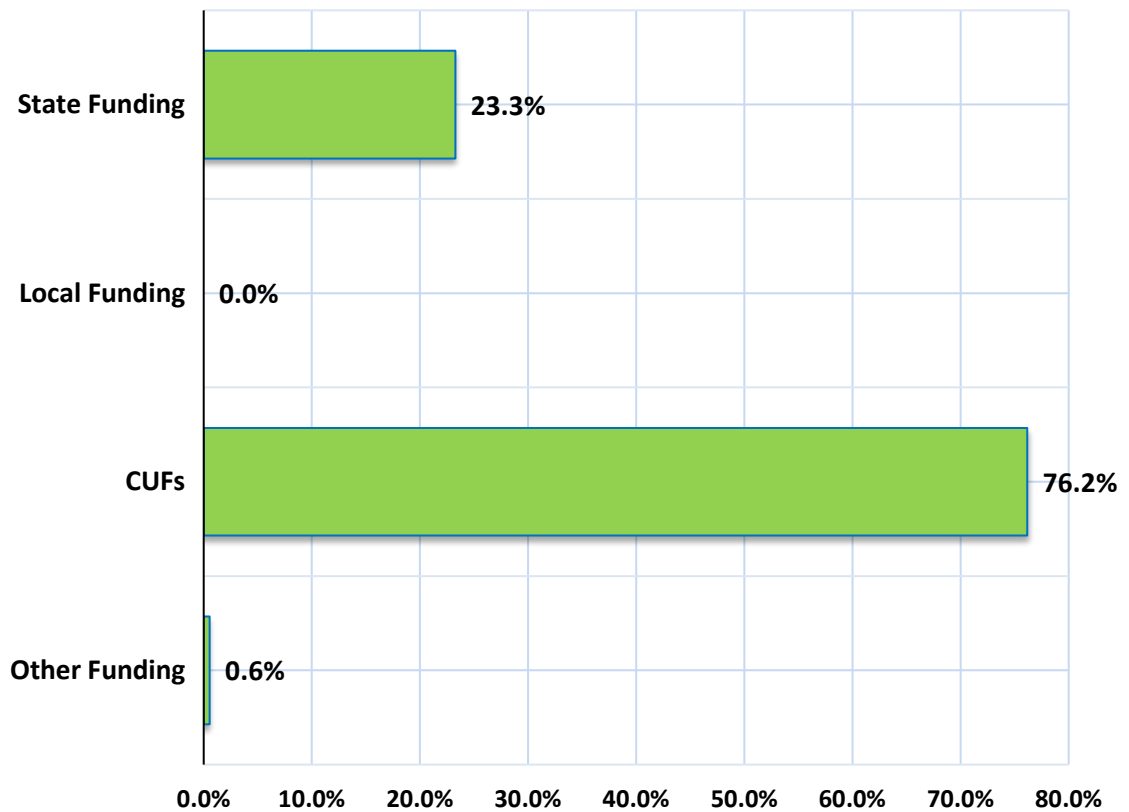
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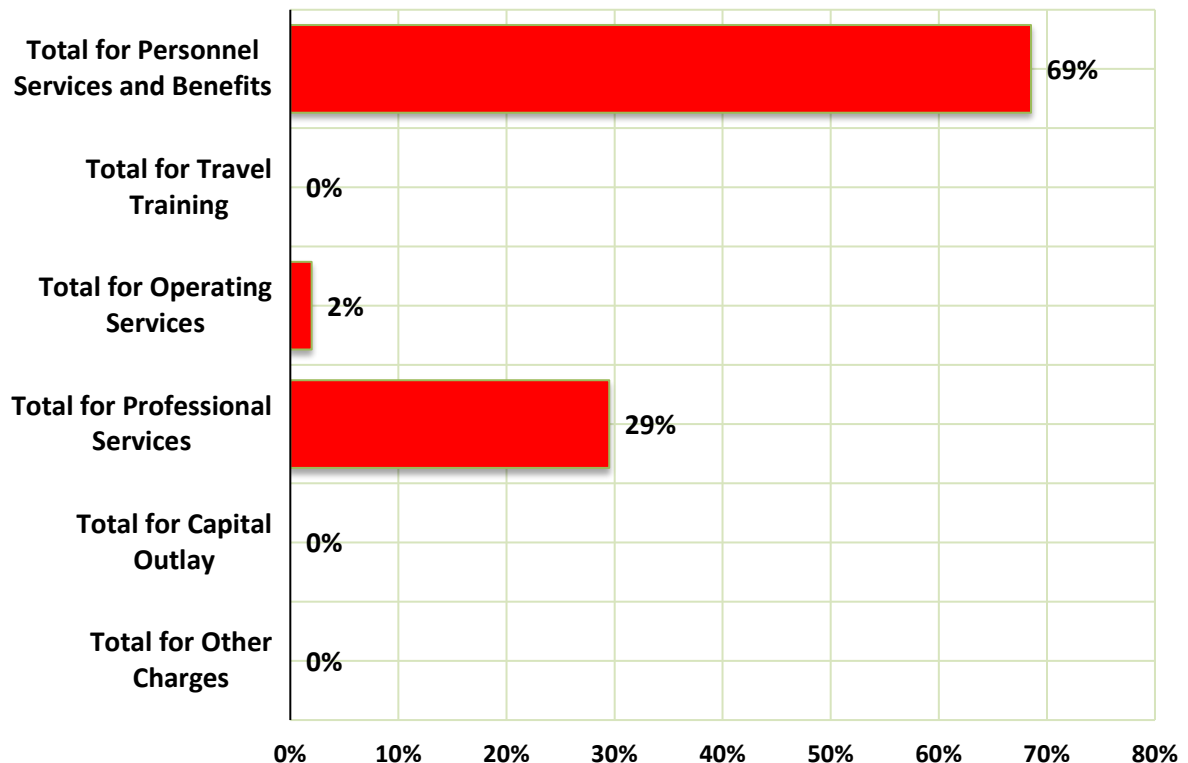
District 33 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Chad Guidry</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	76
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>76</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	8,421
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	69,878
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>78,299</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	-
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	1,200
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	132,121
Judicial District Courts	96,601
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	22,230
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>250,952</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	3,360
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	2,265
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>5,625</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>257,777</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	120
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	576
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>696</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>336,848</b>

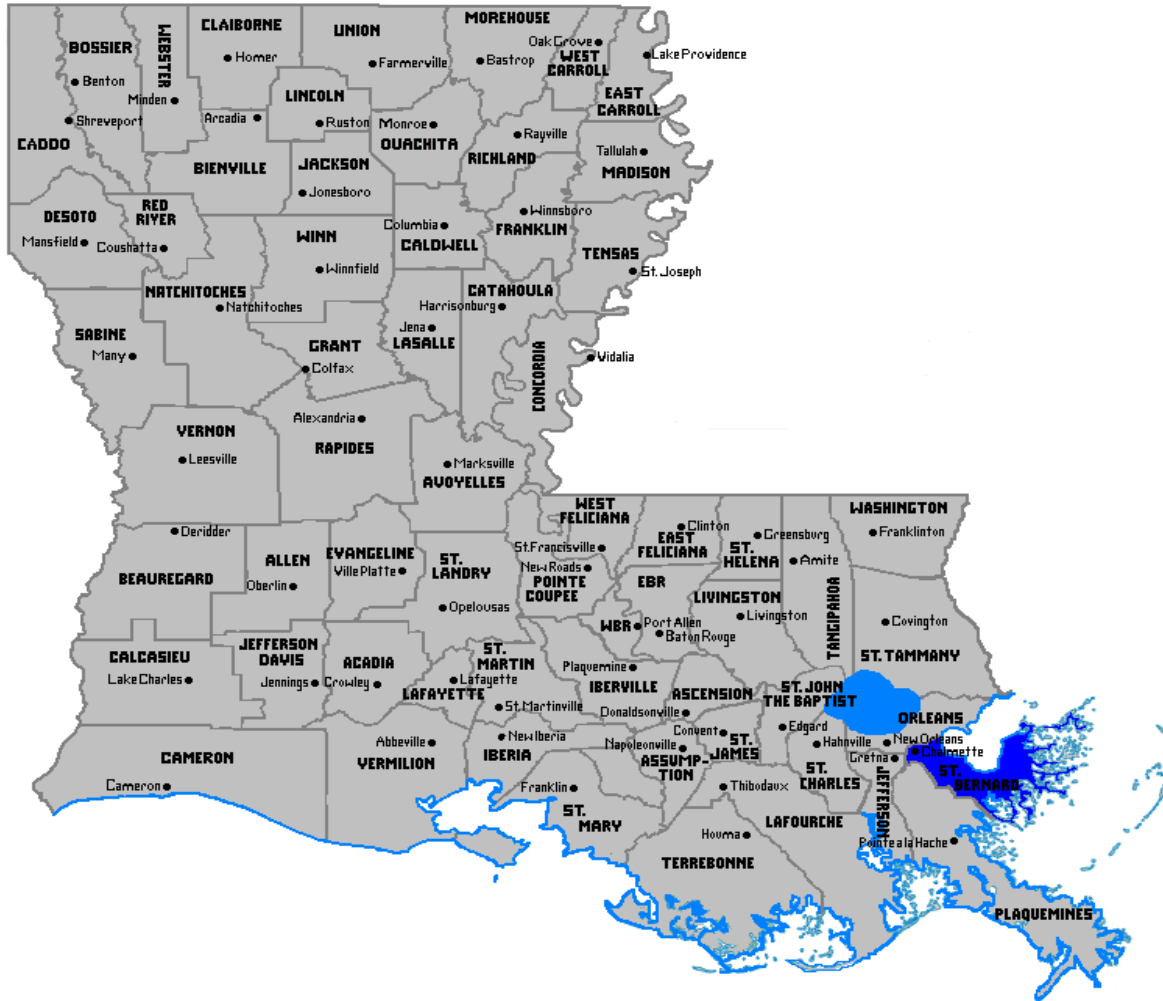
District 33 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Chad Guidry</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	162,048
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	11,635
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	17,969
Other	28
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>191,680</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>-</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	572
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	189
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	1,818
Dues and Seminars	110
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	650
Office Supplies	2,166
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>5,505</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	9,211
Contract Clerical	4,555
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	7,688
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	22,000
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	20,000
Contract Attorneys - all other	19,038
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>82,491</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	-
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>279,676</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

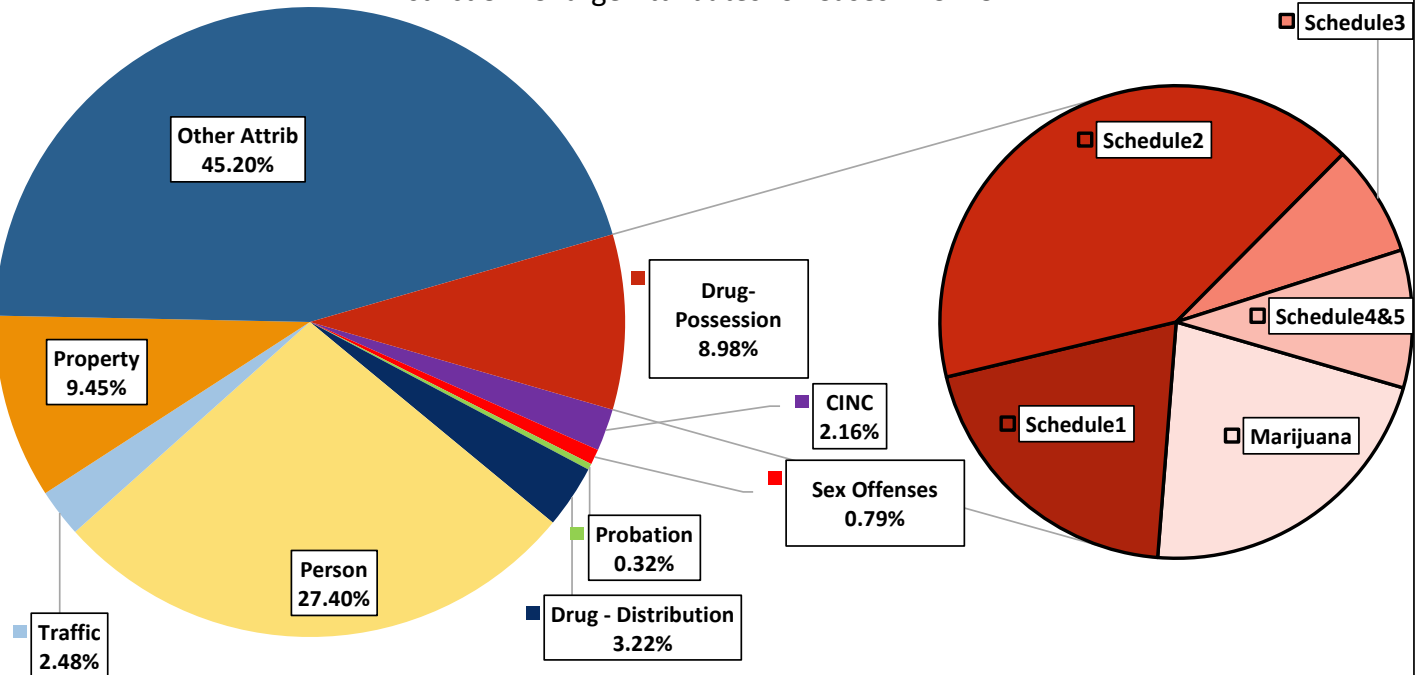




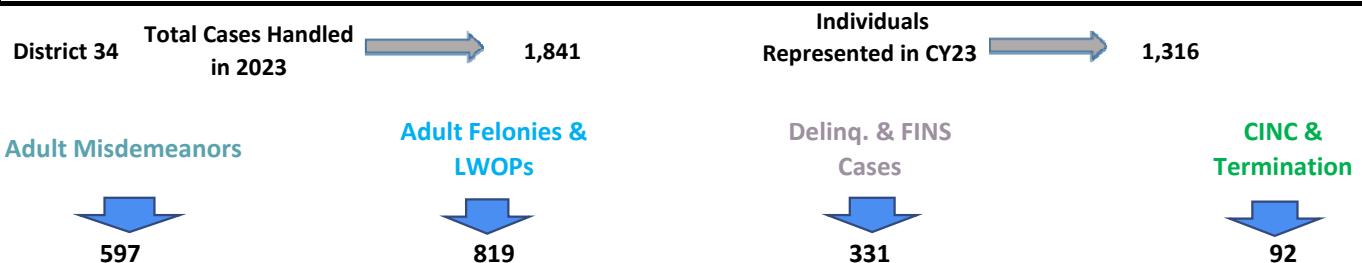
# THE 34<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE ST. BERNARD (CHALMETTE)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: THOMAS H. GERNHAUSER  
2118 JACKSON BLVD., SUITE B  
CHALMETTE, LA 70043  
(504) 278-4438

District 34 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

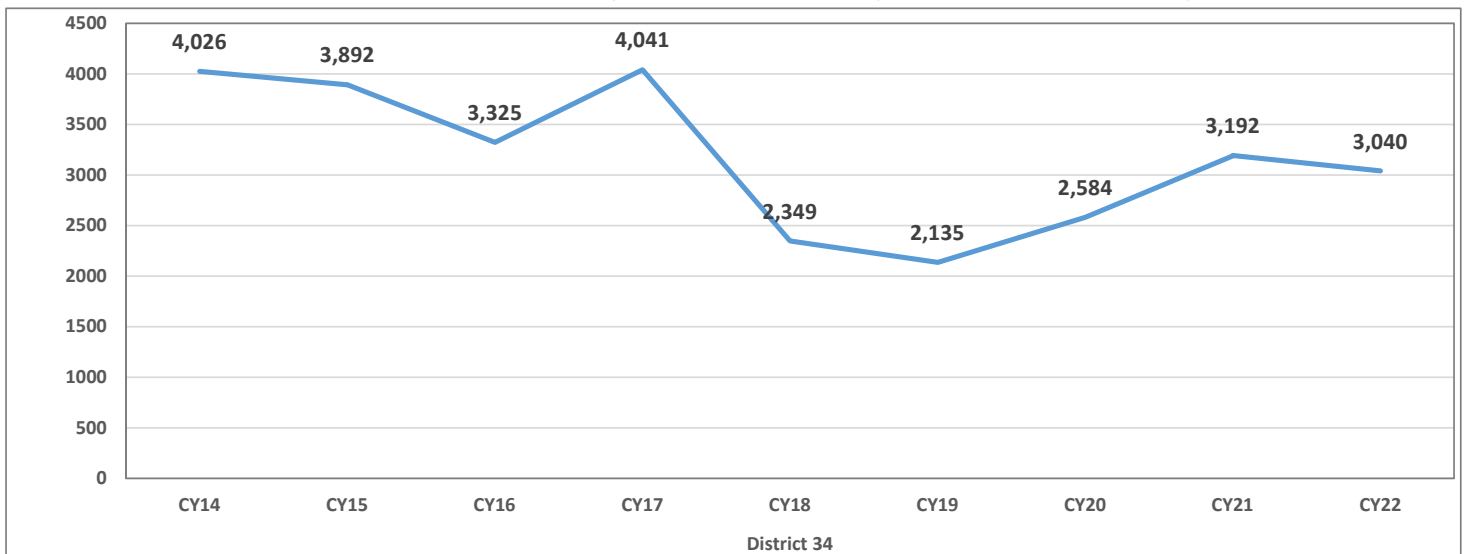


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 8.98% (165) of the 1,841 cases handled by the 34th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 41.2% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



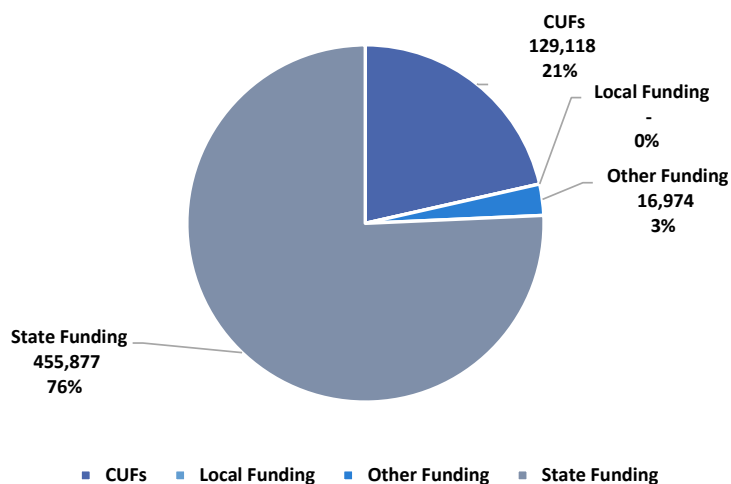
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



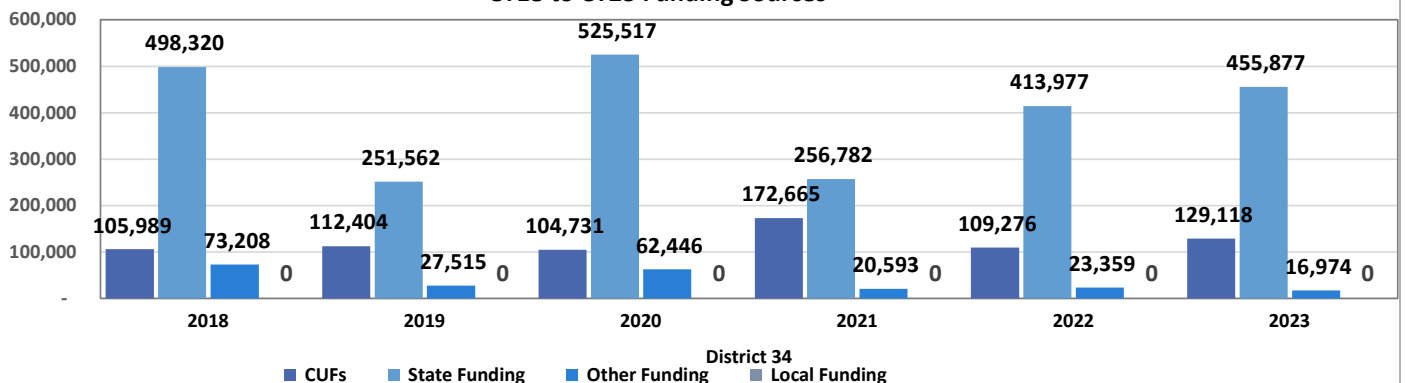
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 34th Judicial District decreased slightly from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year.

**District 34 Funding Sources in 2023**

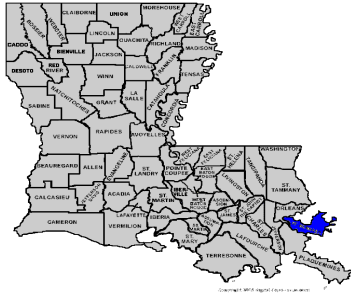


During Calendar Year 2023, the 34th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$601,969 in total revenues. The office is heavily reliant on state supplemental assistance, as only 21% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**







## THE 34TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	St. Bernard - Chalmette
<b>Population</b>	44,479
<b>District Defender</b>	Thomas H. Gernhauser
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	14
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	11
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Bambi Bruscato
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	2118 Jackson Blvd., Suite B
<b>City</b>	Chalmette
<b>ZIP</b>	70043
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-Thr. 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
<b>Primary Phone</b>	504-278-4438
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	Same as above.
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	504-278-4439
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Thomas H. Gernhauser
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	504-289-9450-Cell
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Bambi Bruscato
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	504-237-6733
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	N/A
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	Rent free space with maintenance provided by the St. Bernard Parish government. Utilities, Internet, and telephone services are included. A CEA executed between the parish government provides all applicable insurance policies.
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	0

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	Three Positions, Bambi Bruscato - Office Manager; Ashley Ligget- Legal Secretary; Tina Diaz-Investigator. All three positions include wages and benefits, (Health Insurance and Retirement) As of the date of the submission of this report, the office has been advised that these positions have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	Three Full-Time, (Approx. \$163,000.00) As of the date of the submission of this report, the office has been advised that these positions have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	Four As of the date of the submission of this report, the office has been advised that these positions have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	UNK
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	Nine, Office Manager, District Defender, Investigator, Legal Secretary, and Five contract attorneys. As of the date of the submission of this report, the office has been advised that health benefits have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	UNK
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	Rent free office space is provided by the parish government in a parish building that includes utilities, internet, and a telephone system that includes equipment. A CEA executed with parish government provides various insurance coverages associated with the building and staff.
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	34 Judicial District Court St. Bernard Parish
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Five Divisions of District Court, with one separate Adult Drug Court, and one separate Juvenile Drug Court.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	St. Bernard Parish Prison
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Louisiana State Penitentiary, Elaine P. Hunt, Plaquemines Parish Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	St. Bernard Parish Juvenile Detention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center, Coushatta LA for Hurricane Ida.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Only in accordance with the Children's Code statute.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Perry Nicosia
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Judge William McGoey
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	All five divisions sit as Juvenile and adult Judges.

<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Juvenile-Judge Kim Jones, Adult- Judge William McGoey
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Funding and staffing.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Wages and benefits for attorneys and contract attorneys. Funding for other staff, paralegals, and accounting services.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Acquisition of two additional full time employees provided by the parish government. As well as participation in the parish government health program by all employees and contract attorneys, with 5 contract attorneys being provided full coverage. As of the date of submission of this report, the office has been advised that these positions have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Monthly staff meetings, unannounced observation of attorney during court proceeding. Constant review of database reports, one on one database training and assistance and individual meetings with staff and attorneys to discuss performance issues.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Medical Benefits are provided and paid by the St. Bernard Parish Government to the District Defender, Legal Secretary, Office Manager, Investigator, as well as five Contract Attorney Line Defenders in Divisions A,B,C,D, and E. Two Contract Attorneys, (CINC/Termination) are to participate in the Health Insurance Benefit Program of the STBPG, with premiums being paid by the office. As of the date of submission of this report, the office has been advised that certain health benefits have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	Five, this response is being made to the best of our knowledge, information, and belief. As the question asks "in your District", it is possible that some cases could have been represented by private counsel at the time of arrest without involvement of this office. Also, one of three cases was returned to Juvenile Court, after being transferred to Adult Court.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	No motions were denied, however, as stated in line 51, one juvenile was returned to Juvenile Court after previously being transferred to Adult Court.
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Joseph Bouie, Senator Robert Owen, Rep. Michael R. Bayham, Jr.
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Two CINC/Termination attorneys specifically assigned to those cases. One full time parish employee added as a Legal Secretary, and one full time parish employee added as an investigator. All with full benefits. As of the date of submission of this report, the office has been advised that these positions have been included into the 2024 STBPG budget.

### 34th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

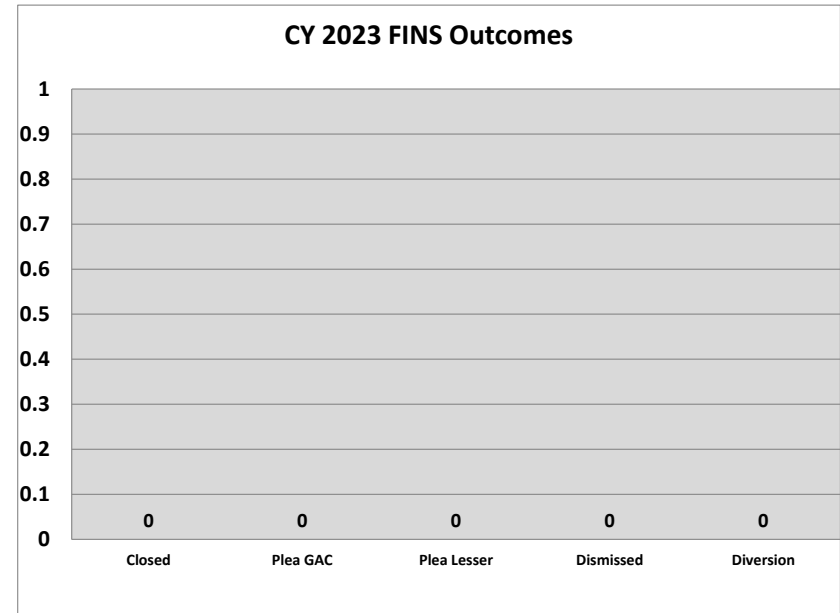
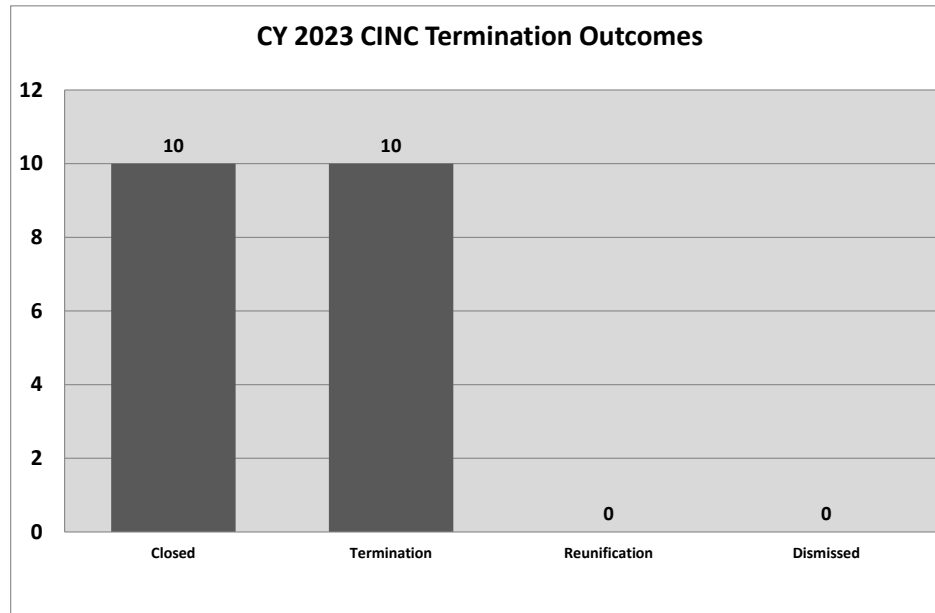
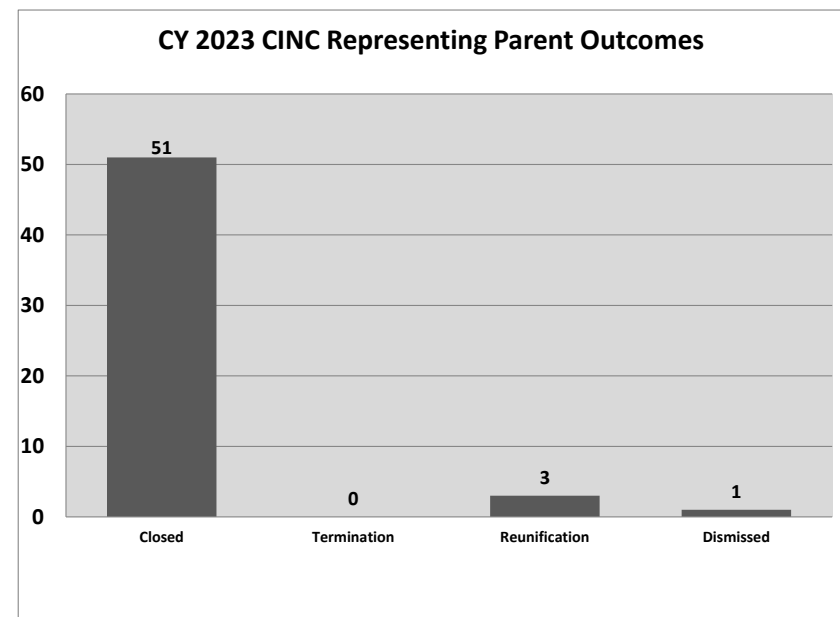
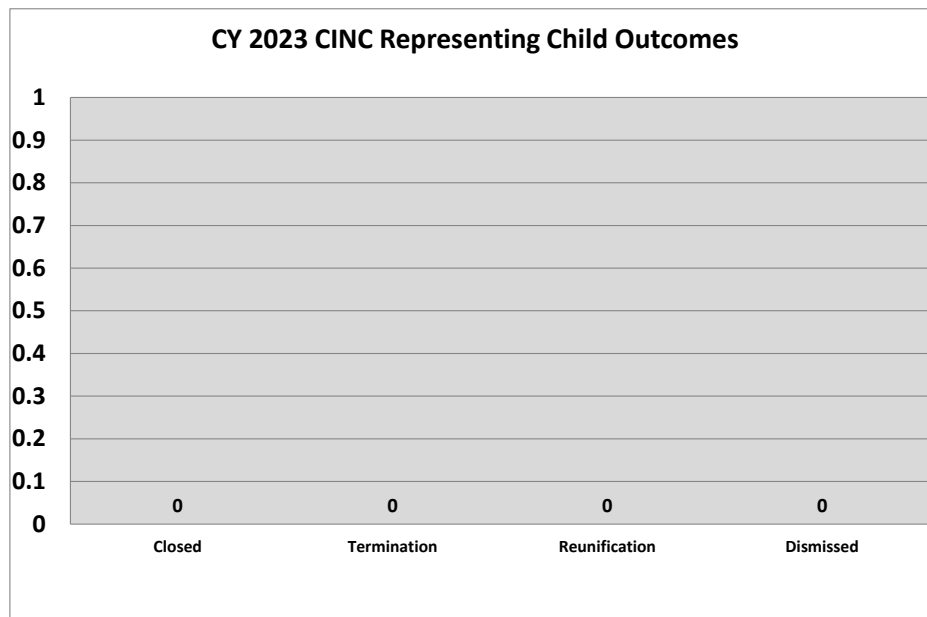
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	47	51	32	79	0	3	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	4	10	9	13	10	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	129	84	38	167	N/A	N/A	18	1	21	10	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	109	99	49	158	N/A	N/A	18	3	30	11	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	4	4	5	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	449	455	148	597	N/A	N/A	194	45	243	0	0	0	14	4	18
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	510	537	279	789	N/A	N/A	289	89	288	0	0	3	2	0	5
Adult LWOP	1	4	7	8	N/A	N/A	3	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	2
Capital***	0	2	2	2	N/A	N/A	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1
Revocations	1	35	21	22	N/A	N/A	0	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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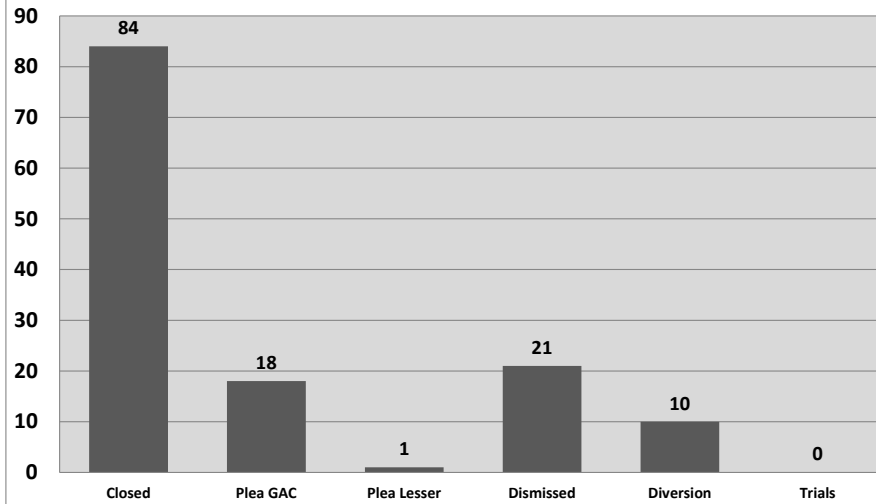
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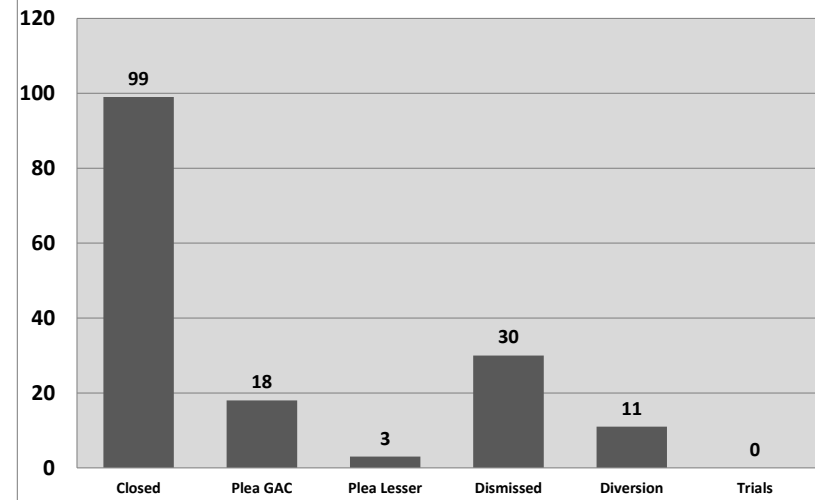
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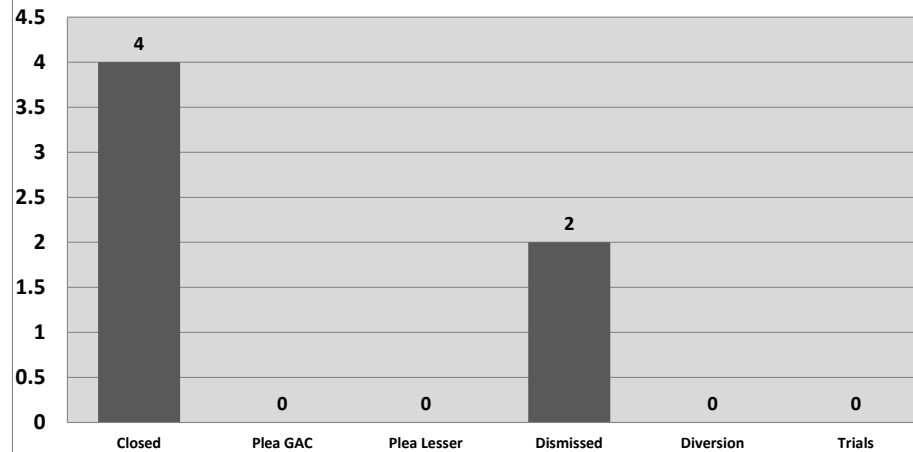
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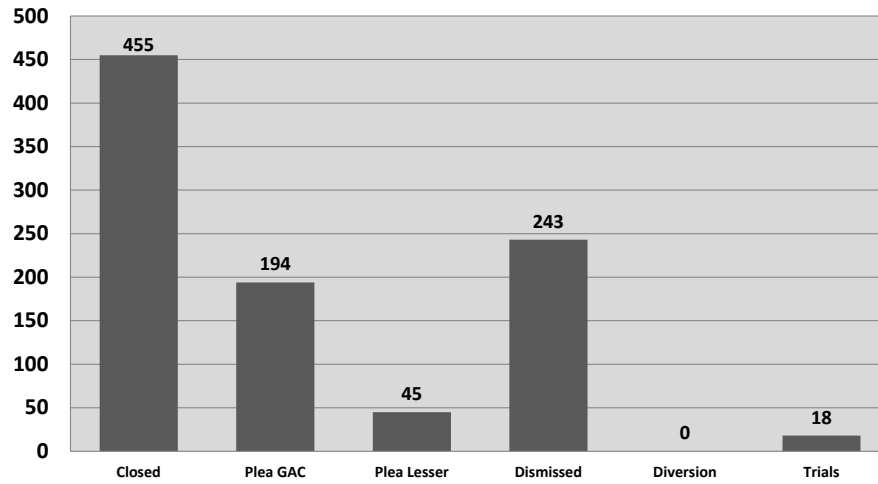
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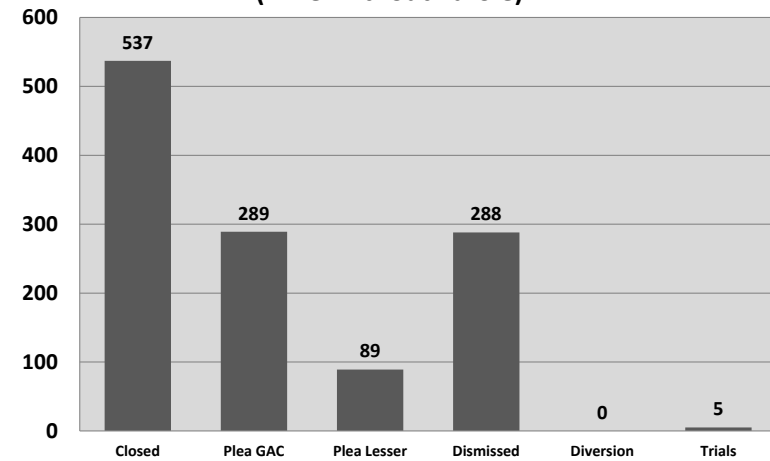
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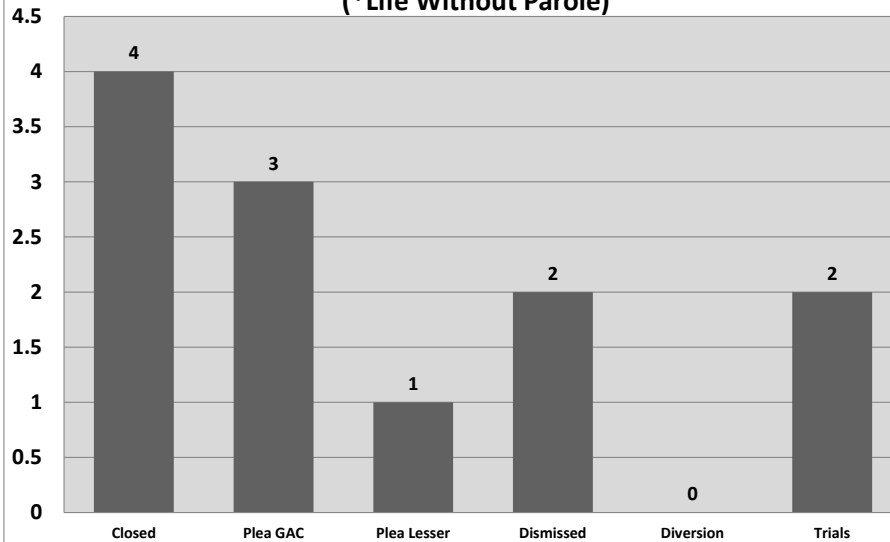
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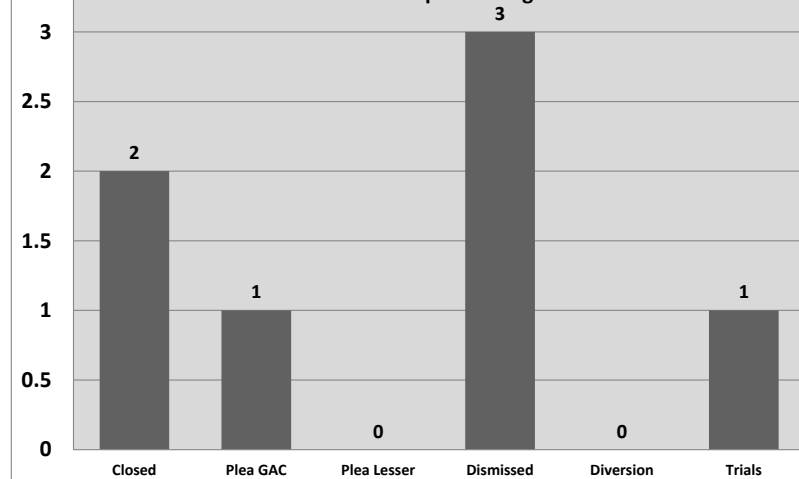


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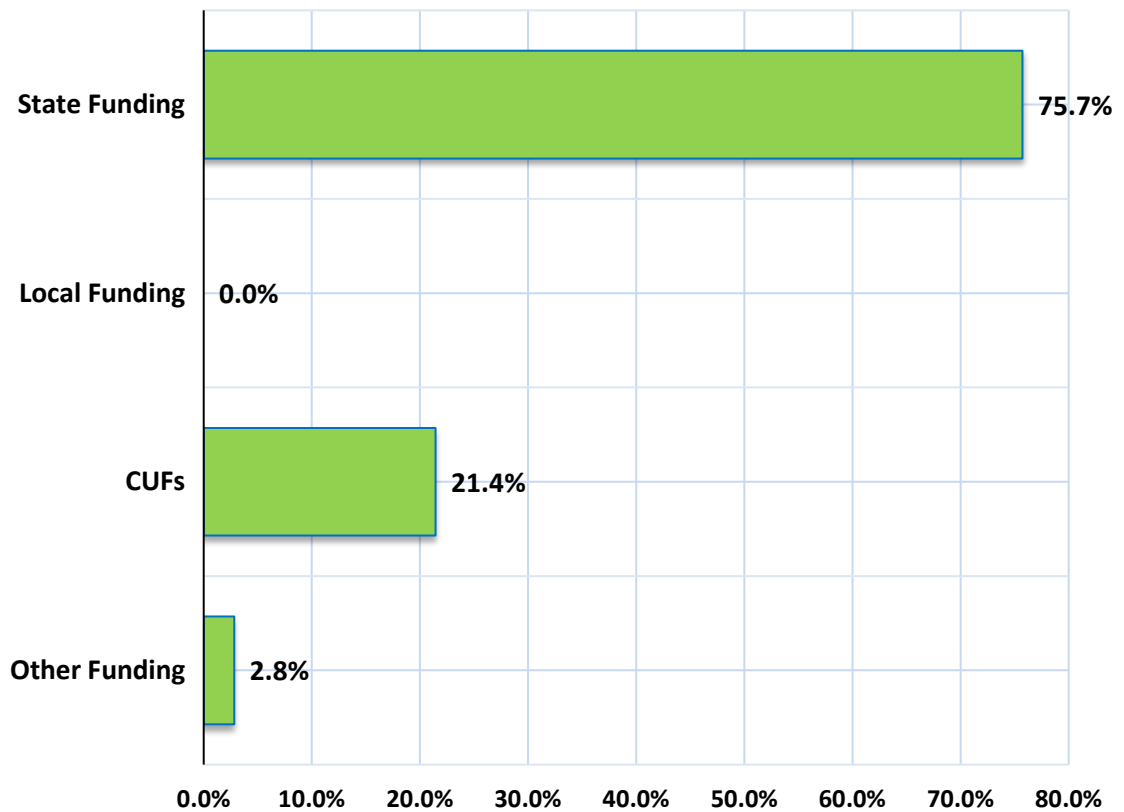


District 34 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Thomas H. Gernhauser</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	408
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>408</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	27,382
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	404,232
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	23,856
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>455,470</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	73,354
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	52,139
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>52,139</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	3,625
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	23
Other Local Income -List source(s)	13,212
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>16,860</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>142,353</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	3,739
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>3,739</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>601,969</b>

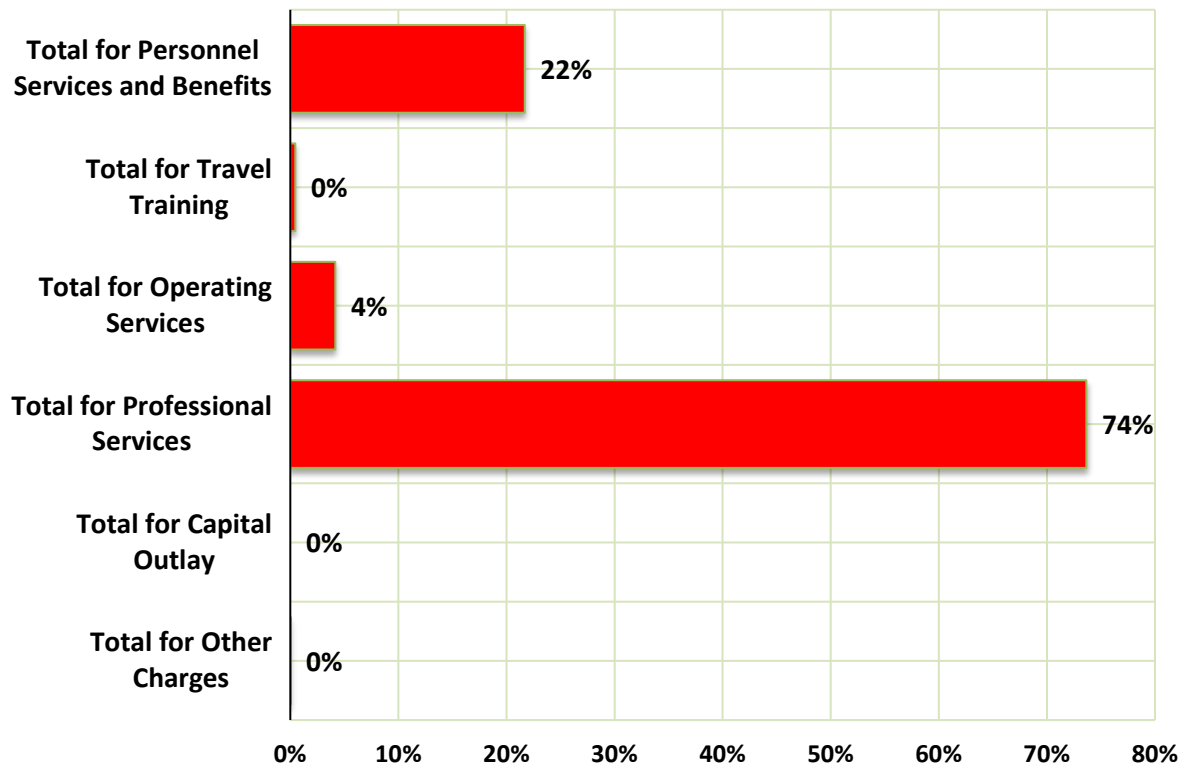


District 34 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Thomas H. Gernhauser</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	113,218
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	8,710
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	400
Retirement	8,491
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>130,818</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	2,848
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>2,848</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	55
Workers' Compensation	-
Insurance - Malpractice	15,467
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	1,353
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	65
Dues and Seminars	1,791
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	5,088
Office Supplies	1,281
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>25,100</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	10,000
Contract Clerical	11,000
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	34,000
Interpreters	1,040
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	30,367
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	33,500
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	324,162
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>444,070</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	32
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>602,868</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

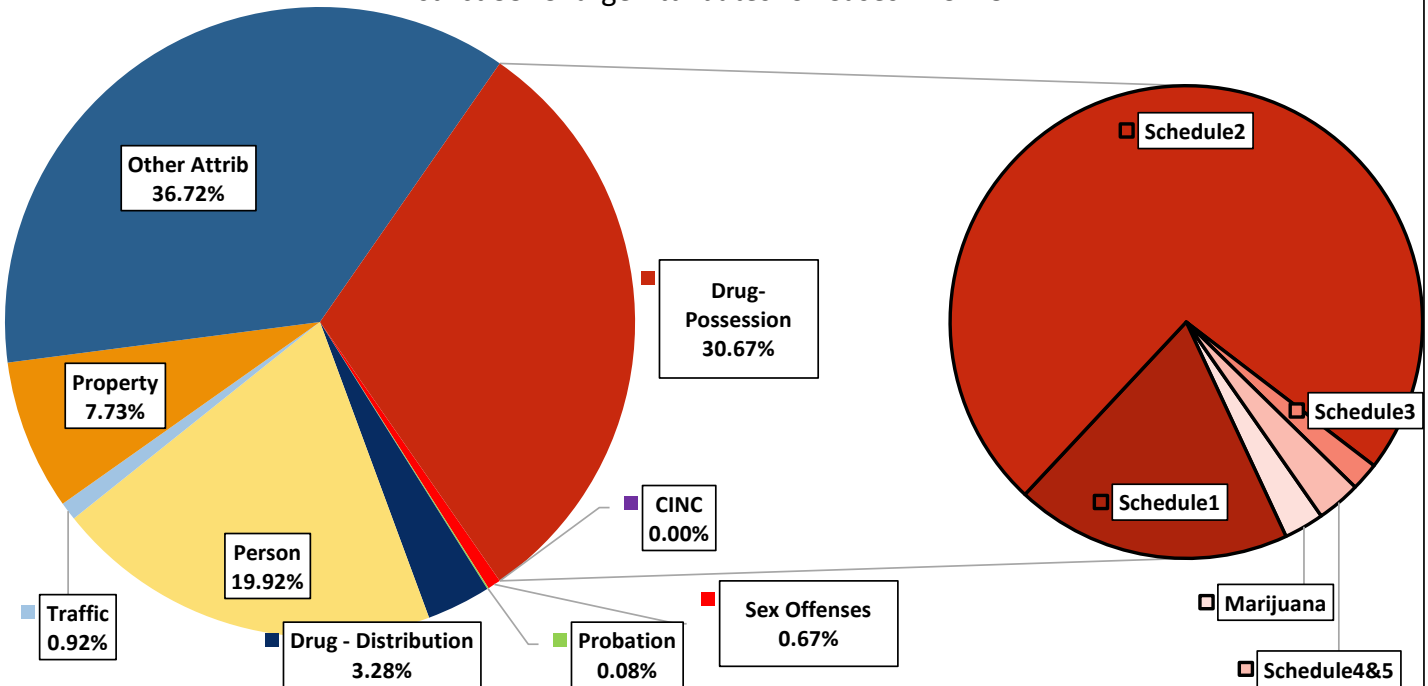




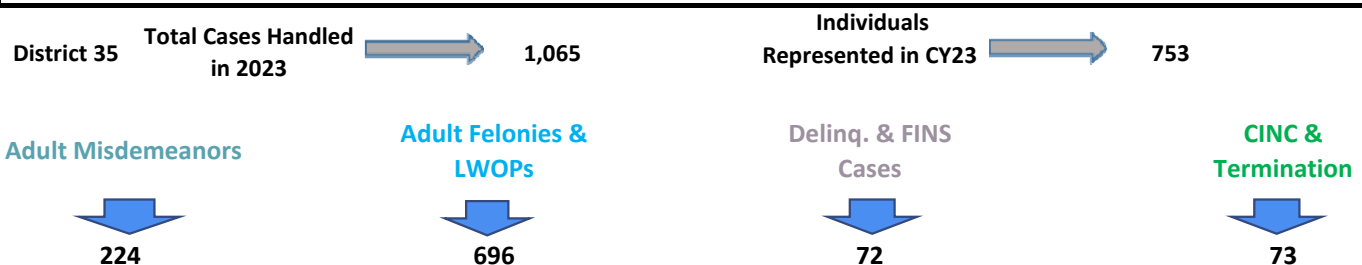
# THE 35<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE GRANT (COLFAX)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: JOSEPH P. BECK, III  
352 SECOND STREET  
COLFAX, LA 71417  
(318) 627-3255

District 35 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

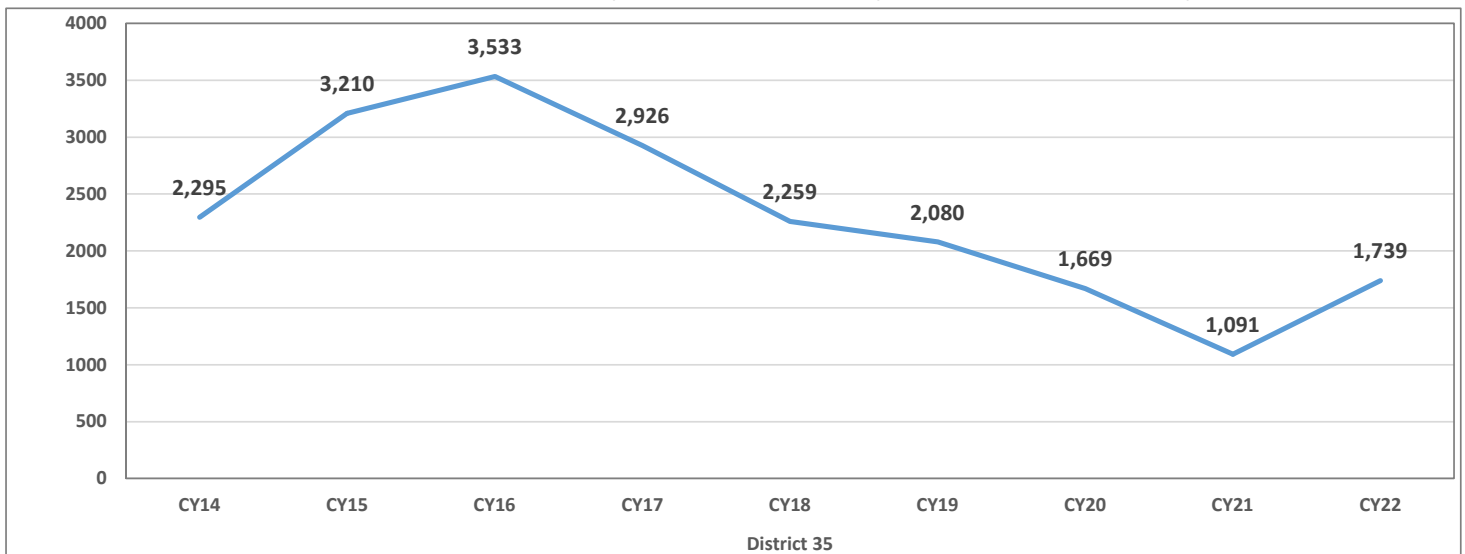


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 30.67% (327) of the 1,065 cases handled by the 35th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 73.4% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



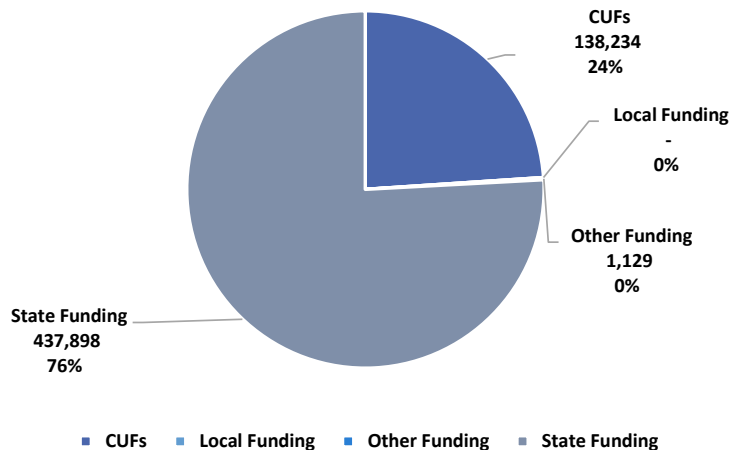
These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



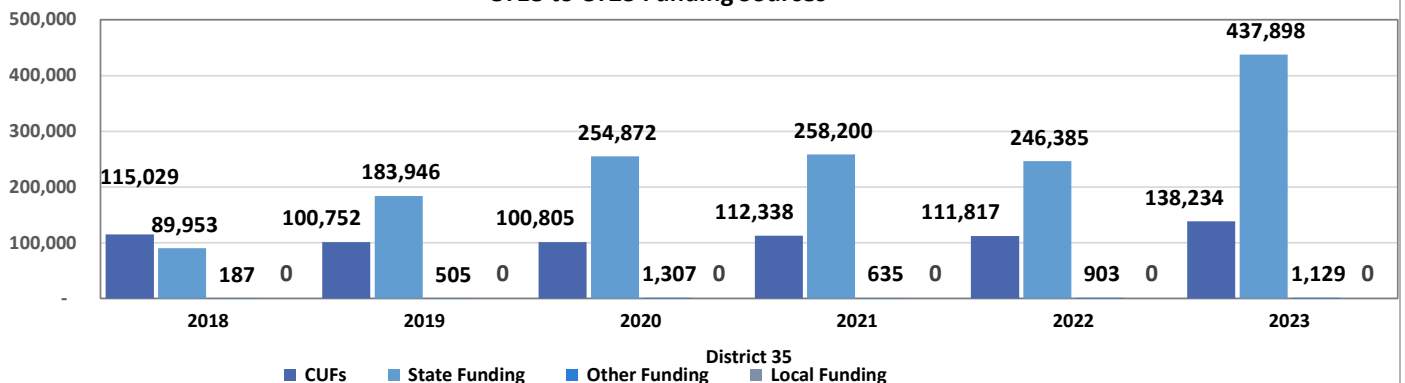
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 35th Judicial District increased by 60% from the previous year. 2022 marked the first year since CY16 that saw an increase in traffic filings. Supreme Court filing data from 2023 is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUF collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year's rates.

**District 35 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 35th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$577,261 in total revenues. Only 24% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. CUF collections have remained relatively stable over the last five years. State funding increased by \$191,513 which includes \$120,000 in building funds. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 35<sup>TH</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Grant - Colfax
<b>Population</b>	22,236
<b>District Defender</b>	Joseph P. Beck, III
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	2 Years 3 Months
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	16
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	32
<b>Office Manager</b>	Bettye F. Wall
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	352 Second Street
<b>City</b>	Colfax
<b>ZIP</b>	71417
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8:30am-3:30pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-627-3255
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P. O. Box 102, Colfax, LA 71417
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-627-2432
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Joseph P. Beck, III
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	(318) 542-0848 - cell
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Brett Brunson
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-352-9311
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	35th JDC Public Defender's Office
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	35th Judicial District Court, 200 Main Street, Colfax LA 71417
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	One
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Grant Parish Detention Facility
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Avoyelles Parish, Claiborne Parish, Concordia Parish, East Carroll Parish, Rapides Parish, Red River Parish, Tensas Parish, Winn Parish
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Avoyelles, Red River, Rapides
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No. The court has no shackling policy and procedure, however if a juvenile is brought to court in shackles, the public defender will request that the shackles be removed.
<b>District Attorney</b>	James P. Lemoine
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Warren Willett
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	JDC - Warren Willett
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Housing incarcerated clients outside the District
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	Purchase of permanent office
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Chief supervises attorney and non-attorneys.

<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Rep. Michael "Gabe" Firment, Sen. Louie Bernard, Sen. Jay Luneau, Sen, Jay Morris
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Purchase of a permanent building



### 35th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	56	13	11	67	0	4	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	5	2	1	6	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	42	21	2	44	N/A	N/A	12	1	5	4	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	19	14	8	27	N/A	N/A	14	0	13	0	N/A	N/A	0	2	2
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	146	188	78	224	N/A	N/A	52	1	148	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	466	487	227	693	N/A	N/A	267	95	293	0	0	0	1	1	2
Adult LWOP	1	2	2	3	N/A	N/A	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

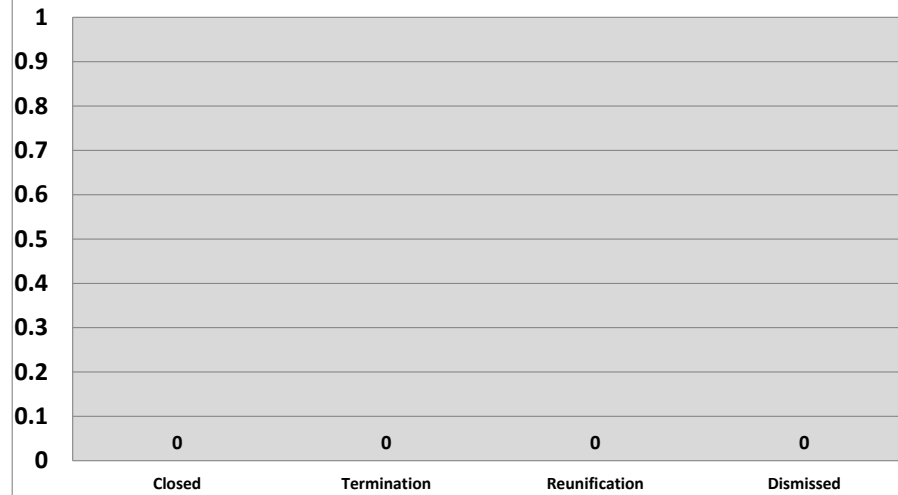
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

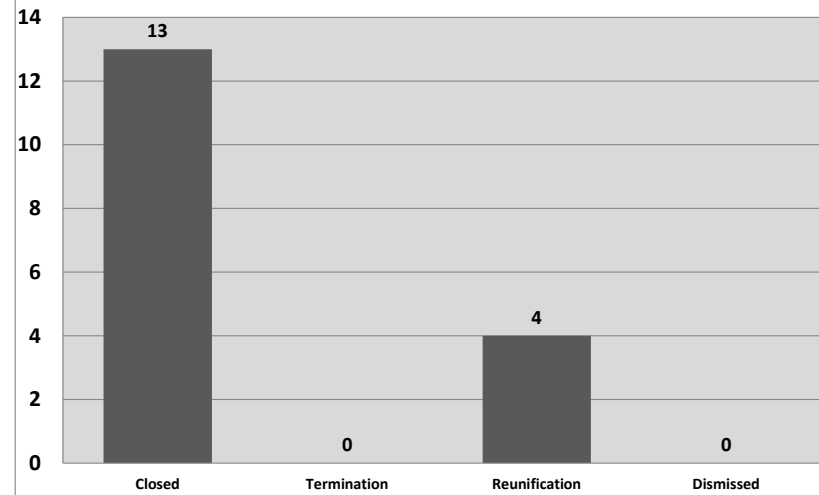
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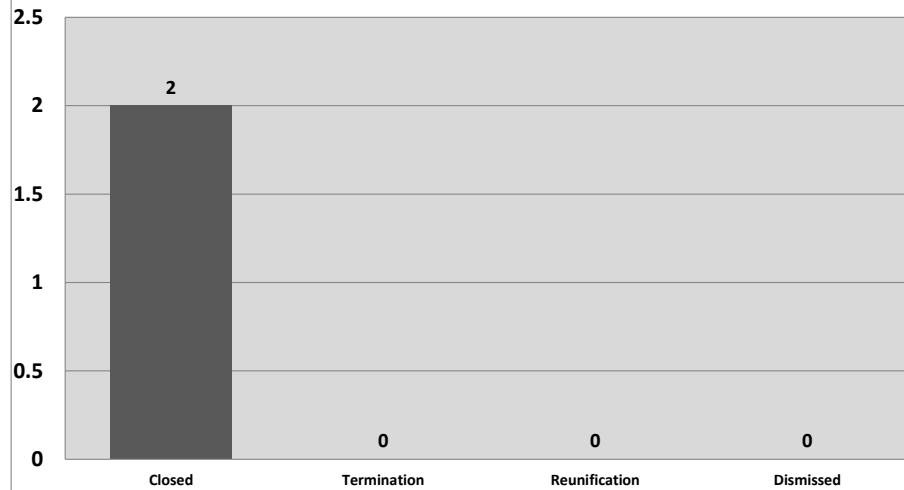
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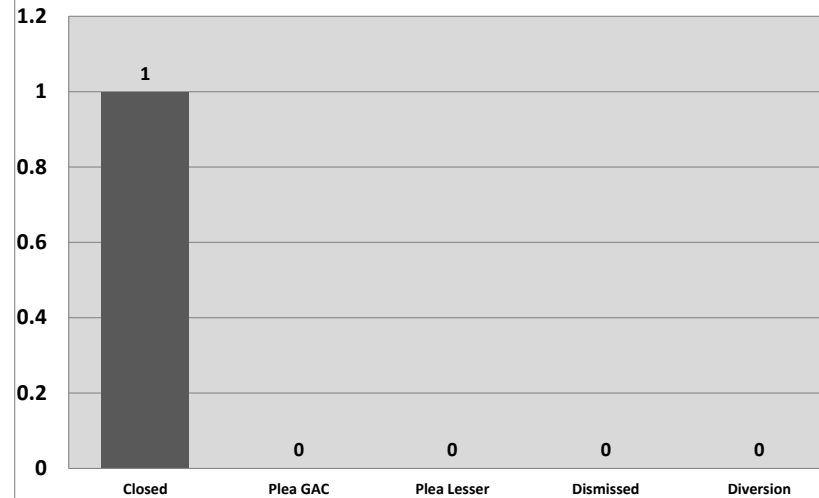
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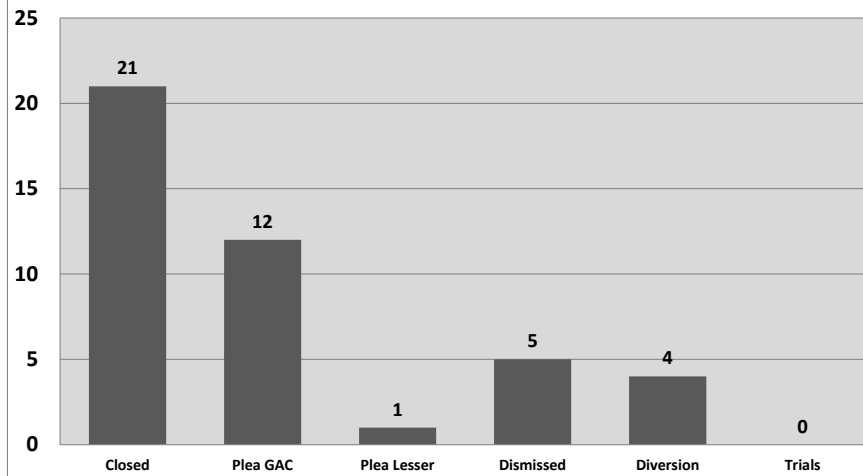
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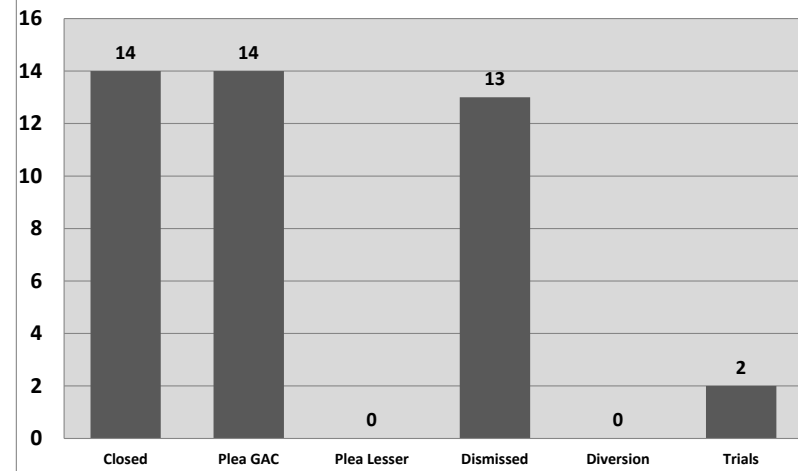
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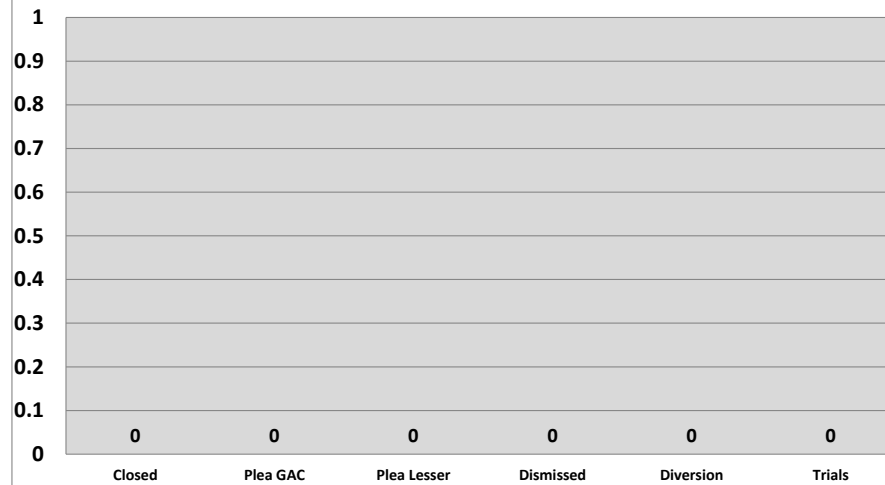
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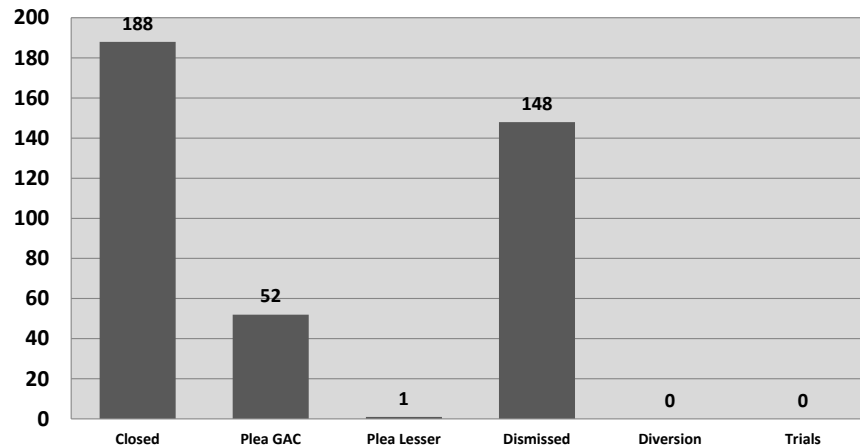
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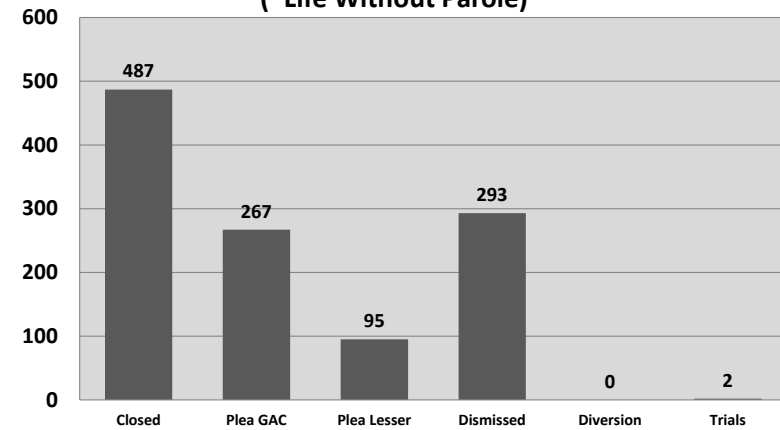
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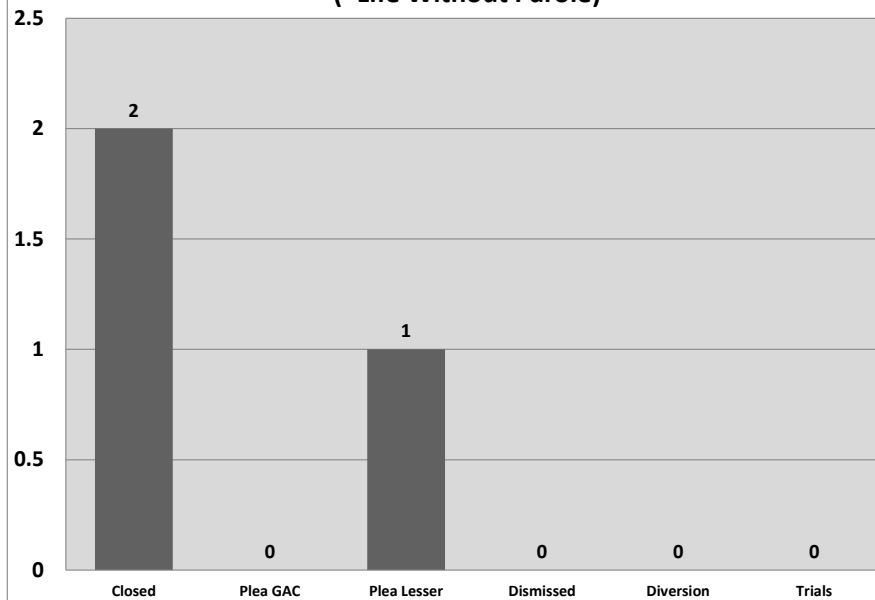
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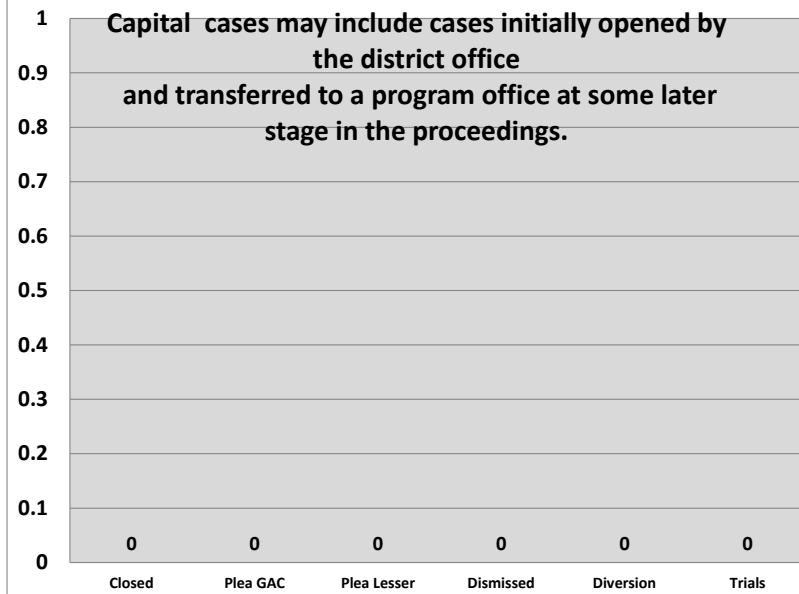
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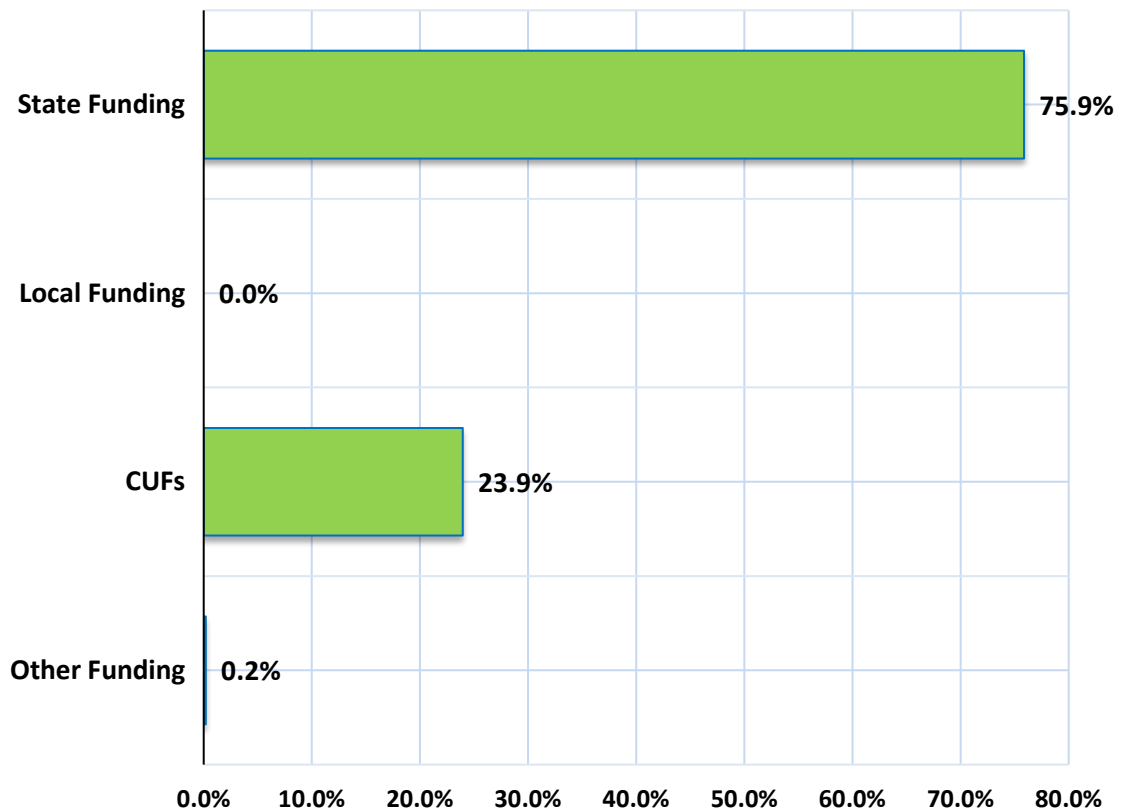
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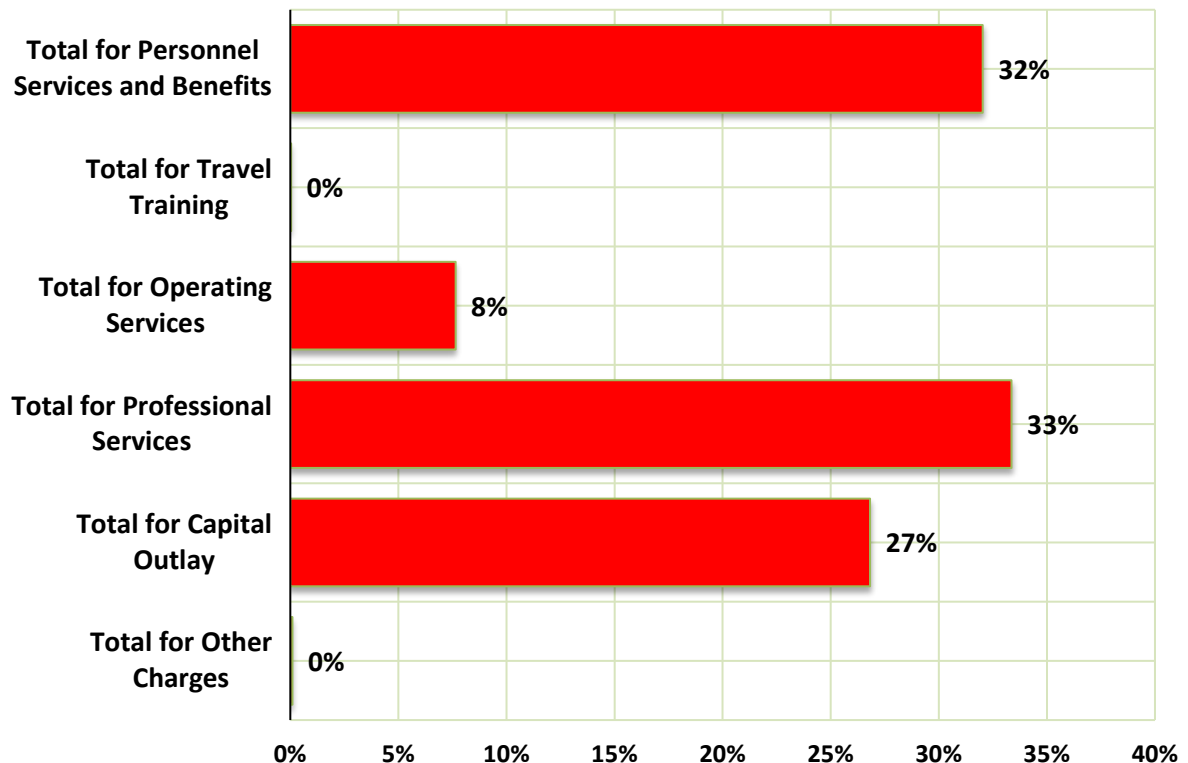
District 35 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Joe Beck</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	372
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>372</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	7,613
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	309,912
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	120,000
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>437,525</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	-
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	83,609
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>83,609</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	10,941
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	43,683
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>54,624</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>138,234</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	473
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	656
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>1,129</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>577,260</b>

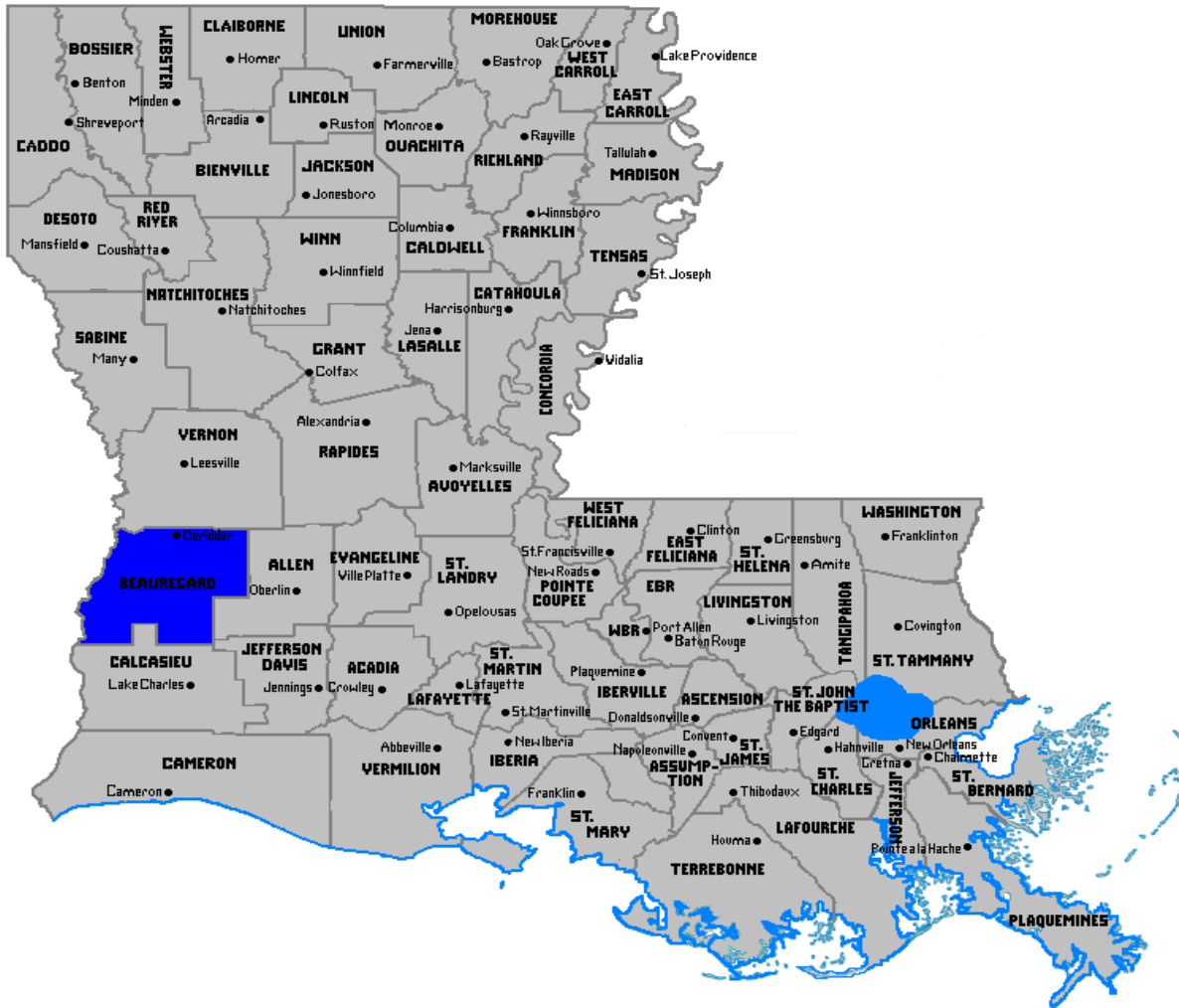
District 35 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Joe Beck</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	148,132
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	11,760
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>159,892</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	201
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>201</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	788
Insurance - Malpractice	3,582
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	1,279
Lease - Office	13,000
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	9,152
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	4,660
Dues and Seminars	1,158
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	975
Office Supplies	3,576
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>38,170</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	8,207
Contract Clerical	1,918
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	4,200
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	16,250
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	136,000
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>166,575</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	133,916
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>133,916</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	511
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>511</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>499,265</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



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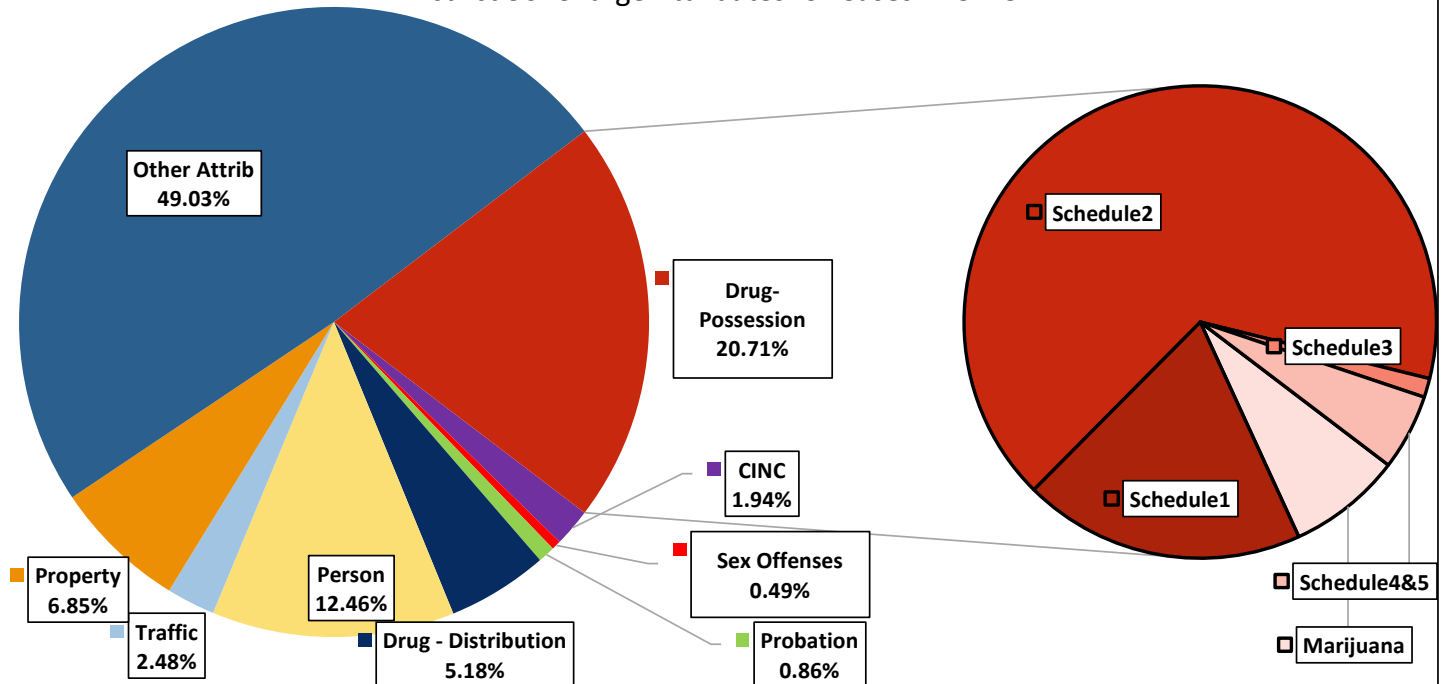


THE 36<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
BEAUREGARD (DERIDDER)

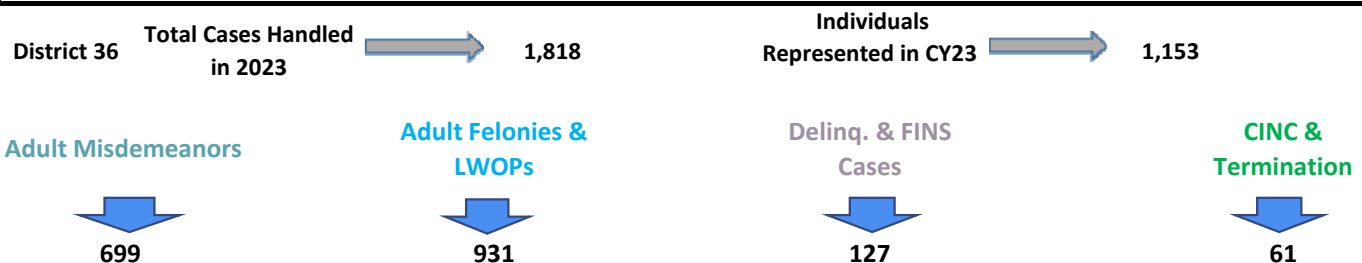
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112 NORTH STEWART ST.  
DERIDDER, LA 70634  
337-462-8891



District 36 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

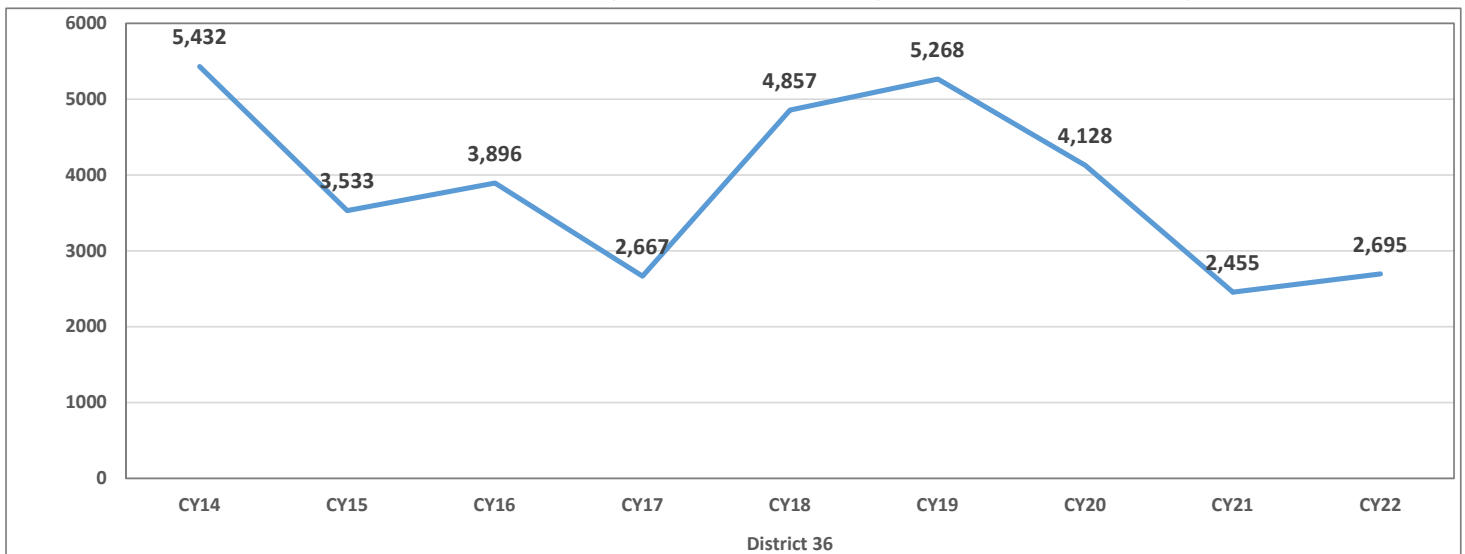


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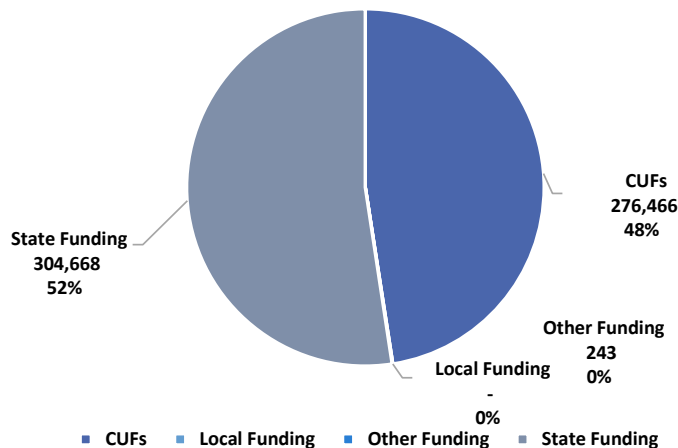
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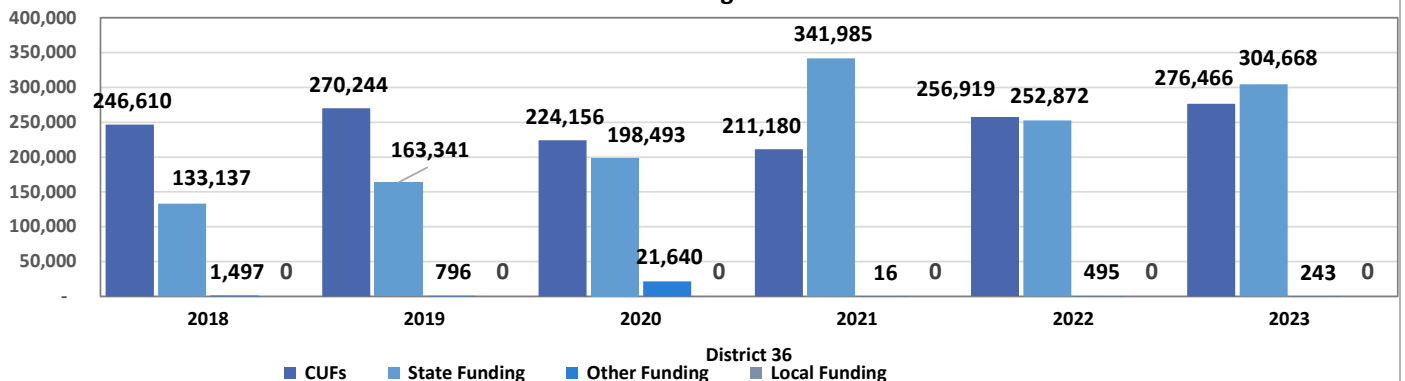
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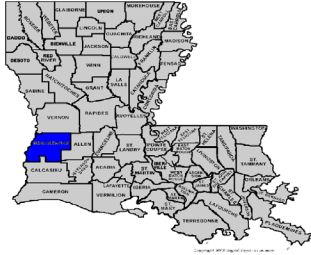
**District 36 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 36th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$581,377 in total revenues. Forty-eight percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. In CY21, the state provided \$148,000 to the district for the purchase of a Public Defender Office building. This funding was appropriated by the Legislature in Act 45 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session. The loss of this one-time money accounts for the decrease in state funding from 2021 to 2022. The office did not receive any funding from city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 36TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Beauregard - DeRidder
<b>Population</b>	36,570
<b>District Defender</b>	Tony Tillman
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	14
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	27
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	35 hours monthly
<b>Office Manager</b>	Jennifer Prewitt
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	112 North Stewart St.
<b>City</b>	DeRidder
<b>ZIP</b>	70634
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F 8 am - noon closed daily for lunch 1-4:30 pm
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-462-8891
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P. O. Box 1032
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-462-3810
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Tony Tillman
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-392-3077
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Jennifer Prewitt
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-430-0074
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	36th JDC Public Defender Office
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	36th Judicial District Court, Divisions A & B, P.O. Box 1148, DeRidder, 70634
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Two Divisions: Division A - Judge Martha A. O'Neal; Division B - Judge C. Kerry Anderson. Judges rotate on a monthly basis between civil and criminal dockets.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Clients are still being held in facilities all over the state due to the Beauregard Parish jail being partially open. No women are being held locally at this time.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Due to closing clients are held in many different facilities.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center 3565 Highway 71 Coushatta, LA; Calcasieu Parish Juvenile Detention Center Lake Charles, LA; The District used the St. James Juvenile Detention Center until its closure in June, 2013, and since then juvenile clients have been housed in Bridge City Center for Youth in Bridge City, Louisiana.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No. Officers are in court room and holding room if juveniles are in custody.
<b>District Attorney</b>	James R. Lestage
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Martha Ann O'Neal
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Martha O'Neal and Kerry Anderson
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Martha O'Neal
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	None
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Funding

<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Continue funding and additional competent attorneys. Attorneys who live locally all live out of Parish.
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Director, Individual Attorneys, Support Staff; Individual Defenders supervise their assistants in their offices.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	Medical Insurance with 80% Employer and 20% Employee
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator - Mike Reese; Representative R. Dewith Carrier, Brett F. Geymann; and Charles A. Owens
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Our staff meets with the client within 24 hours of appointment to advise them of their rights, who their counsel is and how to contact him/her. Staff makes phone calls for client to contact family for bond assistance or to ask them to bring items the clients that are allowed at the jail.

### 36th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	27	12	31	58	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	3	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	22	8	7	29	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	40	23	22	62	N/A	N/A	9	1	2	0	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency Felony	14	8	21	35	N/A	N/A	9	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	428	392	271	699	N/A	N/A	45	2	47	0	0	0	0	15	15
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	479	452	406	885	N/A	N/A	117	16	53	0	1	2	0	48	51
Adult LWOP	4	0	6	10	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	18	17	17	35	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

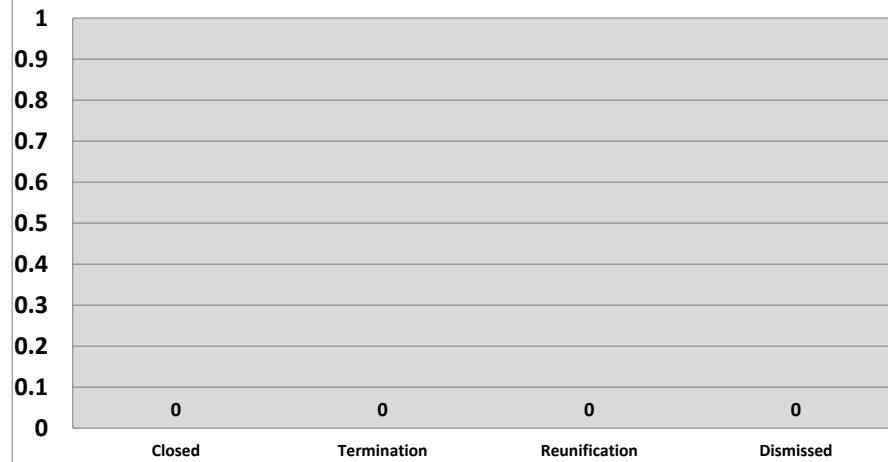
NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

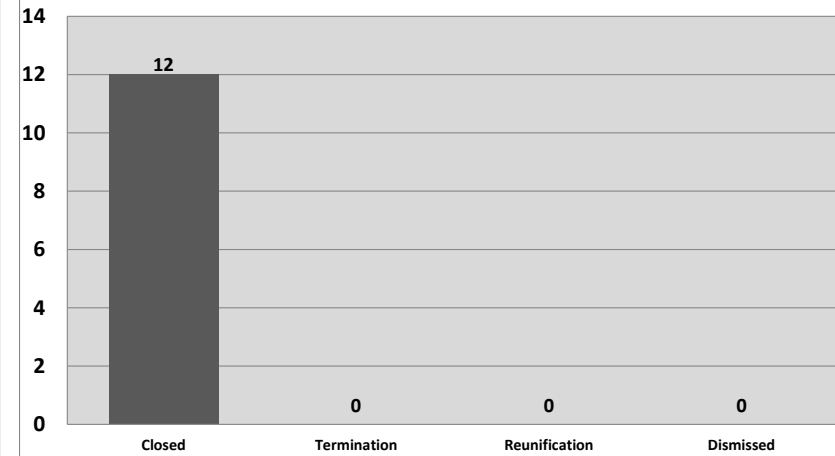
\*\*Life Without Parole

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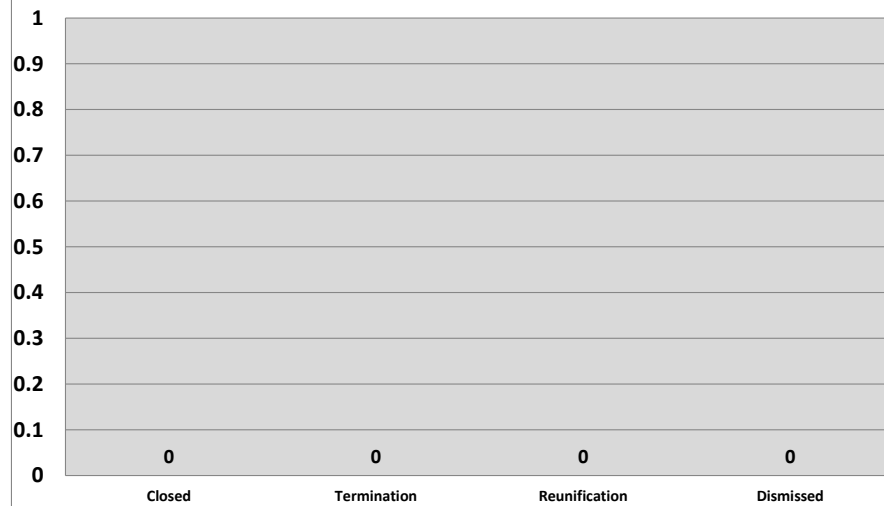
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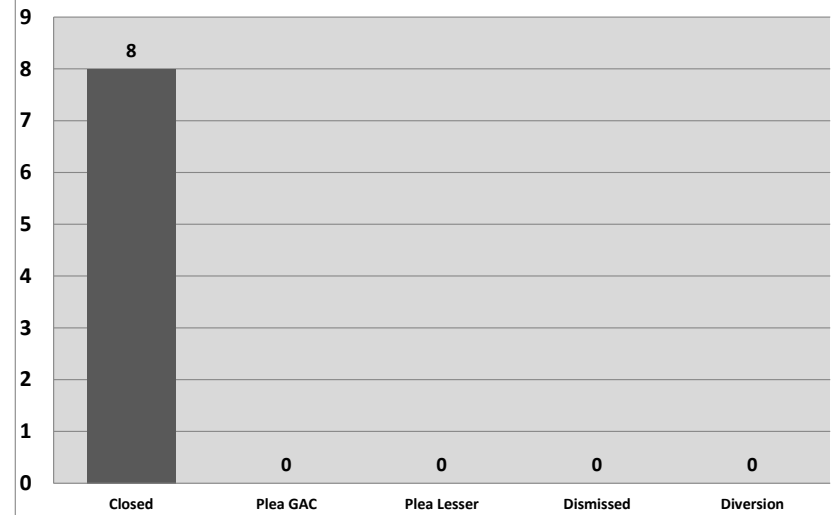
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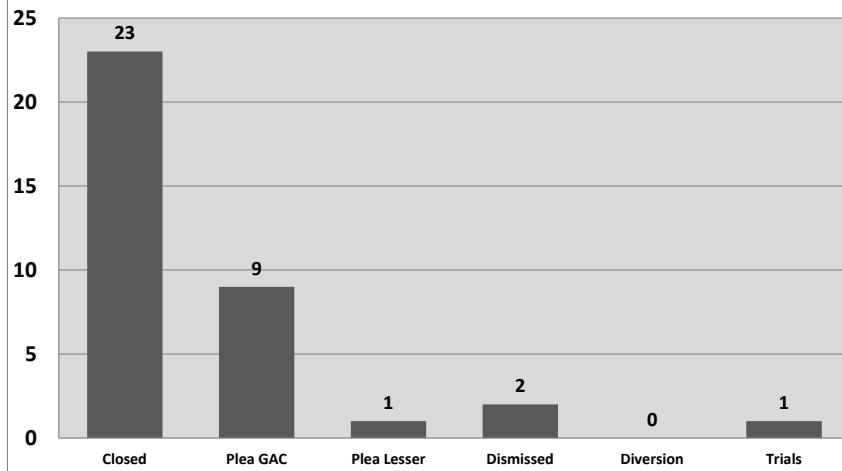
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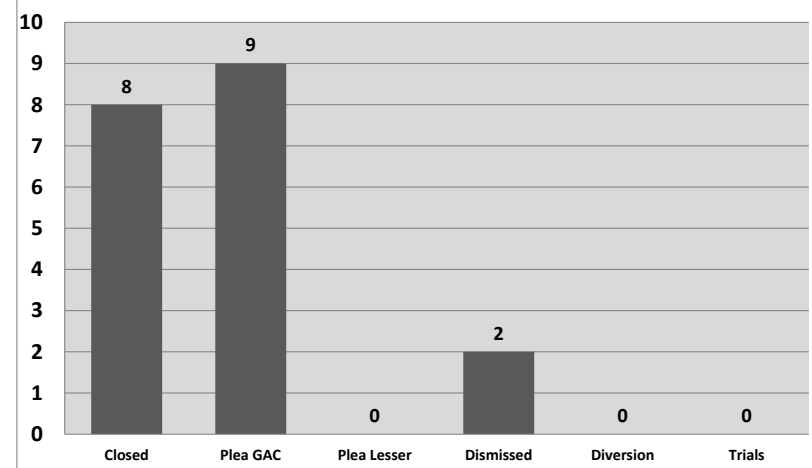
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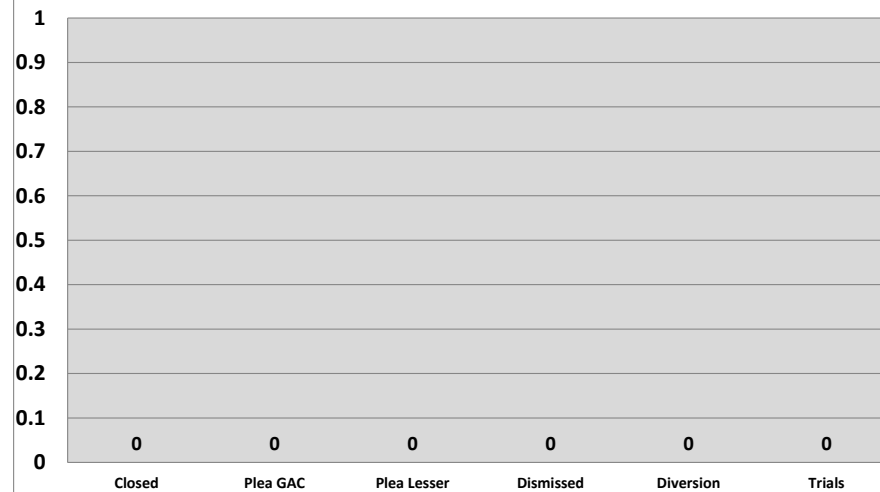
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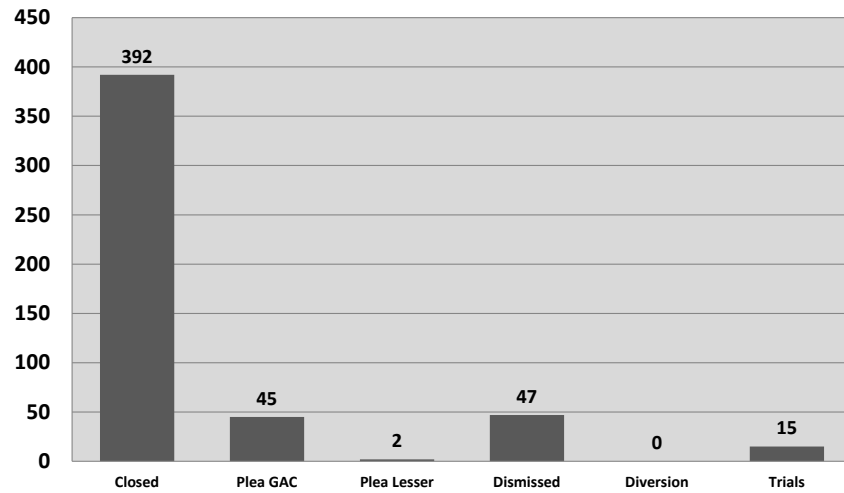


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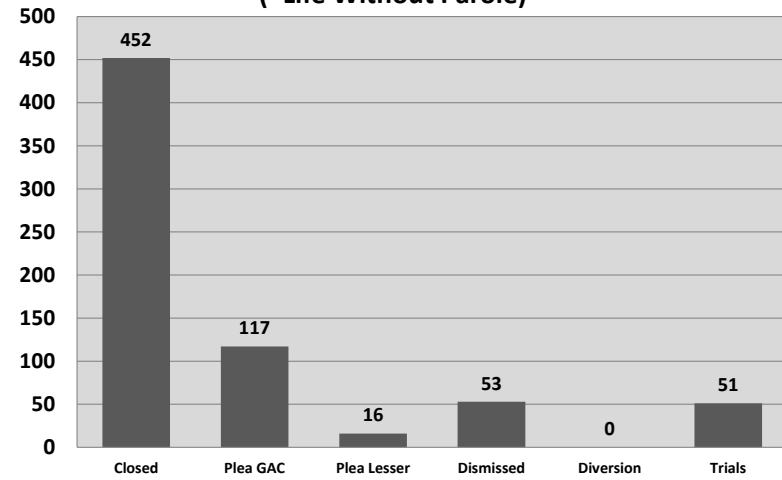




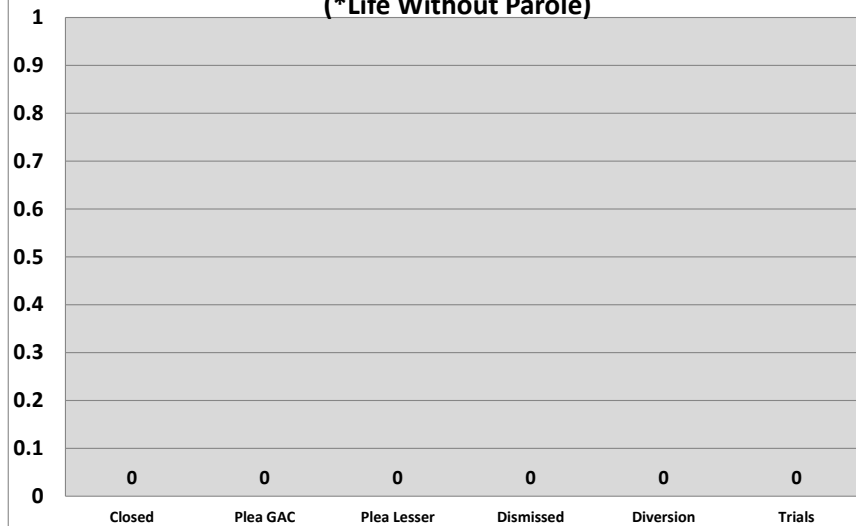
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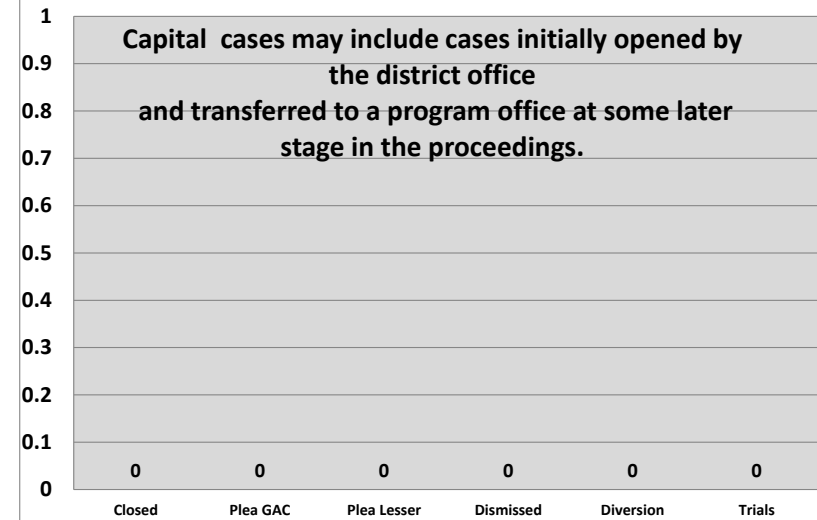
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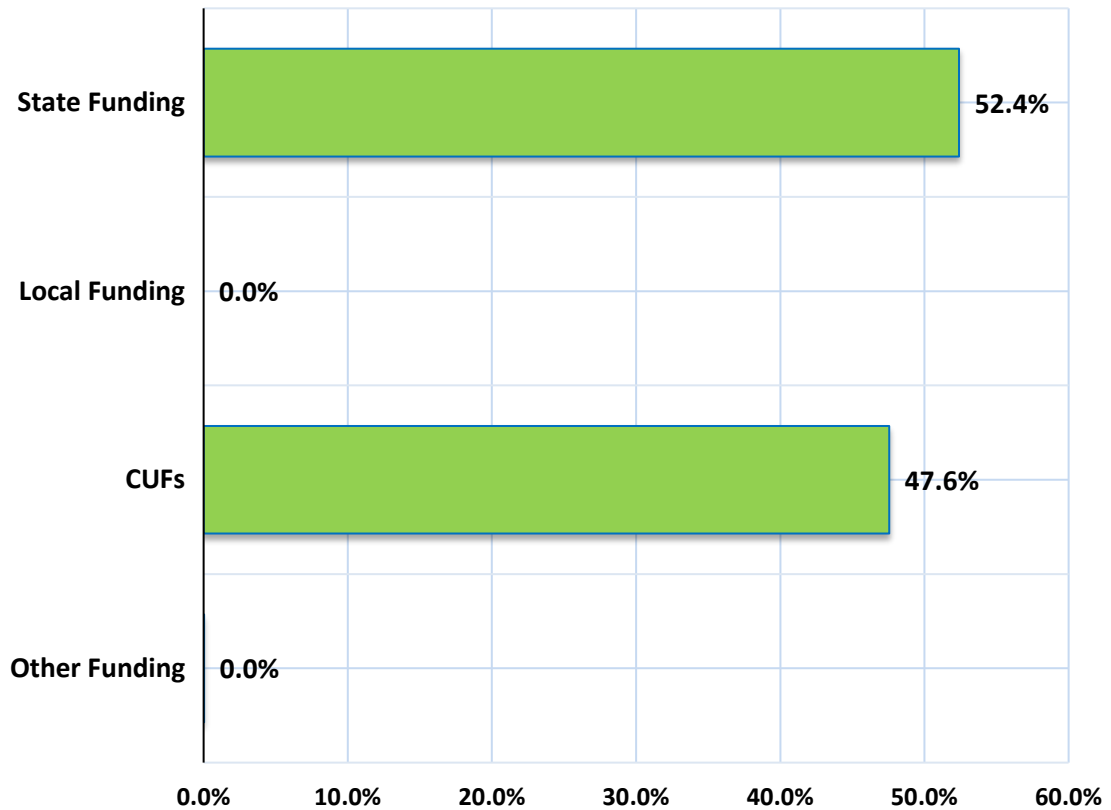
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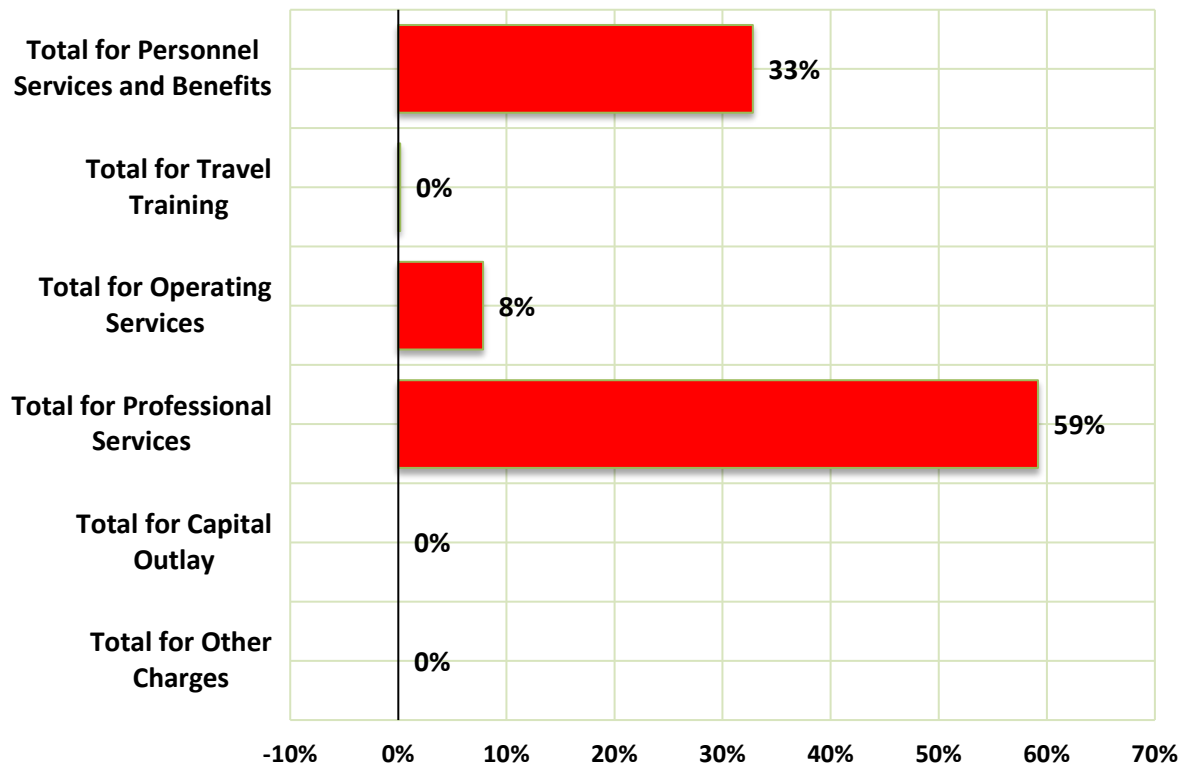
District 36 CY2023	Total CY2023
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<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	325
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>325</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	18,462
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	285,881
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>304,343</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	22,586
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	42,642
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	3,479
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	2,043
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	151,054
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>199,218</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	11,814
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	42,847
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>54,661</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>276,466</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	121
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>121</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	121
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>121</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>581,376</b>

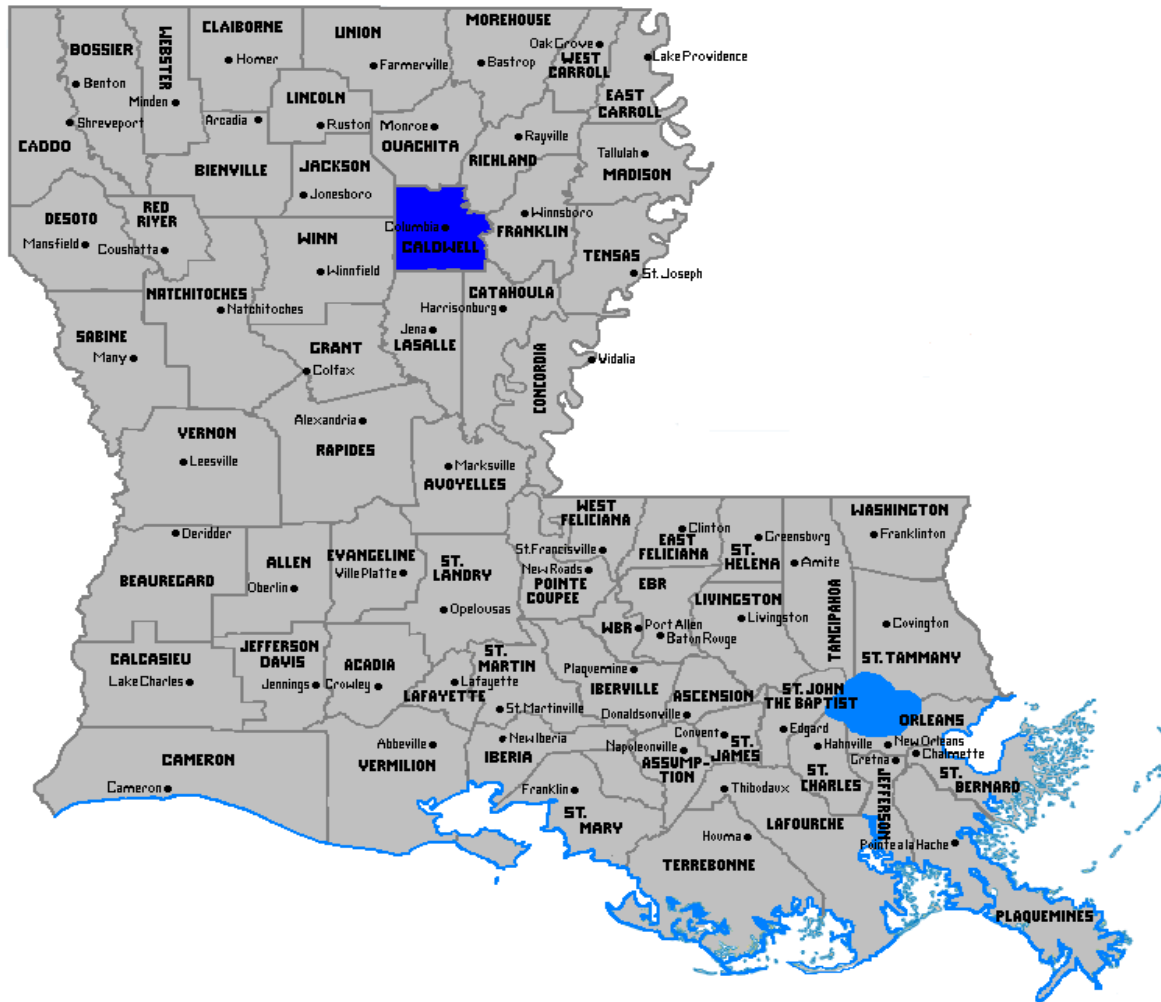
District 36 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Tony Tillman</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	139,568
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	11,958
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	15,764
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>167,290</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	958
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>958</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	-
Insurance - Malpractice	6,926
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	610
Insurance - Other	548
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	4,747
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	13,507
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	6,594
Dues and Seminars	-
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	2,318
Office Supplies	4,718
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>39,969</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	15,062
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	286,000
IT/Technical Support	750
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>301,812</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	(0)
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>(0)</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>510,029</b>
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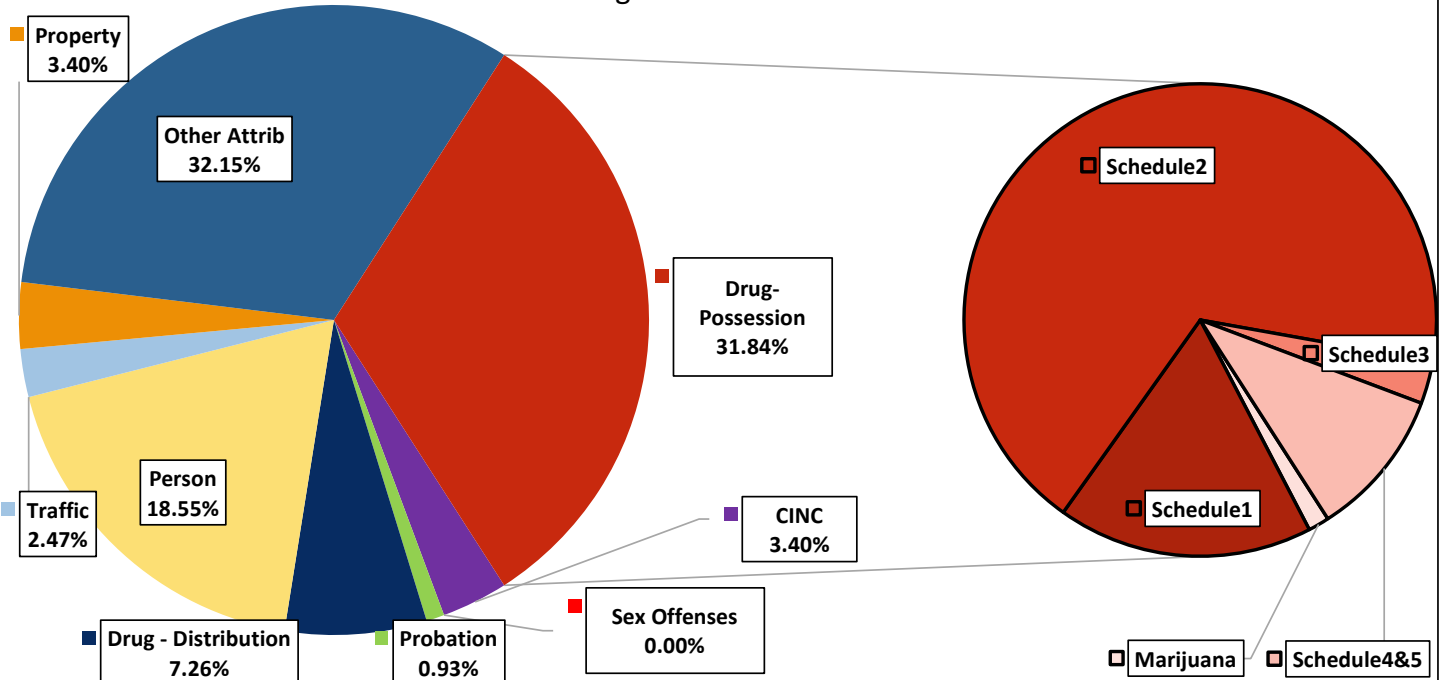




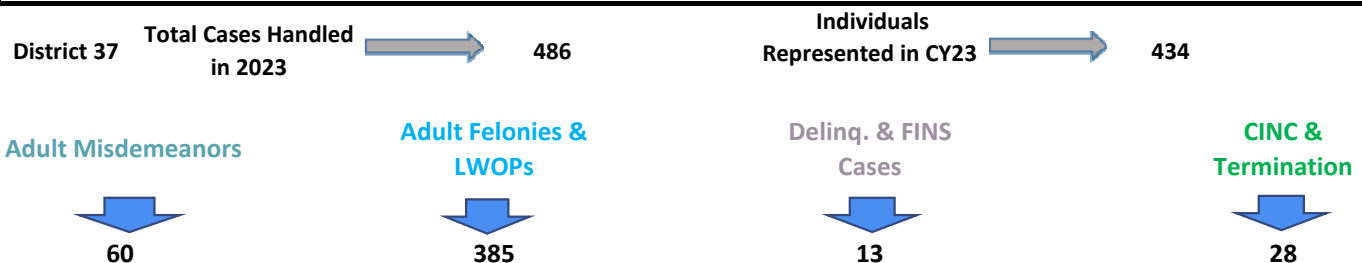
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CALDWELL (COLUMBIA)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: LOUIS V. CHAMPAGNE  
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COLUMBIA, LA 71418  
(318) 649-2626

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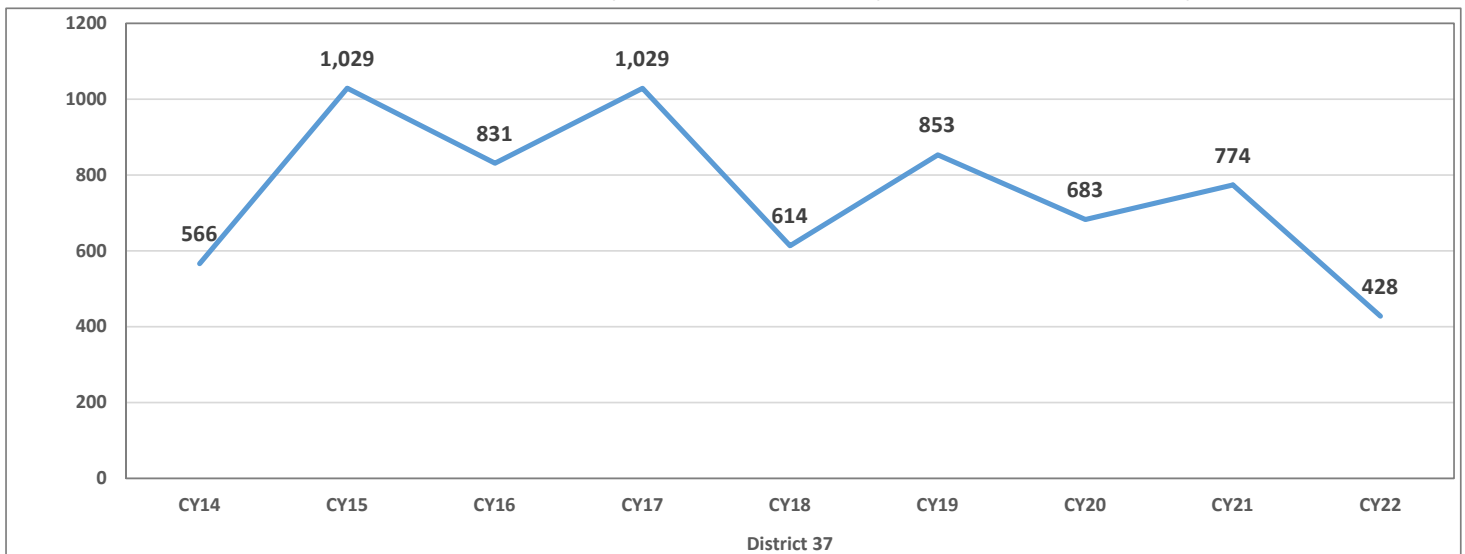


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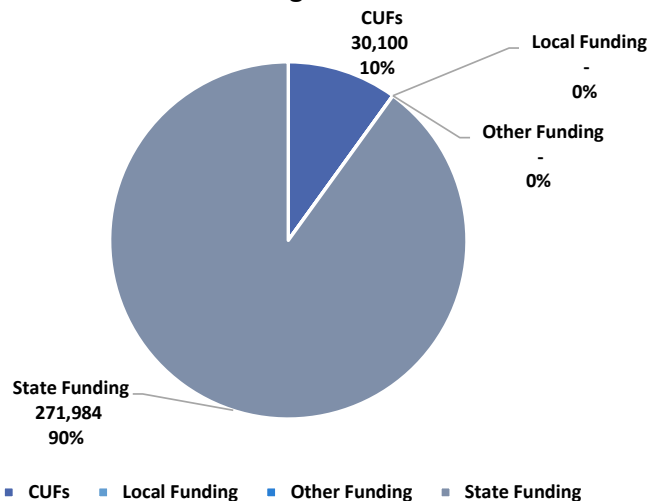
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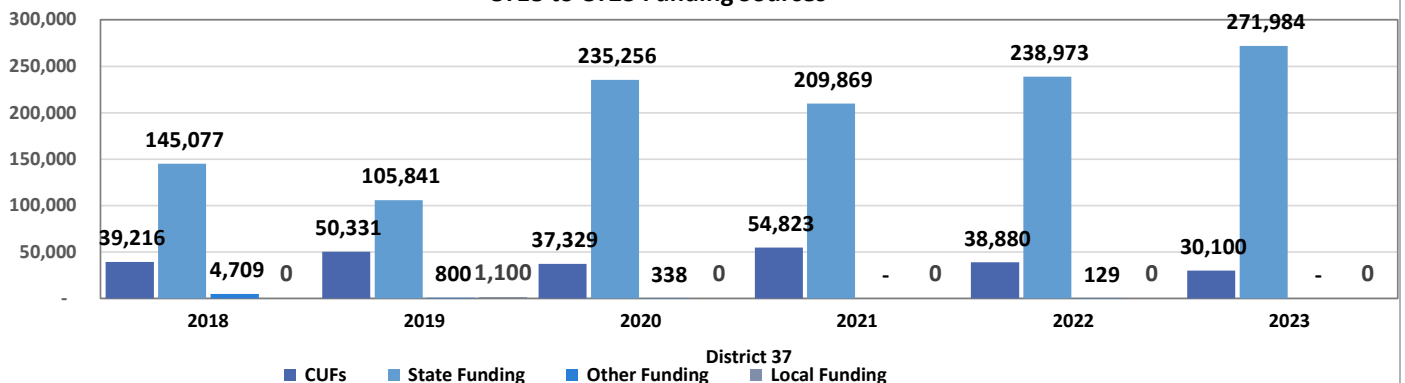
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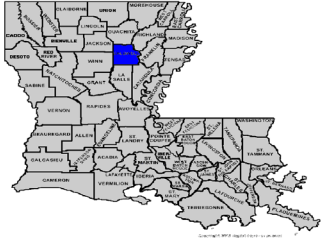
**District 37 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 37th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$302,084 in total revenues. The office is reliant on state supplemental assistance as only 10% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 37TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Caldwell - Columbia
<b>Population</b>	11,000
<b>District Defender</b>	Louis Champagne
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	22
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	5
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Johnette Hatten
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	301 Wall Street
<b>City</b>	Columbia
<b>ZIP</b>	71418
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Monday-Friday 8-5
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-649-2626
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 1029, Columbia, 71418
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-649-0212
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Louis Champagne
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-331-0439
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Johnette Hatten
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-450-2197
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	No other addresses or phone numbers.
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	None
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	McKeithen, Ryland & Champagne
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	N/A
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A



<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	37th Judicial District Court, Columbia, Louisiana & Mayors Court
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Mayor's Court
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Caldwell Correctional Center, Caldwell Parish Detention Center and Caldwell Parish Jail.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Women and men are housed in the Caldwell Correctional Center. No prisoners are held in the Caldwell Parish Jail.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Swanson Center for Youth at Columbia, this facility is located in Columbia, however, the Parish is not allowed to hold juveniles there.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Green Oaks - Ouachita Parish
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Very rarely. If they are being held in detention at the time of juvenile hearing, the Office of Juvenile Justice officer brings them and they are in handcuffs.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Brian Frazier is now the District Attorney for the Parish of Caldwell.
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Ashley Paul Thomas is now the District Court Judge for the 37th Judicial District.
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Ashley Paul Thomas is now the District Court Judge for the 37th Judicial District. He handles all Juveniles
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	We no longer have drug court.
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	Ashley Paul Thomas is now the District Court Judge for the 37th Judicial District.
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	None
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Having enough funding to provide quality IDB defense.

<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Louis meets with attorneys and staff on a daily basis to discuss status of cases and review work product.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Representative Julia Letlow
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Mandatory attendance to CLE provided by IDB.

### 37th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

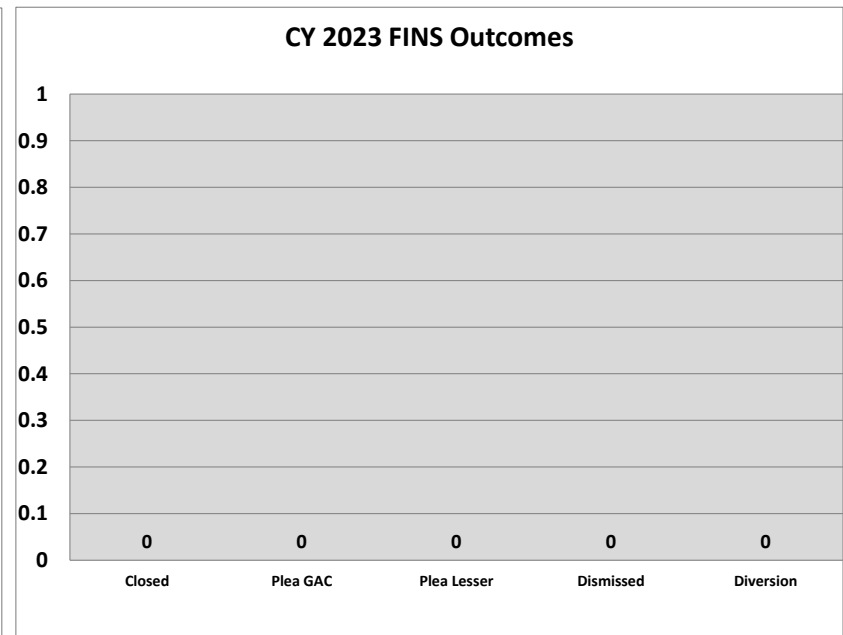
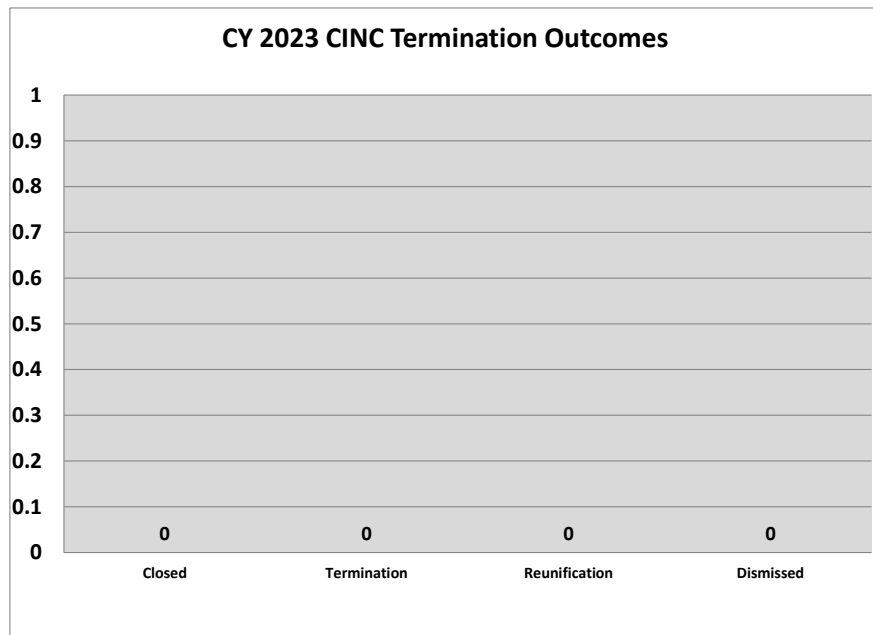
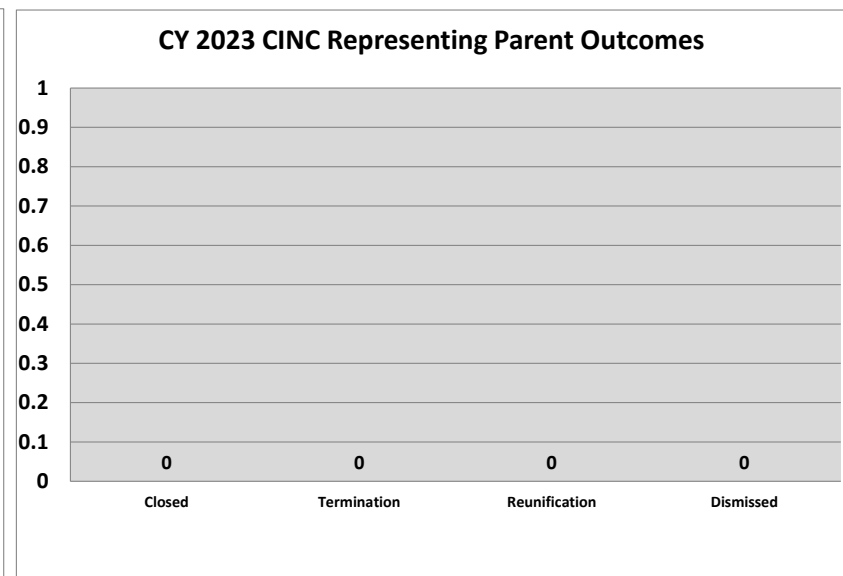
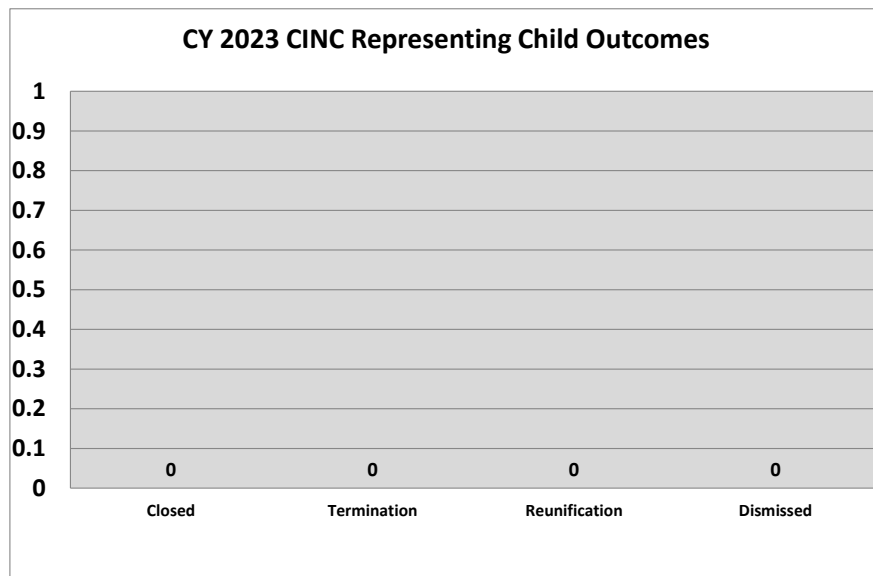
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	8	0	18	26	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	2	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	2	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	4	2	5	9	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	32	25	28	60	N/A	N/A	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	206	185	173	379	N/A	N/A	6	1	14	0	0	1	0	5	6
Adult LWOP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	2	5	4	6	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

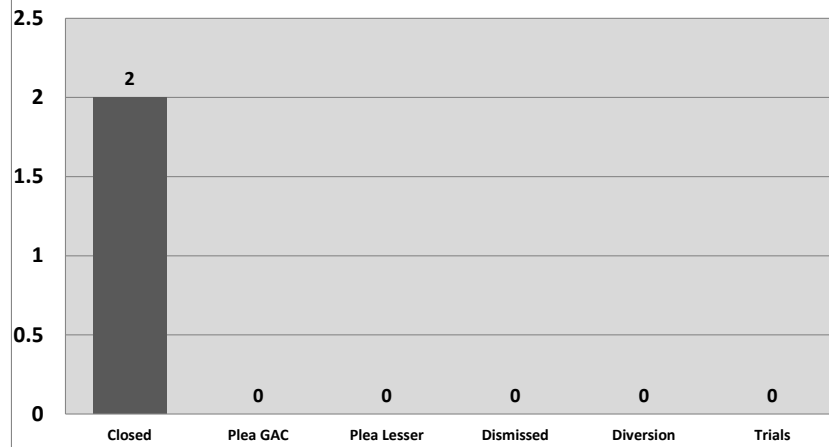
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

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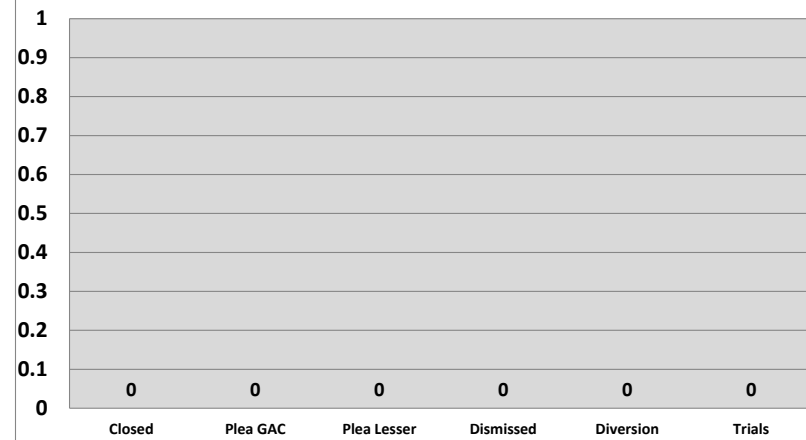
\*\*\*Capital cases may include cases initially opened by the district office and transferred to a program office at some later stage in the proceedings.



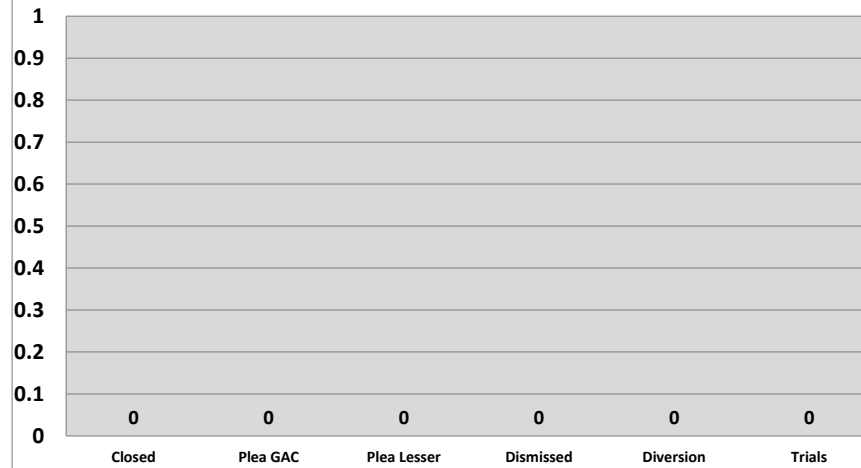
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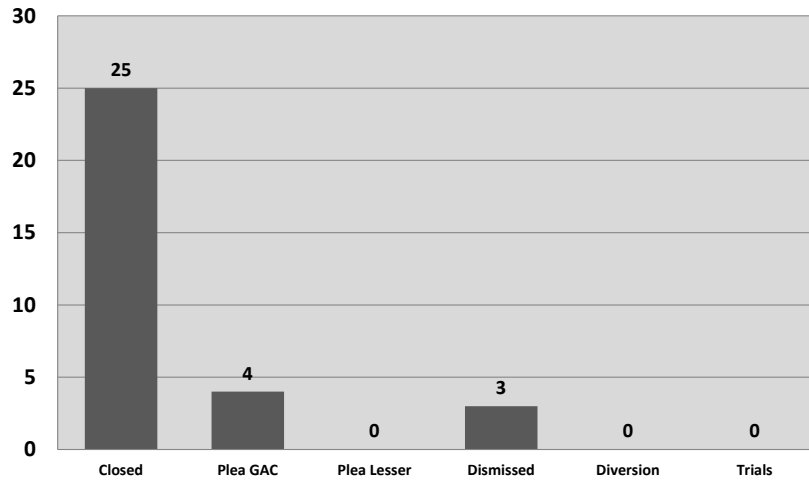
**CY 2023 Delinquency Felony-Grade Outcomes**



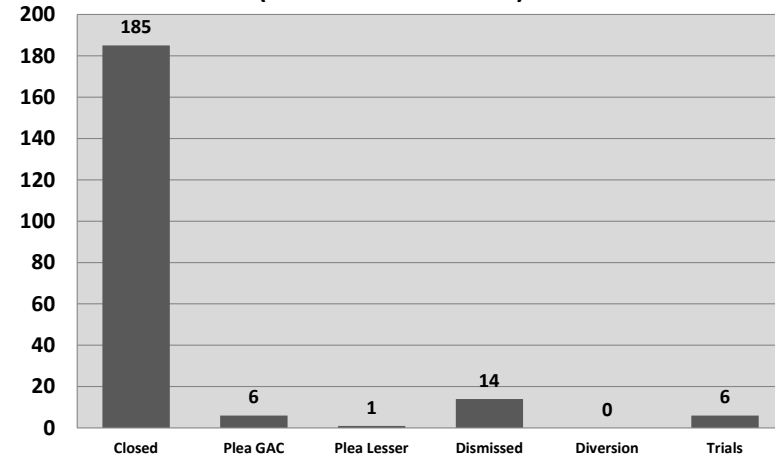
**CY 2023 Delinquency Life Outcomes**



**CY 2023 Adult Misdemeanor Outcomes**



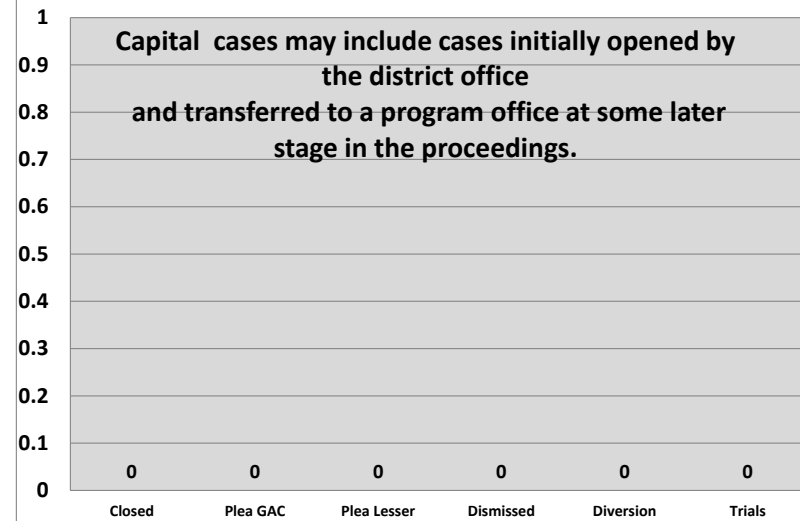
**CY 2023 Adult Felony Non-LWOP\* Outcomes  
(\*Life Without Parole)**



**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**

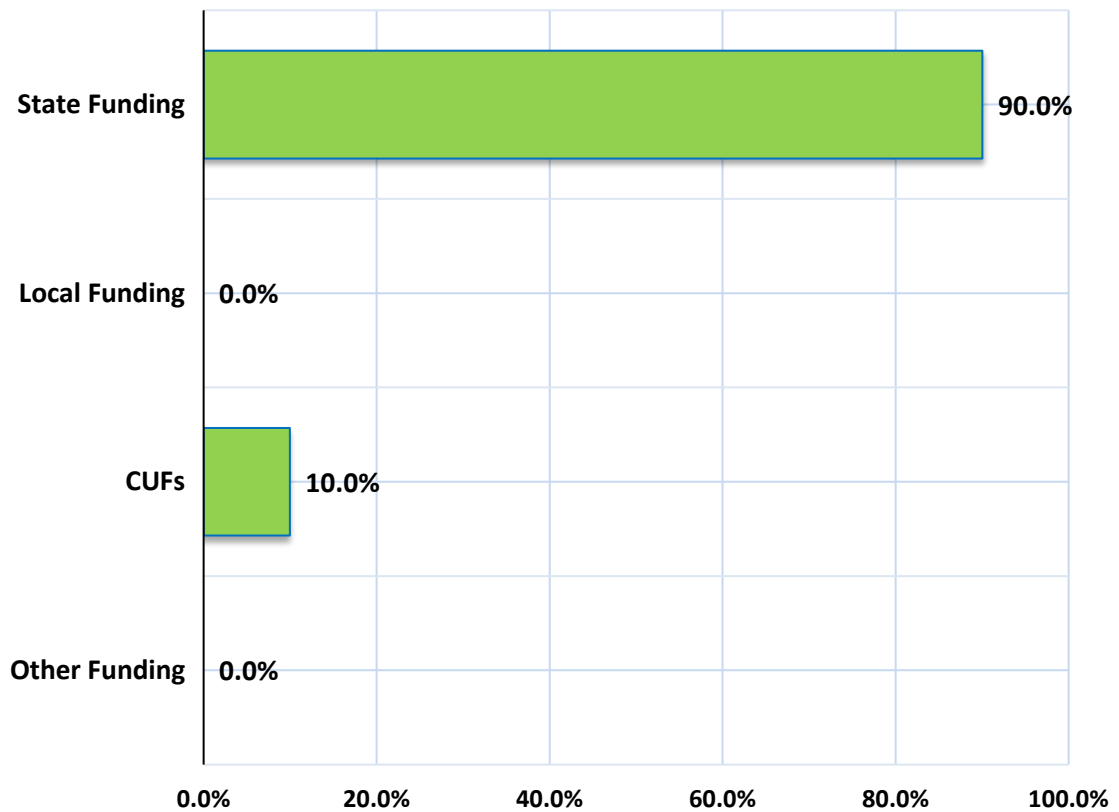


District 37 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Louis V. Champagne</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	334
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>334</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	-
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	271,649
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>271,649</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	134
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	-
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	250
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	1,191
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	1,390
Parish Courts	2,600
Traffic Court	42
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	18,514
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>23,986</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	5,980
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>5,980</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>30,100</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>302,084</b>

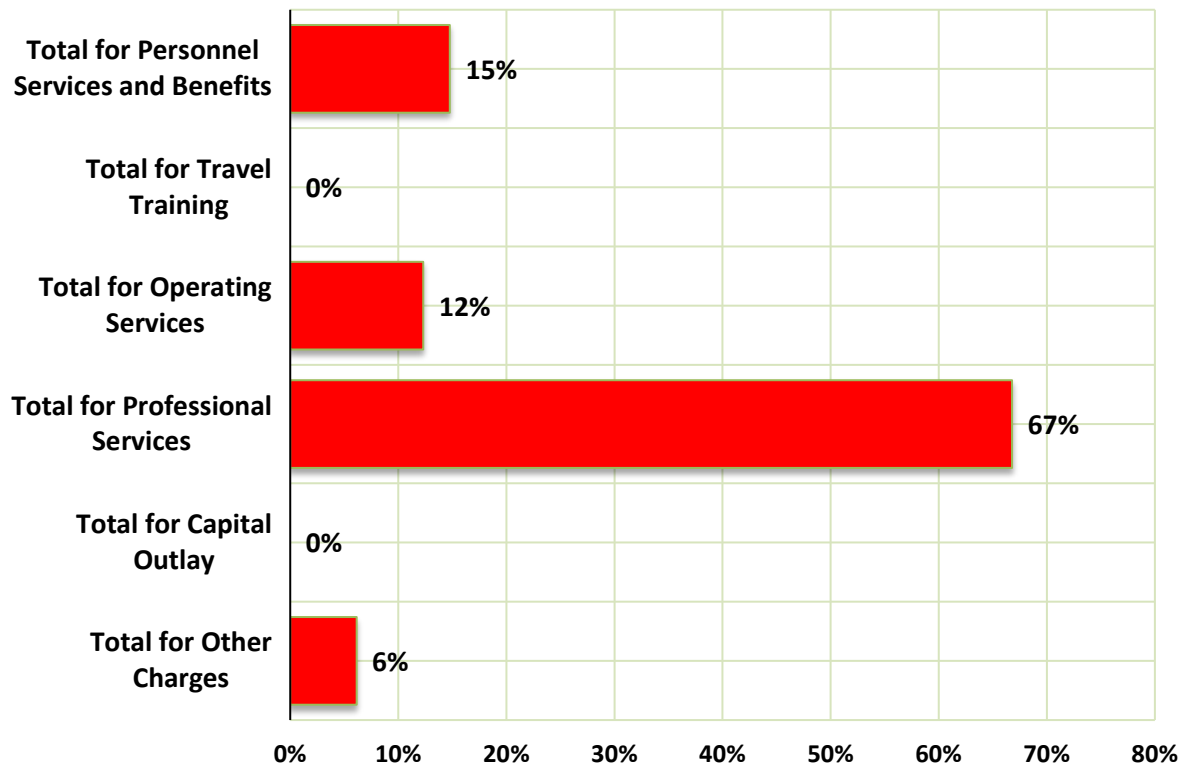
District 37 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Louis V. Champagne</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	39,758
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	3,901
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>43,659</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>-</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	381
Workers' Compensation	-
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	1,354
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	5,179
Dues and Seminars	-
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	-
Office Supplies	29,472
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>36,385</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	-
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	11,550
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	-
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	185,785
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>197,335</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	18,122
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>18,122</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>295,501</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	



## CY23 REVENUES

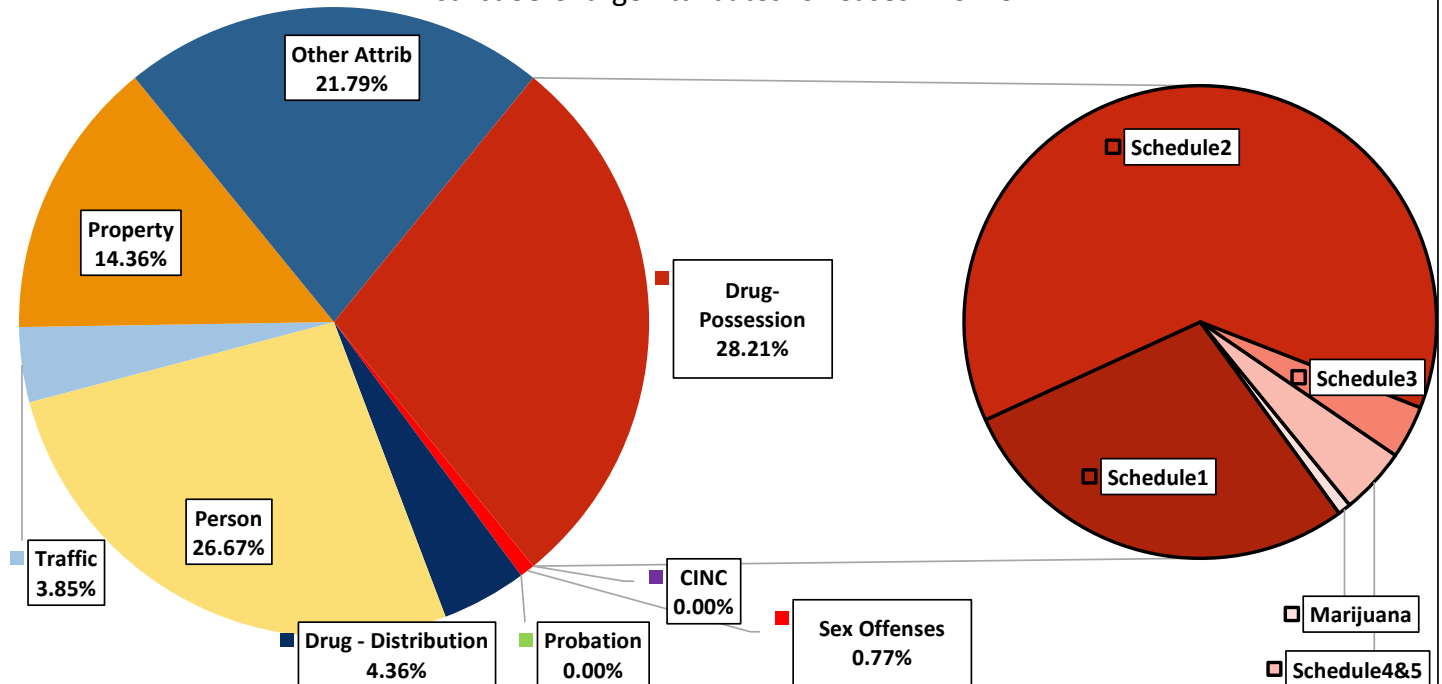


## CY23 EXPENDITURES

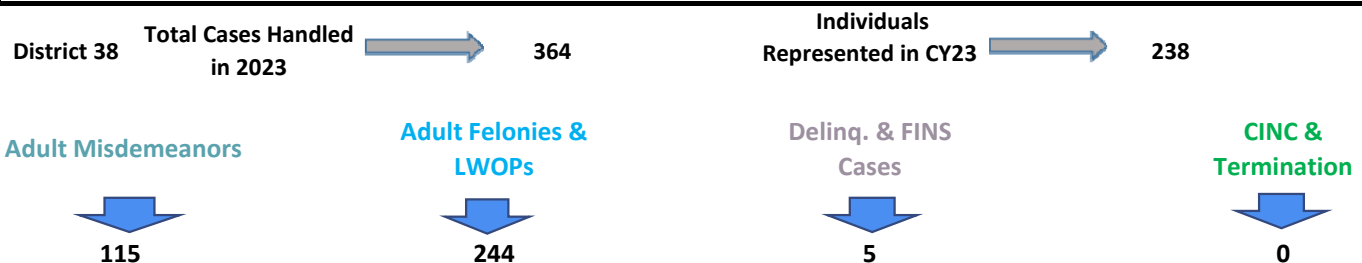




District 38 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

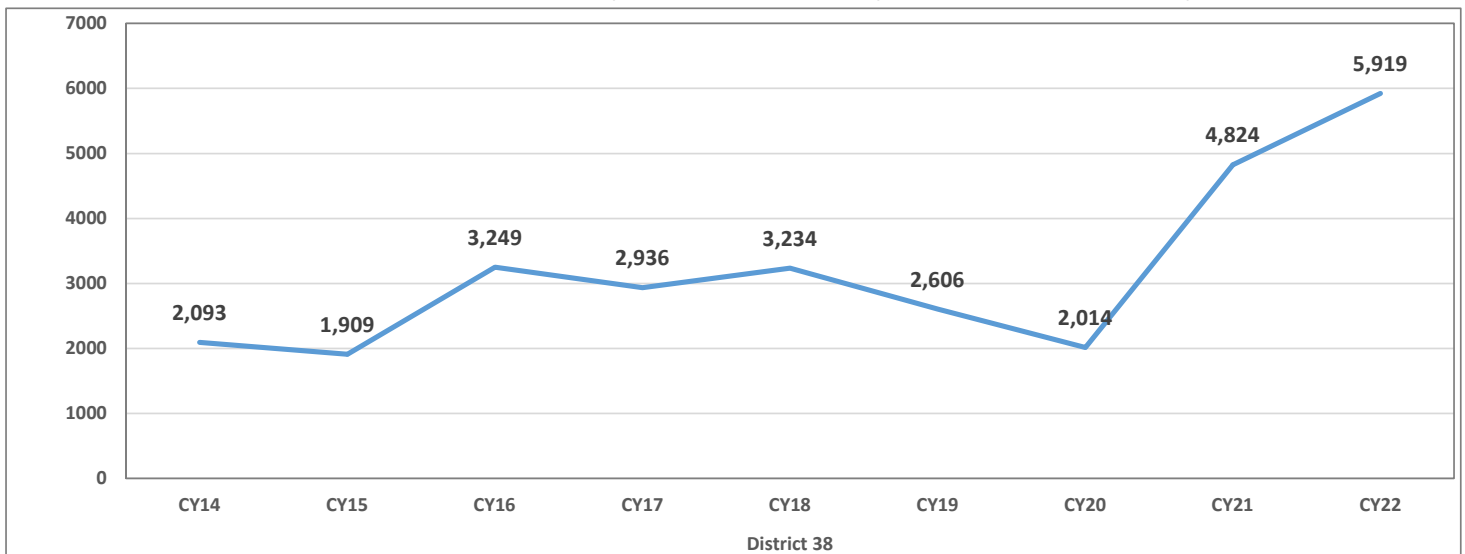


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 28.21% (103) of the 364 cases handled by the 38th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 62.7% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



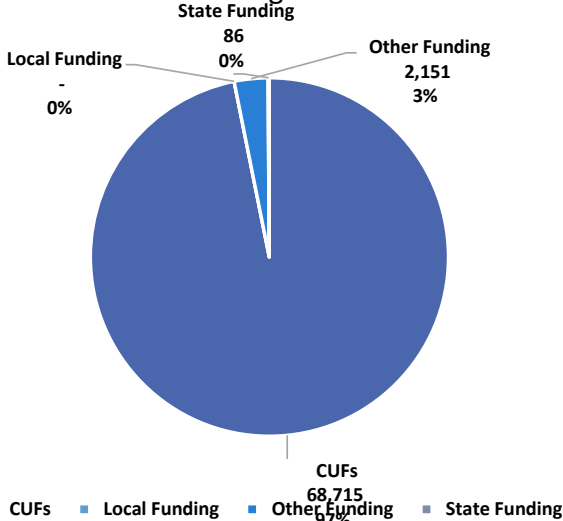
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



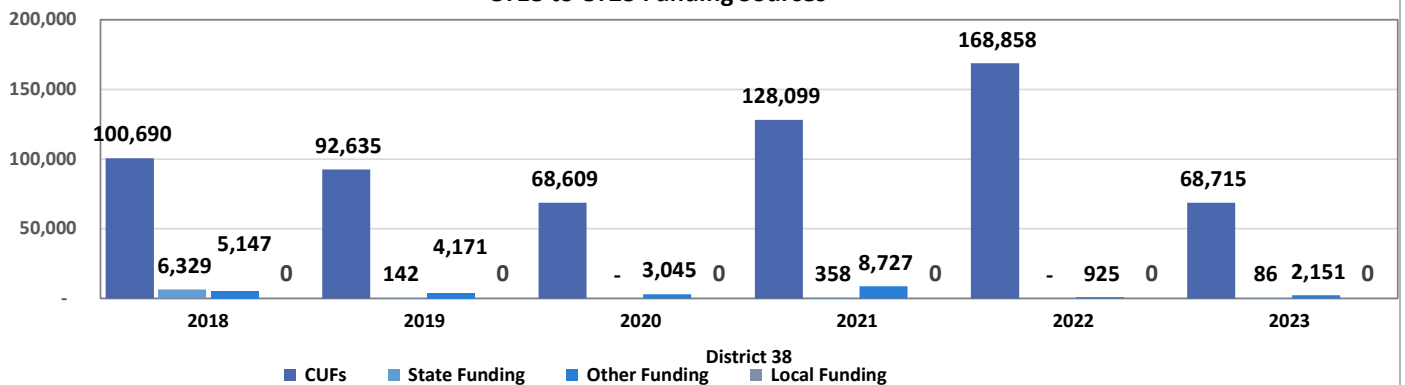
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 38th Judicial District increased by 22% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to have decreased significantly.

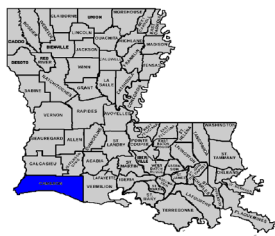
**District 38 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 38th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$70,952 in total revenues. The office is essentially self-sufficient, receiving 97% of its revenues from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs). CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs decreased by 60%. The office does not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 38TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Cameron - Cameron
<b>Population</b>	5,251
<b>District Defender</b>	Harry Fontenot
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	11
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	25
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Kristin Saltzman
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	148 Smith Circle
<b>City</b>	Cameron
<b>ZIP</b>	70631
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	By appointment
<b>Primary Phone</b>	337-775-8131
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	148 Smith Circle, Cameron, La. 70631
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	337-775-8136
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Harry Fontenot
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	337-405-9771
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Mike McHale
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	337-513-2720
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	PO Box 764, Cameron, La. 70631
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Mike McHale 337-513-8131
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Cameron Parish Police Jury
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	parish provides
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	N/A
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	2
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	UNK
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	2
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	Approximately \$30,000
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	Office Space
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	38th JDC, Cameron, LA
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	One division with both adult and juvenile sections.
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Cameron Parish Jail
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	N/A
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No. Juveniles are usually not held in detention and appear with their parents for court. They are not shackled since they are not in custody.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Thomas Barrett
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Penelope Richard
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Penelope Richard
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Penelope Richard
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	Adequate Funding
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Adequate Funding
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	N/A
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	The District Defender supervises all contract attorneys.

<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	The Cameron Parish Police Jury began paying Medical Benefits for DD Harry Fontenot and Attorney Michael McHale. Retirement Benefits are also included and the CPPJ is paying for those benefits as well.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Senator Mark Abraham, Senator Mike Reese, Representative Ryan Bourriague
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	N/A

### 38th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	2	2	1	3	N/A	N/A	2	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	0	1	2	2	N/A	N/A	3	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	57	83	58	115	N/A	N/A	34	0	81	0	0	0	1	1	2
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	96	132	147	243	N/A	N/A	88	9	277	0	0	0	0	1	1
Adult LWOP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
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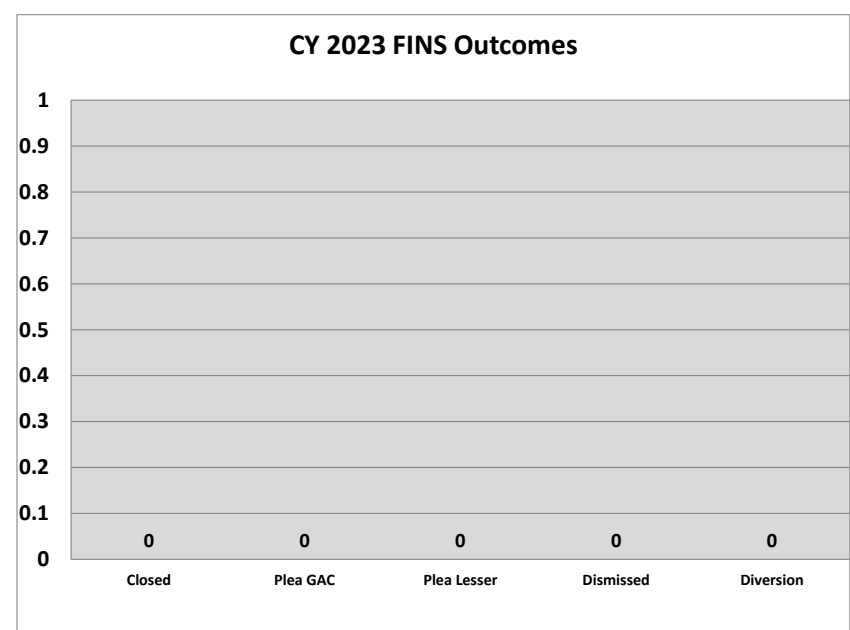
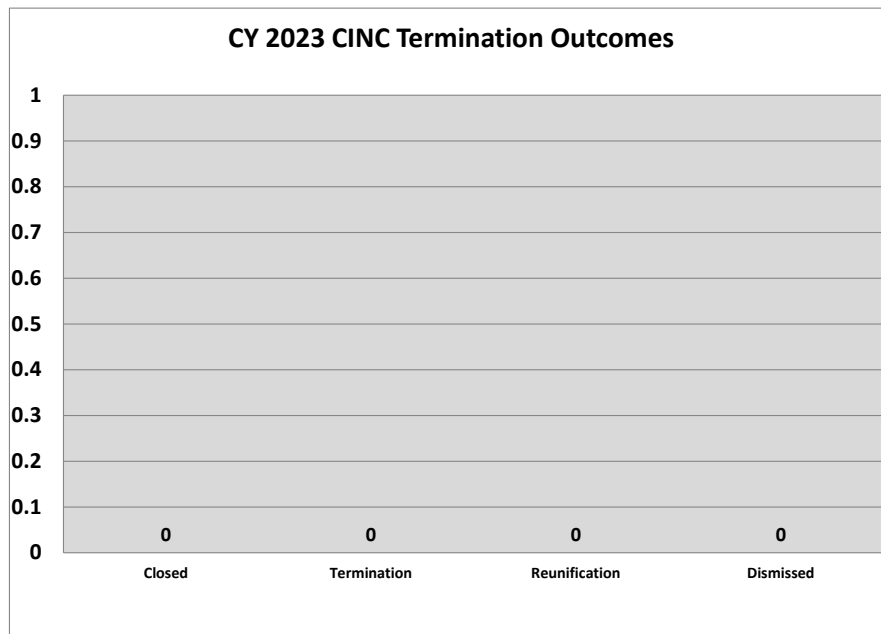
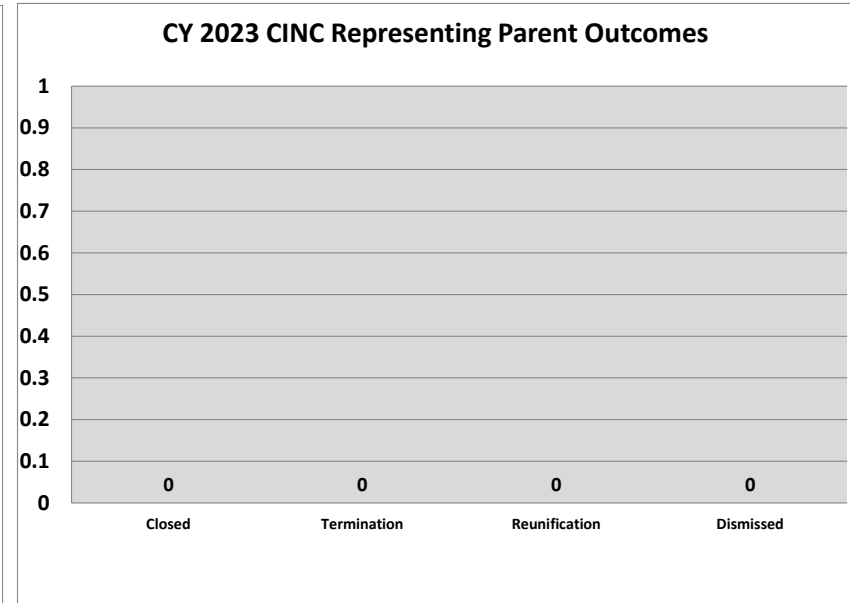
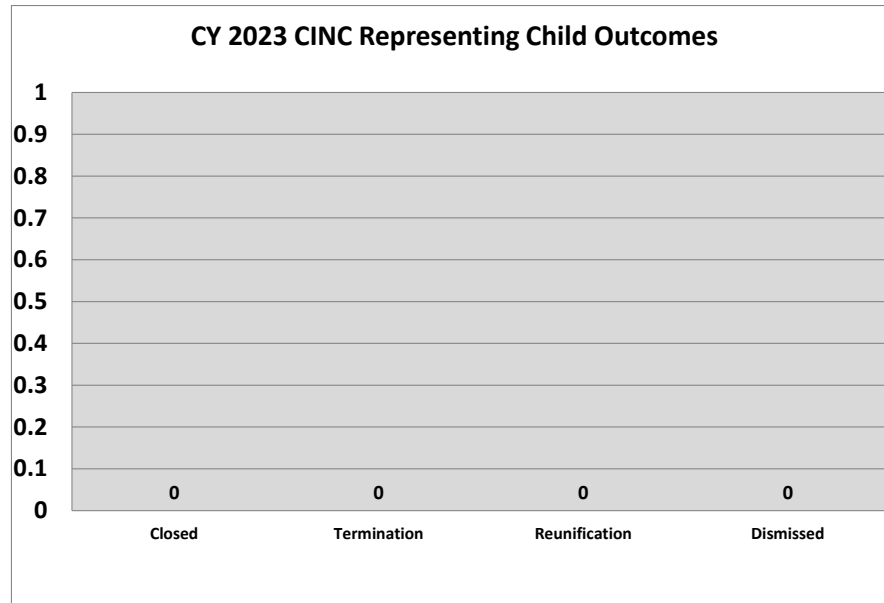
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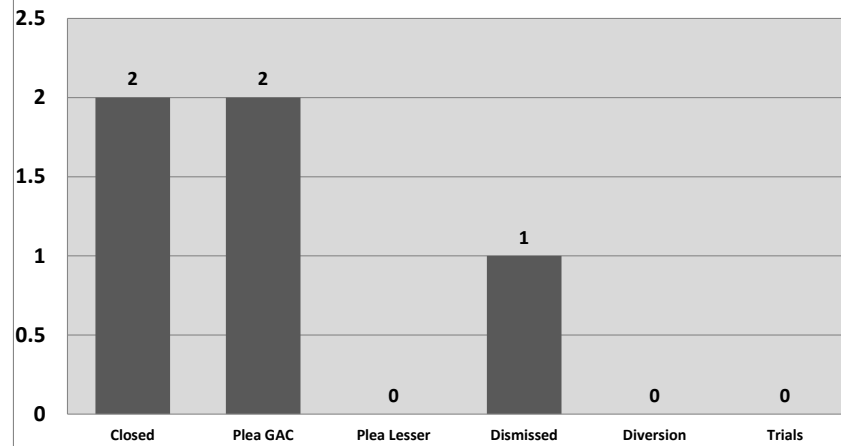
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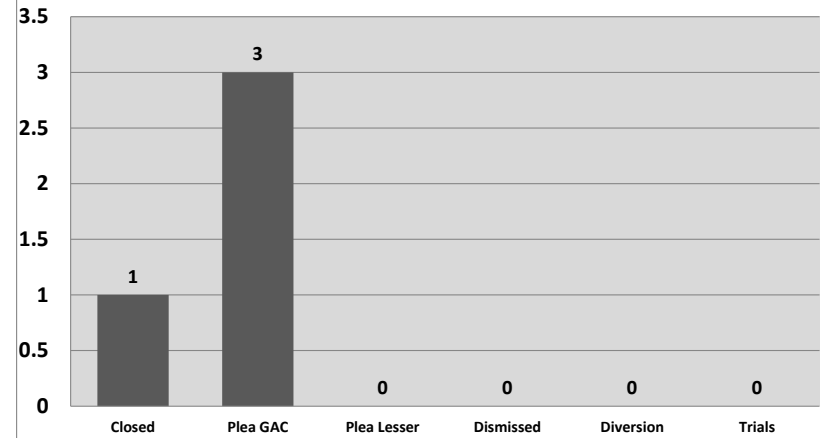




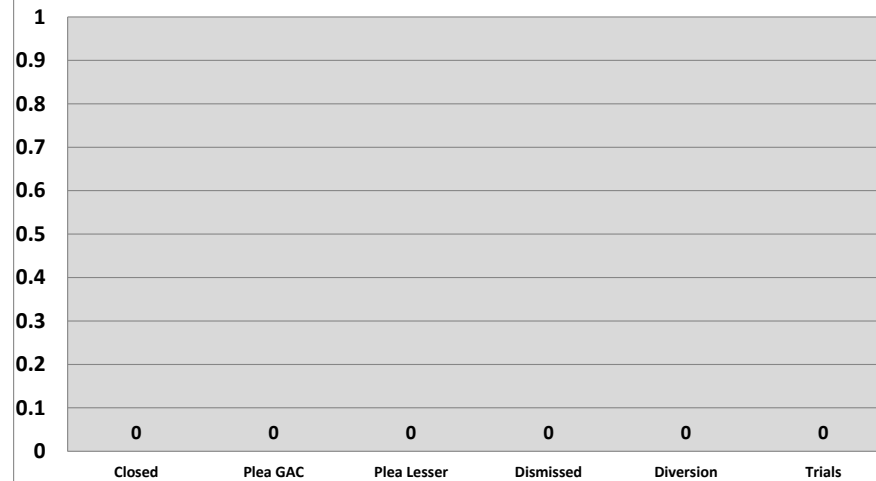
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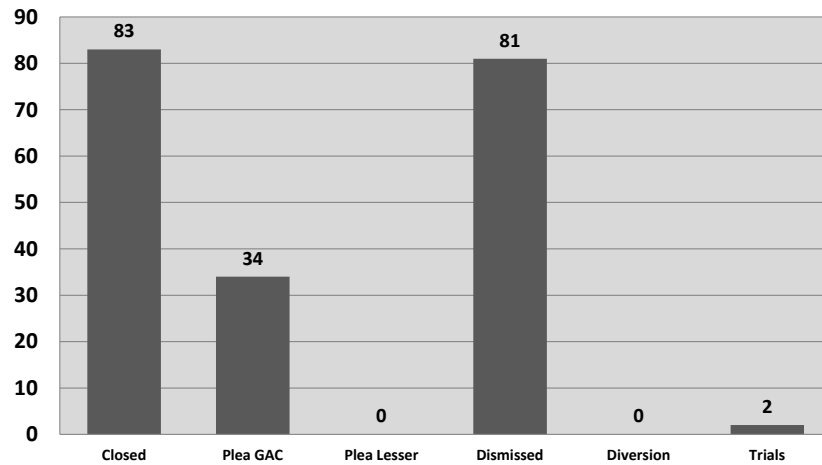
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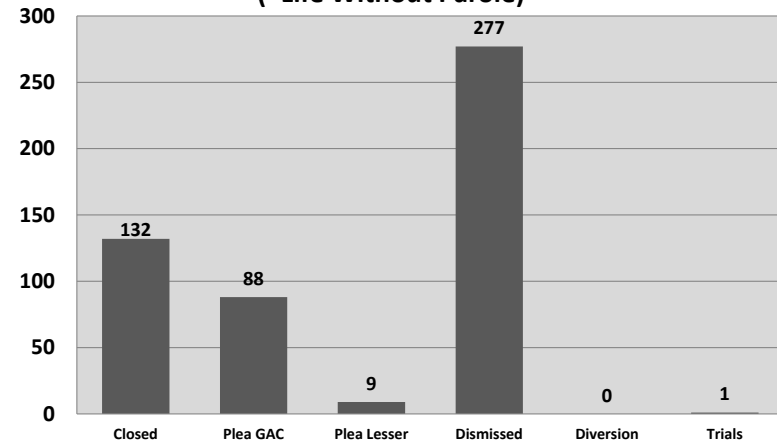
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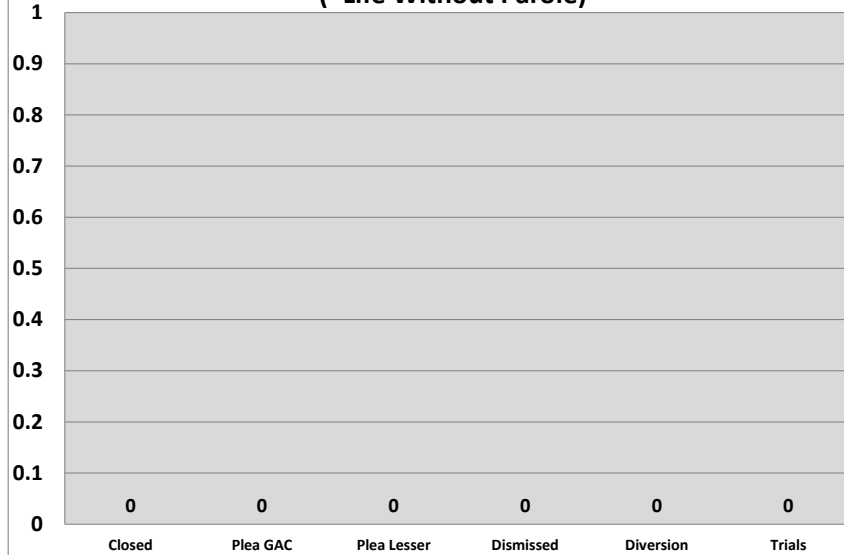
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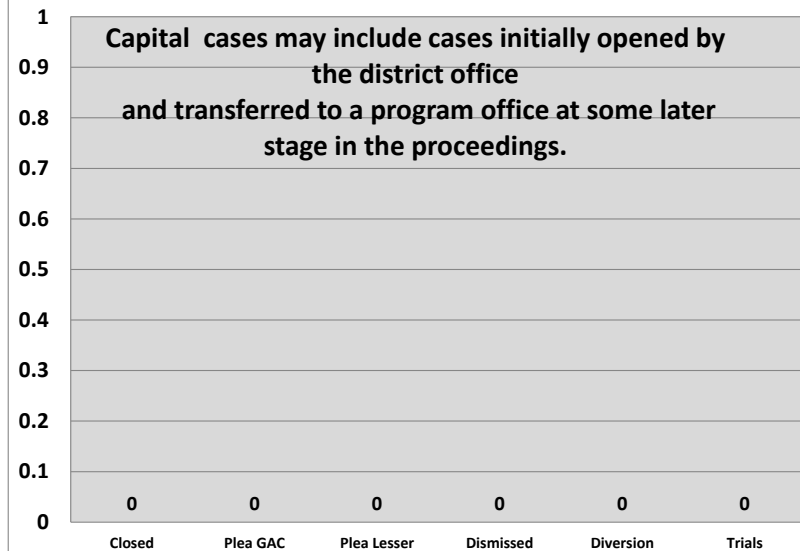
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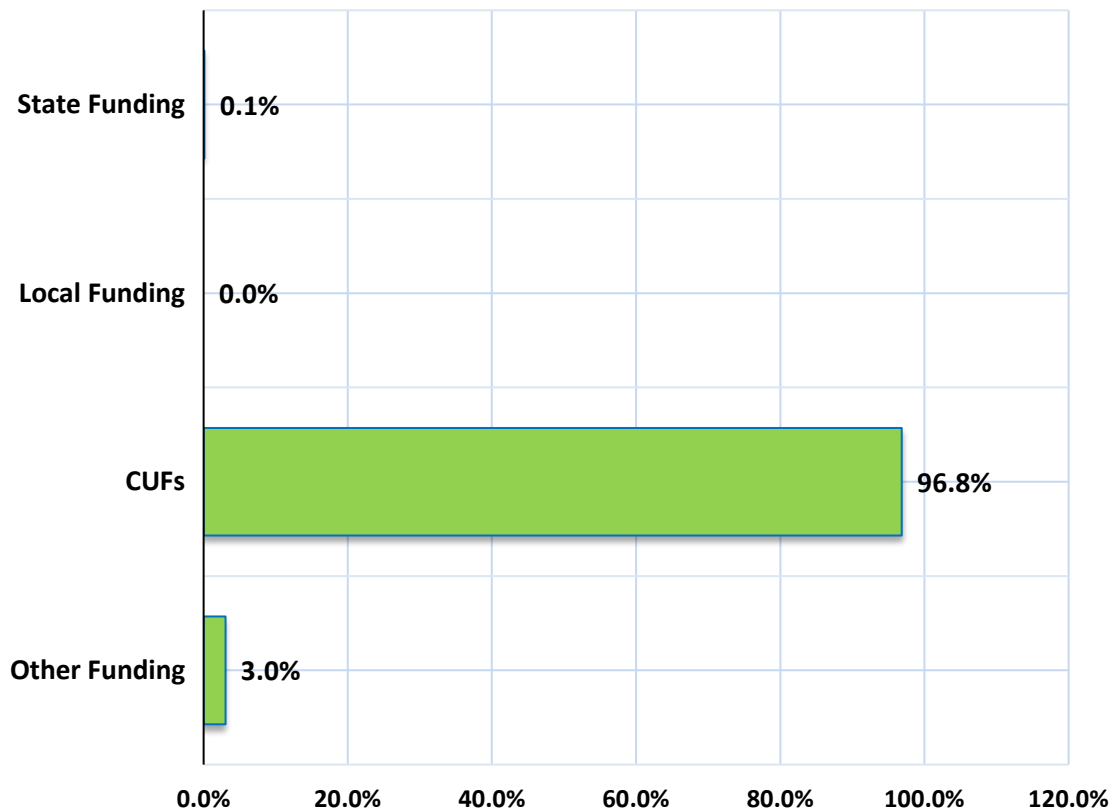
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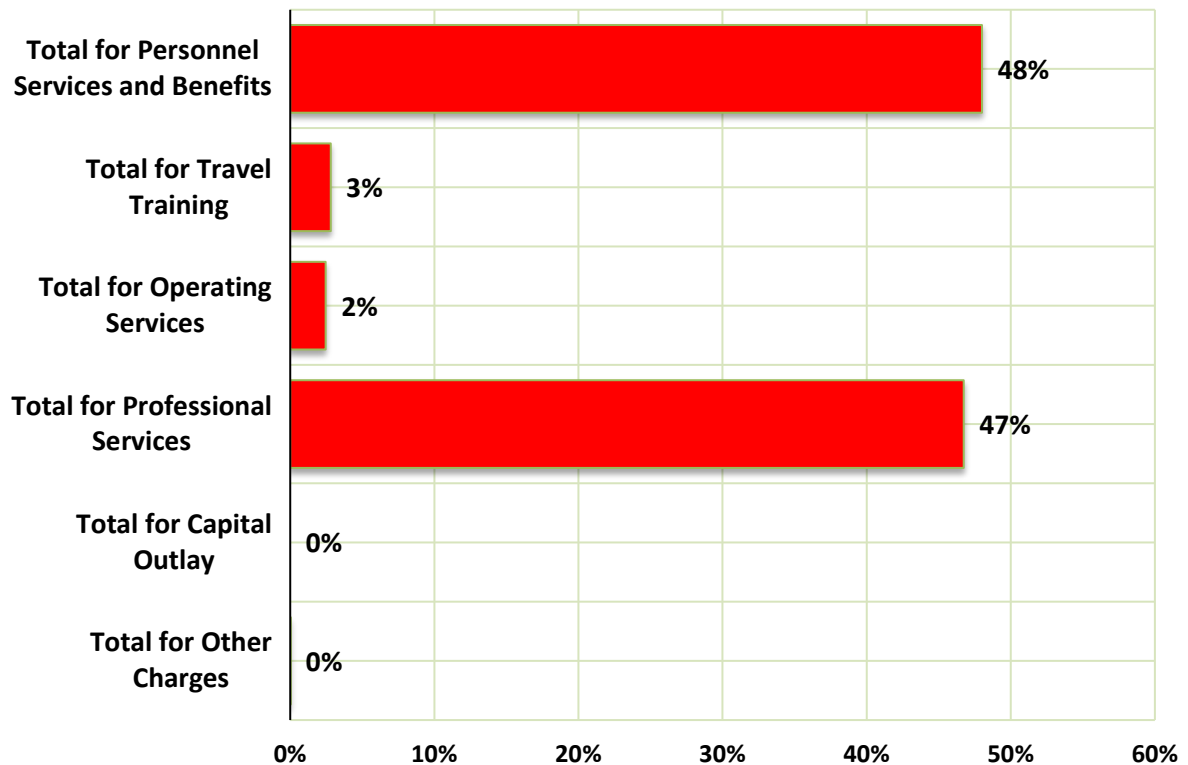
District 38 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Harry Fontenot</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	-
Total for Federal Government	-
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	86
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	-
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
Total for State Government	86
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	6,741
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	-
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	59,894
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs	59,894
Charges For Services	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	2,080
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
Total for Charges For Services	2,080
Total for Local Government	68,715
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	2,146
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
Total for Investment Earnings	2,146
Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	5
Total for Other Sources (Grants & Contributions)	5
Total for REVENUE	70,951

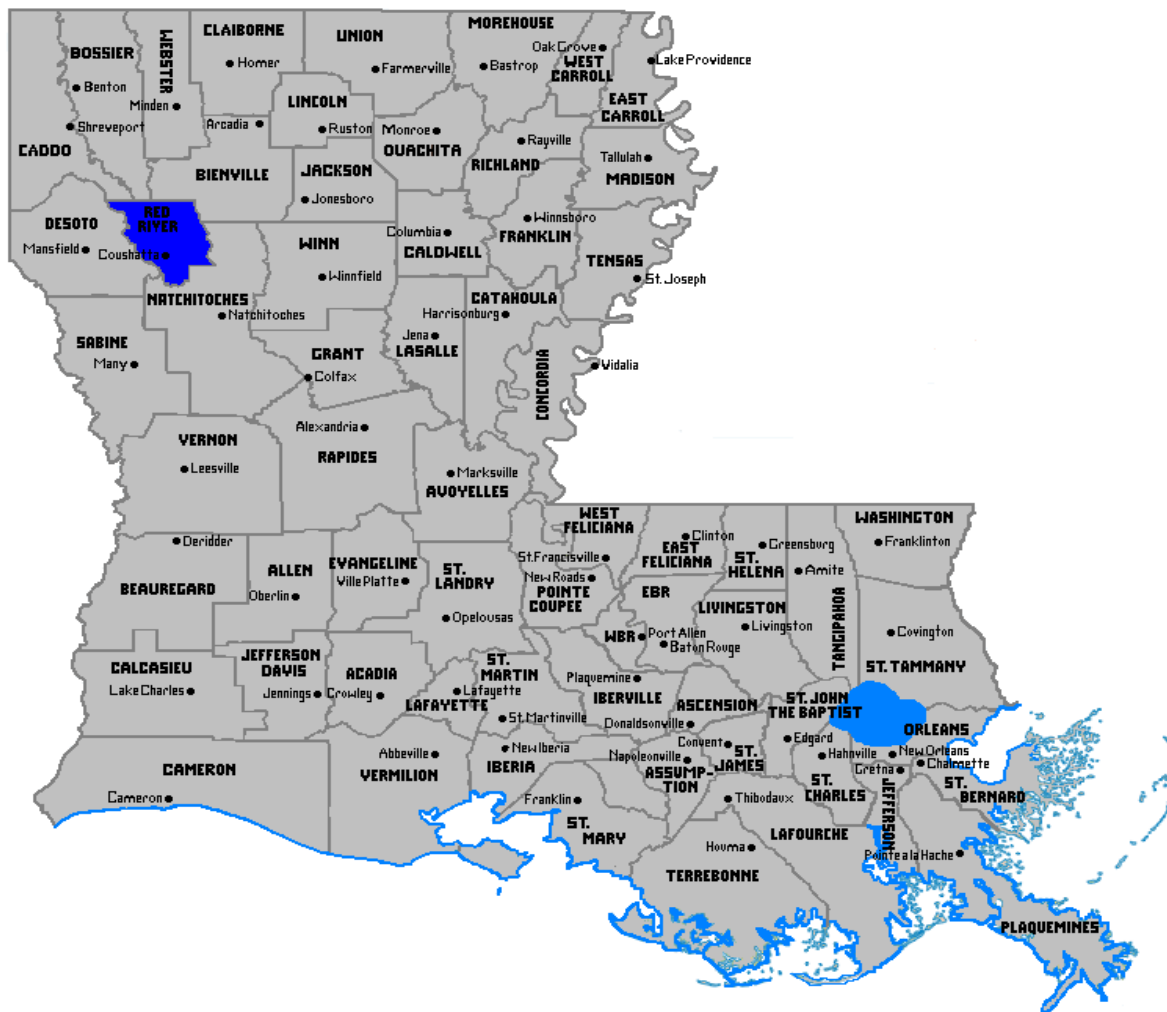
District 38 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Harry Fontenot</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	58,000
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	840
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	12,290
Retirement	6,670
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>77,800</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	4,540
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>4,540</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	34
Insurance - Malpractice	-
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	1,264
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	468
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	825
Dues and Seminars	300
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	-
Office Supplies	1,102
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>3,993</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	11,850
Contract Clerical	12,000
Expert Witness	2,500
Investigators	-
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	49,283
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	115
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	-
IT/Technical Support	-
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>75,748</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	5
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>162,086</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

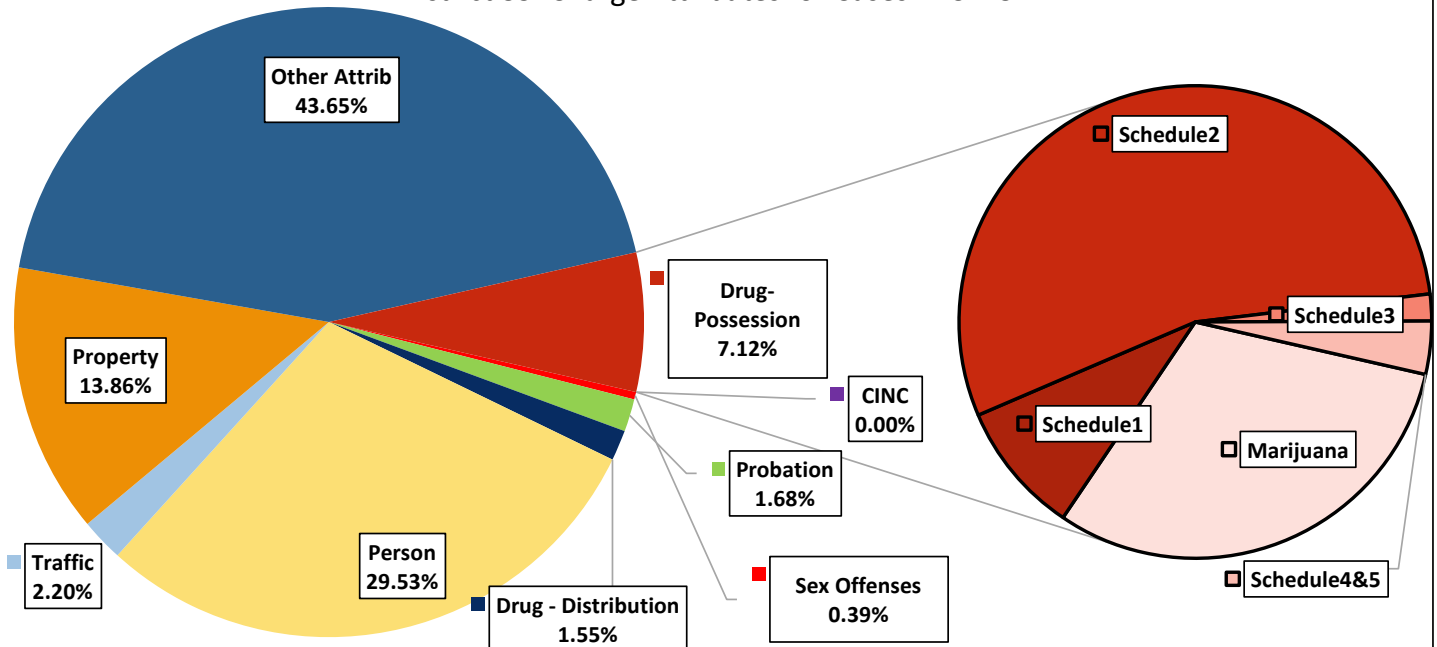




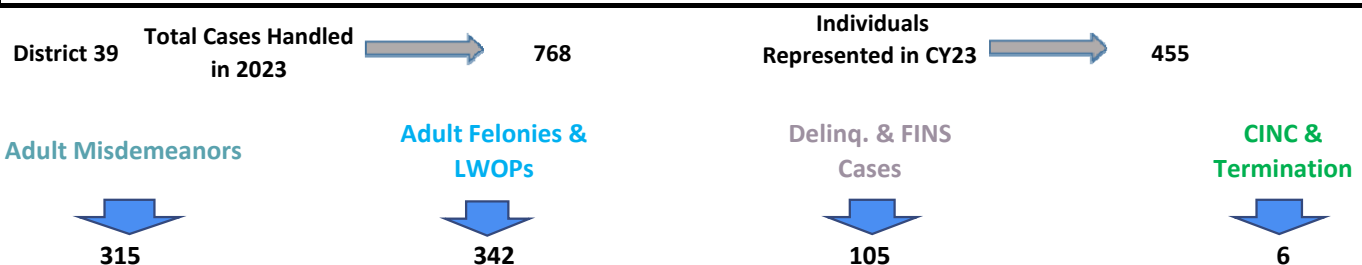
THE 39<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
RED RIVER (COUSHATTA)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: BRIAN C. MCRAE  
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MANSFIELD, LA 71052  
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District 39 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23



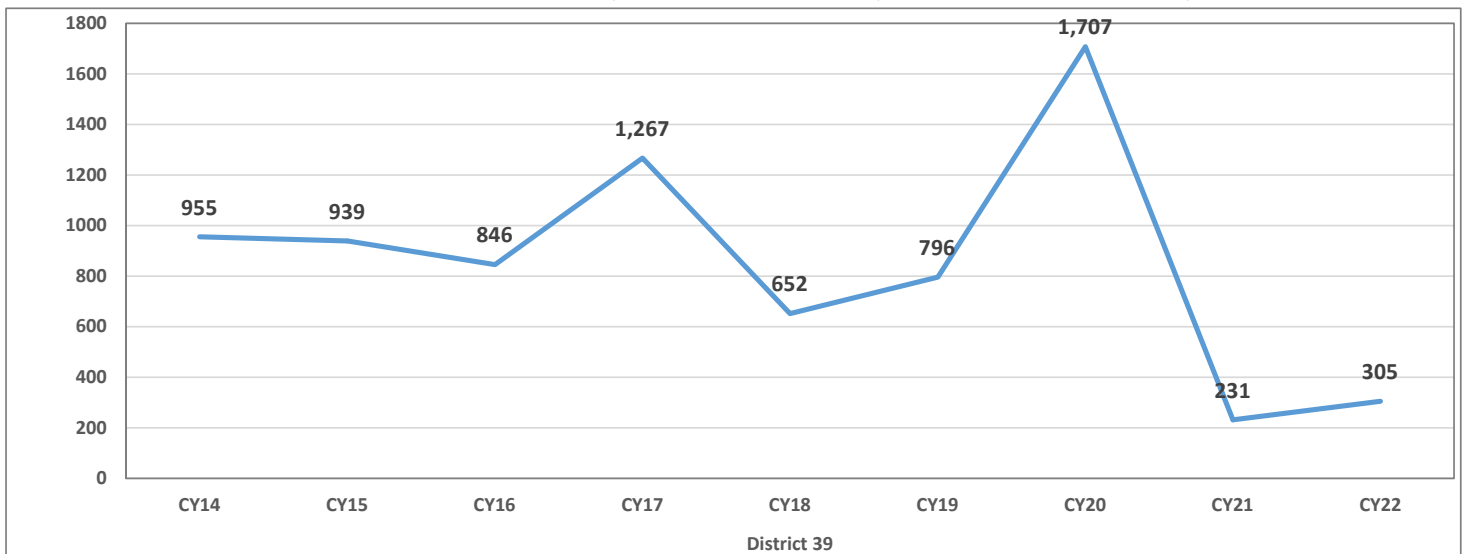
Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 7.12% (55) of the 768 cases handled by the 39th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 54.8% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

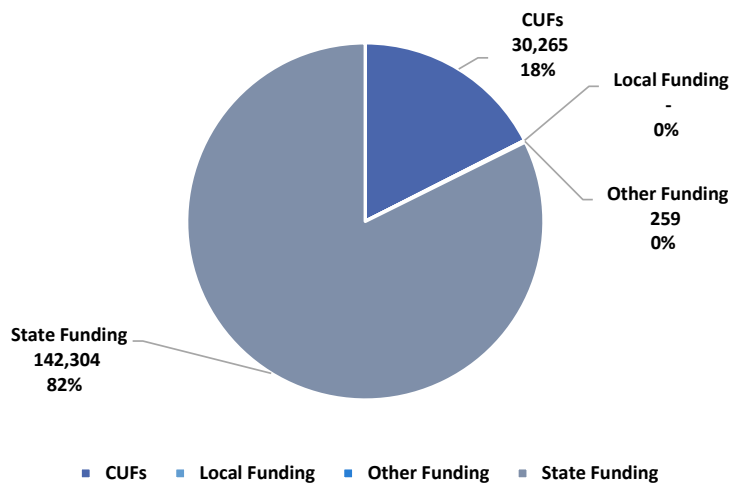


**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



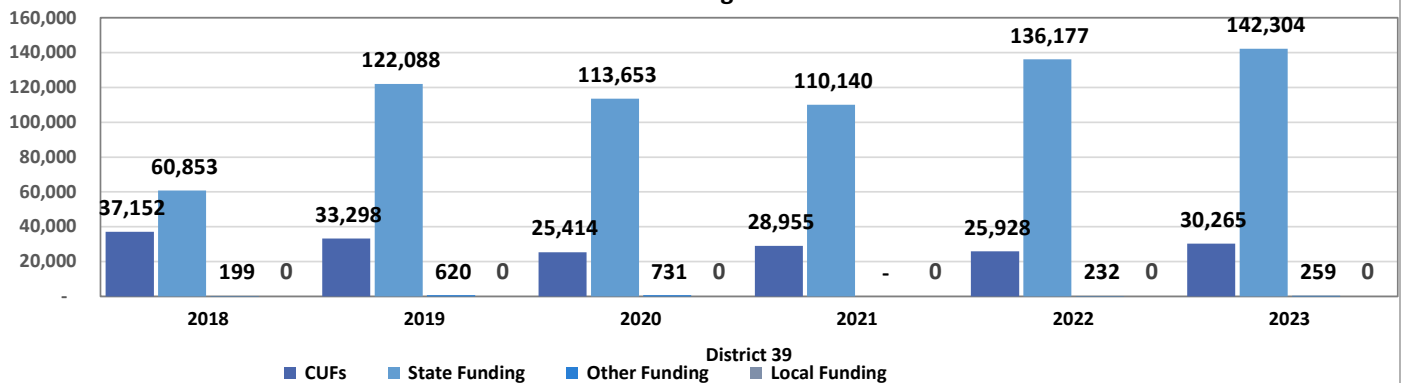
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 39th Judicial District increased by 32% but continue to fall well short of CY 2020 collections. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to 2022 filings.

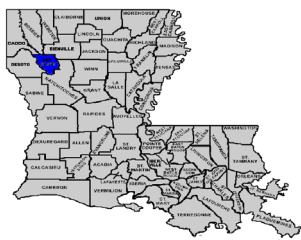
**District 39 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 39th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$172,828 in total revenues. The office is reliant on state supplemental assistance as only 18% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 39TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Red River - Coushatta
<b>Population</b>	7,420
<b>District Defender</b>	Brian C. McRae
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	14
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	28
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	94 Polk Street, Suite 202
<b>City</b>	Mansfield
<b>ZIP</b>	71052
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Open 8:00 - 4:00, Monday thru Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-872-2973
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 612 Mansfield La. 71052
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-872-6262
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Brian McRae
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	cell 318-286-2486 Brian McRae
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-461-3218
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Citizen's National Bank
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	District, Coushatta
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	1
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Red River Detention Center
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Women are housed in other parish's.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Ware Youth Center, Coushatta
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Julie Jones
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Luke Mitchell
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Luke Mitchell
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	No
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	No
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	None
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	More Funding
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Health Insurance
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Chief Defender- Brian C. McRae, Assistant District Defender- Richard Woolbert and staff Contract Attorneys

<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	None
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	None
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Louie Bernard (Senator), Kenneth Cox and Gabe Firment Representatives
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Consolidated Juvenile Representation

### 39th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

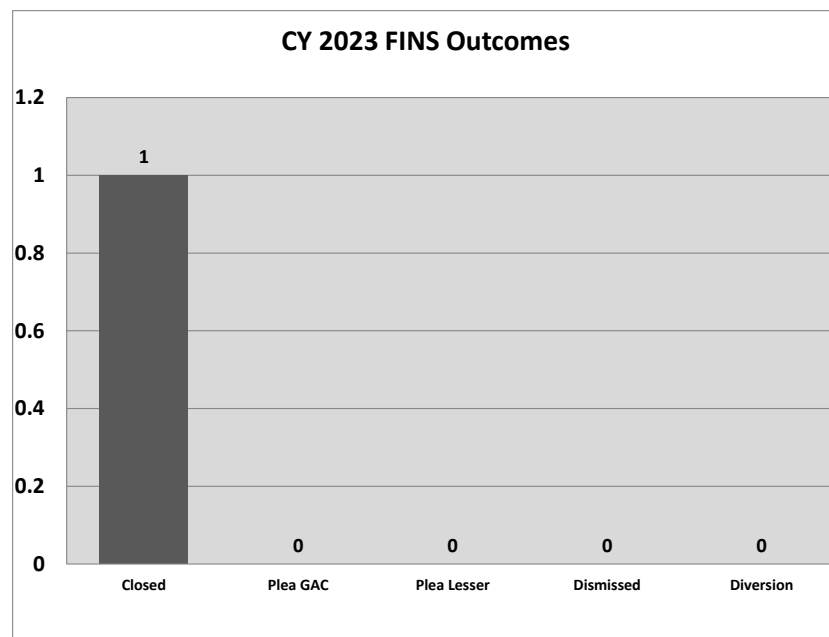
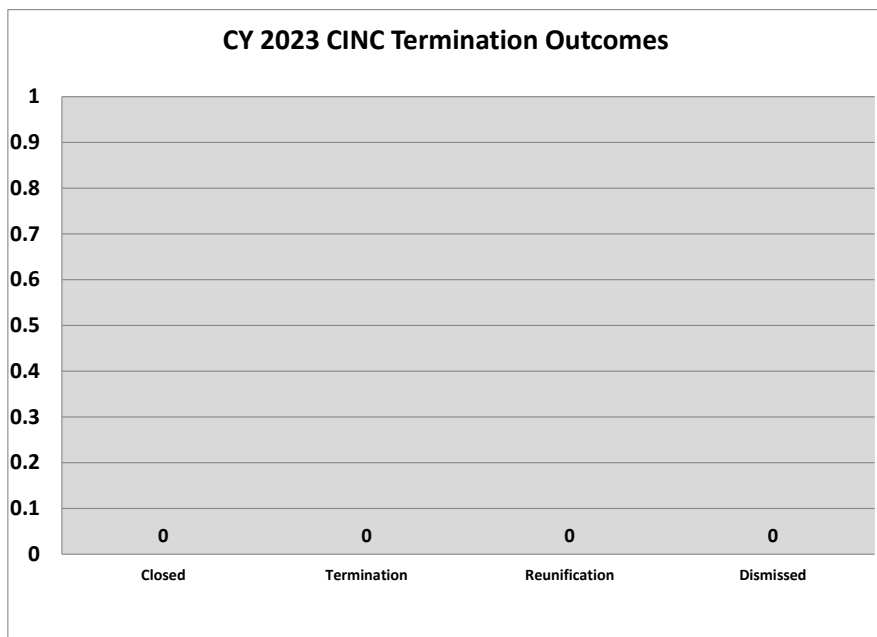
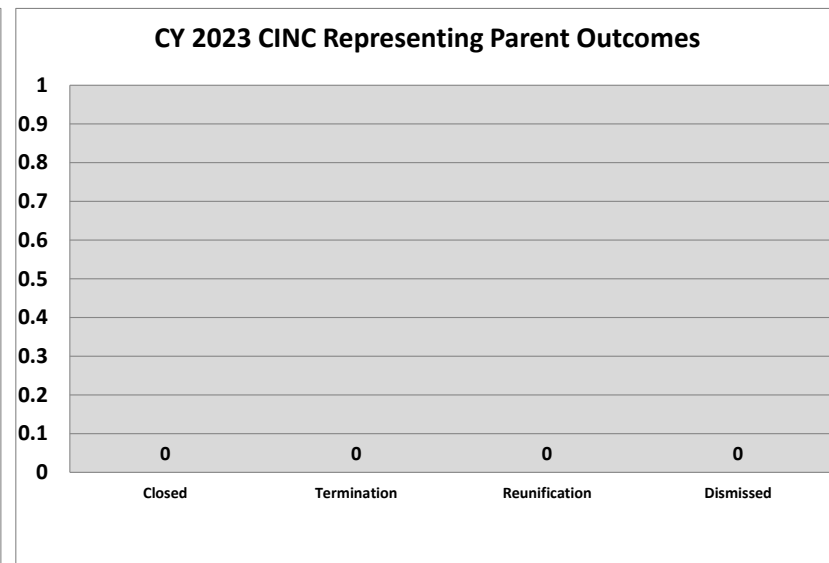
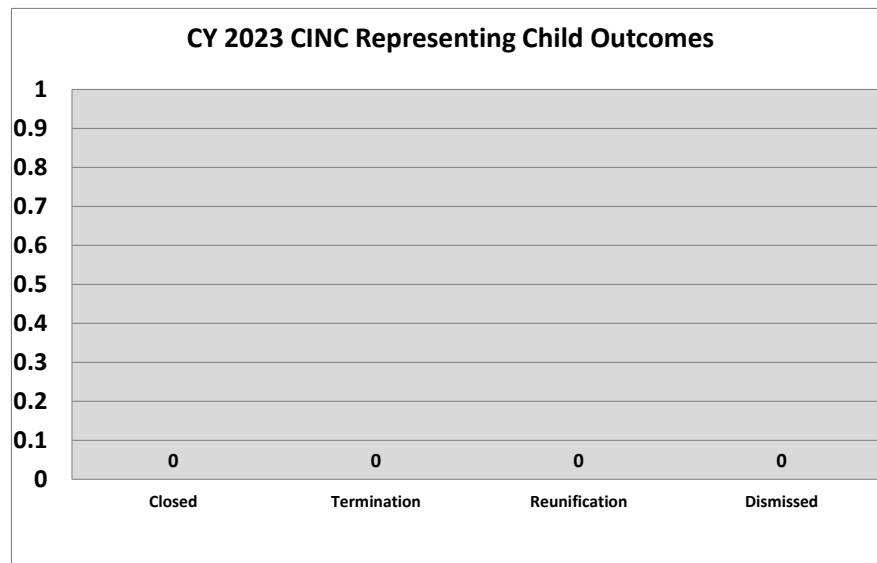
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Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	5	0	1	6	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	1	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	39	26	18	57	N/A	N/A	10	5	10	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	32	23	14	46	N/A	N/A	9	3	21	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	164	120	151	315	N/A	N/A	39	5	104	0	0	0	1	0	1
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	115	117	203	318	N/A	N/A	47	26	116	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult LWOP	1	0	1	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	14	6	8	22	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

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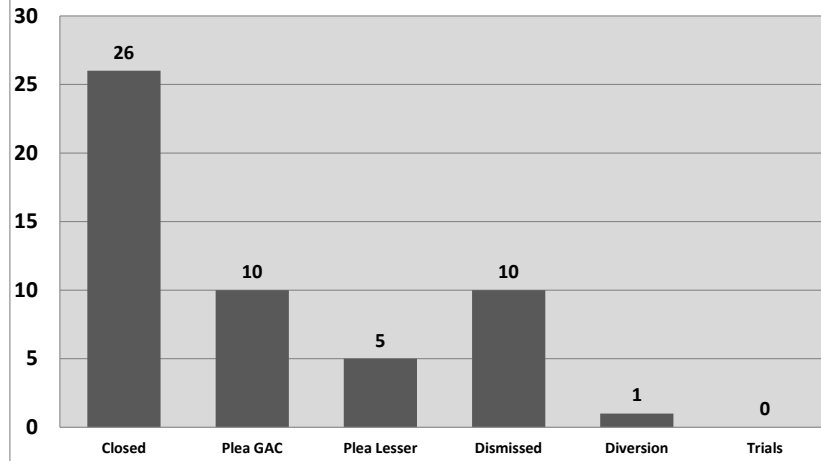
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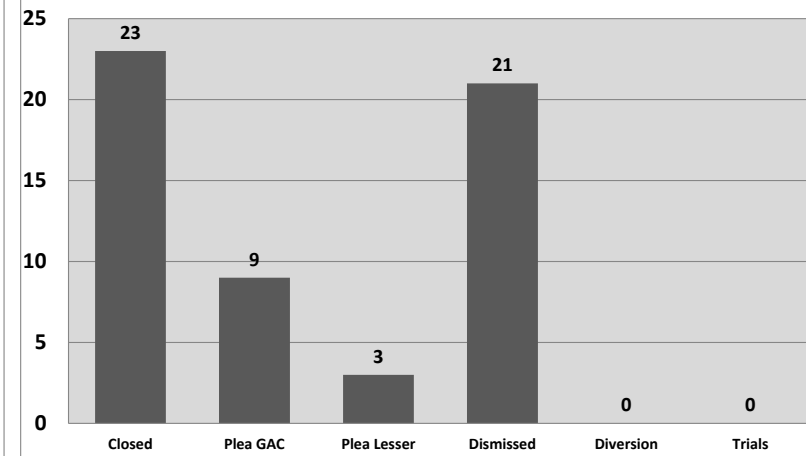
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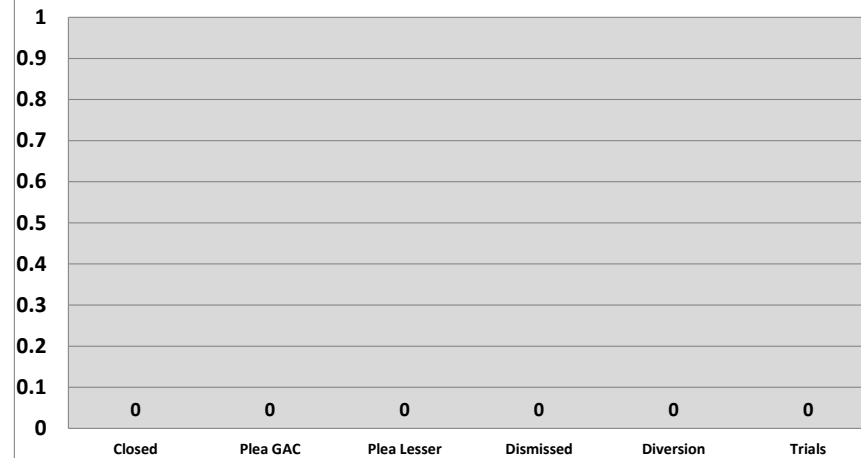
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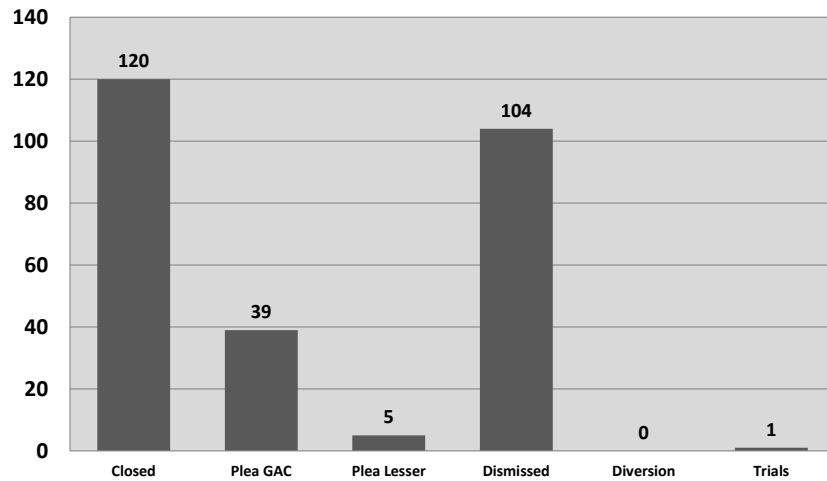
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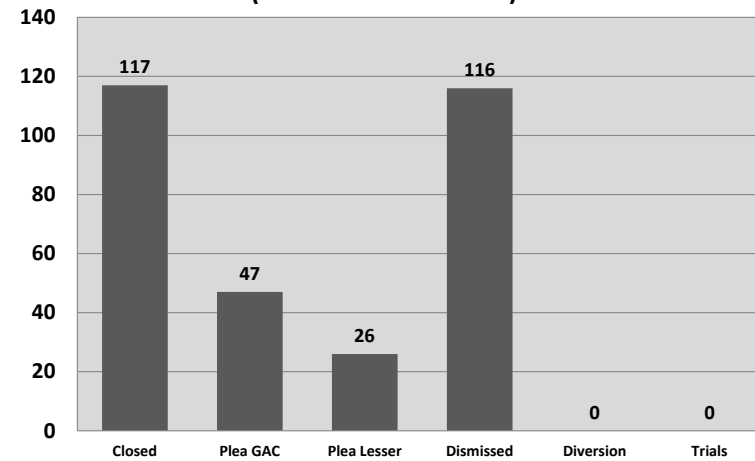
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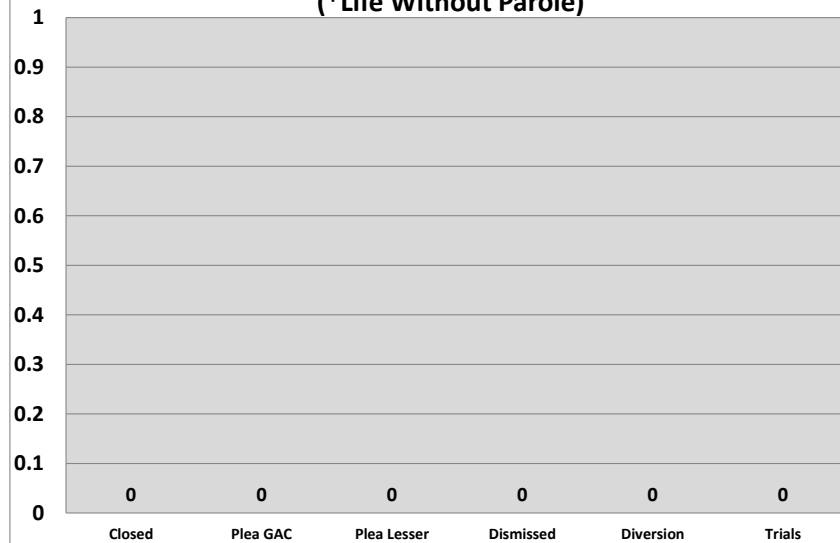
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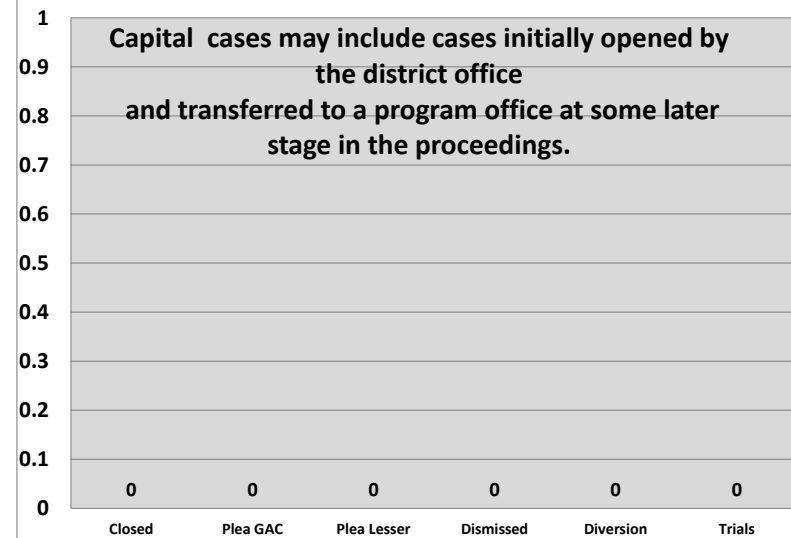
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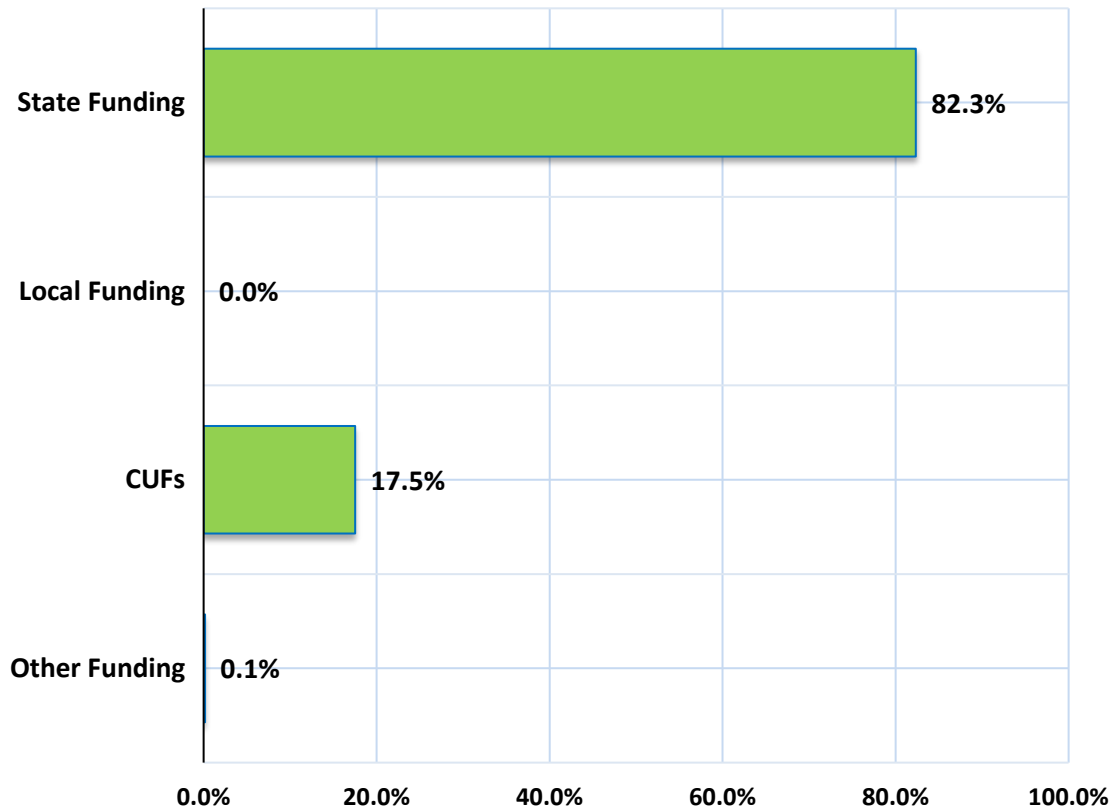




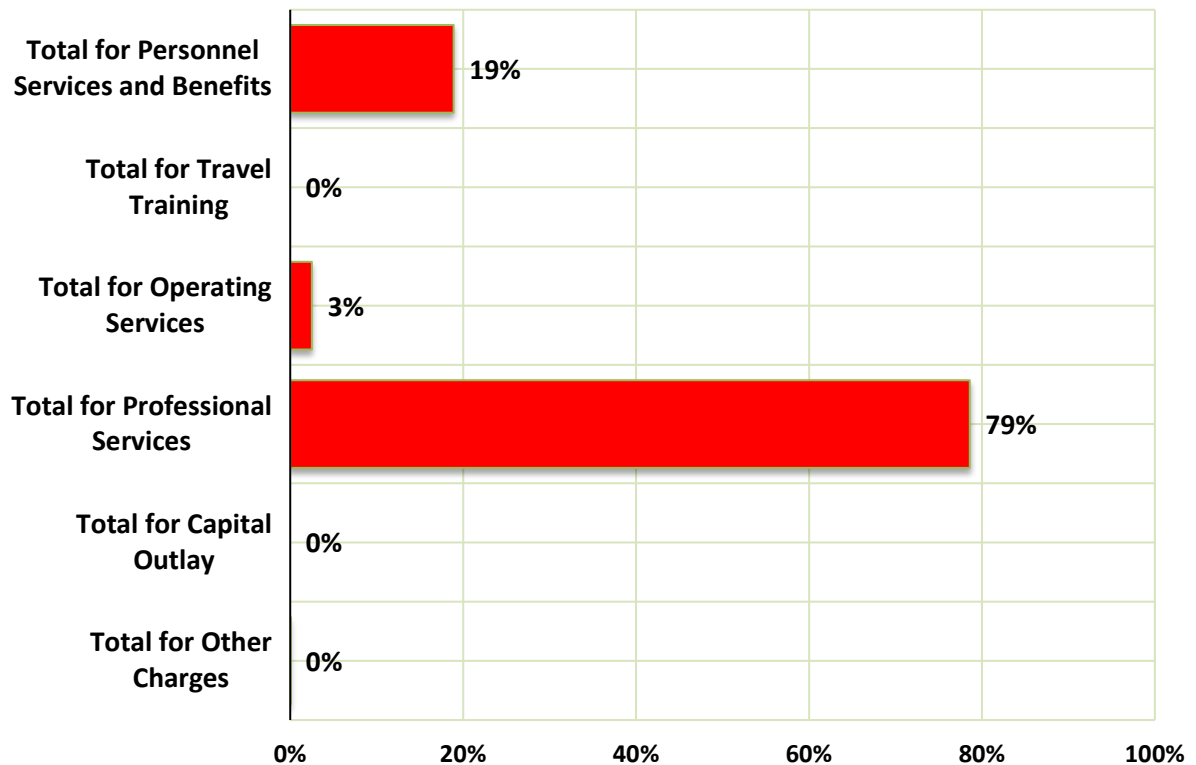
District 39 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brian McRae</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	188
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>188</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	2,711
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	139,406
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>142,116</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	-
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	9,625
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	18,670
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>18,670</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	1,970
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>1,970</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>30,265</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	259
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>259</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>172,828</b>

District 39 CY2023	Total CY2023
District Defender: Brian McRae	
EXPENDITURES	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	29,402
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	2,247
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
Total for Personnel Services and Benefits	31,649
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
Total for Travel/Training	-
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	808
Insurance - Malpractice	1,857
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	157
Lease - Office	-
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	1,158
Dues and Seminars	-
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	-
Office Supplies	239
Total for Operating Services	4,220
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	5,800
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	-
Investigators	780
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	10,200
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	10,500
Contract Attorneys - all other	104,333
IT/Technical Support	-
Total for Professional Services	131,613
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
Total for Capital Outlay	-
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	3
Total for Other Charges	3
Total for EXPENDITURES	167,485
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

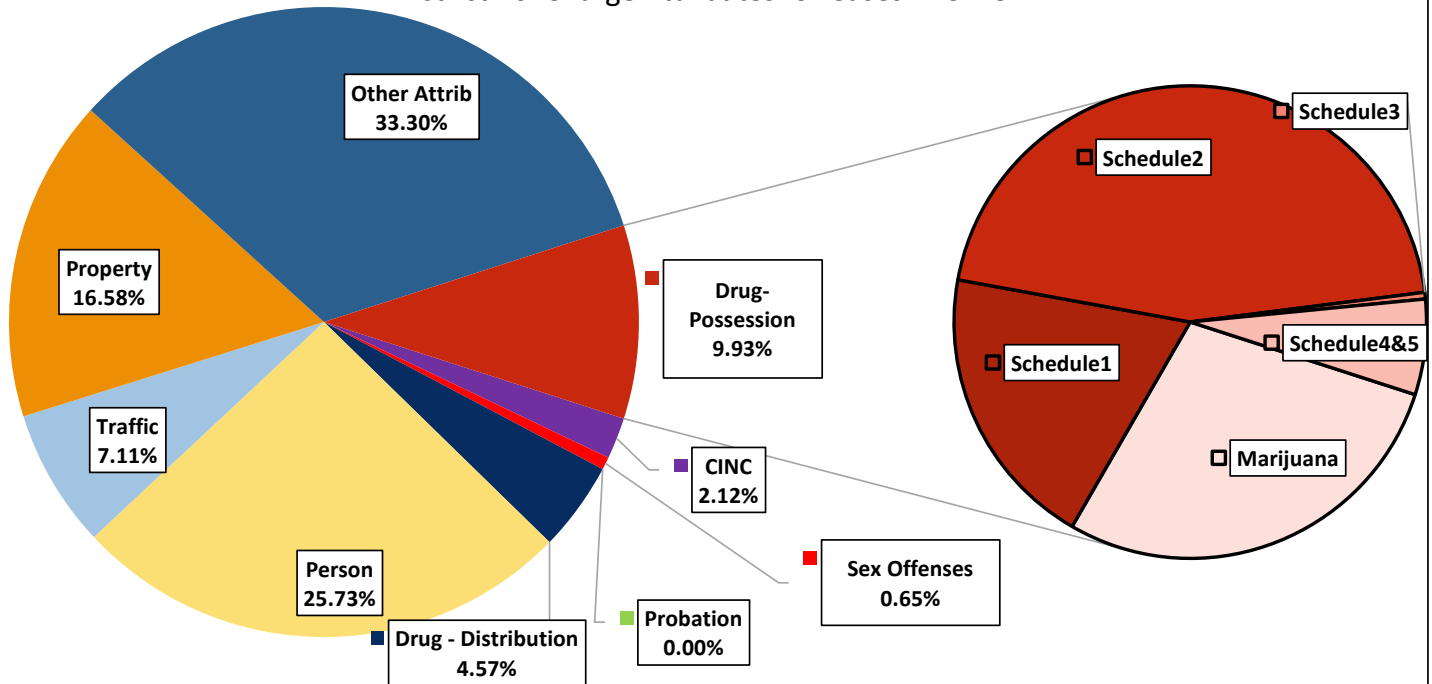




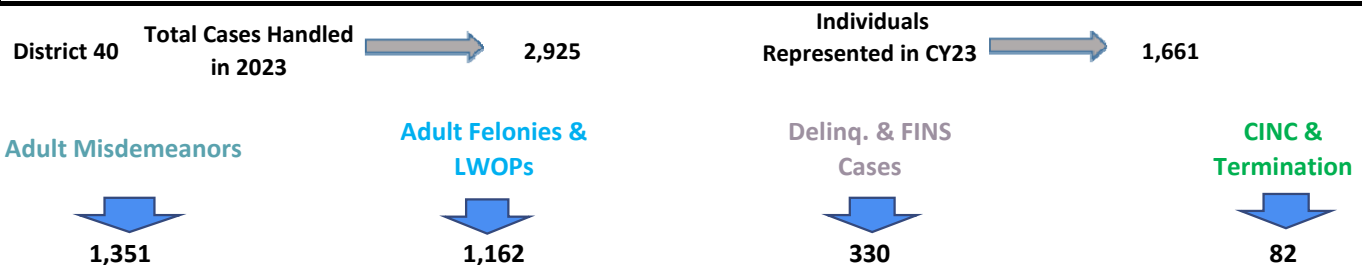
THE 40<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (EDGARD)

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District 40 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

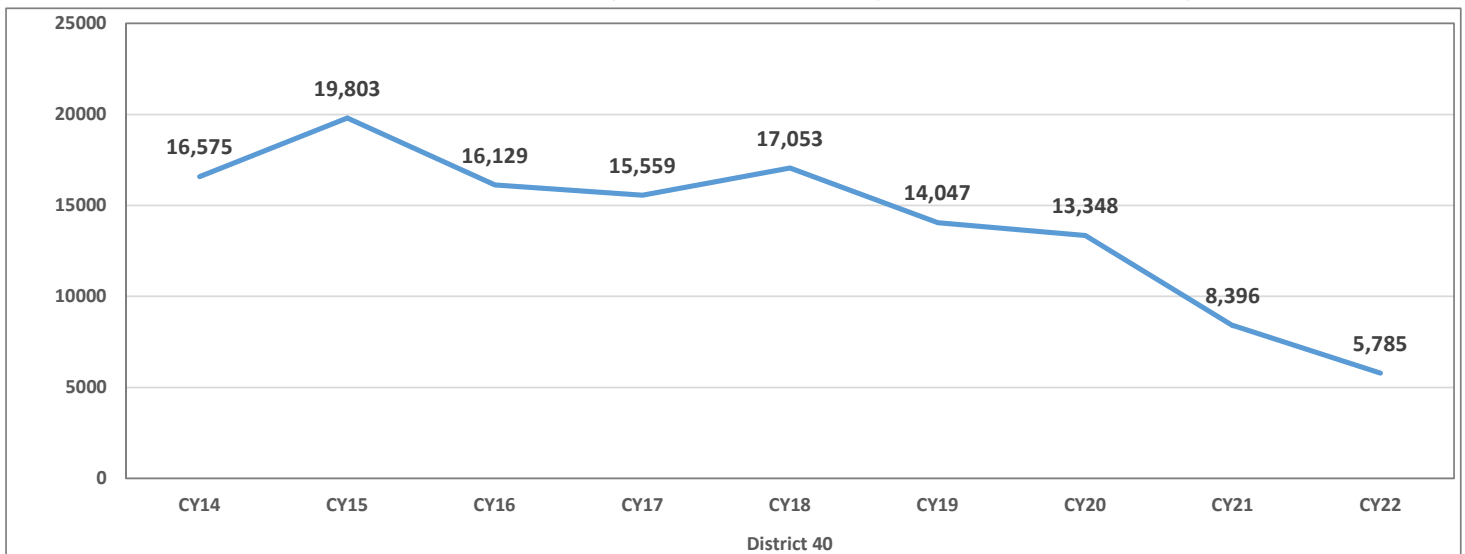


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 9.93% (290) of the 2,925 cases handled by the 40th Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 45.3% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



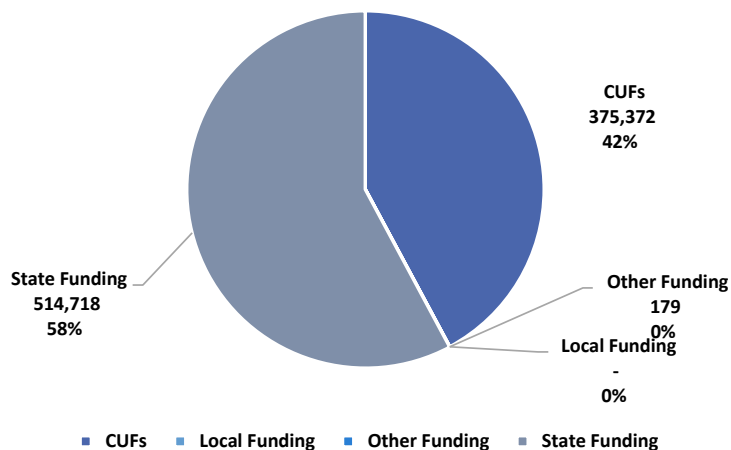
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



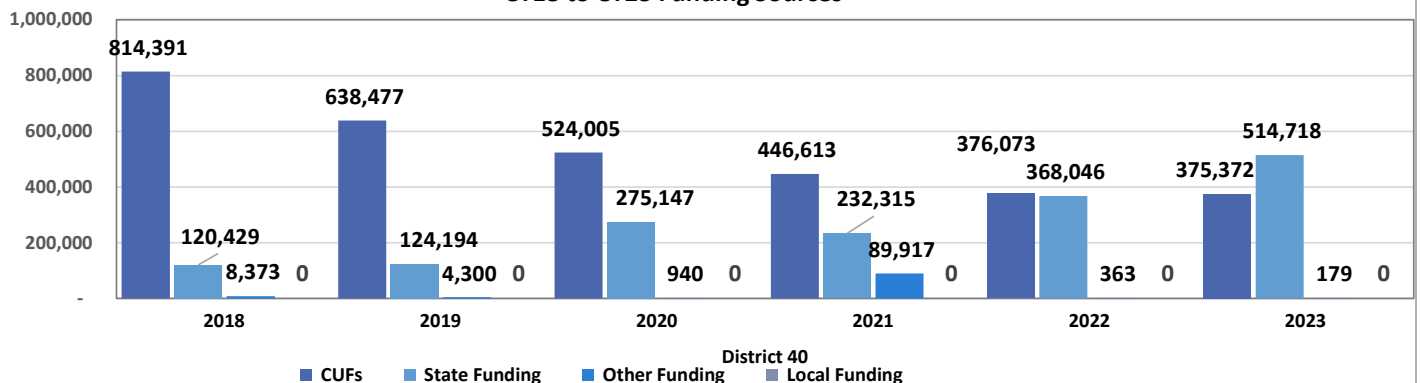
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 40th Judicial District decreased by 31% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year.

**District 40 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 40th Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$890,269 in total revenues. Forty-two percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, state funding increased by nearly \$150,000. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 40TH JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	St. John the Baptist - Edgard
<b>Population</b>	42,704
<b>District Defender</b>	Fontella F. Baker
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	1 year
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	30
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Dawn Suthers-Bookkeeper
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	75 Dominican Drive, Suite 202
<b>City</b>	La Place
<b>ZIP</b>	70068-3825
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	9:00-4:30 M-Thurs, 9:00-12:30 Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	985-651-6677
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	Same as primary office street address.
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	985-651-5800
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Fontella F. Baker
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	cell: 504-628-7538
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Dawn M. Suthers
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	504-417-3579
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	None
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Prime Property Investments
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	UNK
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	UNK
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	District Court is located in Edgard (West Bank). Annex Courthouse in LaPlace (East Bank) is temporarily closed
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Three Divisions of Court. Each Division holds court in the District Court. One division of drug court
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Sherman Walker Correctional Center
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	For reasons only known to the sheriff, some St. John inmates are housed in other parishes, including Nelson Coleman Correction Center in St. Charles Parish, Tangipahoa Parish Jail, Tensas Parish Detention Center, Concordia Parish Correctional Center, Madison, Caldwell, Assumption, Lassele, Catahoula, East Carroll and Hunt.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Justice Complex; Gray Louisiana, Riverbend and Ware, Mississippi, Jones County Juvenile Detention Facility, Ellisville
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	Juveniles are not brought before the judge in shackles
<b>District Attorney</b>	Bridget Dinvaut
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	2023 Judge Nghanna Lewis
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Division A - Judge Vercell Fiffie; Division B - Judge Nghanna Lewis; Division C - Judge Sterling J. Snowdy. All are District Court Judges.
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Vercell Fiffie
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	None
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Truancy Court



<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Truancy Court. The judge reviews the attendance of juveniles registered in schools of St. John the Baptist Parish, including absences and tardiness. Nearly 80% of cases are resolved during the initial stage, where the judge orders that both the juvenile and the parent comply with the attendance policy of the school. At a subsequent date, if the juvenile is not in compliance, the FINS coordinator files a truancy petition alleging that the juvenile is either not attending school or has a substantial amount of tardiness. If the District Attorney determines that the parent is at fault, a misdemeanor charge of improper supervision may be filed against him/her and a trial may be held in truancy or misdemeanor court.
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	None
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Unreliability of locally generated funds, particularly court cost (special assessments).
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None
<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	In addition to the District Defender, Iriane Lee has supervisory and administrative duties.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	In 2023, there was an 85% employer contribution for employee health insurance. The PDO office has joined the Parish Employees' health, dental, and vision plans and made those available to employees.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	4
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	State Senators: Bill Cassidy & John Kennedy. State Representatives: Troy Carter- District 2, Garrett Graves- District 6
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Providing computer, printer/scanner/copier and other necessary supplies to the Edgard Office

### 40th District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

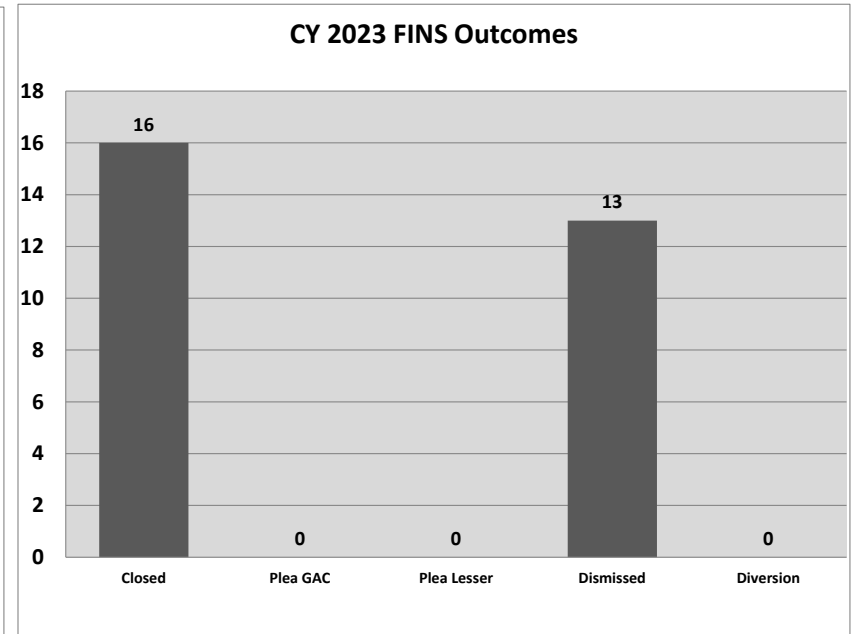
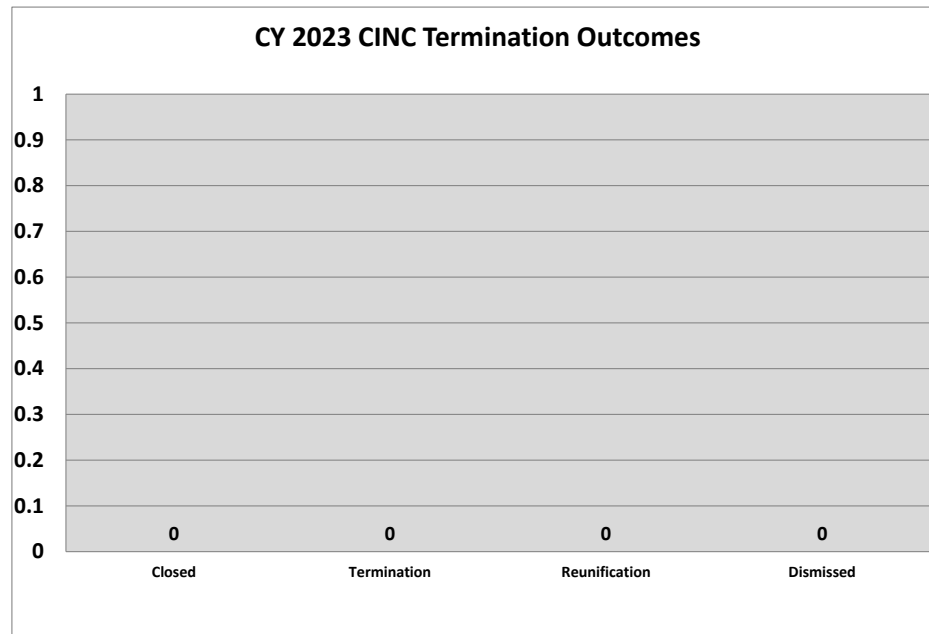
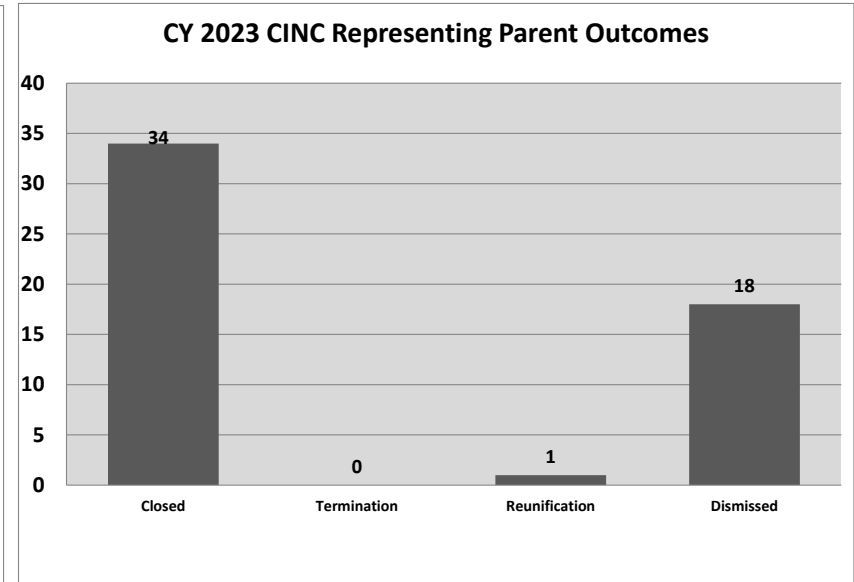
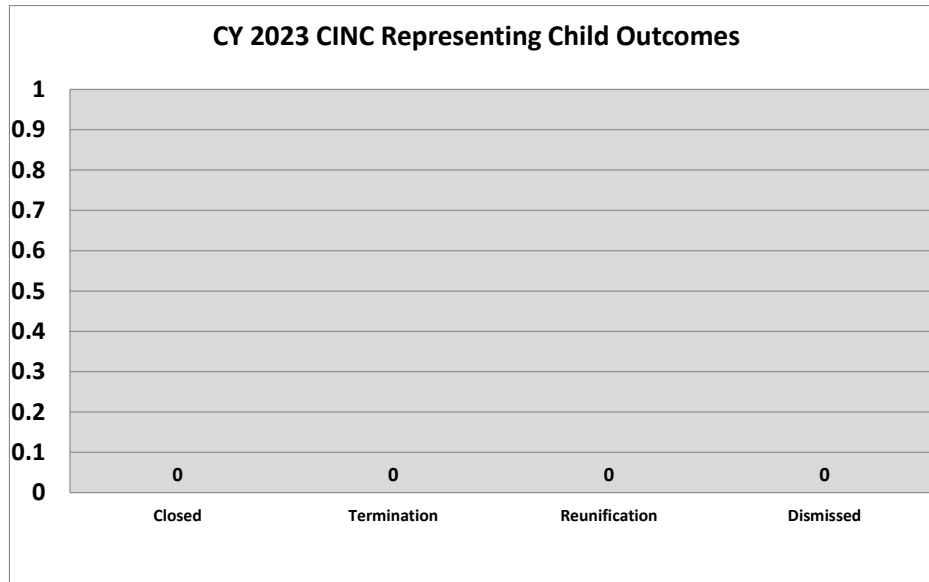
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	6	4	11	17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	35	34	30	65	0	1	N/A	N/A	18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	4	16	15	19	N/A	N/A	0	0	13	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	94	108	79	173	N/A	N/A	3	1	132	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency Felony	78	71	57	135	N/A	N/A	4	0	76	2	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	3	1	0	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	799	701	552	1351	N/A	N/A	318	20	643	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	580	496	533	1113	N/A	N/A	279	52	262	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult LWOP	13	3	15	28	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	0	0	18	18	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	2	3	1	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	2	3
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

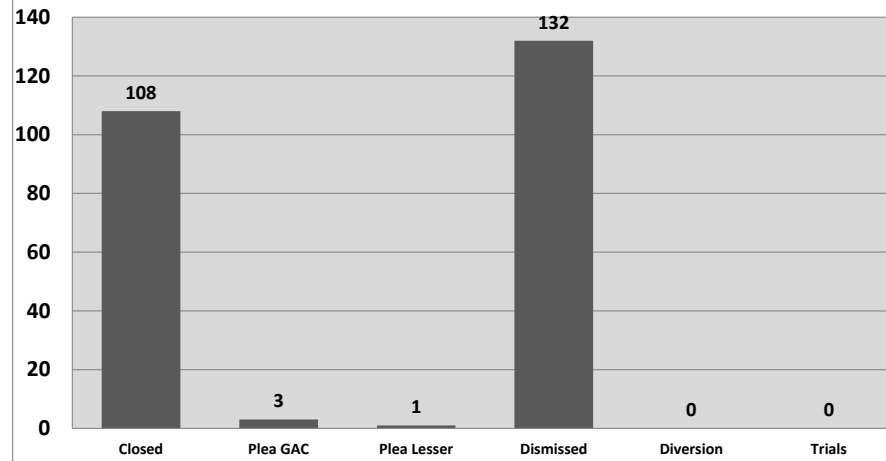
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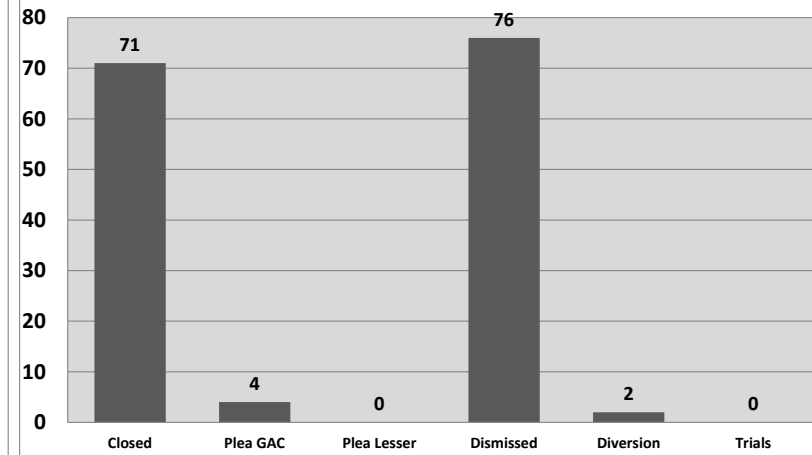
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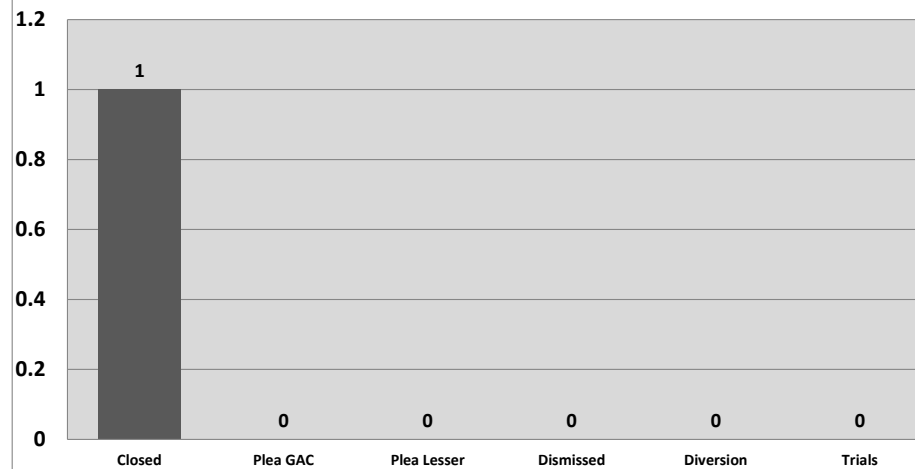
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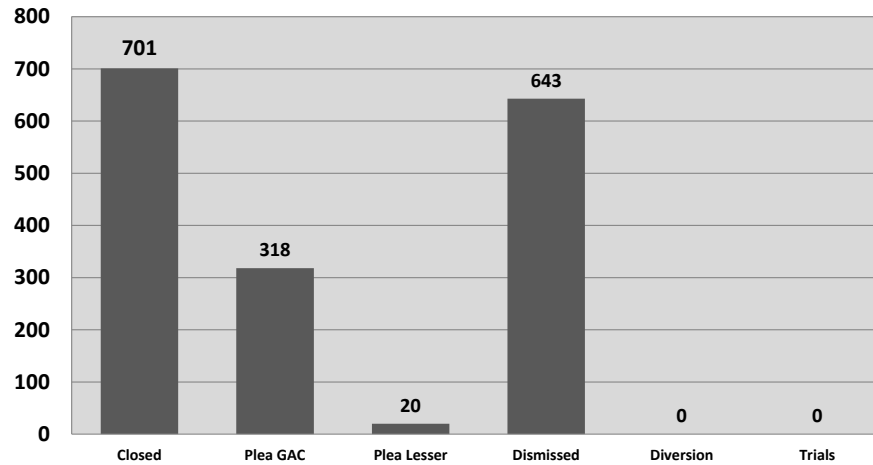
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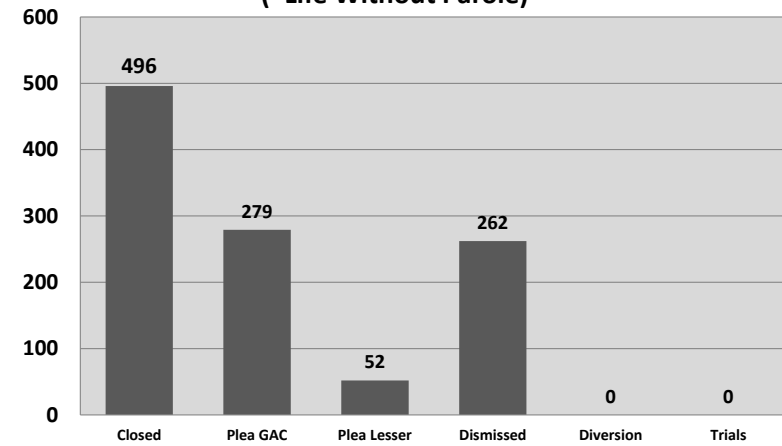
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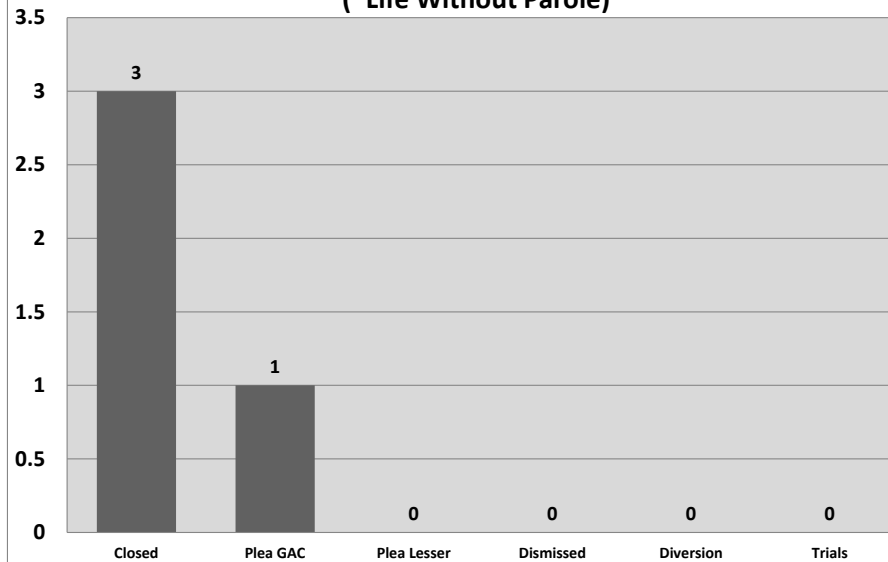
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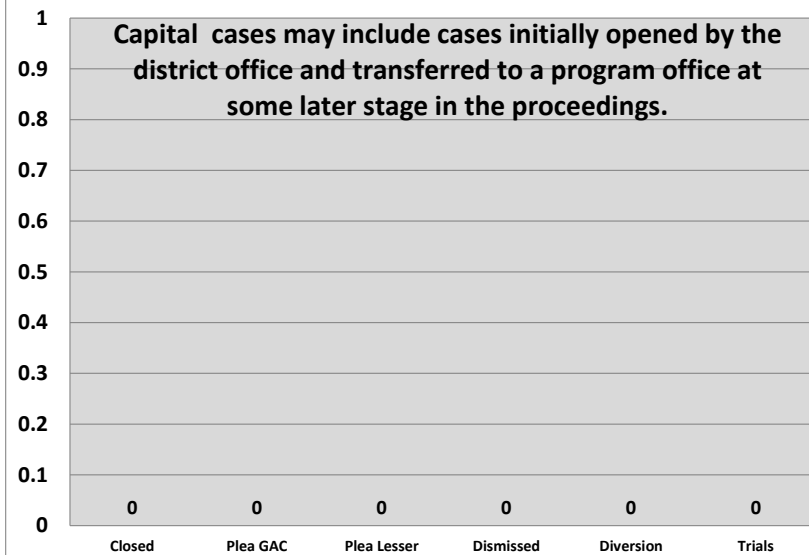
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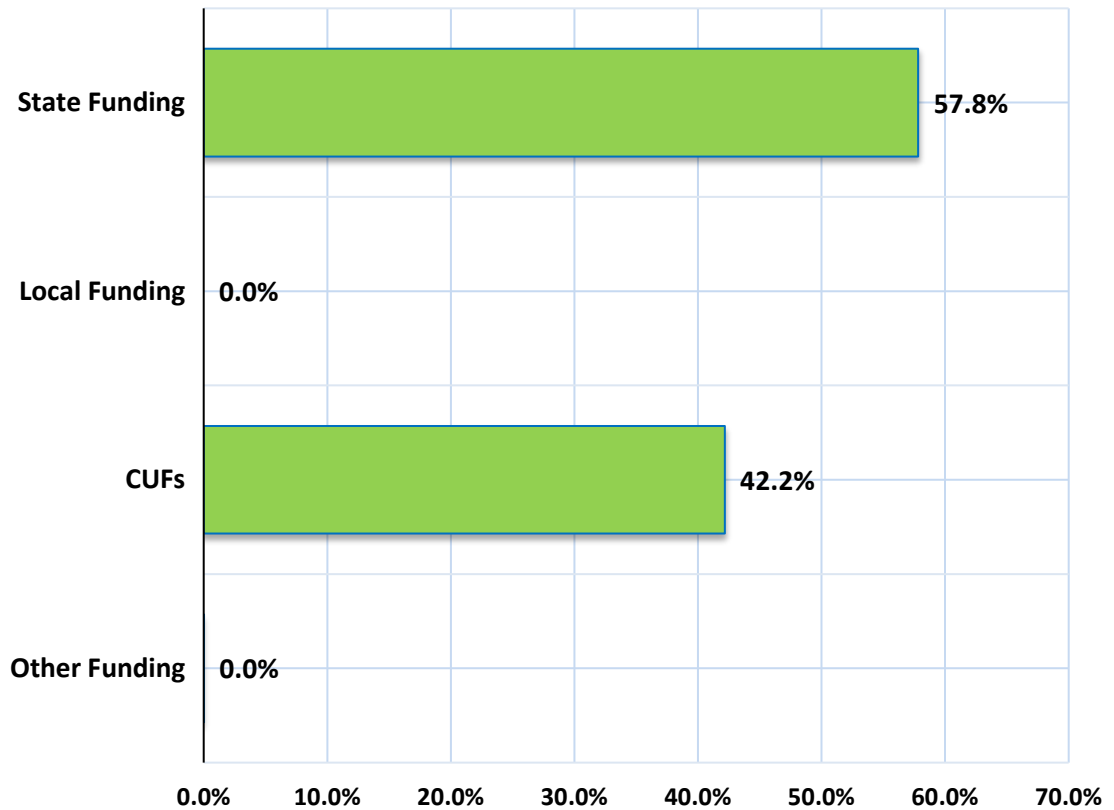
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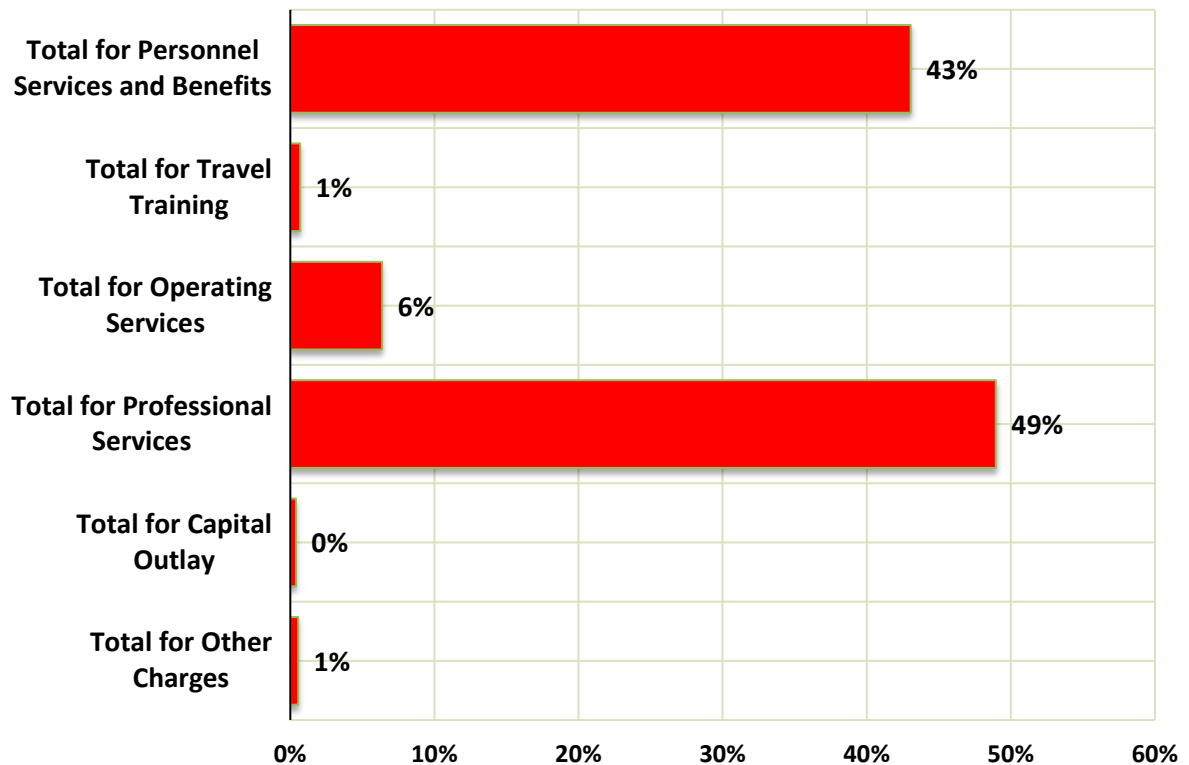
District 40 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Fontella Baker</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	40,335
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>40,335</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	10,659
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	443,723
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	20,000
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>474,383</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	39,641
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	50,788
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	275,821
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>275,821</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	9,123
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>9,123</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>375,372</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	154
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>154</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	25
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>890,269</b>

District 40 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Fontella Baker</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	307,131
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	22,784
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	37,425
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>367,340</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	5,829
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>5,829</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	72
Workers' Compensation	1,717
Insurance - Malpractice	5,616
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	2,553
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	20,700
Lease - Auto/Equipment	1,574
Lease - Other	2,035
Office Repair and Maintenance	2,850
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	7,048
Dues and Seminars	3,260
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	701
Office Supplies	6,243
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>54,367</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	11,500
Contract Clerical	10,500
Expert Witness	2,000
Investigators	4,442
Interpreters	150
Social Workers	16,667
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	42,883
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	20,000
Contract Attorneys - all other	304,018
IT/Technical Support	5,534
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>417,693</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	3,315
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>3,315</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	4,599
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>4,599</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>853,143</b>
<p><b>"Note that some data in this report may change due to district corrections or revisions."</b></p>	

## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES







# THE 41<sup>ST</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE ORLEANS (NEW ORLEANS)

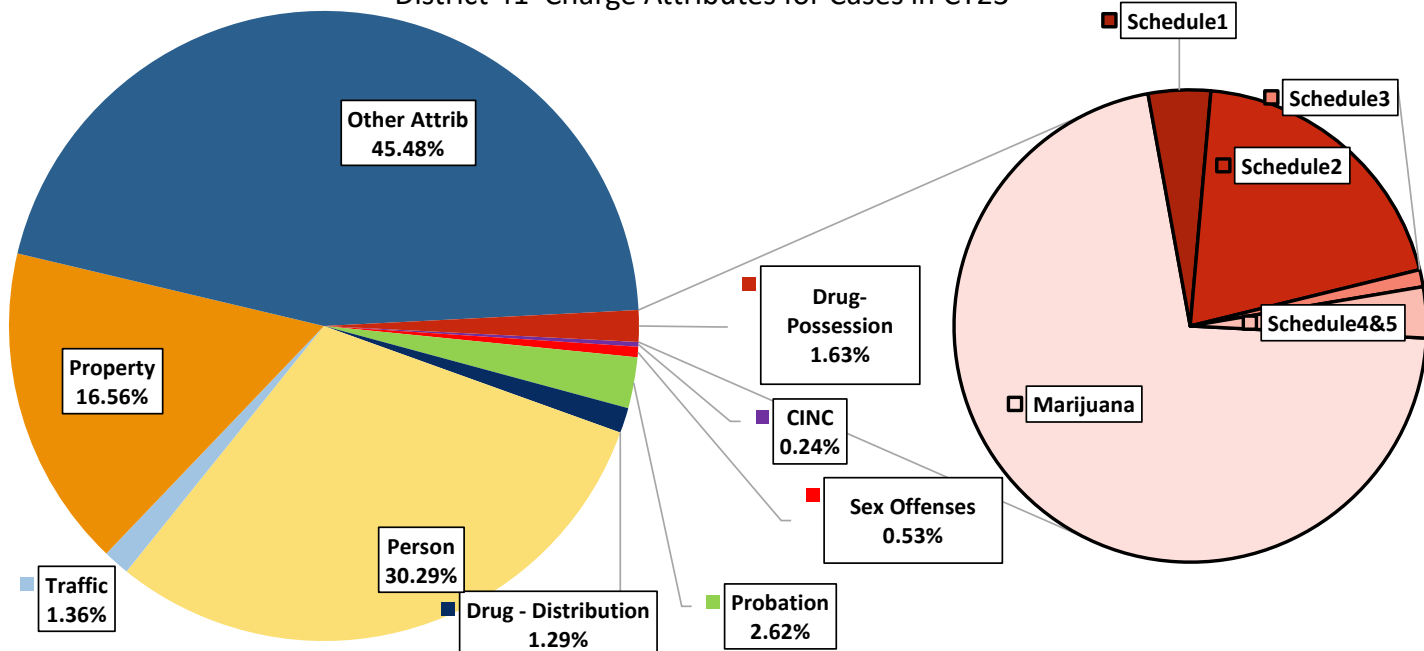
DISTRICT DEFENDER: THOMAS GERNHAUSER, INTERIM (9-23-22 TO 9-29-22)

SIERRA THOMPSON, INTERIM (SEPT 30, 2022 TO MARCH 8, 2023)

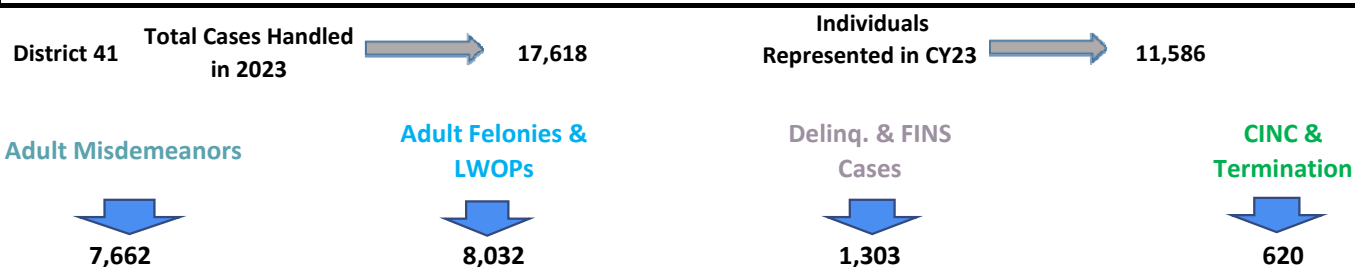
DANIEL "DANNY" ENGELBERG (MARCH 9, 2023 TO PRESENT)

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District 41 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

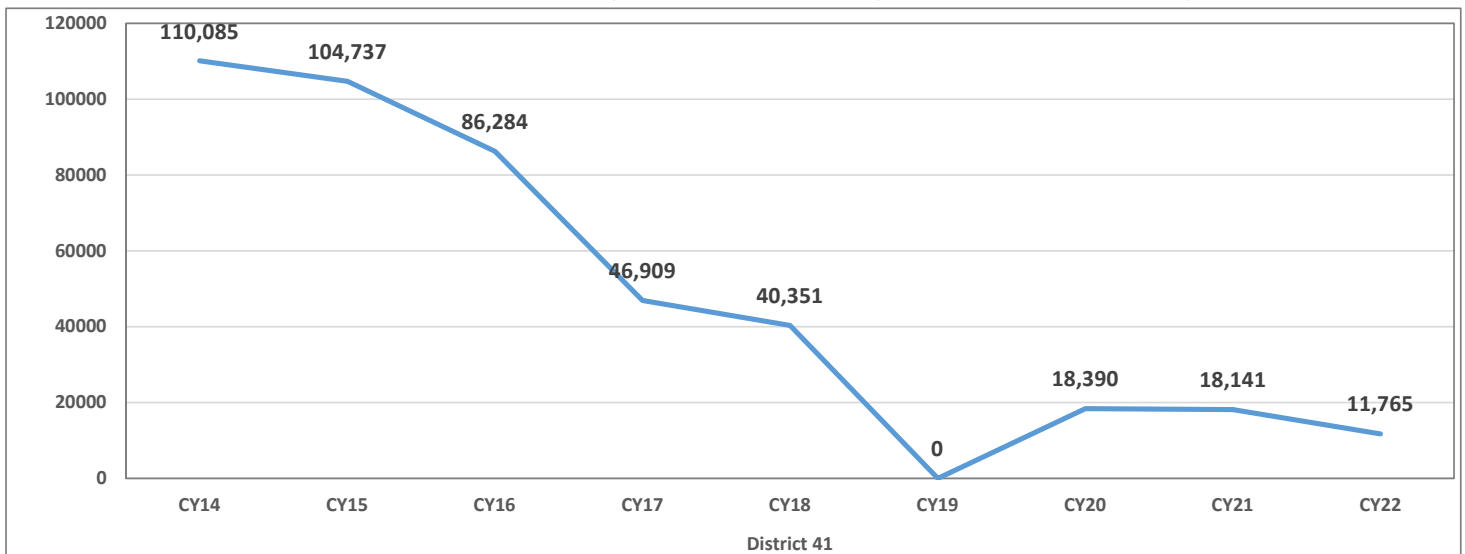


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in just 1.63% (287) of the 17,618 cases handled by the 41st Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 73.6% were charged with Marijuana Possession.



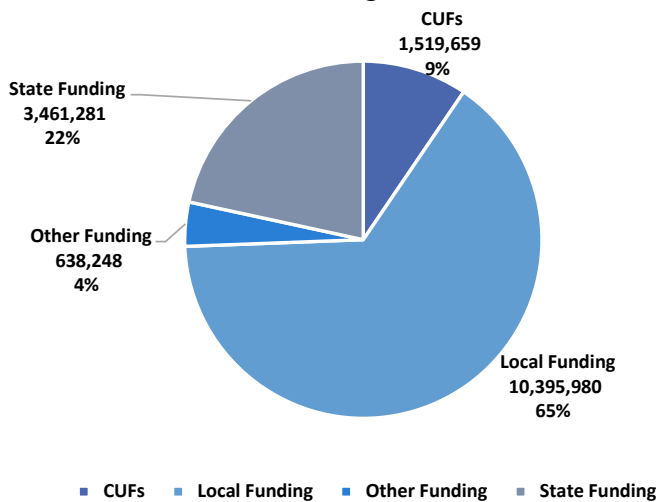
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

### TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)



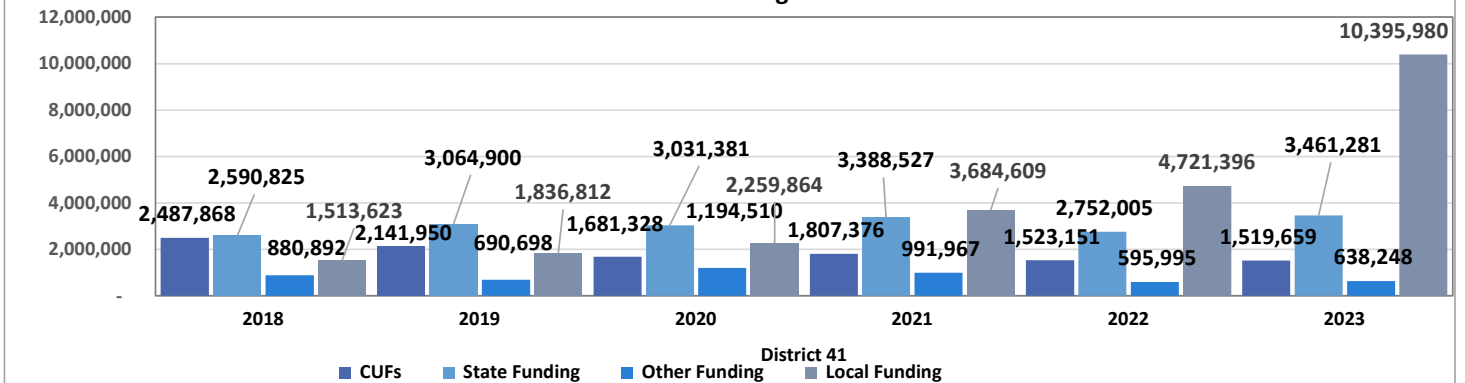
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, the number of traffic tickets filed in the 41st Judicial District decreased by 34% compared to the number filed the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be similar to the previous year. (No data are available for 2019 when the City IT System was hacked.)

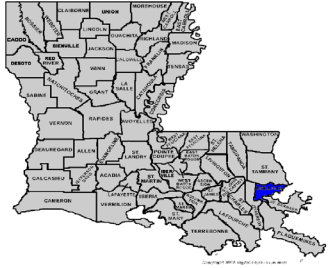
### District 41 Funding Sources in 2023



During Calendar Year 2023, the 41st Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$16,015,168 in total revenues. Only 9% of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. The City of New Orleans has made a significant investment in the Public Defender's Office, providing \$10,395,980 in revenues.

### CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources





## THE 41<sup>ST</sup> JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	Orleans - New Orleans
<b>Population</b>	396,048
<b>District Defender</b>	Danny Engelberg
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	1
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	16
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Dannielle Berger, Chief Administrative Officer
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	2601 Tulane Avenue, Suite 700
<b>City</b>	New Orleans
<b>ZIP</b>	70119
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	M-F, 8:30-4:30
<b>Primary Phone</b>	504-821-8101
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	2601 Tulane Ave., Suite 700, New Orleans, LA 70119
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	504-821-5285
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Dannielle Berger, Chief Administrative Officer
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	504-338-3356
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Danny Engelberg, Chief Defender
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	504-784-5674
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Karen Glaser (Tulane Tower)
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	\$8,877,181.00

<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	N/A
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	N/A
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	Criminal District Court - 2700 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans, 70119; Magistrate Court, 2700 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans, 70119; Juvenile Court, 1100 Milton Street, New Orleans, LA 70112; Municipal and Traffic Court, 1601 Perdido St., New Orleans, 70112; New Orleans, 70119.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Criminal District Court (12); Juvenile Court (4); Municipal and Traffic Court (7); Criminal Magistrate Court (1); Criminal Commissioners (4).
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	Orleans Justice Center
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	While the majority of our clients are housed at the Orleans Justice Center (with some acute mental illness beds at the Temporary Detention Center), some clients remain at various facilities throughout the state. This is generally due to pre-existing sentences or federal charges. The most common out of parish facilities are the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola, the St. Charles Parish Prison, and Elayn Hunt Correctional Center.
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	Juvenile Justice Intervention Center
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	None, for pre-trial detention. Office of Juvenile Justice Secure Care Facilities include: Bridge City Center for Youth; Swanson Correctional Center Columbia; Swanson Correctional Center Monroe Acadiana Center for Youth; Acadiana Center for Youth - St. Martinsville; Ware Center for Youth, and Jackson Parish Correctional.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	In Criminal District Court, transferred juveniles are generally shackled. In juvenile court, defendants are not shackled.
<b>District Attorney</b>	Hon. Jason R. Williams
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Hon. Tracey Flemings-Davillier

<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Clinton Smith, Candice Bates-Anderson, Desiree Cook-Calvin, Ranord Darensburg (Chief Judge).
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	Judge Tracy Flemings-Davillier "B"; Judge Benedict Willard "C"; Judge Kimya Holmes "D"; Judge Rhonda Goode-Douglas "E"; Judge Robin Pittman "F"; and Judge Marcus Delarge "K" (co-occurring w/ MH)
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	Judge Marcus Delarge "K" and Judge Paul Sense "A" Municipal Court
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	Veteran's Court, Judge Benedict Willard "C"; Domestic Violence Court, Judge Rhonda Goode-Douglas "E" and Magistrate Judge Juana Lombard "M1"; Re-entry Court, Judge Marcus Delarge "K"; Rise and Release Court, Judge Nandi Campbell "G" and Judge Angel Harris "L"; and Community Court, Judge Paul Sens "A" Municipal Court.
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	Veterans Court is designed to assist military veterans gain access to programming and support designed to assist them and prevent criminal involvement. Domestic Violence Court is designed to monitor and support those accused of domestic violence to help reduce recidivism. Re-entry Court is designed to assist clients returning to the community after longer term incarceration in State correctional facilities. Rise and Release Court is designed to help individuals affected by unconstitutional non-unanimous jury convictions transition from prison into their New Orleans communities. Community Court is designed to assist the homeless receive much needed treatment and services.

<p><b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b></p>	<p>Excessive workloads, depleted staff and attrition continue to be the biggest obstacles regarding our representation. There still remains a significant backlog of cases due in part to pandemic-related restrictions on trials, inmate transportation (or lack thereof) to court, and prosecutors' restrictive plea-negotiation policies. Additionally, the continued inequitable distribution of criminal legal system resources across the board almost ensures we are incapable of reaching or maintaining most professional legal standards. All of these significant challenges in Orleans Parish have a negative impact on recruitment and retention, and potentially harmful client relationships and service delivery.</p> <p>Workloads for serious cases and overall office costs have drastically increased over the last couple of years. As violent crime in New Orleans peaked in 2022, the number of serious cases in Court also increased, particularly for Life Without Parole and virtual life cases. OPD represents more major felonies and LWOPs than any other district, and faces a critical issue of both human and financial resources to adequately represent clients facing these very serious charges. There are a limited number of qualified attorneys with the experience necessary to both handle the workload and provide the level of necessary representation. We must increase both our staff attorneys and contract attorneys to handle serious felonies. On all cases, the volume of evidence has increased, thereby increasing the overall workload demanded of all line attorneys, as well as technology and operational needs necessary.</p>
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<p><b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b></p>	<p>Public defense in Louisiana continues to lack critical funding and resources to carry out its constitutionally mandated work, relying on “user-pay” conviction and user fees (CUF’s) that continue a decade-long decline. For instance, in Fiscal Year 2013, OPD received \$1,726,613 in revenue from our local Traffic Court, and just \$247,453 from the same Court in Fiscal Year 2023. The State must increase direct funding for public defense in the overall budget to address this ongoing crisis. State and local funding for public defense is minimal when compared to that provided to District Attorneys. These disparities exist despite public defense being mandated by both federal and state constitutions. Additionally, funding for public defense reliant on revenue generated by Court fees creates the appearance of a conflict of interest with clients and our communities. OPD and other districts need resource equity, which should come from stable, reliable, and equitable sources, that does not shift the burden to our clients.</p> <p>In an effort to increase the overall level of representation, the State should continue supporting and advocating for local funding, especially in the larger metropolitan districts. OPD was able to address its drastic decrease in CUF’s without restriction of services when New Orleans took a bold step and passed a public defender parity ordinance – pegging local funding for OPD to 85% of the local funding to the New Orleans District Attorney. This has allowed us to fill the gaps created by the decline in local fines and fees. However, it is critical that state funding not decrease because of increased local funding. As it applies to New Orleans, the City’s intent is to supplement, not replace, state funding and its ongoing local funding is contingent that OPD’s state-wide funding not decrease.</p>
<p><b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b></p>	<p>2023 focused on increasing resources for public defense, particularly with the first official parity budget from the City of New Orleans. For the first time, OPD received equitable funding with the district attorney. Additionally, we continued work alongside local and state partners to push back against hostile crime narratives in the media, attempts to roll back criminal justice reforms, and increased aggressive prosecutorial practices. With the appointment and transition of a new Chief Defender, we prioritized introducing him to the community, as well as state and local decision makers, and media. We also worked with national public defender partners around the 60th anniversary of Gideon v Wainwright, and the RAND workload study and updated workload standards. DEVELOPMENT: We were once again selected as a host site for the Black Public Defender Association’s Community Engagement Summer Fellowship. We were selected as a BYRNE JAG grant recipient to expand our peer mentorship work with formerly incarcerated people. Nearly two dozen of our attorneys were selected as LACDL Blackstone Award honorees for excellence in representation and advocacy. MEDIA: our work continues to be featured in local and national media outlets.</p>



<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	OPD is divided into supervisory groups, led by supervisors and leadership staff. The leadership team consists of the District Defender, the Chief Administrative Officer, and 2 Deputy Chief Defenders. The management team consists of the Chief of Trials, Training Director, and other division heads and their deputies, as well as attorney supervisors. Non-attorneys supervise the Client Services Division, the Client and Court Support Administrators, and the Investigation Division. The CAO, the Training Director, and the heads of CSD and Investigation all have deputies with separate management responsibilities, in addition to assisting the division head.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	OPD offers Blue Cross Medical, Dental, and Vision Insurance. OPD pays 100% percent of the monthly health premium.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	In 2023, 10 juveniles were transferred to Criminal District Court.
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	OPD is unaware of any case(s) wherein a transfer was denied by the Juvenile Court.
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	<u><a href="http://house.louisiana.gov/H_Reps/By_Deleg/H_Reps_Deleg_Orleans.asp">See: http://house.louisiana.gov/H_Reps/By_Deleg/H_Reps_Deleg_Orleans.asp</a></u>
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	<p>In 2023, OPD continued to tackle recruiting, retention, and attrition by increasing salaries and benefits, hiring, and improving office culture, support and supervision. Due to increased local funding, OPD was able to fill vacant positions and increase pay for all staff, including increased first year attorney salary commensurate with statewide ADA salaries. Additionally in 2023, OPD focused on increased resources for contract conflict representation, increased representation in Municipal Court &amp; Traffic Court, and improved client advocacy, including hiring people formerly incarcerated for more collaborative representation. We also continued technology and systems improvements to increase work efficiency, improve data storage and security, and drive down long term costs.</p> <p>The work in 2023 has been at a break-neck pace. We had double the number of jury trials than previous years, filed numerous writs, and increased the over-all case resolutions. In addition, OPD doubled the number of clients served through our Client Services Division, improving case results by directly addressing client needs. We handled more than 500 substance use and/or mental health treatment referrals, which has provided alternatives to incarceration while improving overall public health and safety, and saving millions in jail costs. Some other 2023 initiatives included the work of OPD's Mental Health Unit, partnering with the District Attorney and the City to increase both pre- and post-arrest diversion options for our clients, and improvements in OPD's First Appearance Initiative. Lastly, with the appointment of a new Chief District Defender in 2023, OPD relied on long-serving staff with significant institutional knowledge to ensure the delivery of public defender services and partnerships with state and local partners throughout the transition remained consistent.</p>

### 41st District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

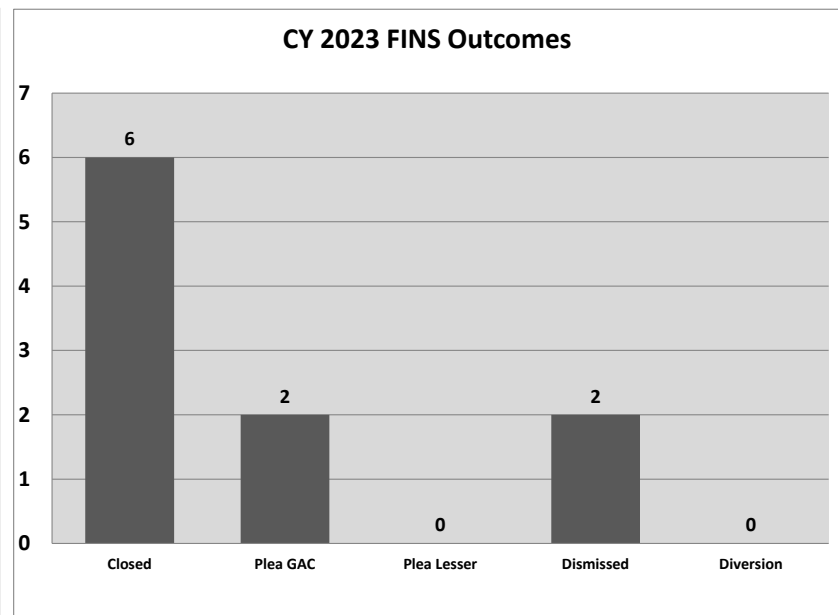
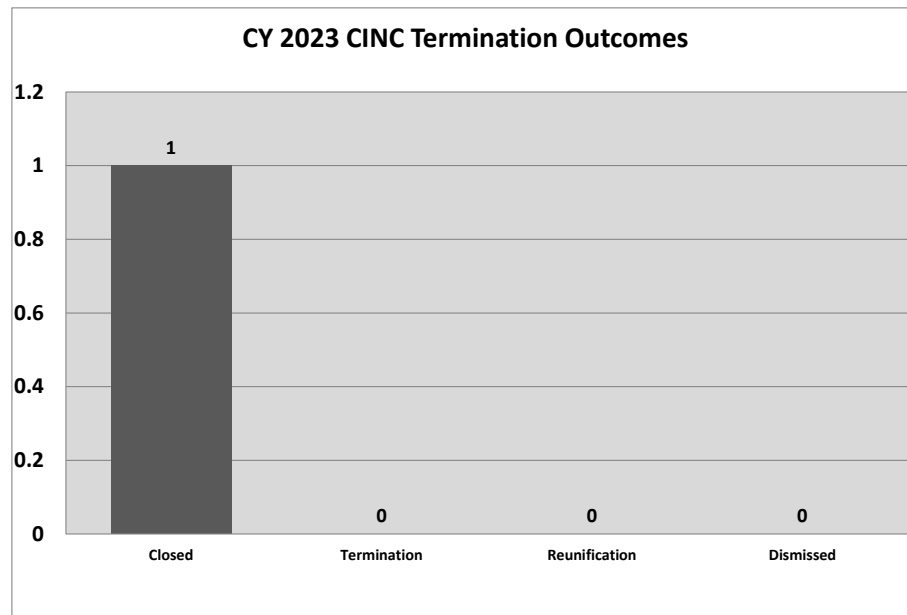
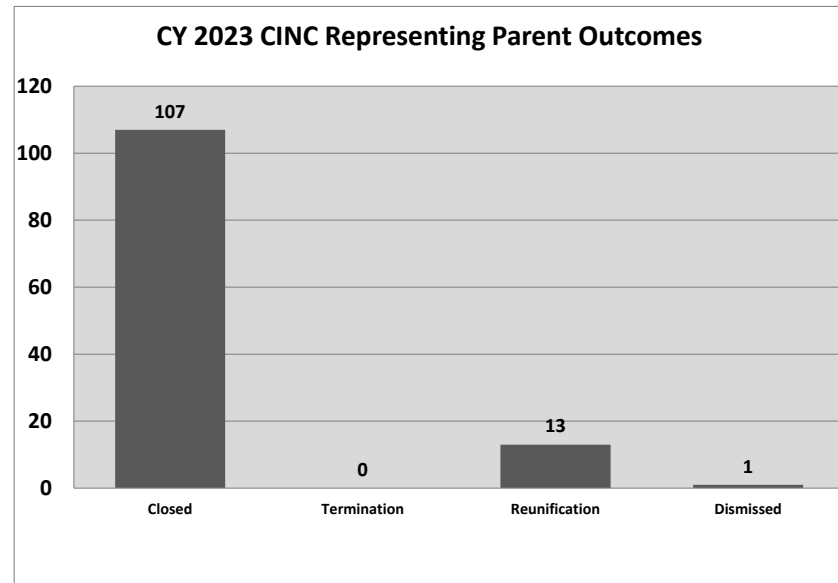
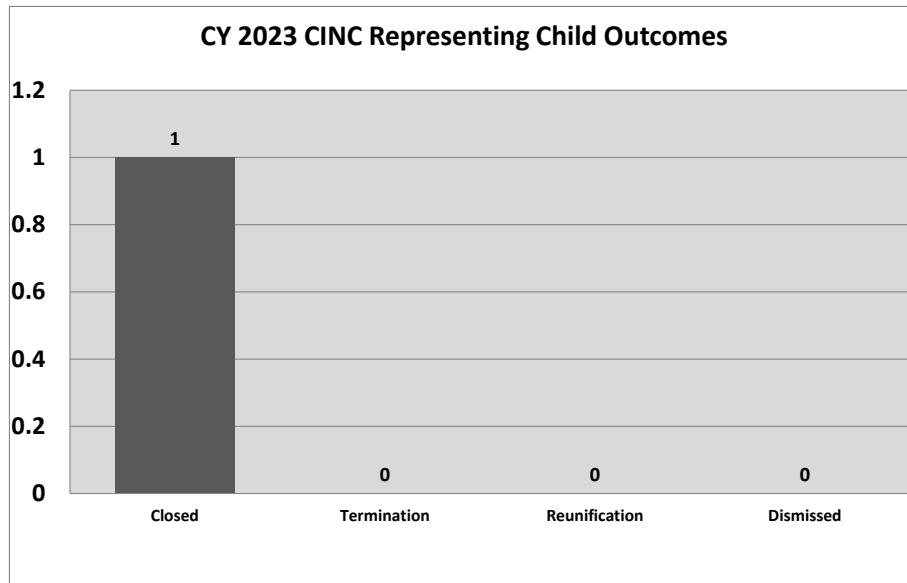
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	1	7	7	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	304	107	302	606	0	13	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	4	1	3	7	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	1	6	6	7	N/A	N/A	2	0	2	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	65	85	127	192	N/A	N/A	23	4	30	3	N/A	N/A	2	3	5
Delinquency Felony	393	365	685	1078	N/A	N/A	179	12	121	10	N/A	N/A	16	8	24
Delinquency-Life	22	2	4	26	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor	5058	5336	2604	7662	N/A	N/A	654	292	1463	0	2	0	27	6	35
Adult Felony Non-LWOP	4324	3972	2663	6987	N/A	N/A	1548	796	1194	0	15	11	13	9	48
Adult LWOP	138	126	207	345	N/A	N/A	35	26	61	0	3	6	1	2	12
Capital	0	1	1	1	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	368	489	332	700	N/A	N/A	0	0	287	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

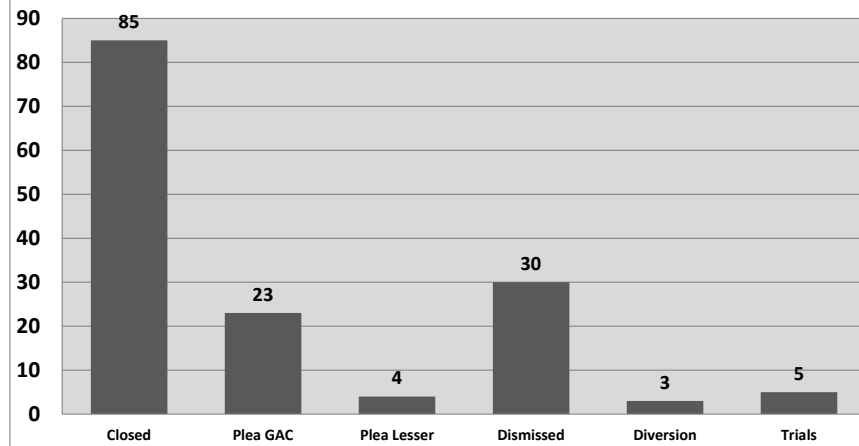
\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

\*\*Life Without Parole

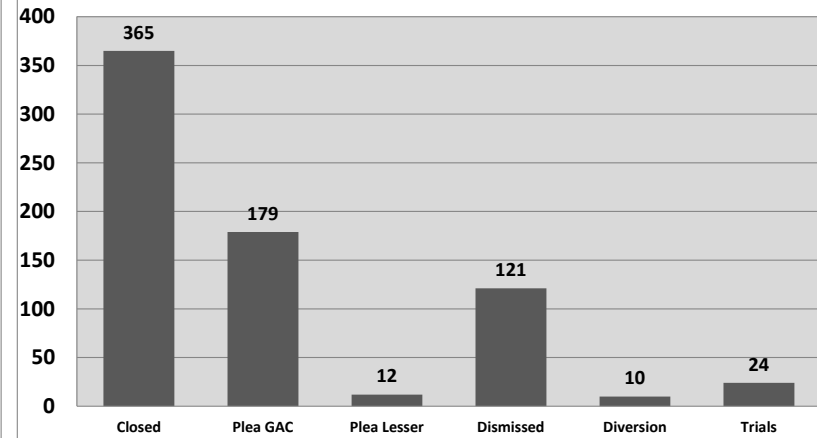
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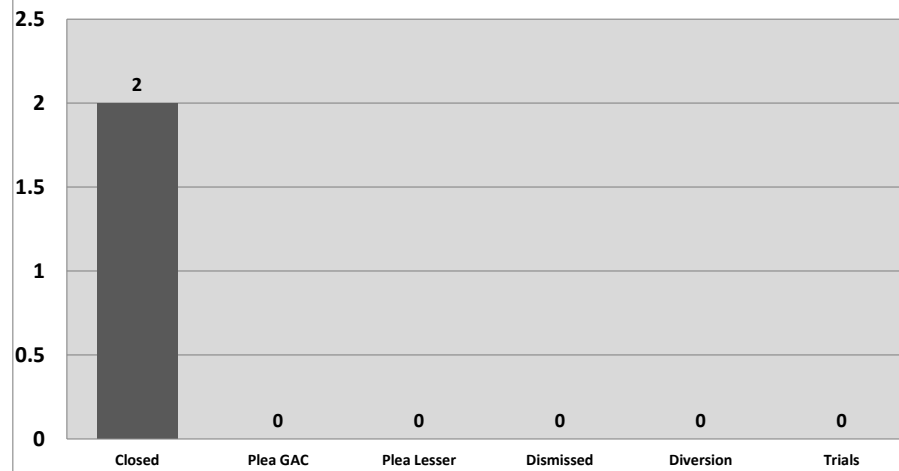
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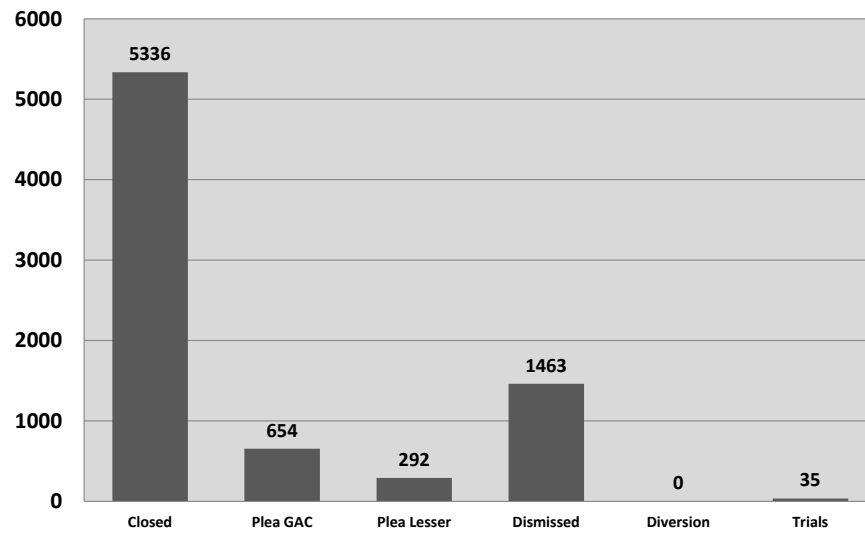
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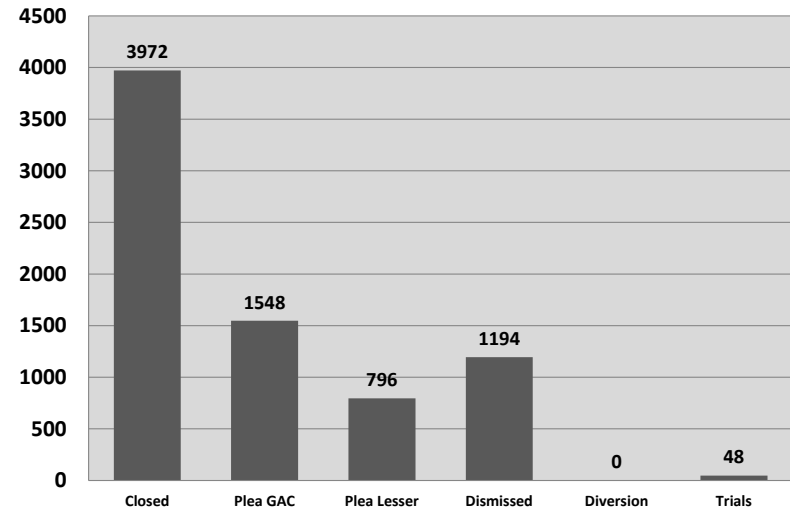
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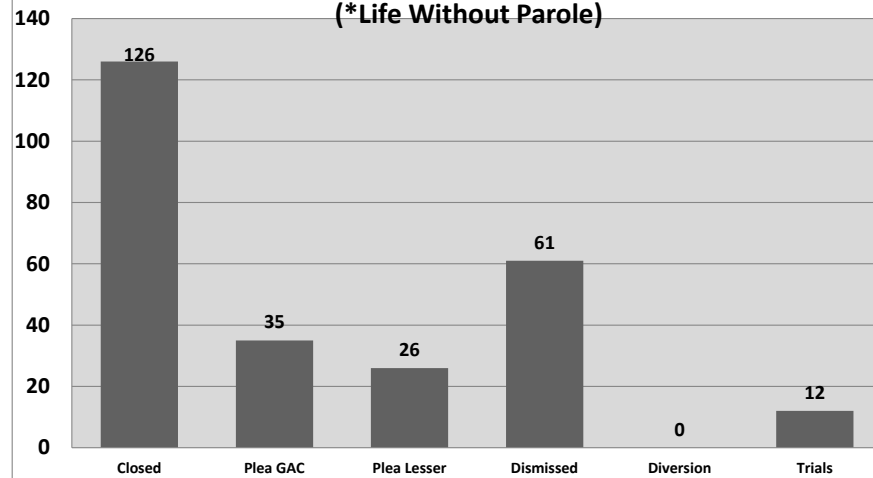
**CY 2023 Adult Misdemeanor Outcomes**



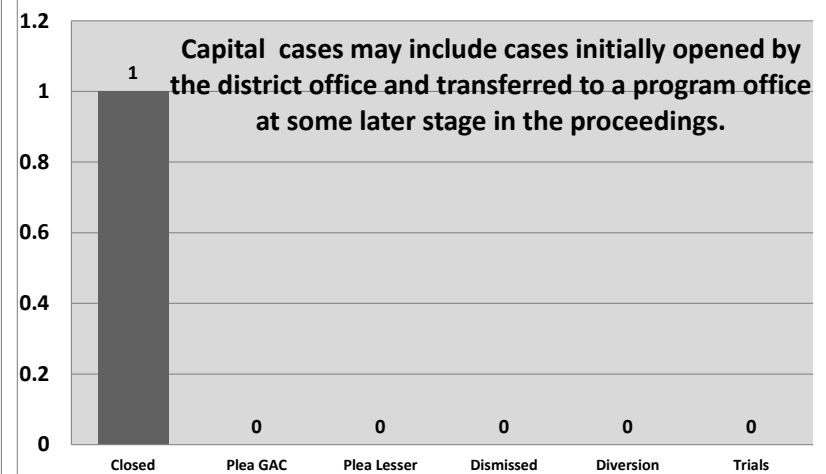
**CY 2023 Adult Felony Non-LWOP\* Outcomes  
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**CY 2023 Adult Felony LWOP\* Outcomes  
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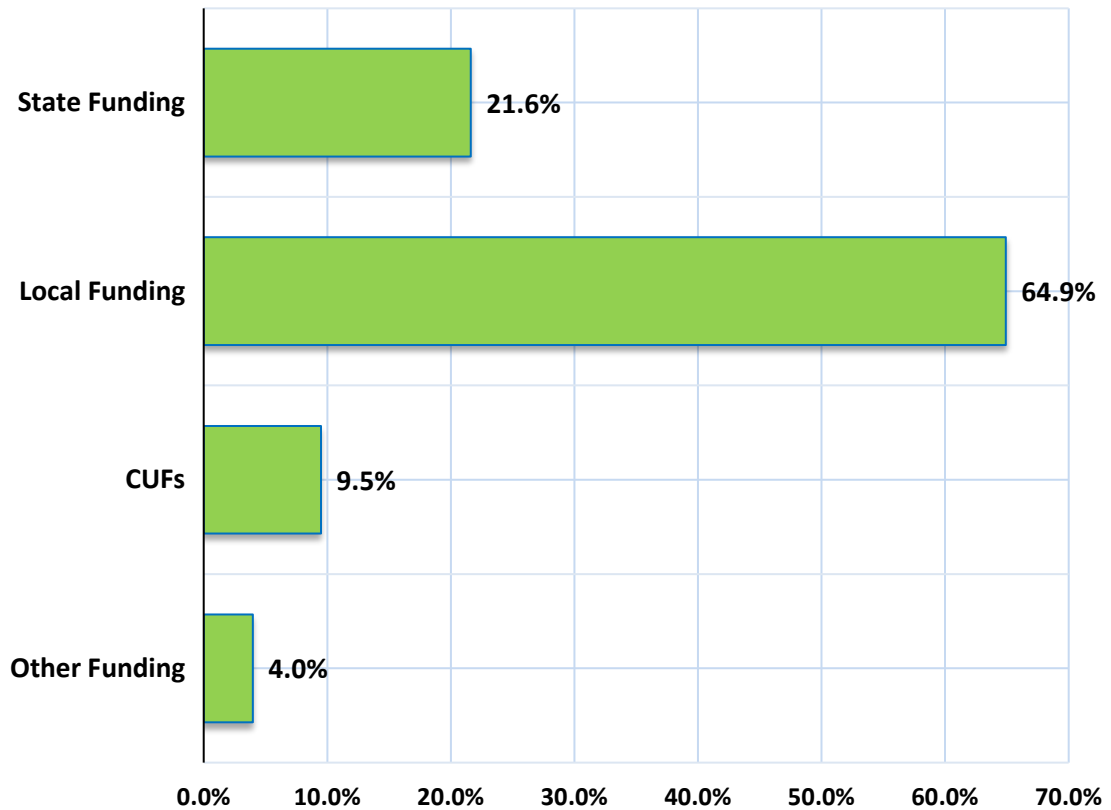
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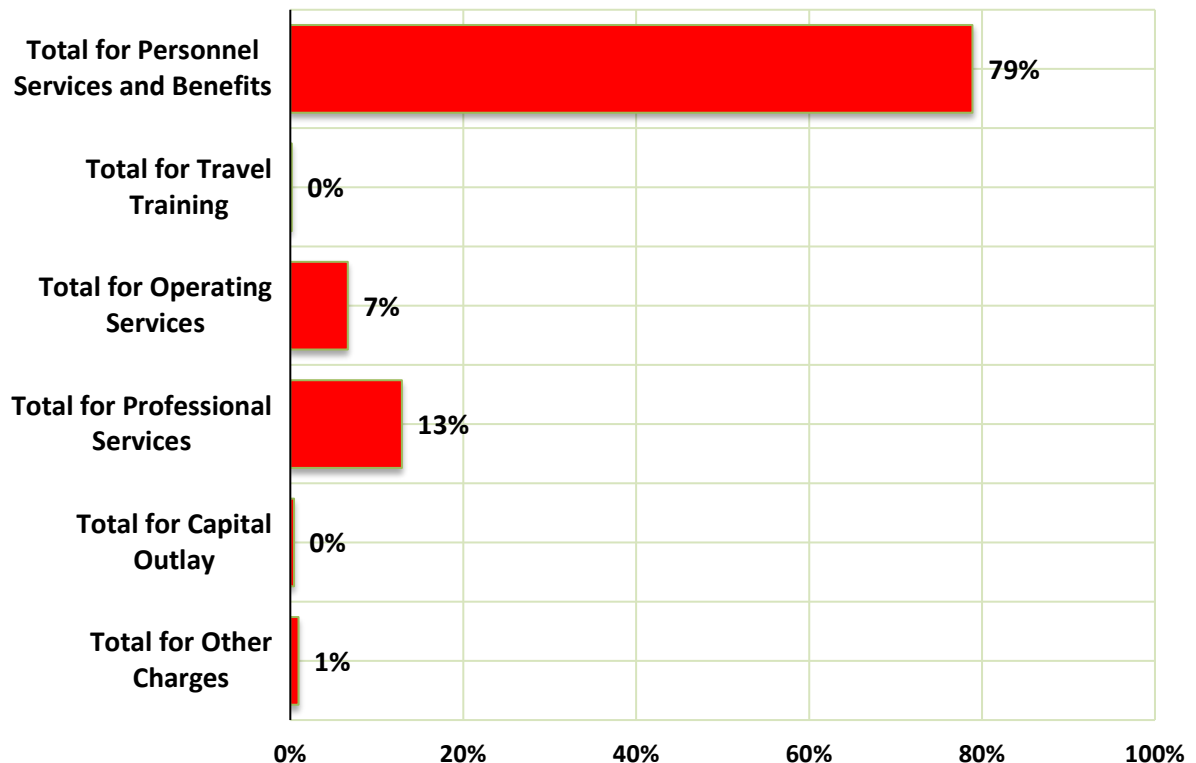
District 41 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Danny Engelberg</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	29,156
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>29,156</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	103,733
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	3,328,392
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	-
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>3,432,125</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	10,395,980
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	478
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	244,360
Traffic Camera	973,025
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	15,565
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	9,740
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	-
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	6,761
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	282,700
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>299,202</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	2,595
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	-
Other Reimbursements	200
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>2,795</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>11,931,404</b>
<b>Investment Earnings</b>	
Interest Income	-
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	54,850
Private Organizations	539,735
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	27,898
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>622,483</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>16,015,168</b>

District 41 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Danny Engelberg</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	7,543,185
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	571,565
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	1,072,245
Retirement	422,599
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>9,609,593</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	19,502
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>19,502</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	-
Workers' Compensation	2,650
Insurance - Malpractice	57,388
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	8,835
Insurance - Other	-
Lease - Office	433,800
Lease - Auto/Equipment	29,763
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	12,828
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	68,092
Dues and Seminars	31,200
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	77,932
Office Supplies	87,071
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>809,559</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	44,839
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	221,037
Investigators	38,403
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	13,750
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	674,734
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	491,100
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	-
Contract Attorneys - all other	7,500
IT/Technical Support	80,400
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>1,571,763</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	51,110
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>51,110</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	116,774
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>116,774</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>12,178,301</b>
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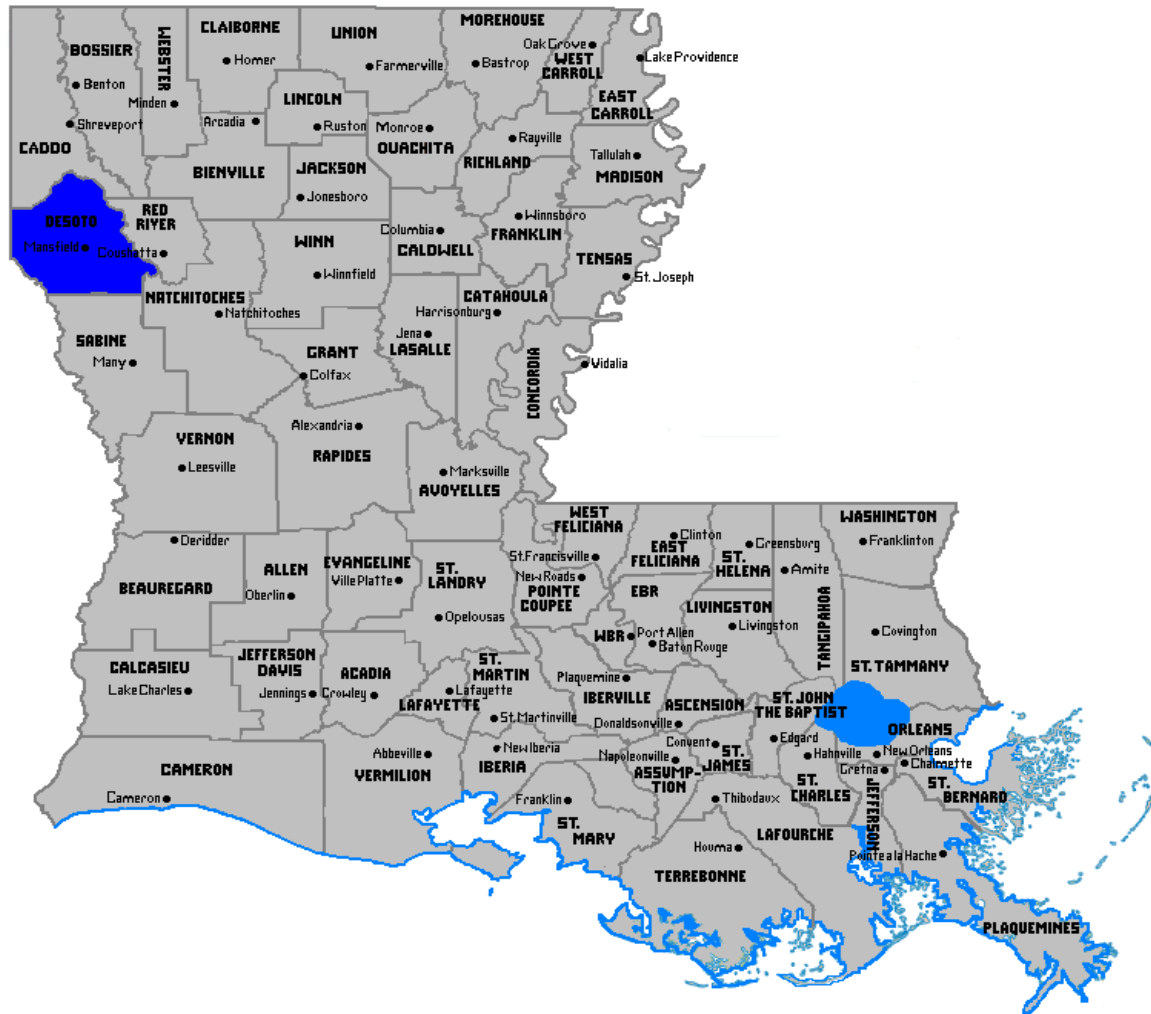
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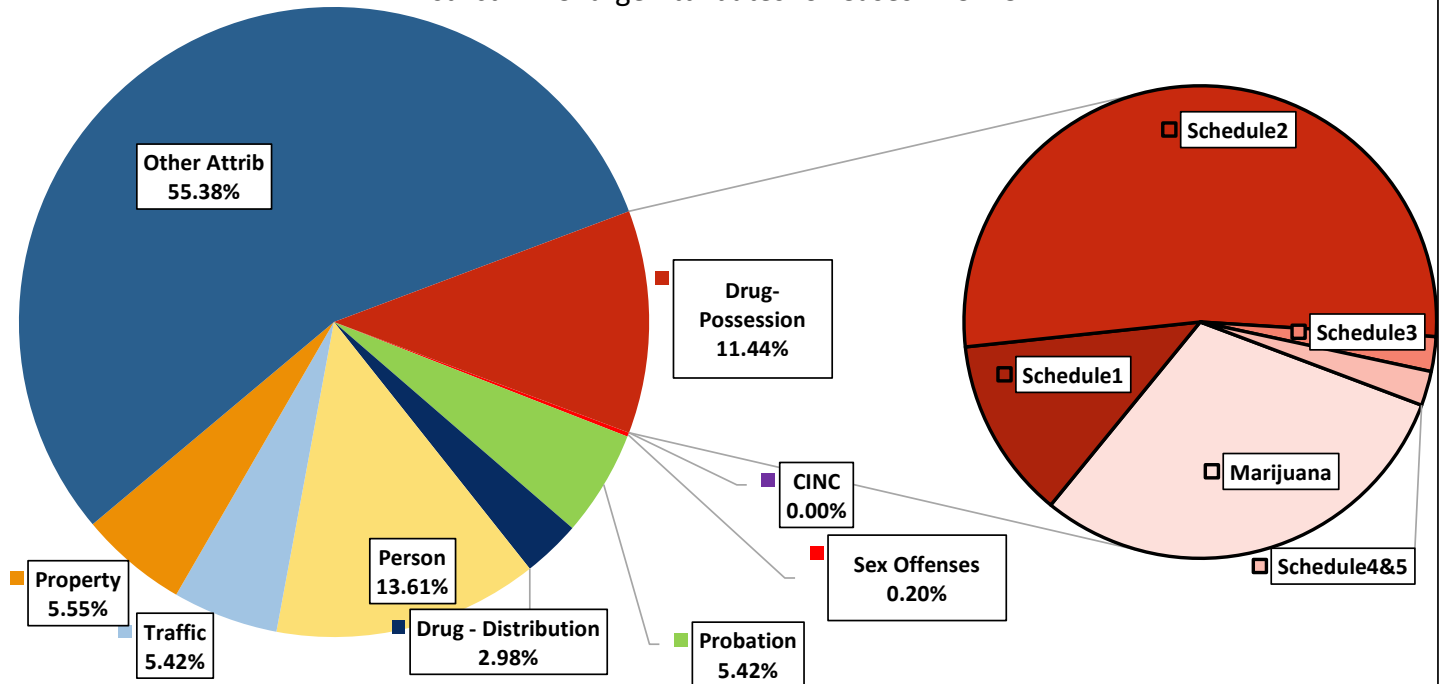




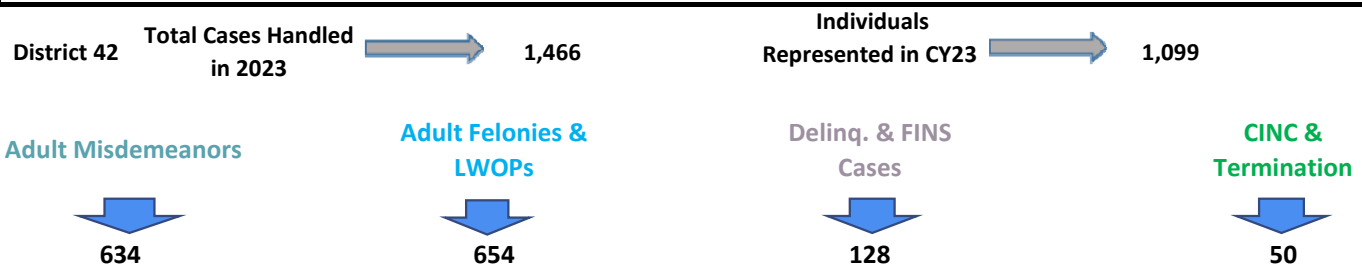
THE 42<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE  
DESOTO (MANSFIELD)

DISTRICT DEFENDER: BRIAN C. McRAE  
94 POLK ST., SUITE 202  
MANSFIELD, LA 71052  
(318) 872-6250

District 42 Charge Attributes for Cases in CY23

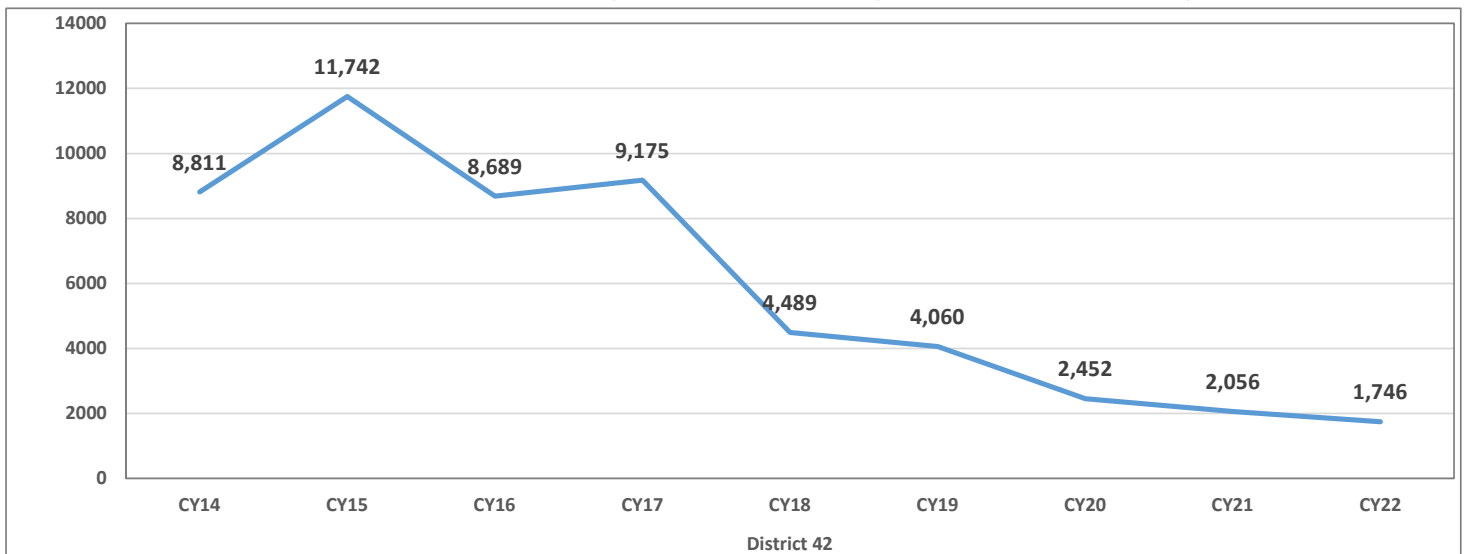


Criminal justice facilities have long been the de-facto treatment centers for individuals with poorly treated or untreated behavioral health conditions. The Louisiana Public Defender Board, its district offices, and the criminal justice system as a whole, dedicate a significant number of resources to defend, prosecute, and incarcerate individuals who would best be served by behavioral health treatment. The data is limited as to exactly how many of Louisiana's citizens are charged with juvenile, criminal, or Child in Need of Care infractions as a direct result of their behavioral health issues. There is no way to delineate the charges of a person arrested amid a mental health crisis, and many arrests made of individuals committing crime as a result of their addiction cannot be parsed out. While charge data does not allow us to determine the role that serious mental illness plays in justice system involvement, and likely grossly underrepresents the role of addiction in the criminal justice system, we can use charge data to establish the floor of criminal justice system involvement by members of our community who suffer from a behavioral health disorder. During Calendar Year 2023, the primary charge in 11.44% (168) of the 1,466 cases handled by the 42nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office was drug possession. Of these cases, 52.4% were charged with Possession of a Schedule II drug. Schedule II drugs include opiates, amphetamines, cocaine, and fentanyl.



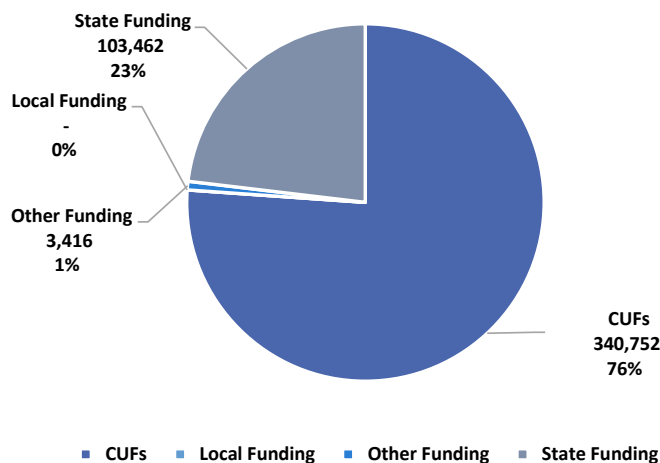
The number of cases handled for drug possession charges does not give a clear picture of the impact of addiction on the criminal justice system. These numbers do not include arrests for crimes allegedly committed as a direct result of an individuals' addiction such as theft to support a habit, battery, DWI, and child endangerment or neglect. As LPDB seeks a stable, reliable, and adequate funding stream that is not reliant on Conviction and User Fees (CUFs) we also seek to have a criminal justice system that we can pay for. A system that focuses on non-carceral rehabilitative interventions when appropriate.

**TRAFFIC FILINGS CY14-CY22 (Source: La. Supreme Court Annual Report -- 2023 LASC Data Not yet available)**



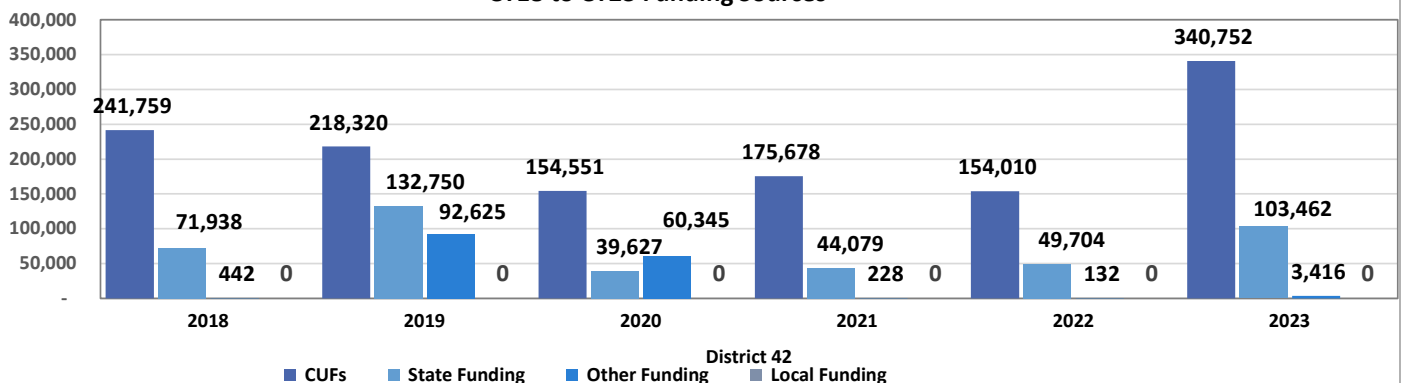
According to Supreme Court data, during 2022, traffic filings in the 42nd Judicial District decreased by 15% from the previous year. 2023 Supreme Court filing data is not yet available for comparison, however based on CUFs collections, filing rates are expected to be significantly greater than the previous year.

**District 42 Funding Sources in 2023**



During Calendar Year 2023, the 42nd Judicial District Public Defender's Office (PDO) received \$447,630 in total revenues. Seventy-six percent of the office's revenues came from Conviction and User Fees (CUFs), compared to the statewide average of 32%. CUFs are derived primarily from traffic tickets and special court costs. During 2023, revenues collected from CUFs more than doubled. The office did not receive funding from the city/parish government.

**CY18 to CY23 Funding Sources**





## THE 42ND JDC PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE

<b>Parish(es) &amp; Seat(s)</b>	DeSoto - Mansfield
<b>Population</b>	26,853
<b>District Defender</b>	Brian C. McRae
<b>Years as District Defender</b>	3
<b>Before Becoming District Defender, Years in Public Defense</b>	28
<b>Does the District Defender Maintain a Private Practice? If NO, Simply Enter a Zero. If Yes, Enter the Number of Estimated Hours Per Month on Average</b>	0
<b>Office Manager</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Primary Office Street Address</b>	94 Polk St., Suite 202
<b>City</b>	Mansfield
<b>ZIP</b>	71052
<b>Days of Week Open (M-F) and Office Hours (am -pm)</b>	Open 8:00 - 4:00, Monday thru Friday
<b>Primary Phone</b>	318-872-6250
<b>Primary Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 1004 Mansfield La. 71052
<b>Primary Fax Number</b>	318-872-6262
<b>Primary Emergency Contact</b>	Brian C. McRae
<b>Primary Emergency Phone</b>	318-286-2486
<b>Secondary Emergency Contact</b>	Cheri Sewell
<b>Secondary Emergency Phone</b>	318-461-3218
<b>Other District Office(s) Physical and Mailing Addresses and Phone Numbers</b>	N/A
<b>Other District Office Contact Personnel (Primary Only)</b>	Cheri Sewell Cell: 318-461-3218
<b>Name of Owner(s) of Office(s)/Building (i.e., Lessor)</b>	Citizen's National Bank
<b>If The Office Does Not Own Its Building(s) AND Pays No Rent, Indicate The Source Of Office Space Support</b>	N/A
<b>Total Annual Cash Support by Local Appropriation or Tax/Millage (indicate if this figure is an estimate)</b>	None
<b># And Job Titles Of All Staff Whose Wages Are Provided By Local Government</b>	None

<b>Total PDO Staff Costs Provided by Local Government</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Retirement Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b># of Workers with Health Benefits Paid by Local Government</b>	None
<b>Total Annual Cost of Health Benefits Paid by Local Government (if unknown enter "UNK")</b>	None
<b>List Any Other Local In-Kind Contributions Or Other Support From Local Government</b>	None
<b>Courts and Locations</b>	42nd JDC Desoto Parish, Mansfield, Juvenile and Mayor's court in Mansfield, Stonewall and Logansport, La.
<b>Number of Divisions/Sections of Criminal Court for Each Court in District (Include District Court, CRIMINAL District Court, City Court, Municipal Court, Mayor's Court, etc.) For Which your Office Provides Representation</b>	Two CDC Divisions; Three Mayor's Court- Mansfield, Logansport, Stonewall
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities in This District</b>	DeSoto Parish Detention Center, 205 Franklin Mansfield La. 71052
<b>Name of Adult Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities In This District</b>	None
<b>Name of Juvenile Detention Facilities Outside the District Which Hold Clients</b>	Ware Youth Center, Coushatta La.
<b>Do Your Courts Routinely Bring Juveniles Before The Judge In Shackles If They Are Being Held In Detention Or Secure Custody At The Time Of The Hearing? Note That Ch. Code Art. 408 Forbids Routine Shackling</b>	No
<b>District Attorney</b>	Charles B. Adams
<b>Chief Judge of Criminal District Court</b>	Amy Burford McCartney
<b>Juvenile Court Judges (Specify District of City Court)</b>	Amy Burford McCartney
<b>Drug Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Mental Health Court Judges</b>	N/A
<b>Other Specialty Court</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Specialty and Brief Description:</b>	N/A
<b>Short Term Critical Issue Areas</b>	New "Tag" program is increasing ticket revenue.
<b>Long-Term Critical Issue Areas and other External Factors (outside of your control) that Negatively Affect the Delivery of Services in Your District</b>	Health Insurance
<b>2023 Media Coverage and/or Major Accomplishments</b>	None

<b>Describe Supervisory Structure in Your District (For Attorneys and Non-Attorneys)</b>	Chief Defender - Brian C. McRae, Assistant District Defender - Richard Woolbert, and staff contract attorneys.
<b>Medical Benefits for Any Staff, Please Describe, Noting Who Pays For the Benefit</b>	No
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District That Were Directly Filed in Adult Court or Transferred to Adult Court in 2023</b>	0
<b>Number of Cases Involving Children Under Age 18 in Your District in Which a Transfer of a Child to Adult Court Was Denied</b>	0
<b>Please Provide the Names of All State Representatives and Senators from Your District</b>	Larry Bagley - State Representative. Senator - Barry Milligan
<b>What Changes Have You Implemented in Your District Office in 2023 That Have Improved the Delivery of Public Defender Services?</b>	Improved in house training for attorney's and staff.

## 42nd District Defender Office CY 2023 Caseloads & Outcomes

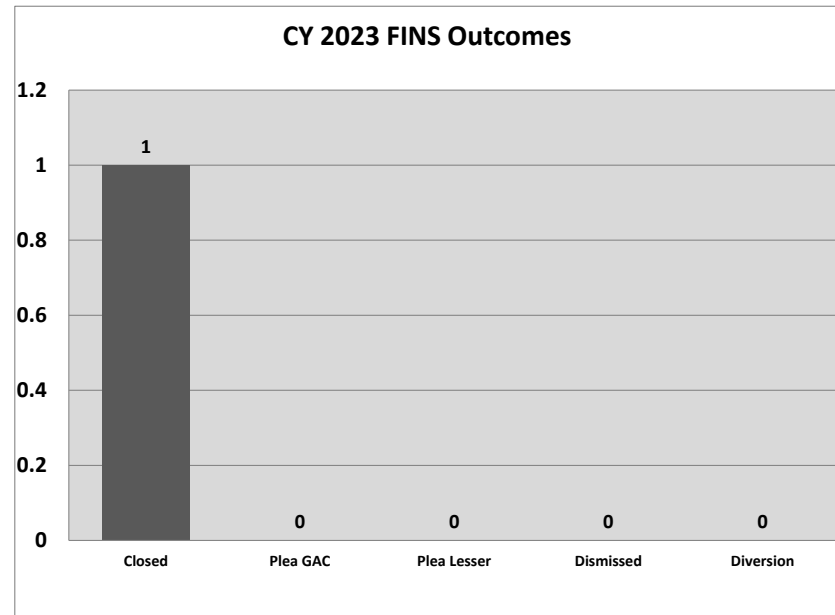
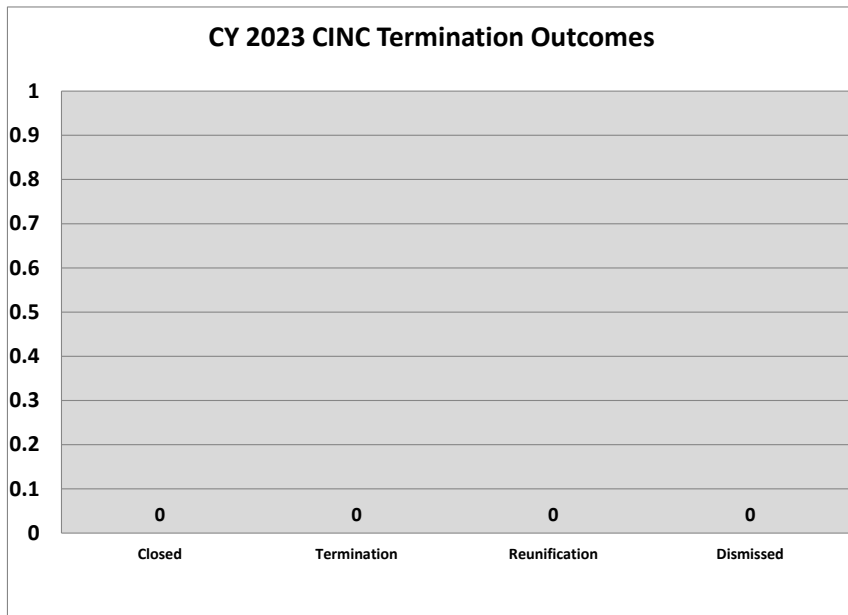
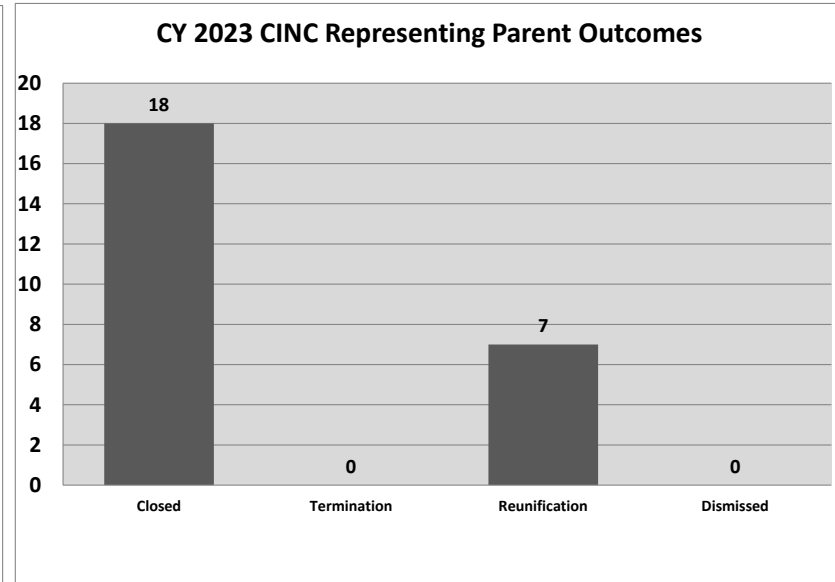
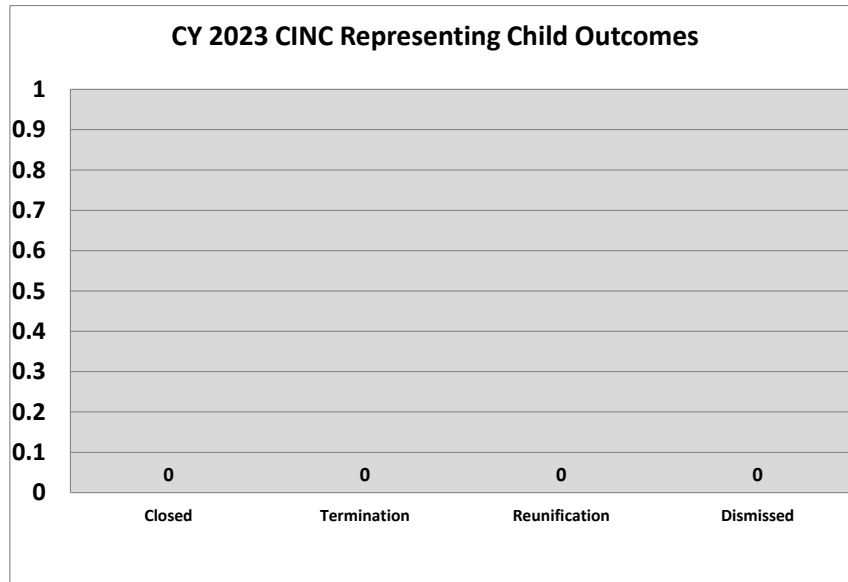
Case Type	New Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Closed Cases 01/1/2023- 12/31/2023	Pending Cases* (# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022)	# of Cases pending on 12/31/2022 plus New Cases Received 01/1/2023-12/31/2023	# Cases Resulting in Termination of Parental Rights	# Cases Resulting in Reunification	# Charges with Admit/Guilty Plea to Current Offense	# Charges with Plea of Guilty to Lesser Charge	# Charges Resulting in Dismissal	# Charges Resulting in Diversion or Deferred Disposition	# Jury Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Jury Trials: Found Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Not Guilty	# Judge Trials: Found Guilty	Total Trials
Child Support	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
CINC-Parent	33	18	17	50	0	7	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Termination	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
FINS	5	1	0	5	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Delinquency Misdemeanor	55	57	44	99	N/A	N/A	51	2	7	4	N/A	N/A	0	1	1
Delinquency Felony	21	11	3	24	N/A	N/A	15	1	2	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Delinquency-Life	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Juvenile Revocations	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Adult Misdemeanor*	445	261	189	634	N/A	N/A	94	3	226	0	0	0	1	0	1
Adult Felony Non-LWOP**	319	306	177	496	N/A	N/A	195	21	94	0	0	6	2	0	8
Adult LWOP	2	1	1	3	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Capital***	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revocations	103	75	52	155	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
PCR	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
SOAP	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0

NOTE: Charges columns include all charges filed in association with a particular Case Type, regardless of each charge's severity.

\*Includes Traffic, Parish/Municipal Ordinances, Extradition and Unclassified Cases

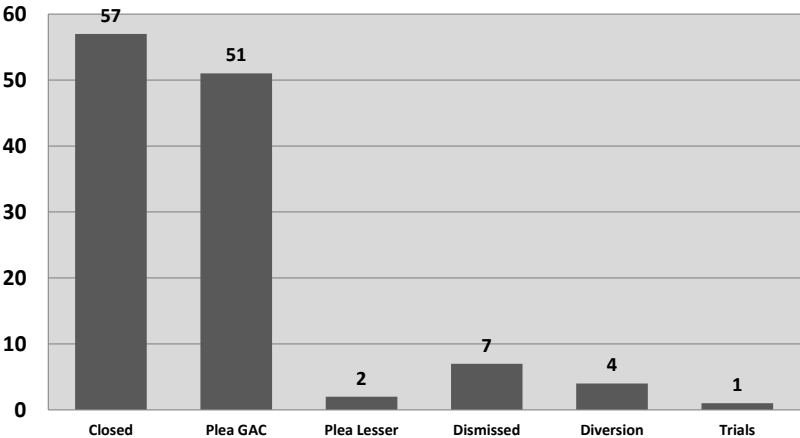
\*\*Life Without Parole

\*\*\*Capital cases may include cases initially opened by the district office and transferred to a program office at some later stage in the proceedings.

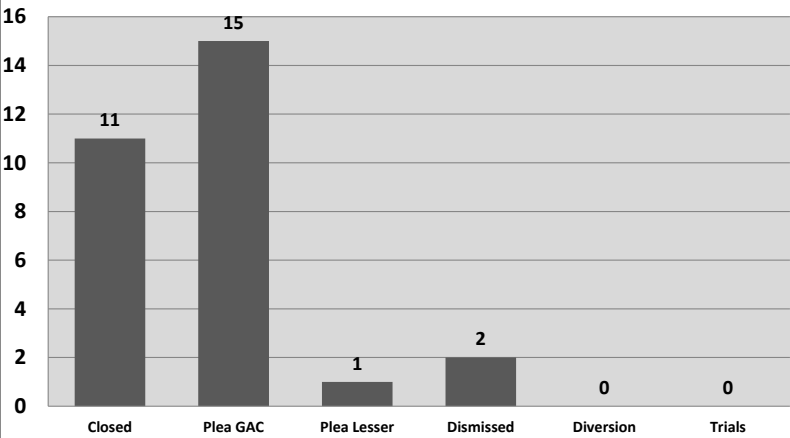




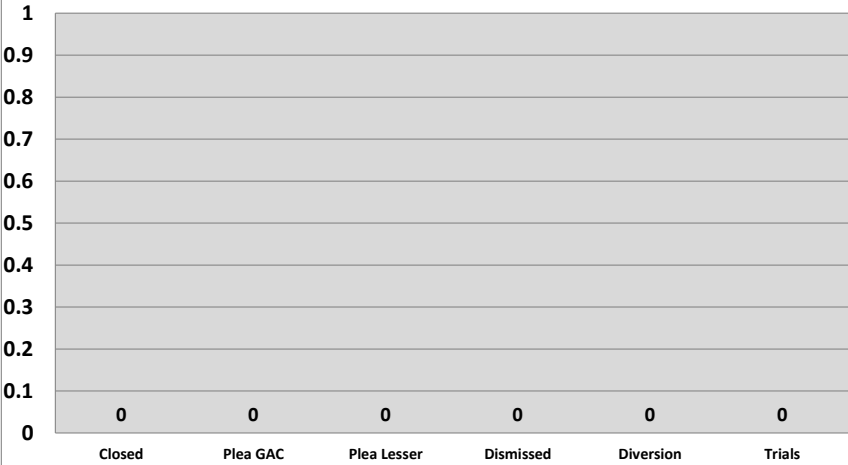
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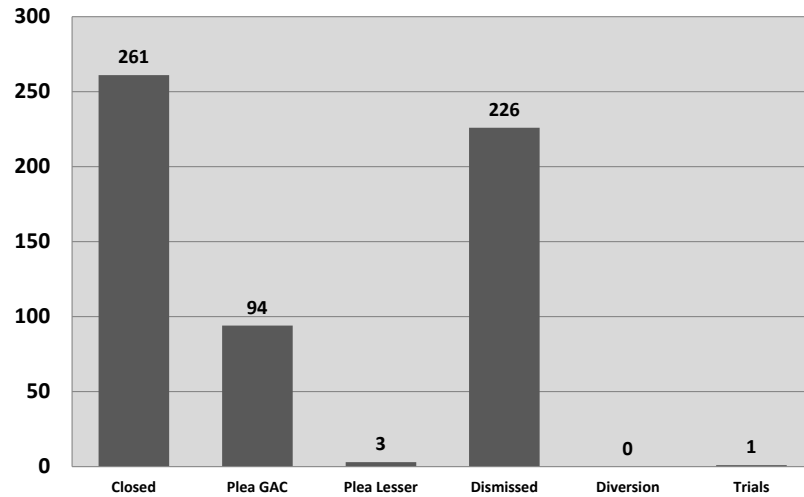
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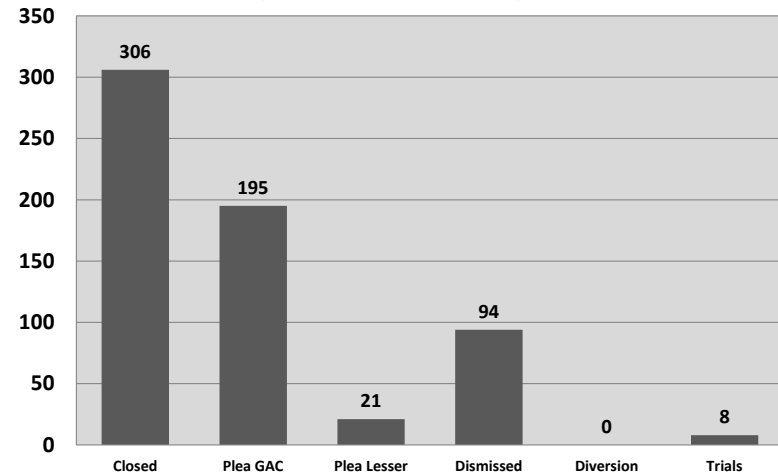
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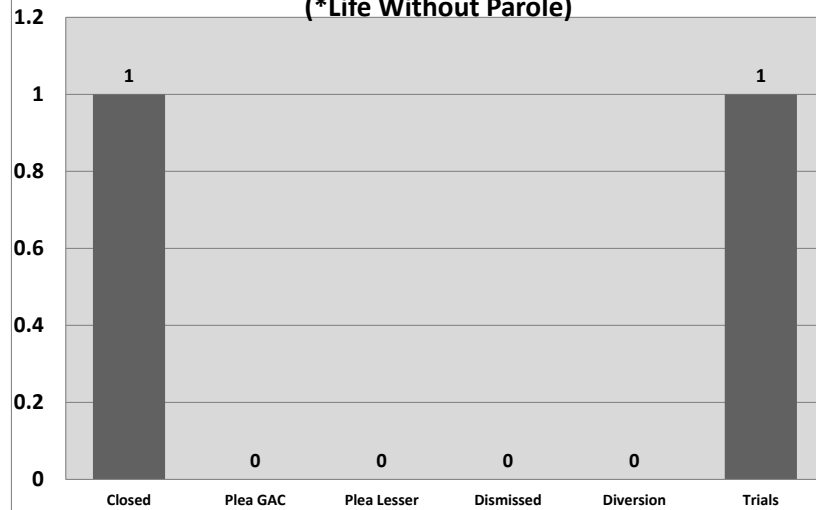
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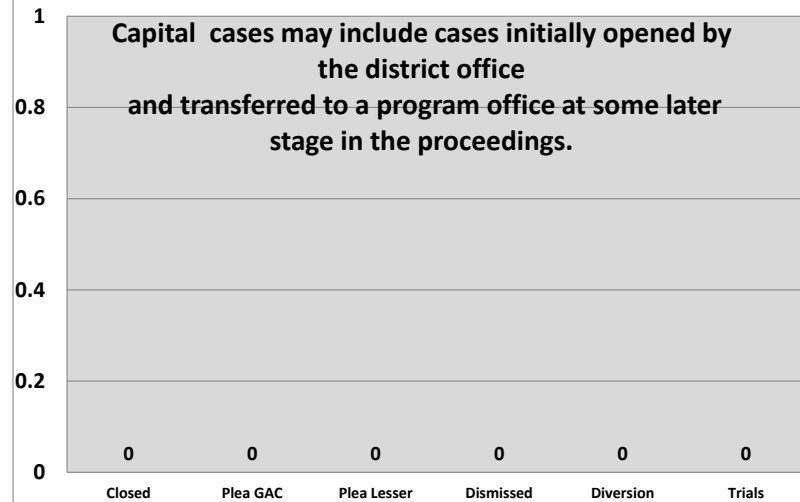
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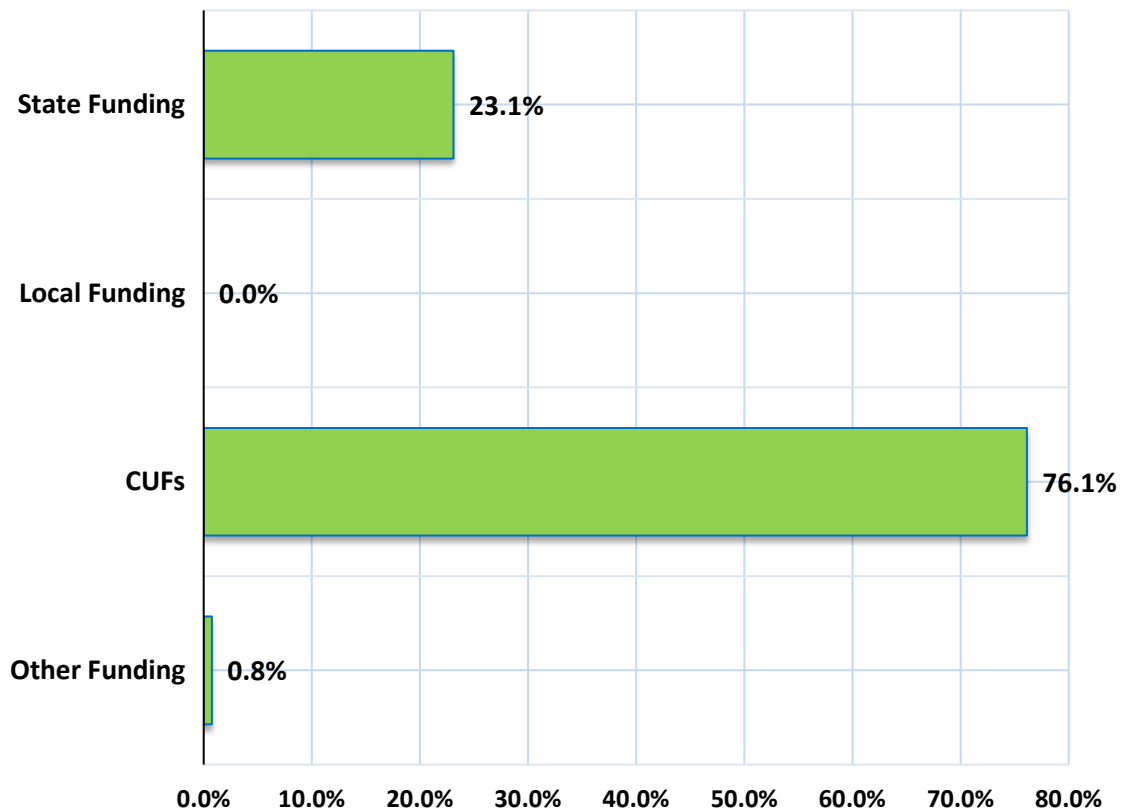
**CY 2023 Capital Outcomes**



District 42 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brian McRae</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	
Federal Government	
Grants - Direct	-
Grants - Indirect (pass thru State)	63
<b>Total for Federal Government</b>	<b>63</b>
State Government	
Department of Corrections	-
Child in Need of Care (CINC)	7,865
District Assistance Fund (DAF)	66,334
Supplemental/Emergency Funds	29,200
Grants	-
Other State Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for State Government</b>	<b>103,399</b>
Local Government	
Appropriations - General	-
Appropriations - Special	-
Taxes - Millages, Sales, Special, & Other	-
Condition of Probation	15,262
Criminal Bond Fees [\$2 per bonded case as per 15:85.1] and Surety Bond Licensing Fees [per 22:822 B]	29,928
Traffic Camera	-
Grants	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	3,181
<b>\$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	
Criminal District Court	-
City & City-Ward Courts	-
Judicial District Courts	-
Juvenile Court	-
Mayor's Court (\$35 Special Court Costs for Mayor's Court Only)	5,930
Magistrates' Courts	-
Municipal Court	-
Parish Courts	-
Traffic Court	-
Non-itemized, lump sum collected and remitted by all courts	-
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Sheriff(s)	277,343
Non-Itemized lump sum assessed by the court; collected and remitted by the Police Juries	-
<b>Total for \$45 Special Court Costs [R.S. 15:168.B(1)] and \$35 Mayor's Court Costs</b>	<b>283,273</b>
<b>Charges For Services</b>	
\$40 Indigent Defense Application Fees [as per 15:175 A (1)(f)]	8,275
Partial Attorney Fees Reimbursements [as per 15:176]	4,014
Other Reimbursements	-
Other Local Income -List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Charges For Services</b>	<b>12,289</b>
<b>Total for Local Government</b>	<b>343,933</b>
Investment Earnings	
Interest Income	83
Other Investment Income - List source(s)	153
<b>Total for Investment Earnings</b>	<b>235</b>
<b>Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	
Non-Profit Organizations	-
Private Organizations	-
Corporate	-
Other - List source(s)	-
<b>Total for Other Sources (Grants &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for REVENUE</b>	<b>447,630</b>

District 42 CY2023	Total CY2023
<b>District Defender: Brian McRae</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Personnel Services and Benefits	
Salaries	34,800
Accrued Leave	-
Payroll Taxes	2,662
Hospitalization and Disability Insurance	-
Retirement	-
Other	-
<b>Total for Personnel Services and Benefits</b>	<b>37,462</b>
Travel/Training	
Parking/Auto Tolls	-
Travel/Lodging/Per Diem/Mileage	-
<b>Total for Travel/Training</b>	<b>-</b>
Operating Services	
Advertisements	72
Workers' Compensation	766
Insurance - Malpractice	3,040
Insurance - Auto/Physical Liability	-
Insurance - Other	655
Lease - Office	9,600
Lease - Auto/Equipment	-
Lease - Other	-
Office Repair and Maintenance	-
Office - Telephone/Utilities/Postage/Internet	1,201
Dues and Seminars	588
Law Library/Journals/Subscriptions	-
Office Supplies	2,193
<b>Total for Operating Services</b>	<b>18,114</b>
Professional Services	
Audit/Accounting Expense	9,875
Contract Clerical	-
Expert Witness	3,950
Investigators	5,948
Interpreters	-
Social Workers	-
Capital Representation	-
Conflict	-
Contract - Juvenile Attorneys or CINC	36,750
Misdemeanor Attorney Contracts	21,750
Contract Attorneys - all other	264,750
IT/Technical Support	958
<b>Total for Professional Services</b>	<b>343,980</b>
Capital Outlay	
Major Acquisitions	-
<b>Total for Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>
Other Charges	
Other Operating Expenses	-
<b>Total for Other Charges</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total for EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>399,557</b>
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## CY23 REVENUES



## CY23 EXPENDITURES

