



**Superior Court of the State of California**  
**In and For The County of Placer**  
**Roseville, California**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

*Posted -- July 13, 2021*

**THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF PLACER SEEKS  
PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED BASELINE BUDGET FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 68511.7 and California Rules of Court, rule 10.620(f)(1), the Superior Court of California, County of Placer is providing 1) notice of the annual budget allocation to the trial court by the Judicial Council and 2) a summary of the proposed baseline budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 for public review and comment.

The court's fiscal year runs from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The court will accept written comments on the proposed FY 2021/2022 baseline budget until 4:00 pm on Friday, July 23, 2021. All comments received by the court prior to the July 23, 2021 deadline will be reviewed and considered. It is not anticipated that any formal response to the comments received will be provided to the contributing party.

Comments may be submitted electronically to [courtadmin@placer.courts.ca.gov](mailto:courtadmin@placer.courts.ca.gov) or be mailed to:

Superior Court of California, County of Placer  
Attn: Court Administration  
P.O. Box 619072  
Roseville, CA 95661

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF PLACER  
 PROPOSED FY 2021/2022 BASELINE BUDGET SUMMARY**

<i>Revenue and Reimbursements</i>	24,893,156
<u><i>Prior Year Encumbrances and Restricted Fund Balance</i></u>	<u>8,691</u>
<b>Total Revenue and Other Financing Sources</b>	<b>24,901,847</b>
<i>Total Personal Services</i>	20,614,257
<u><i>Total Operating Expenses &amp; Equip.</i></u>	<u>4,287,590</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>24,901,847</b>
<b>Preliminary FY Surplus/(Deficit)*</b>	<b>-0-</b>

\*Totals may not foot due to rounding.

The Superior Court of California, County of Placer’s proposed baseline budget reflects funding allocations made by the Judicial Council on July 9, 2021. These allocations included:

- A restoration of \$1.45 million in general court operating revenue. This represents a dollar for dollar return of funding reduced in the prior year (fiscal year 2020/2021).
- Funding to offset current year employee health and retirement cost increases.
- An increase of \$664,719 to address inflationary cost increases based on the consumer price index.
- An increase of approximately \$20,000 in Dependency Court Appointed Counsel funding.
- Minor adjustments to funding the Family Law Facilitator, Self-Help, and Child Support Commissioner programs.

More information on these items can be found in reports submitted to the Judicial Council, specifically the [Judicial Council’s 2021-2022 Trial Court Base Allocations](#) and [Judicial Council’s 2021-2022 Dependency Court Appointed Counsel Allocations](#).

The increases in State funding are partially offset by an anticipated decline in local revenue. The court anticipates these revenues will decline by approximately \$550,000 compared to the prior year. Compared to Fiscal Year 2019/2020, this reflects a \$1.1 million decline in local revenues. This reduction is due, in significant part, to the postponement of traffic court hearings during the COVID-19 pandemic. Although the court has returned to hearing these matters, the court does not anticipate a rapid rebound of these revenues in the current year.

The combination of these revenue changes result in a net increase to the court’s funding. The court’s proposed budget reflects the use of these revenues to end employee furloughs, restore four staff positions, and add an additional legal research attorney.

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The court will continue its efforts in transitioning to a more digital footprint. The proposed budget includes grant funding to digitize historical records, explore expanded business intelligence and data analysis, implement expanded live chat functions on the court website, implement electronic filing from multiple justice system partners to reduce duplicate data entry, and participate in a multi-court effort to share technology solutions to reduce costs and speed improvements for court users.

As with all organizations, the COVID-19 pandemic created unique challenges and required significant adaptation. Through these challenges, the court implemented full e-filing for all civil and family law case types, implemented web-based live chat services for self-help and some clerk's office functions, digitized its records back to 2017 in all case types, and conducted thousands of hearings through remote means.

The court wishes to extend its appreciation to the Placer County community, court participants, and justice partners for their diligence in reviewing court rules through the many changes necessitated by the pandemic.

Presiding Judge Alan V. Pineschi and Court Executive Officer Jake Chatters further extend their thanks to the staff, judicial officers, and court security personnel for their dedication, adaptability, and their true commitment to public service during fiscal year 2020/2021.

The court is pleased to present its proposed budget for public comment. The additional detail on the following page reflects the court's commitment to its mission to be:

Open to All, Trusted by All, Justice For All.

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF PLACER**  
**PROPOSED FY 2021/2022 BASELINE BUDGET DETAIL**

GENERAL LEDGER ACCOUNT	FY 21-22 PROPOSED BUDGET
REVENUE	\$ 20,830,685
REIMBURSEMENTS	\$ 4,062,471
PRIOR YEAR FUND BALANCE (USE OF)	\$ 8,691
<b>**REVENUE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,901,847</b>
SALARIES, WAGES, and BENEFITS	\$ 20,614,257
<b>*PERSONAL SERVICES SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 20,614,257</b>
GENERAL EXPENSE	\$ 409,700
PRINTING	\$ 20,000
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 260,000
POSTAGE	\$ 72,525
INSURANCE	\$ 19,500
TRAVEL	\$ 38,316
TRAINING	\$ 45,000
SECURITY	\$ 2,000
FACILITY OPERATION	\$ 340,532
UTILITIES	\$ 1,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$ 1,977,075
CONSULTING&PROFESSIONAL	\$ 21,000
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$ 939,610
MAJOR EQUIPMENT (OVER \$5,000)	\$ 35,000
OTHER ITEMS OF EXPENSE	\$ 12,032
<b>*OPERATING EXPENSES AND EQUIPMENT SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,193,290</b>
JURY COSTS	\$ 92,800
OTHER COSTS	\$ 1,500
<b>*SPECIAL ITEMS OF EXPENSE SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 94,300</b>
<b>**EXPENSES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,901,847</b>
<b>****BALANCE (REVENUE LESS EXPENSES)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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