# Department: Justice Court

To provide the citizens of Klamath County with judicial stewardship while pursuing justice and public safety but also while operating in accordance with the Oregon Revised Statutes.

#### **Mandated Services:**

**Department Mission:** 

Justice Court is not mandated, but rather provided as both a service to Klamath County and a service to the public — enabling the public to have local courts deciding local issues. In addition, the civil functions (Justice Court, Small Claims Court and Justice Court Civil Court) are able to be navigated without legal representation and at a significantly lower cost than the circuit court. Filing fees are set by the Oregon Revised Statutes in Chapter 55.

#### **Department Overview:**

The Justice court is providing judicial services regarding citations issued through the following agencies: Klamath County Sheriff's Office, (traffic and boating); Oregon State Police, City of Malin Police Department, City of Merrill Police Department, Klamath County Animal Control, Klamath County Code Enforcement, Klamath County Fire Department; Klamath County Health Department (Air Quality); Oregon Department of Transportation (Weighmaster); Oregon Fish and Game; Oregon Parks Department. Short range goals are to expand our credit card online payment process, increase collection efforts through the county's contract with Carter Jones, and to improve court's information technology usage. In the 2015 budget year the County also began an intergovernmental agreement with Merrill, and in the 2016 budget year with Malin. The Justice Court is now the City Court for each city for the city code violations.

### **Successes and Challenges:**

The Justice Court is self-supporting through fines collected from citations and from civil filing fees. Upcoming challenges include maintaining sufficient qualified staffing to process citations and payments as citations increase.

### **Budget Overview:**

The Court's expense budget is relatively fixed and the revenue side of the budget is dependent on outside factors – for example, when Klamath County Sheriff's Office cuts patrol; the number of citations issued decreases and revenue decreases. Nine years ago, approximately 4000 citations were issued. The low was in 2011-2012 with approximately 2000 citations. Revenue has increased over the last three years with creative payment plans being offered to defendants. As a result, the Justice Court is a contributor to the General Fund (after separate payment to Oregon Department of Revenue, City of Malin, City of Merrill, City of Merrill Code Court, City of Malin Code Court, Animal Control restitution (along with direct payment of restitution to victims). We are anticipating higher amounts for 2017-2018 as February's report indicates our anticipated revenue has been met (\$223,269) already (July – December being typically the slower months; January – June being the higher months).

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There is no quota imposed for revenue; the amount of revenue listed is anticipated but cannot be mandated -- as the requirement would be a violation of judicial ethics which require impartiality and fairness in all cases.

#### **Significant Changes:**

During the 2017-18 year, the clerk position remains 1 FTE. The Court hopes to add a part time position funded through federal programs or state employment programs. Court hours are Monday-Friday with arraignments being set all day on Tuesdays. Court hearings are set on Thursdays. At times during 2016-17, an all-day docket was held just for animal control cases.

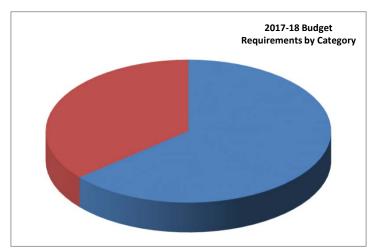
#### **Key Issues:**

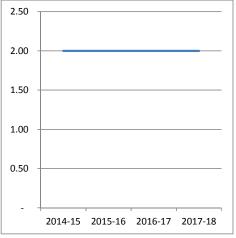
With the county's new website being installed, we hope to have more information available online for the public to learn more about Justice Court before a first appearance.

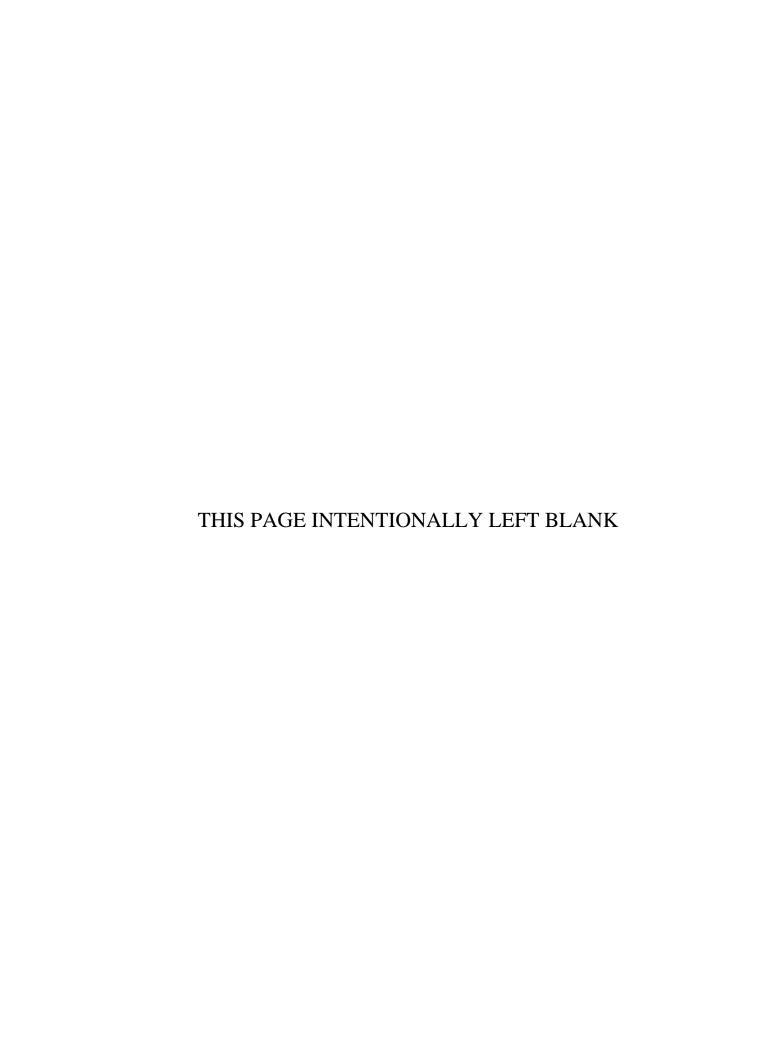
#### Klamath County, Oregon 2017-2018 Budget Financial Presentation 2020 Justice Court

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Budget
Requirements by Budgetary Category				
Personnel Services	117,972	122,149	124,981	127,773
Materials and Services	60,742	69,443	73,680	72,570
Subtotal Current Expenditures	178,714	191,592	198,661	200,343
Interfund Transfers	28,551	32,548	17,285	-
Subtotal Noncurrent Expenditures	28,551	32,548	17,285	-
Total Requirements by Budgetary Category	207,265	224,140	215,946	200,343
Requirements by Fund				
General Fund (1000)	207,265	224,140	215,946	200,343
Total Requirements by Fund	207,265	224,140	215,946	200,343
Resources by Budgetary Category				
Fines and Forfeitures	207,198	224,140	215,946	200,343
Miscellaneous	67	-	-	-
Total Resources by Budgetary Category	207,265	224,140	215,946	200,343
Full-Time Employee Equivalents	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

<u>Mandate</u>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Personnel Services</b>	FTE
Justice Court	200,343	127,773	2.00
Total Mandates	200,343	127,773	2.00







Department	Status	Title	FTE	Benefit Group	Union	Current Grade	Current Step	Total Wages w/COLA	Unemployment	FICA/Medicare	KCWC- WCOMP	wc	Medical CAP	HRA/VEBA (Wages)	Life Insurance	STD	Retirement/PERS Amount	Grand Total w/Benefits
									51560	51100	51570	51200	51300	51310	51330	51340	51400/51410	
Justice Court	Filled	Justice of the Peace	1.0000	Elected Official	Non-Union	JP01	1	\$41,186.91	\$0.00	\$3,150.80	\$720.77	\$34.32	\$13,380.00	\$0.00	\$58.08	\$0.00	\$7,001.77	\$65,532.66
Justice Court	Filled	Justice Court Clerk	1.0000	Full-time Local 121	Local 121	LH13	7	\$38,360.61	\$191.80	\$2,934.59	\$671.31	\$34.32	\$13,380.00	\$0.00	\$14.28	\$132.00	\$6,521.30	\$62,240.21
			2.0000					<u>\$79,547.52</u>	<u>\$191.80</u>	<u>\$6,085.39</u>	<u>\$1,392.08</u>	<u>\$68.64</u>	<u>\$26,760.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$72.36</u>	<u>\$132.00</u>	<u>\$13,523.08</u>	<u>\$127,772.87</u>
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# General Ledger

## Budget Analysis

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Adopte	Approved	Proposed	Requested	FTE	Account Description	Estimated	Adopted	Actual	Actual
					1000 General Fund 2020 Justice Court R21 Fines and Forfeitures				
0.0	0.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	2021-2000-4200 Fines, Forfeitures and Penal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-4222/Fines - Traffic	0.00	215,946.00	224,139.82	207,197.82
0.0	0.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	Fines and Forfeitures Totals:  R30 Charges for Service	0.00	215,946.00	224,139.82	207,197.82
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-4305/Rental Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Charges for Service Totals:  R40 Other Local Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-4400Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	67.44
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Other Local Revenue Totals: R70 Interfund Transfers	0.00	0.00	0.00	67.44
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-4900(Trans - General Non Dept	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Interfund Transfers Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.0	0.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	REVENUES TOTALS: E10 Personnel Services	0.00	215,946.00	224,139.82	207,265.26
0.0	0.00	38,361.00	38,361.00	1.00	2021-2000-5000Salaries and Wages	0.00	38,150.00	37,916.65	36,267.43
0.0	0.00	41,187.00	41,187.00	1.00	2021-2000-5001 Elected Official Compensation	0.00	40,780.00	40,375.92	39,976.08
0.0	0.00	6,085.00	6,085.00	0.00	2021-2000-5110FICA	0.00	6,038.00	5,809.14	5,416.18
0.0	0.00	69.00	69.00	0.00	2021-2000-5120(Workmans Compensation Tax	0.00	69.00	65.73	64.66
0.0	0.00	26,760.00	26,760.00	0.00	2021-2000-5130(Medical Insurance	0.00	24,120.00	18,043.20	20,979.16
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-5131/VEBA	0.00	0.00	4,156.80	20.84
0.0	0.00	72.00	72.00	0.00	2021-2000-5133Life Insurance	0.00	72.00	72.36	104.04

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2015	2016	2017	2017				2018	2018	2018	2018
Actual	Actual	Adopted	Estimated	Account	Description	FTE	Requested	Proposed	Approved	Adopted
36.70	183.00	183.00	0.00	2021-2000-5	134Short Term Disability	0.00	132.00	132.00	0.00	0.00
12,961.55	13,309.62	13,418.00	0.00	2021-2000-5	140Retirement - General	0.00	13,523.00	13,523.00	0.00	0.00
115,826.64	119,932.42	122,830.00	0.00	E11	Personnel Services Totals: Interdepartmental Charges	2.00	126,189.00	126,189.00	0.00	0.00
634.62	663.58	572.00	0.00	2021-2000-5	156 Unemployment Compensation	0.00	192.00	192.00	0.00	0.00
1,511.22	1,553.75	1,579.00	0.00	2021-2000-5	157/Workmans Compensation	0.00	1,392.00	1,392.00	0.00	0.00
2,145.84	2,217.33	2,151.00	0.00	E20	Interdepartmental Charges Totals: Material and Services	0.00	1,584.00	1,584.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		200/Contract Services	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.00
199.00	166.00	200.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	205\Shredding Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	4,286.60	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	232Software Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4,286.60	0.00	4,500.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	232:Hardware Maintenance	0.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	0.00
449.85	359.88	360.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	234 Security & Alarms	0.00	360.00	360.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	300.00	100.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	235 Uanitorial Services	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	242 Juror Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	80.00	200.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	242:Witness Fees	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.00
190.00	150.00	500.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	310Dues	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	310Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	311 Credit Card Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	517:Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
29,107.76	36,050.08	35,052.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	530/Rent	0.00	35,053.00	35,053.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	535/Equipment Maint & Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	538\Building Maint & Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
46.02	46.07	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	600Supplies - Office	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
141.56	155.90	360.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	602 Copier Maint & Supplies	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.00
7.68	0.00	500.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	603Postage	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	700Travel & Training	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	701 Mgmt Travel & Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	702\Staff Travel & Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
545.09	759.07	600.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	750:Utilities - Gas	0.00	775.00	775.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	751/Utilities - Water & Sewer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1,208.97	1,132.86	1,500.00	0.00	2021-2000-6	752/Utilities - Electricity	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00

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0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6753@tilities - Cable TV	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
321.80	298.96	240.00	0.00	2021-2000-6753.Garbage Pickup	0.00	310.00	310.00	0.00	0.00
1,345.25	1,402.05	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6755:Telephone	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6756/Data Service Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
37,849.58	45,187.47	45,112.00	0.00	Material and Services Totals: E21 Interdepartmental Charges	0.00	45,248.00	45,248.00	0.00	0.00
17,865.00	19,325.00	22,200.00	0.00	2021-2000-6990Internal Services	0.00	21,995.00	21,995.00	0.00	0.00
1,870.00	1,568.00	1,191.00	0.00	2021-2000-6992(Tech Maint Hardware Chg	0.00	1,125.00	1,125.00	0.00	0.00
906.00	950.00	1,000.00	0.00	2021-2000-6993(Tech Maint User Chg	0.00	1,162.00	1,162.00	0.00	0.00
282.00	289.00	122.00	0.00	2021-2000-6994(Risk Management	0.00	315.00	315.00	0.00	0.00
529.00	568.00	555.00	0.00	2021-2000-6995 Insurance Liability	0.00	625.00	625.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6997/Insurance Work Comp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
477.91	563.40	2,000.00	0.00	2021-2000-6999 Office Supplies - Internal	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00	0.00
961.87	991.02	1,500.00	0.00	2021-2000-6999:Postage - Internal	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-6999.Tech Supplies - Internal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
22,891.78	24,254.42	28,568.00	0.00	Interdepartmental Charges Totals: E70 Interfund Transfers	0.00	27,322.00	27,322.00	0.00	0.00
28,551.42	32,548.18	17,285.00	0.00	2021-2000-9001 (Trans - General Non Dept	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-9003 Trans - Equipment Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2021-2000-9151(Trans - General Admin	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
28,551.42	32,548.18	17,285.00	0.00	Interfund Transfers Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00	EXPENDITURES TOTALS:	2.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00
207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00	DEPARTMENT REVENUES	0.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00
207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00	DEPARTMENT EXPENSES	2.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Justice Court Totals:	(2.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00	FUND REVENUES	0.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00

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	207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00		FUND EXPENSES	2.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		General Fund Totals:	(2.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00		REPORT REVENUES	0.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00
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_	207,265.26	224,139.82	215,946.00	0.00		REPORT EXPENSES	2.00	200,343.00	200,343.00	0.00	0.00
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	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		REPORT TOTALS:	(2.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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