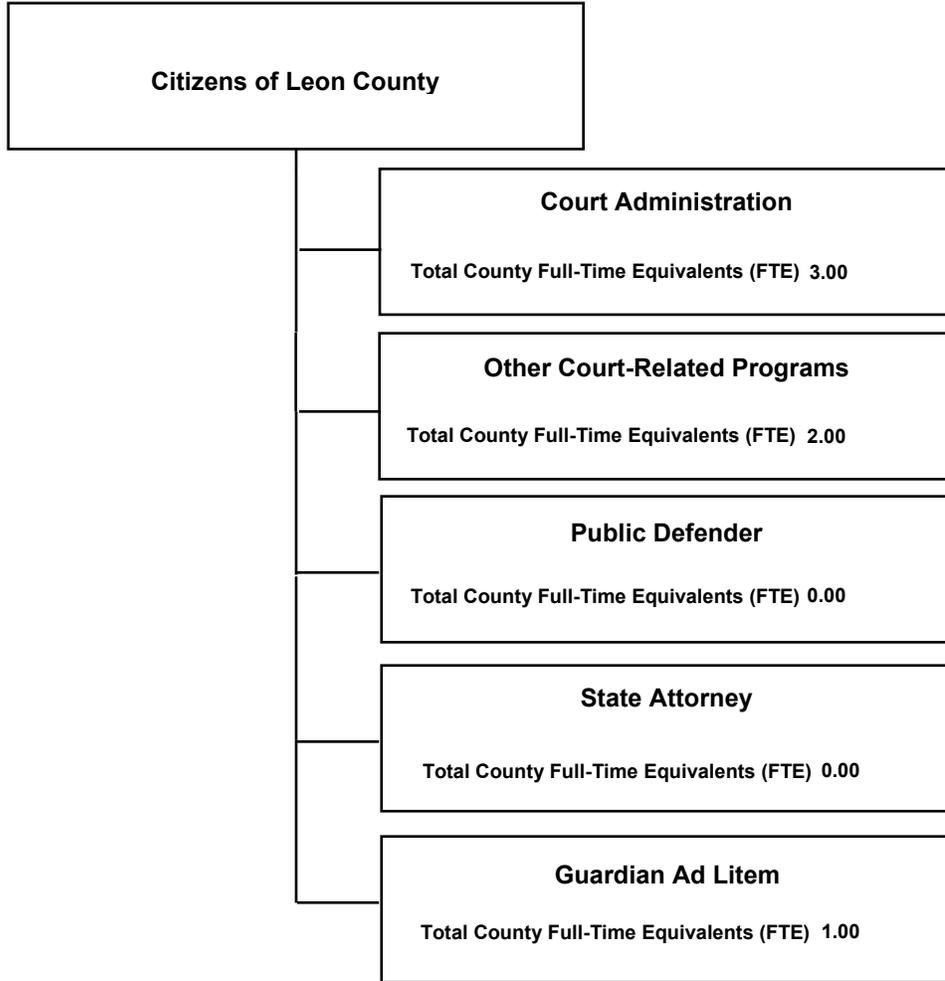


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Executive Summary

The Judicial section of the Leon County FY 2006/2007 Annual Budget is comprised of Court Administration & Other Court Related Programs, the State Attorney, and the Public Defender.

Court Administration protects right and liberties, upholds and interprets the law, and provides for the peaceful resolution of disputes for citizens of Leon County and other surrounding counties in the 2nd Judicial Circuit. Additionally, Court Administration is responsible for court reporting, the law library, family law assistance program, family visitation program, mediation, teen court, conflict attorneys, non-conflict attorney, and indigent probate services. The State Attorney prosecutes all criminal cases in the 2nd Judicial Circuit for the punishment of crimes and the safety and protection of the public. The Public Defender's office provides quality legal representation to all indigents charged with criminal offenses.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Mental Health Coordinator reviews, enhances and coordinates follow up mental health services available in the Leon County jail and acts as a court liaison for mental health issues with all outside vendors.

The Detention Review Coordinator performs case management and reviews all jailed felony defendants, traffic and misdemeanor defendants, and felony technical probation violators with pending charges in Leon County.

The State Attorney Office's received and handled nearly 7,000 felony referrals as well as 24,000 misdemeanor referrals.

The Public Defender's Office continues to handle all of the indigent appeals in the First District Court of Appeal, representing juveniles charged with delinquency, and representing indigent persons in civil commitment proceedings in Circuit Court.

Teen Court continues to be one of the most successful and cost effective juvenile diversion programs. Recent statistics show that less than 15% of youth who complete the Leon County Teen Court Program are repeat offenders. On the statewide level the recidivism rate is less than 10%.

Guardian Ad Litem advocates for the best interest of children who are abused, neglected, or abandoned, and who are involved in court proceedings.

In FY 2005, the Guardian Ad Litem served 952 abused and neglected children. Five hundred and eighty-seven (587) of these children (62%) were from Leon County and most were ten (10) years of age and younger.

**Leon County Government
Fiscal Year 2007 Budget**

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Budgetary Costs	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
Personal Services	283,906	288,258	311,564	0	311,564	335,427
Operating	419,448	239,095	301,430	23,923	325,353	327,546
Capital Outlay	19,082	57,100	94,500	3,800	98,300	87,694
Grants-in-Aid	112,419	101,642	104,694	0	104,694	109,080
Total Budgetary Costs	<u>834,855</u>	<u>686,095</u>	<u>812,188</u>	<u>27,723</u>	<u>839,911</u>	<u>859,747</u>

Funding Sources	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
001 General Fund	188,738	197,625	206,190	219,349
110 Fine and Forfeiture	352,118	170,542	173,353	169,553
113 Law Library Trust	14,541	20,000	9,000	0
114 Family Law Legal Services	140,989	98,354	110,649	118,585
117 Judicial Programs	138,469	199,574	340,719	352,260
Total Revenues	<u>834,855</u>	<u>686,095</u>	<u>839,911</u>	<u>859,747</u>

Staffing Summary	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
Court Administration	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.00	3.00	3.00
Other Court-Related Programs	4.00	3.00	3.00	0.00	3.00	3.00
Total Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	<u>7.00</u>	<u>6.00</u>	<u>6.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>6.00</u>	<u>6.00</u>

OPS Staffing	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
Other Court-Related Programs	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	<u>1.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>