

DISTRICT ATTORNEY DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW

The mission of the District Attorney's Office is to promote prevention, protect the rights and ensure the safety of the citizens of California within the County of Santa Barbara through criminal and civil prosecution and enforcement remedies.

The District Attorney's Office is primarily responsible for prosecution of adult and juvenile offenders for felony and serious misdemeanor crimes or civil violations countywide. A team of 147 deputy district attorneys, criminal investigators, victim advocates and legal support staff housed in three branch offices are organized to review, file and prepare cases for prosecution, while assisting victims to recover from their losses, also participating in proactive efforts to deter crime. The District Attorney's Office encompasses six cost centers, as described below.

Administration:

Under the leadership of District Attorney Christie Stanley, the office is engaged in numerous community and multi-agency collaborative initiatives to protect and enhance public safety. Executive and management staff provide overall policy development, program management, fiscal and personnel administration, technology management and community relations. Automation staff manage the department's PC network in three branch locations and administer the DAMION case management system.

Criminal Prosecution:

Criminal Prosecution is comprised of multiple programs dedicated to prosecution of adult criminal violations. Deputy District Attorneys are assigned to felony and misdemeanor prosecution teams that prosecute cases through the Courts, from arraignment through adjudication and sentencing. Several vertical units consisting of an attorney, investigator and victim advocate are assigned to provide a coordinated focus on domestic violence, elder abuse and sexual assault cases. The Bureau of Investigation, the law enforcement division of the District Attorney's Office, is staffed with sworn peace officers and investigative assistants. Their principal mission is to provide investigative enhancement to cases filed such as locating and interviewing witnesses, evidence analysis and preparation of exhibits required for trials. They also conduct detailed investigations into matters such as consumer fraud, environmental crimes, elections violations, official misconduct and investigations into the abuse of judicial process such as perjury, witness intimidation, falsification of evidence and conspiracy to obstruct justice.

Juvenile Programs:

Juvenile prosecution is staffed by attorneys assigned to review cases referred by law enforcement agencies or Probation staff, filing petitions and appearing in the Juvenile Courts in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria to adjudicate the cases. Their focus includes prosecution and diversion of juvenile offenders who commit felony and misdemeanor criminal offenses.

Victim Witness Services:

The Victim Witness Assistance Program provides support to victims through the court process, refers victims for services needed to recover from crimes and assists victims of violent crimes to file claims for state reimbursement of losses experienced.

Civil Enforcement:

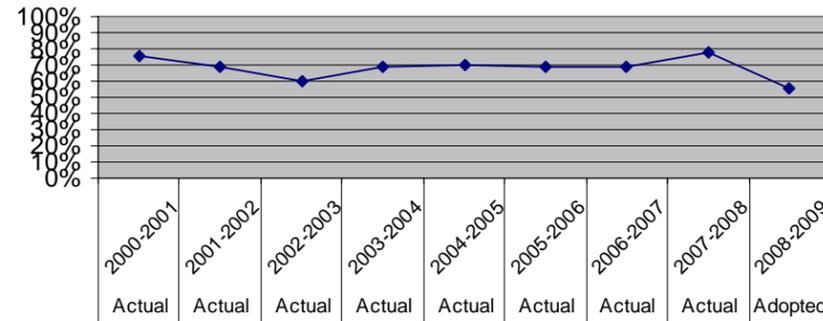
The Civil Enforcement program reviews complaints involving consumer fraud, environmental and zoning violations, filing civil complaints and obtaining penalties, injunctions or other legal remedies to resolve consumer or environmental complaints.

Welfare Fraud Investigations:

Welfare Fraud Investigations is a contract program with the Department of Social Services (DSS) that investigates fraudulent receipt of aid and secures cost recovery or criminal penalties where appropriate. The unit investigates suspected violations of statutory law or DSS regulations, taking appropriate action when fraud is identified to recover funds.

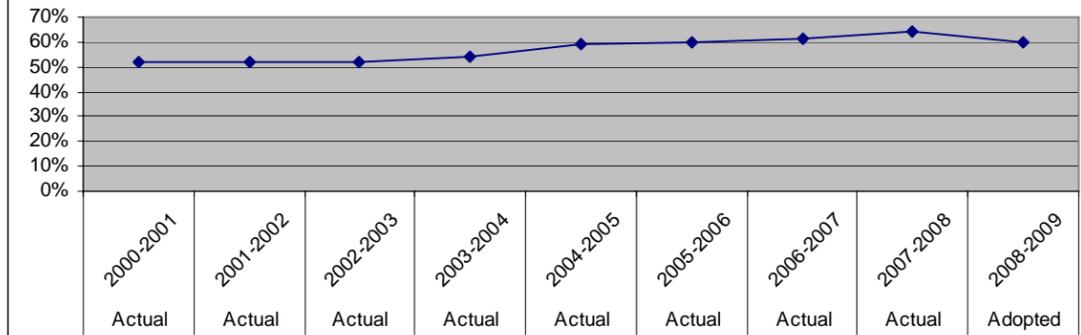
DISTRICT ATTORNEY KEY TREND ANALYSIS

Maximize efficient use of Criminal Justice System (CJS) resources by resolving 55% of felony cases before filing information in Superior Court.



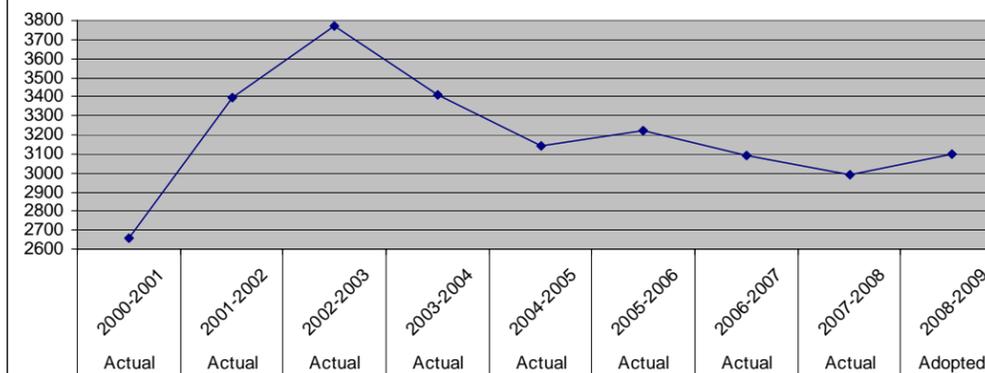
The trend of resolving felony cases before filing information to the Superior Court has had a cyclical result over the last eight years. These resolutions save time and money for all entities involved. The District Attorney's Office continues to maximize resources for the best outcomes in felony cases with fewer attorney staff.

Criminal Prosecution Trend of Effectiveness: Dispose of 60% of newly filed misdemeanor cases at the arraignment stage to maximize court and criminal justice agency resources.



The trend of misdemeanors disposed at the arraignment stage indicates better performance over time with a 12% increase from 2000-2001 to 2007-2008 due to a focus by the District Attorney's Office to maximize resources for all entities involved.

Assist victims to recover from the aftermath of crimes, by providing direct services or referrals to an estimated 3,100 victims of crime referred to District Attorney's Office.



The trend of direct assistance to victims after a crime shows a large spike from 2001-2002 through 2003-2004 based on grants dedicated to victim services. The level of services then reverted to historical level of services provided to victims.

Performance Measure Legend

Department-wide Effectiveness Performance Measure

Change to Performance Measure

Performance Measure to Delete

New Performance Measure

Budgets shown in Millions (\$M) or Thousands (\$K)

Program Budgets are \$ Total Uses / \$ Total General Fund Contribution

Division: # & Title from CCID
Cost Center Report
Budget/GFC from CCID
(Financial Data by Cost Ctr)
FTE: CCID

Sub-Divn: # & Name from
Cost Center Report
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Christine Stanley
District Attorney
\$18.7M / \$11.2M
FTE: 130.9

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Sub Div 01 – Administration
Descr: Management of legal, admin, and technology staff for the review and prosecution of criminal or civil violations of the law.

Administration Program 1008
\$1.5M / \$1.4M
FTE: 9.8

To ensure an efficient and responsive government, the County will maintain rate of General Liability claims filed to no more than 90 - 100% of the previous year's actual claims filed.

As an efficient and responsive government, the County will maintain the cost of workers' compensation incident claims to \$1.17 per \$100 payroll (salaries including overtime).

To improve workers' safety, the County will conduct its operations in order to maintain the rate of Workers' Compensation incident claims to 12 or less per 100 FTE employees Countywide.

As an efficient and responsive government, the County will maintain the rate of Workers' Compensation claims filed between 90 - 100% of the previous year's actual claims filed.

As an efficient and responsive government, the County will maintain a productive workforce through a departmental Lost Time Rate of 4.9% or less.

As an efficient and responsive government, the County will maintain a quality workforce through completing 95 -100% of departmental Employee Performance Reviews (EPRs) by the Anniversary Due Date.

Process 100% of an estimated 1,300 vendor claims within 10 days of receipt to establish and maintain effective working relationships with vendors.

Monitor a \$18.7M operating budget to ensure expenditures are within 98% of the adopted budget.

Sub Div 02 – Criminal Prosecution
Descr: Prosecution of adult felony and serious misdemeanor violations of the law.

Prosecution Program 1001
\$13.6M / \$8.6M
FTE: 89.6

Enhance public safety by making a minimum of 300 community presentations that educate public awareness of District Attorney programs and services.

Maximize efficient use of Criminal Justice System (CJS) resources by resolving 55% of felony cases before filing Information in Superior Court.

Early dispositions reduce jail population, minimize civilian & law enforcement court appearances and allow CJS agencies to prioritize resources on unresolved cases.

Obtain felony convictions in 82% of cases not resolved by the preliminary hearing stage making effective use of judicial proceeding to successfully prosecute cases.

Obtain restitution orders in 90% of the cases with a named defendant when a Victims of Crime claim has been filed.

Complete 95% of criminal investigative assignments by the due date to ensure cases are well prepared in advance of court hearing dates.

Dispose of 60% of newly filed misdemeanor cases at the arraignment stage to maximize court and criminal justice agency resources.

adult charges processed
felonies charges processed
misdemeanor charges processed
probation violations processed

Workers' Comp Program 1010
\$194.0K / (\$30.1K)
FTE: 1.1

Vertically prosecute 20% of 50 worker compensation cases investigated in North County.

Sub Div 03 – Juvenile Prog.
Descr: Prosecute youth violations & use Truancy & Parent Acct. programs to reduce youth offenses & improve school attendance.

Juvenile Program 1002
\$924.2K / \$591.1K
FTE: 7.1

Improve high school student attendance through the Truancy Prevention & Parental Accountability Program, reflected by a 50% reduction in number of students required to attend a School Attendance Review Board after participation in the Truancy Mediation Team Program.

Improve high school student attendance through the Truancy Prevention & Parental Accountability Program, reflected by an 80% reduction in number of students required to attend a Truancy Mediation Team meeting after attending an After School Meeting.

*TRUANCY PROJECT DELETED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 9/30/2008.

of juvenile petitions

Sub Div 04 – Civil Enforcement
Descr: Review and seek legal remedies to consumer fraud and environmental violations.

Consumer Program 1005
\$445.5K / \$64.5K
FTE: 2.3

Complete 90% of investigations referrals to the Consumer & Environmental Units within 90 days as these areas involve important community interest and public protection issues. Timely handling is essential to accumulate evidence and protect the public.

Total # of violations

Sub Div 05 – Victim Witness Services
Descr: Assist victims through prosecution process and recovery services & SART. State OES & federal funds.

Victim Witness Program 1004
\$899.3K / \$647.2K
FTE: 10.5

Assist victims to recover from the aftermath of crimes, by providing direct services or referrals to an estimated 3,100 victims of crime referred to District Attorney's Office.

V V C Claims Program 1006
\$232.4K / \$24.7K
FTE: 2.7

Verify and file 98% of new Victims of Violent Crime claims for state reimbursement of financial losses within 90 days of receiving application to expedite reimbursement to victims and providers.

Sub Div 06 – Welfare Fraud Investigations
Descr: Review fraudulent receipt of aid and secure cost recovery for DSS services (food stamps, etc.)

Welfare Fraud Program 1007
\$929.8K / (\$75.5K)
FTE: 7.8

Obtain a reduction, withdrawal, or denial of aid in 30% of cases investigated at application. Early detection prevents monetary losses, promotes system integrity and enhances resources for the truly needy.

Complete 95% of welfare fraud investigations within 12 months of referral. Timely handling ensures better cases, fresher information and earlier recovery of funds.