

2017-2019 BUDGET HEARINGS

County Counsel

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Michael Ghizzoni
County Counsel

Legal Services

Summary

- Operating Expenditures \$8,343,867
- General Fund \$3,742,907
- FTEs 38.65
- Use of One-Time for Ongoing Operations - \$0
- Service Level Reductions \$0
- Restoration Requests \$0
- Expansion Requests \$0
- ***\$89,207 added to budget since Workshop***

Highlighted Department Objectives

- Provide legal support for concurrent, major projects: Northern Branch Jail and its service contracts; Tajiguas; Chumash land use; marijuana; water
- Prevail in major financial litigation: \$7 billion of property tax assessed value appeals; \$8.3 million of Medi-Cal costs
- Defend 30+ land use, tort & civil rights cases, including jail confinement issues

Updates

- No updates since the April Workshops

CEO Recommended Expansions/Restorations

Description	FTE	GFC		Non-GFC
		Ongoing	One-time	
Deputy County Counsel - Restoration of 0.5 FTE attorney to support General Fund programs, projects, and litigation	0.50	\$ 89,207	\$ -	\$ -
Total	0.50	\$ 89,207	\$ -	\$ -

Remaining Service Level Reductions

NONE

Expansions/Restorations Deferred to Hearings

NONE