Arlington
General District
Court (GDC)
Judiciary and Clerk's Office

COUNTY MANAGER'S PROPOSED FY 2022 BUDGET

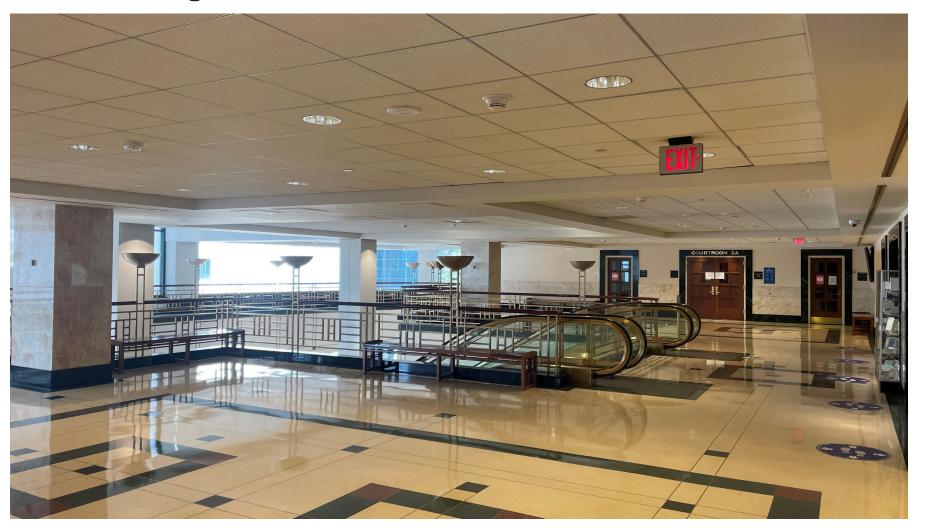


**County Board Work Session** 

Thursday, March 18, 2021, 3:00 pm

R. Frances O'Brien, Judge Daniel T. Lopez, Judge Jason S. Rucker, Judge

**Brian P. Henshaw, Clerk Tarrah Piper, Court Administrator** 



#### Department Overview

- Criminal/Traffic Traffic Infractions, Misdemeanors, and felony preliminary hearings
- Civil up to \$25,000 damage claim with exceptions
- Involuntary mental commitment hearings
- Clerk process and maintain records



# Arlington GDC in the COVID-19 Pandemic

- Courtroom Closures and Resuming Operations with Safety Protocols
- Daily Trial Dockets with Staggered Docket Start Times
- Video/Virtual Hearings
- Liberal Continuance Policy and Efficient Use of Available Space
- Clerk's Office Pandemic Protocols



## Focus on Equity

- Behavioral Healthcare Docket (BHD).
  - -Judge O'Brien presides over the BHD
  - -Multiple stakeholders
  - -Diversion of eligible defendants out of the criminal docket
- Outreach to Legal Aid agencies to provide tenant guidance

## FY 2022 Budget Summary

	FY 2021 Adopted	FY 2022 Proposed	Change	% Change
Expenses	\$406,355	\$408,793	+\$2,438	+1.0%
Revenue	\$134,574	\$155,795	+\$21,221	-
<b>Funded FTEs</b>	1.0 FTEs	1.0 FTEs	-	-

 This budget proposal covers the staff's supplements and the everyday expenses associated with running the General District Court.

### Key Budget Considerations

- As the need arises, courtroom technology improvements and equipment
- Expenditures appear reduced because of the court closure and reduced cases
- Employee supplement
- Courthouse renovations

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