

Washington State Judicial Branch 2023 Supplemental Budget Law Library Warehouse Costs due to Temple of Justice Move

Agency: Administrative Office of the Courts

Decision Package Code/Title: 8L – Law Library Warehouse Costs

Agency Recommendation Summary Text:

The Administrative Office of the Courts requests \$55,000 in one-time state funding for unanticipated warehouse lease and utility costs for the Washington State Law Library collection during the Temple of Justice renovation. (General Fund-State)

Fiscal Summary:

	FY 2022	FY 2023	Biennial	FY 2024	FY 2025	Biennial
Staffing						
FTEs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Operating Expenditures						
Fund 001-1	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures						
	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Package Description:

This request will fund unanticipated warehouse lease and utility costs for the Washington State Law Library (Law Library) collection during the Temple of Justice renovation.

During construction and budget planning for the Temple of Justice renovation project, the Law Library’s collection was to remain in place at the Temple of Justice. All renovation work was expected to work around it. Now as contractors are in place and construction is underway, staff overseeing the move have been informed the collection must be moved from the Temple of Justice to a temporary warehouse location.

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) has signed a one-year lease (October 2022 through September 2023) for warehouse space to hold the collection at \$4,425 per month. Additionally, the AOC will incur additional utility costs at the new facility estimated at \$1,500 per month. At this time, staff expects the collection can move back to the Temple of Justice without a renewal or extension of the lease.

Fully describe and quantify expected impacts on state residents and specific populations served:

Funding the budget request will keep the Law Library’s collection secure through the end of the 2021-23 biennium.

Explain what alternatives were explored by the agency and why they were rejected as solutions:

There were no alternatives. This is an unexpected cost and was required to keep the Temple of Justice renovation on schedule.

What are the consequences of not funding this request?

The AOC will be unable to fully pay contractual, monthly lease payments.

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Is this an expansion or alteration of a current program or service?

No

Decision Package expenditure, FTE and revenue assumptions:

This request will fund nine months (October 2022 – June 2023) of the lease and anticipated utility costs.

Expenditures by Object	<u>FY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>FY 2024</u>	<u>FY 2025</u>	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>
E Goods and Services	0	55,000	0	0	0	0
Total Objects	0	55,000	0	0	0	0

How does the package relate to the Judicial Branch principal policy objectives?

Not applicable

Are there impacts to other governmental entities?

Not applicable

Stakeholder response:

Not applicable

Are there legal or administrative mandates that require this package to be funded?

Yes, the lease agreement has been signed.

Does current law need to be changed to successfully implement this package?

No

Are there impacts to state facilities?

Yes, funding this request provides full funding to the AOC for supporting the Temple of Justice renovation project.

Are there other supporting materials that strengthen the case for this request?

No

Are there information technology impacts?

No

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