

2024 Supplemental Budget

TOP PRIORITIES

1. Support Trial Courts
2. Improve Access to Justice
3. Maintain Critical IT Structure

Support Trial Courts

\$2.4 Million

Trial courts have urgent supplemental budget needs that are critical to the success of our core function, including:

- Funding for water rights adjudication and adding a judge to Whatcom County;
- Funding a 12th Clark County Superior Court Judge; and
- Implementing Protection Order Training for Judicial Officers

Improve Access to Justice

\$3.3 Million

We must continue improving access to justice by continuing critical projects that directly impact Washington residents. This includes:

- Continuing funding to implement *Blake*;
- Aligning the Juror Pay Pilot funding with the implementation framework;
- Extending the Self-Help Center Pilot for another year; and
- Adequately staffing the Minority & Justice Commission

Maintain Critical IT Infrastructure

\$1.8 Million

By implementing a few, small IT projects, we can maintain existing judicial branch IT infrastructure and lay the groundwork for solving large and long-term issues with the courts' information systems.