

Office of Public Defense 2023-25 Biennial Budget Decision Package Requests: \$37.6 million



Client Services

- Fund Vendor Rate Adjustment for Contracted Attorneys
- Expand Prefiling Representation to Prevent Family Separation
- Establish “Innovation Grants” for Counties & Cities
- Expand Access to OPD Defense Social Work Services
- Ensure Attorney Access to Superior Court Documents (Odyssey)
- Pass-Thru Funding to WDA for the Incarcerated Parents Project & the Redemption Project of Washington

\$22.9 Million

Agency Operations

- Meet Increased Demand for Youth Access to Counsel -- RCW 13.40.740
- Continue Funding for the Blake Defense Team & Blake Triage
- Add Statewide Public Defense Recruitment Specialist
- Use Legal Support Staff to Ensure Timely Technical Assistance
- AG Representation in Litigation Against OPD

\$13.6 Million

Office Systems & Worksite Security

- Implement Modern Security Controls at OPD Worksite
- Update End-of-Life IT Systems
- Modernize OPD Website & Comply with Accessibility Standards

\$1.1 Million