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2006 Trial Court Improvement Account Use Report

Introduction

In 2005 the Washington State Legislature passed 2ESSB 5454 Revising Trial Court Funding Provisions (Chapter 457, Laws of 2005) which, in part, created local Trial Court Improvement Accounts (TCIA). This report is intended to provide the judiciary, legislature and other interested parties with information regarding how the local Trial Court Improvement Accounts have been appropriated to improve the functioning of the judiciary and the provision of justice in Washington State.

The first disbursement of funds to local governments for partial reimbursement of district and qualifying¹ municipal court judges' salaries, which triggered creation and funding of the TCIA's, was made in October 2005. A full year's disbursements were made in 2006. This report covers the use, or intended use, of those funds distributed for 2006 as well as plans for funds to be distributed in 2007. The year 2006 was the first in which a full year's distribution was made. A majority of jurisdictions reported that trial court improvements were funded from the accounts in 2006. Many have plans in place for 2007. A significant number are continuing to allow a fund balance to accrue until funds sufficient to undertake desired improvement projects have accumulated.

2ESSB 5454 – Revising Trial Court Funding Provisions

In passing 2ESSB 5454, the legislature stated the following intent:

“The legislature recognizes the state's obligation to provide adequate representation to criminal indigent defendants and to parents in dependency and termination cases. The legislature also recognizes that

¹ Cities which elect their municipal court judge(s), compensate their municipal court judges at a rate equivalent to or more than 95% of a district court judges' salary, and who so certify to the Administrative Office of the Courts, qualify for partial reimbursement of their municipal court judges' salaries.

trial courts are critical to maintaining the rule of law in a free society and that they are essential to the protection of the rights and enforcement of obligations for all. Therefore, the legislature intends to create a dedicated revenue source for the purposes of meeting the state's commitment to improving trial courts in the state, providing adequate representation to criminal indigent defendants, providing for civil legal services for indigent persons, and ensuring equal justice for all citizens of the state.”

The legislation consisted of four major components:

- Increases to various court fees.
- Establishment of the Equal Justice Sub-Account within the Public Safety and Education Account funded with the state’s portion of the increased filing fees. Funds in the Equal Justice Sub-Account may only be appropriated for:
 - Criminal indigent defense assistance and enhancement at the trial court level, including a criminal indigent defense pilot program.
 - Representation of parents in dependency and termination proceedings.
 - Civil legal representation of indigent persons.
 - Contribution to district court judges’ salaries and to eligible elected municipal court judges’ salaries.
- Appropriation of funds from the Equal Justice Sub-Account for the 2005-07 biennium as follows:
 - \$2.3 million for criminal indigent defense, \$1 million of which is provided solely for a criminal indigent defense pilot program.
 - \$5.0 million for representation of parents in dependency and termination proceedings.
 - \$3.0 million for civil legal representation of indigent persons.
 - \$2.4 million for contribution to district and elected municipal court judges’ salaries.
- The creation of local Trial Court Improvement Accounts, to be funded in amounts equal to that received from the state for partial reimbursement of district and qualifying municipal court judges’ salaries.

In addition to creating a state revenue stream to fund appropriations from the Equal Justice Sub-Account, the local share of the increases to the various court fees also resulted in significant revenue to local government general funds, particularly for counties. The original 2ESSB 5454 revenue estimates placed local government general fund gains at approximately \$9.9 million annually or \$19.8 million for the biennium.

The 2005 TCIA Use Report noted that “conversations with court officials indicate that in at least one jurisdiction the trial courts received a significant appropriation for FY 2007 based upon the increased general fund revenue estimates.” The 2006 Trial Court Improvement Account Use reporting form included a question designed to get a more accurate picture on the extent to which the general fund gains resulting from 2ESSB 5454 have been allocated to benefit the trial courts. Twenty-five courts reported general fund budget increases that could be at least partially tied to these revenue gains.

Trial Court Improvement Accounts

As noted above, the legislature appropriated \$2.4 million for the 2005-07 biennium for contribution to district and qualified elected municipal court judges’ salaries. These funds are distributed by the Administrative Office of the Courts on a proportional basis to all qualifying jurisdictions on a quarterly basis.

In turn, upon receipt of these funds, counties and participating cities are required to create and fund Trial Court Improvement Accounts in an amount equal the funds received as partial reimbursement for judges’ salaries. In essence, the state funds the TCIA’s by providing partial reimbursement for judges’ salaries which frees up local general fund dollars to fund the local Trial Court Improvement Accounts in an equal amount.

Funds in the account are appropriated by the legislative authority of each county, city, or town and must be used to fund improvements to court staffing, programs, facilities, and services.

2006 Trial Court Improvement Account Use

In February 2007 a request was made to courts for information regarding actual use in 2006 and intended use in 2007 of the Trial Court Improvement Accounts (Appendix A). All 39 counties and 15 qualifying cities receiving partial reimbursement for district and qualifying municipal court judges' salaries reported on the use or intended use of funds received in 2006.

General Status of Appropriations

As expected, 2006 was a transitional year. Many more courts reported expending Trial Court Improvement funds during the year than in 2005. However, many continue to accrue fund balances until sufficient funds are available to undertake desired projects or have otherwise deferred decisions on how to spend the funds. For this first full year of funding jurisdictions received \$1,199,992 statewide and expended \$485,458. The current year (2007) will mark the first year in which jurisdictions will use the major portion of available funds. Statewide, 28 jurisdictions have budgeted \$1,054,942 in 2007, and several others are working toward making 2007 budgeting decisions later in the year.

Status of Appropriations for funds received in 2005 and 2006			
2005 TCIA Report	Number of Jurisdictions	2006 TCIA Report	Number of Jurisdictions
Funds expended in 2005:	4	Funds expended in 2006:	26
Funds budgeted for 2006:	13	Funds budgeted for 2007:	28
No determination for 2006:	34	No determination for 2007:	25

Jurisdictions also reported how the Trial Court Improvement Account funds were, or would be appropriated, within the jurisdiction's budget structure. Of those reporting, 11 jurisdictions reported that the TCIA funds were allocated within the court's general operating budget and 23 reported that the jurisdiction had or would create a separate "Trial Court Improvement Account" expenditure budget from which to appropriate funds.

Expenditure Budget Structure	2005	2006
Superior Court Operating Budget:	1	0
District Court Operating Budget:	5	6
Superior and District Court Operating Budgets:	1	2
Municipal Court Operating Budget:	2	3
Separate "Trial Court Improvement Account" Budget:	16	23
Not determined:	21	19

The separate "Trial Court Improvement Account" expenditure budget is the preferred model for courts to follow because it will allow for a more direct accounting of how TCIA funds are allocated and expended over time. Further, when TCIA funds are co-mingled with the court's general operating budget it is more likely that the funds will supplant normal general fund appropriations as general budget reductions occur during regular budgeting cycles.

A summary of the amounts received and expended in 2006 and of 2007 budget allocations and structures by jurisdiction is located in Appendix A.

Budget Allocation Decision Processes

With significantly more jurisdictions reporting actual expenditures in 2006, various approaches to the allocation decision process have developed and can be summarized as follows:

- In many counties there is clear communication and collaboration between the superior and district courts in planning for TCIA budget allocation requests for joint presentation to the legislative authority. In one county the superior and district courts have a written agreement on how funds will be allocated.
- In four counties the local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council or similar body has been tasked with developing budget allocation recommendations for presentation to the legislative authority. In one jurisdiction the local Trial Court Coordinating Council has executed a formal agreement. In other jurisdictions, such councils have provided advice to the courts on recommended expenditures.

- Most municipal courts in cities where TCIA funds have been spent submitted budget requests without the participation of the local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council or similar bodies.

In three jurisdictions there are indications that the TCIA funds have been appropriated by the legislative authority without direct consultation with the trial court leadership. While the authority to appropriate the funds clearly falls within the sphere of the legislative authority, a more collaborative approach was envisioned by the judicial proponents of the enacting legislation.

Comments on Actual and Planned Expenditures

The 2006 expenditures and 2007 plans reflect the 2005 TCIA Use Report's observation that:

“In categorizing how Trial Court Improvement Account funds have been or will be expended it is evident that local jurisdictions must make an initial and critical choice between funding one-time, limited duration expenses and funding on-going permanent personnel costs.”

The five courts which last year indicated that TCIA funds were being used for personnel related costs with no fixed duration for TCIA support, all reported that they plan to continue the positions and funding arrangements. Information on 2006 actual expenditures shows that nine courts are funding positions in this way. In 2007 all of the courts funding positions this way in 2006 will continue the arrangements. Therefore, for nine jurisdictions, the resources in the Trial Court Improvement Account will be, over the long-term, tied to a single improvement (personnel), rather than being used for multiple one-time expenses and projects. There is some indication that this phenomenon may be limited, as no additional jurisdictions reported plans to permanently fund added positions in 2007 with TCIA funds.

In the 2005 Report one jurisdiction indicated that a fixed duration had been set for funding the personnel costs from the TCIA after which funding for the position will shift to the local general fund. For 2007, the courts in one jurisdiction indicated that they will use the TCIA to fund an additional position on a pilot basis with the proviso that funding will revert to the county general fund if the position proves beneficial.

Six courts of limited jurisdiction indicated that they are using their TCIA's to fund portions of judges' salaries. Four of these jurisdictions increased judges' hours. Two of the four were municipal courts that used the funds to make their part-time judges full-time; this increased judicial hours (and enabled them to qualify for the TCIA funds they used for this purpose).

In two of those six jurisdictions, TCIA money was directed to salaries for judges who were already full-time. A municipal court used its TCIA to raise municipal court judges' salaries to 95% of a district court judge's salary which enabled the court to qualify for the TCIA funds it used for this purpose. While using TCIA funds to raise salaries arguably enables the jurisdiction to attract better qualified candidates for a judicial position, this type of use precludes using TCIA to fund new programs. Of particular concern, is a district court where the county commission directed that the TCIA funds be used for the salary of an existing full-time judge.

In the remaining jurisdictions which have spent or allocated funds for other mostly one-time purposes, several trends are apparent and fall primarily into three broad categories:

- Those funding a new program or service.
- Those expanding or improving an existing program or service.
- Those making capital improvements or purchases.

In many cases, operational level improvements involve the acquisition of equipment in such areas as courtroom recording, telephones, video conferencing, other audio-visual and security. It is apparent that the limited TCIA dollars available, particularly in smaller jurisdictions, restrict the opportunities for improvements to small capital purchases. Moreover, few jurisdictions report expenditures for larger capital projects such as facilities.

Much of the equipment purchased with TCIA funds is essential to court operations. For example, it is critical to have an accurate record of courtroom proceedings. The fact TCIA funds have been used for such core operational needs is indicative of the degree to which courts have been underfunded in past years.

A few jurisdictions also report funding information technology in the form of equipment and software. The small number likely reflects the fact that the state, through the Judicial Information System replacement program, provides much of the computer equipment courts need.

Several jurisdictions reported expenditures for programs and improvements that enhance access to justice. This includes equipment and facilities changes that are directed toward people with disabilities, and the translation of court documents and forms into other languages. Two courts reported using the funds for new programs that significantly improve time and geographic access to the courtroom; one operates a new night court and the other established a satellite court facility.

In those jurisdictions using the funds for purposes other than personnel it can be anticipated that the areas of court operations impacted by the accounts will change over time.

Jurisdictions reported that TCIA uses can be broken down in these ways:	
5	Funds a new program or service not previously provided by the court.
4	Funds expand an existing program or service currently provided by the court.
0	Funds restore a previously de-funded program.
1	Funds capital facilities or equipment for the court.
16	Funds equipment, technology, or software.
15	Funds a one-time expense for a project or service.
15	Funds a recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years.
4	Funds are primarily used to increase salaries and benefits of judicial officers.
0	Funds are primarily used to increase salaries and benefits of non-judicial personnel.
3	Funds are primarily used for new or increased (e.g., part-time to full-time) position for judicial officers.
6	Funds are primarily used for new or increased (e.g., part-time to full-time) position for non-judicial personnel.

Actual Reported Expenditures

Twenty-eight jurisdictions reported actual expenditures in 2006 as follows:

Adams County

- Installed new digital recording systems in all three of the county's courtrooms.
- Installed an enhanced public address system in the Superior Court.
- Installed listening assistance system in two courtrooms to comply with Americans With Disabilities Act requirements.

Benton County

Purchased equipment for bailiffs and furniture for additional work spaces. [†]

Clallam County

Funded a portion of the cost of a courthouse security officer position.² The remainder is covered by the county's general fund. [†]

Cowlitz County

Implemented an electronic document processing system which allows for the creation of electronic documents and the use of electronic signatures. When remote videoconference arraignments are held, documents requiring both the judge's and defendant's signatures can be completed in real time.

Douglas County

- Repaired electrical problems with a courtroom sound system.
- Enabled expansion of the existing document imaging system with the acquisition of new scanners and monitors.

Franklin County

- Purchased software to expand capabilities of document imaging system.
- Acquired microphones for district court's courtroom.

² As of the publication of this report, the 2006 funds were still in the Trial Court Improvement Account and had yet to be transferred to the account where the position is budgeted. Therefore, the report shows the 2006 amount expended as \$0. The county has firm plans to make the transfer.

Garfield County

- Purchased an assistive listening device system for the courtroom.
- Purchased a conference telephone for the courtroom.
- Installed extended range microphones in the courtroom.
- Maintained the courtroom recording system.

Jefferson County

Funded drug and mental health counseling for defendants. A recent increase in the county sales tax will cover these services starting in 2007, which will free up the TCIA funds for other uses.

King County

- Upgraded telephone systems in superior court civil and criminal courtrooms with conference phones to be used for remote testimony. The county also contributed to the funding of this project.
- Funded translation of superior court legal documents in several languages. This project will continue into 2007.

Kitsap County

Added a district court judge. †

Klickitat County

Added a new county probation officer to provide services to the superior court's drug court. The court will contribute one-third of the Trial Court Improvement Account for three years; the county will thereafter fund the position completely from the general fund. †

Lewis County

As in 2005, there appears to have been no formal communication between the courts and the County legislative authority regarding the appropriation and expenditure of the TCIA funds for 2006. The 2006 and 2007 County budget documents do not include documentation of either a TCIA fund or the appropriation of TCIA funds within the Courts operating budgets.

Notwithstanding, it is assumed that the TCIA funds continue to fund the assistant court administrator for superior court which was created in 2006.

Lincoln County

Implemented digital recording system in district court courtroom. †

Pacific County

Increased district court judicial staffing by 0.1 FTE. †

Pend Oreille County

Partially funded the district court judge's salary. Neither the judge's FTE status nor salary was increased.

Pierce County

Partially funded an additional superior court commissioner and an additional judicial department allowing the court to create an ex parte hearing department.

Skamania County

Partially funded an additional clerk position in district court.

Spokane County

- Purchased folder/inserter equipment for the jury coordinator to use in producing and mailing juror summonses. Purchased signs targeted at jurors.
- Provided local cash match for a \$50,000 Bureau of Justice Assistance Mental Health Planning Grant to analyze therapeutic court solutions and identify grant options for funding mental health initiatives.
- Purchased speaker/amplifiers for customer service windows.

Stevens County

Purchased equipment including:

- Digital hands-free phones for district and superior courts, superior court administrator and juvenile office.
- Electronic note taking software (FTR Log Notes) for district court clerk for use in courtroom.
- A monitor for judge's bench in superior court.
- Adobe software for district court.
- A fax machine for district court.
- Relocated inlet air ductwork so jurors can smoke in an area under cover from elements.

Walla Walla County

Partially funded a probation assistant position. The county matches the TCIA funds.

Whatcom County

- Implemented a night court two sessions per month in the district court.
- Added additional deputy clerks in the criminal area, document imaging and appeals processing.

Whitman County

Partially funded a project to implement amplification systems and assistive listening devices in the courtrooms in order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Yakima County

Partially funded operating expenses for a new district court satellite facility in Grandview. †

City of Auburn

- Purchased a bursting machine which saves up to three hours of clerk time per day.
- Partially funded a new clerk position.

City of Federal Way

Increased the judge from part-time to full-time position.

City of Kirkland

Increased the judge position to full-time, increased the salary, and added commissioner hours in order to add more court calendars and administrative time.

City of Seattle

Partially funded a project to gather requirements for replacement of computerized case management system.

City of Yakima

Increased the judge's salaries in order to qualify for TCIA funding.

^t Expenditure of TCIA funds for this item in 2006 was reported as a planned 2006 expenditure in the 2005 TCIA Use Report.

Planned 2007 Expenditures

Twenty-six jurisdictions reported firm planned expenditures for 2007 as follows:

Benton County

Fund a pilot program to provide a law clerk to assist judicial staff and the court administrator. If the position proves beneficial, funding will revert to the county general fund on an ongoing basis.

Clallam County

Continue to fund a courthouse security officer position.

Columbia County

- Implement upgrades to recording system.
- Install conference telephone in courtroom.

Cowlitz County

Upgrade video recording system in district court courtroom.

Douglas County

Make facilities improvements including a hearing room and waiting area for superior court and changes in the district court's Bridgeport courtroom to enhance safety and the appearance of the room.

Ferry County

- Upgrade video appearance system. This had been planned for 2006, but the courts needed to wait until sufficient funds had accumulated in the account.
- Continue to acquire software to expand capabilities of document imaging system and microphones for district court's courtroom.

Franklin County

Fund a pilot program to provide a law clerk to assist judicial staff and the court administrator. If the position proves of benefit, the county general fund will fund position on an ongoing basis.

Jefferson County

Purchase an "inexpensive court evidence" (ICE) cart for the district court. An ICE cart has audio visual equipment and is used for the presentation of evidence.

King County

- Obtain training from the National Center for State Courts on performance measurement tools and techniques.
- Upgrade audio systems in 39 courtrooms.
- Conduct pilot project(s) to implement recommendations in the superior court's Children and Family Operational Master Plan which was approved in 2006.
- Continue funding translation of superior court legal documents in several languages.

Kitsap County

Continue to fund the district court judge position added in 2006 using TCIA funds.

Klickitat County

Continue to partially fund the probation officer.

Lincoln County

- Complete improvements to the district court's digital recording system.
- Pay for drug and alcohol testing for indigent defendants awaiting trial on alcohol or drug related offenses.
- Replace the recording system in superior court with a digital recording system.

Okanogan County

- Obtain a software interface to link court document images to Judicial Information System docket entries. This was originally planned for 2006.
- Improvements to courtrooms including seating and sound systems.

Pacific County

Install a video arraignment system.

Pend Oreille County

Install an infrared assistive listening device system in both of the county's courtrooms.

Pierce County

Continue to partially fund an additional superior court commissioner and an additional judicial department.

Skamania County

Continue to partially fund an additional clerk position in district court.

Stevens County

Continue to fund the acquisition of telephone, audio-visual and information technology equipment.

Walla Walla County

Continue to fund the probation assistant position.

Whatcom County

Continue to fund the night court and additional deputy clerks.

Whitman County

Continue to fund implementation of amplification systems and assistive listening devices in the courtrooms.

Yakima County

Continue to fund the operating expenses for the district court satellite facility in Grandview.

City of Edmonds

Improve security by installing wireless duress alarms for the judge and others who interface with the public and electronic card readers for access to the judge's chambers and back door to the court facility.

City of Everett

Implement a video arraignment system connecting the county jail and the court. This was originally planned for 2006.

City of Federal Way

Continue to fund the salary costs of increasing the judge position to full-time.

City of Kirkland

Continue to fund judicial officer and staff position increases.

City of Yakima

Continue to fund the increased judges salaries made in 2006.

The following 11 jurisdictions reported that a final decision had not yet been reached on how funds will be used in 2007. In some, a variety of projects or expenditures were under active consideration.

- Clark County
- Garfield County
- Lewis County
- Skagit County
- Snohomish County
- Spokane County
- Wahkiakum County

- City of Auburn
- City of Kent
- City of Marysville
- City of Seattle

The following 16 jurisdictions reported that a decision had been made to allow a sufficient account balance to accrue before determining how to best utilize the funding:

Adams County³
Asotin County
Chelan County
Grant County⁴
Grays Harbor County
Island County
Kittitas County
Klickitat County⁵
Mason County
San Juan County⁶
Thurston County

City of Anacortes
City of Bremerton⁷
City of Burlington
City of Mount Vernon
City of Tacoma

Actual jurisdiction responses which provide additional detail on the summary descriptions above are located in Appendix D.

In addition to providing detailed descriptions of actual or planned expenditures, jurisdictions were asked to categorize the areas affected in general terms using checklists. The following data is presented in the format used in the report response form completed by individual jurisdictions with the number of jurisdictions marking the

³ The cost of the trial court improvements funded in 2005 and 2006 exceeded the amount available in the TCIA and were therefore partially funded with general fund dollars. The county will wait to appropriate additional TCIA funds until the general fund dollars previously expended have been recouped.

⁴ Four small municipal courts in Grant County also received small amounts of money (\$10-\$52). These funds were used for operating expenses in those courts.

⁵ Funds not expended for the probation officer position are being allowed to accrue.

⁶ The funds are being allowed to accrue in anticipation of setting up an additional courtroom in 2008.

⁷ The funds are being allowed to accrue in anticipation of funding a new facility planned for the future.

box shown to the left of each statement. Because multiple responses under each checklist category were possible, the totals vary. The types of cases likely to be impacted by the expenditure of trial court improvement funds are fairly evenly distributed and all of the major case types and areas of law are represented.

Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?		
16 Civil	5 Civil - Arbitration	11 Civil - Small Claims
12 Criminal - Felony	23 Criminal – Misdemeanor	10 Juvenile Offender
11 Family Law	19 Domestic Violence	8 Dependency
6 Probate/Guardianship	8 Mental Illness	6 Adoption
15 Traffic and Other Infractions	6 Other	

Fifteen, or roughly 28% of all jurisdictions (including those not reporting detailed information) indicate that therapeutic or problem solving courts are, or will likely be, beneficiaries of the Trial Court Improvement Account funding.

Which therapeutic or problem-solving courts are directly supported by the funds?	
3 Drug Court – Adult	1 Drug Court - Juvenile
0 Drug Court – Family	4 DUI Court
1 Unified Family Court	3 Mental Health Court
3 Domestic Violence Court	1 Other

Conclusion

Because 2006 was the first year in which many jurisdictions spent Trial Court Improvement Funds, this report provides a more complete picture of how these funds are being used than the 2005 report.

The timing of the initial disbursement in October 2005 resulted in few jurisdictions making actual expenditures in 2005. Nearly half of the jurisdictions expended Trial Court Improvement Account funds in calendar year 2006 and have included TCIA funds in their initial 2007 adopted budgets. Some will make 2007 spending decisions later in the year.

In 2007 and 2008, with 50% of the funds in the Equal Justice Sub-Account to be appropriated for district court and qualifying municipal court judges' salaries, the amount of funds available to courts through the TCIA's to improve services will increase. Although many courts are continuing to allow a fund balance to accrue prior to making any decisions regarding use of the funds, jurisdictions have budgeted more than \$1 million for specific trial court improvement projects and programs in 2007. It is therefore expected that the report on actual 2007 expenditures will provide an even clearer picture of how the Trial Court Improvement Accounts have impacted the provision of justice in Washington State.

Questions and Comments

This is the second annual report on the use of Trial Court Improvement Accounts. The 2006 data collection tool was revised based on responses received for the initial 2005 report. Comments on this report are welcomed and will assist in the continued improvement of this report and the supporting data collection effort in 2007. Please direct any questions or comments on how this report might be improved to:

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APPENDIX A

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TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT

**Summary of Distributions
and Budget Allocations**

Jurisdiction	2006 Amount Received	2006 Expended	2007 Allocation Determined	2007 Budget Placement	2007 Amount Budgeted	Detail Provided
Adams County	\$9,185	\$9,317	Partially	Separate TCIA Budget	\$4,000	Yes
Asotin County	\$9,081	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	Yes
Benton County	\$31,313	\$3,020	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$22,500	Yes
Chelan County	\$20,876	\$0	No	Separate TCIA Budget	\$0	No
City of Anacortes	\$842	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
City of Auburn	\$9,918	\$9,918	No	Municipal Court Operating	\$9,918	Yes
City of Bremerton	\$10,042	\$0	No	Separate TCIA Budget	\$0	No
City of Burlington	\$1,456	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
City of Edmonds	\$3,999	\$0	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$8,368	Yes
City of Everett	\$16,179	\$0	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$30,000	Yes
City of Federal Way	\$9,917	\$9,917	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	TBD	Yes
City of Kent	\$9,607	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
City of Kirkland	\$2,330	\$2,330	Yes	Municipal Court Operating	\$2,330	Yes
City of Marysville	\$2,574	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
City of Mt. Vernon	\$2,741	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
City of Seattle	\$37,447	\$37,447	No	Not Determined	\$0	Yes
City of Spokane ⁸	\$36,534	\$0	n/a	Not Determined	n/a	No
City of Tacoma	\$31,313	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
City of Yakima	\$20,218	\$20,218	Yes	Municipal Court Operating	\$28,508	Yes
Clallam County	\$16,701	\$0	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	TBD	Yes
Clark County	\$62,628	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Columbia County	\$4,384	\$0	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$2,500	Yes
Cowlitz County	\$20,876	\$7,777	Yes	District Court Operating	\$22,000	Yes
Douglas County	\$10,438	\$3,434	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$3,000	Yes
Ferry County	\$3,758	\$0	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$5,000	Yes
Franklin County	\$10,438	\$2,258	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$13,639	Yes
Garfield County	\$2,702	\$1,192	No	Separate TCIA Budget	\$0	Yes
Grant County	\$20,710	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Grays Harbor County	\$20,876	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Island County	\$10,438	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Jefferson County	\$10,438	\$2,720	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$4,551	Yes

⁸ The Spokane Municipal Court ceased to exist at the end of 2006. The City of Spokane now contracts with the Spokane County District Court for all municipal court services.

Jurisdiction	2006 Amount Received	2006 Expended	2007 Allocation Determined	2007 Budget Placement	2007 Amount Budgeted	Detail Provided
King County	\$229,630	\$137,350	Yes	Superior/District Operating	\$322,150	Yes
Kitsap County	\$38,959	\$36,413	Yes	District Court Operating	\$50,000	Yes
Kittitas County	\$12,900	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Klickitat County	\$11,309	\$5,212	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$5,212	Yes
Lewis County	\$20,876	\$0	No	Not Determined	Unknown	No
Lincoln County	\$7,724	\$6,108	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$9,000	Yes
Mason County	\$10,438	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Okanogan County	\$20,876	\$0	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$38,680	Yes
Pacific County	\$10,438	\$10,438	Yes	District Court Operating	\$25,386	Yes
Pend Oreille County	\$6,868	\$5,397	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$13,000	Yes
Pierce County	\$83,503	\$72,724	No	Superior Court Operating	No	Yes
San Juan County	\$8,037	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Skagit County	\$7,487	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	Yes
Skamania County	\$3,194	\$1,597	Yes	District Court Operating	\$9,500	Yes
Snohomish County	\$83,503	0	No	Separate TCIA Budget	\$259,566	Yes
Spokane County	\$57,408	\$16,537	No	Separate TCIA Budget	\$63,368	Yes
Stevens County	\$10,438	\$7,500	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$10,000	Yes
Thurston County	\$28,521	\$0	No	Separate TCIA Budget	\$0	No
Wahkiakum County	\$3,132	\$0	No	Not Determined	\$0	No
Walla Walla County	\$11,726	\$12,968	Yes	District Court Operating	\$12,968	Yes
Whatcom County	\$20,876	\$15,680	Yes	Superior/District Operating	\$29,798	Yes
Whitman County	\$10,438	\$7,986	Yes	Separate TCIA Budget	\$10,000	Yes
Yakima County	\$41,752	\$40,000	Yes	District Court Operating	\$40,000	Yes
Statewide Total	\$1,199,992	\$485,458			\$1,054,942	

APPENDIX B

2006

TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT
REPORT FORM
for Counties

Introduction

In 2005 the Washington State Legislature, upon the request of the Board for Judicial Administration, created trial court improvement accounts⁹. These accounts are funded by counties and qualifying cities in amounts equal to that received by the county or city as partial reimbursement for district court and municipal court judges' salaries. The trial court improvement accounts are to be used to fund improvements to superior, district and municipal court staffing, programs, facilities, or services, as appropriated by the county or city legislative authority.

As the first step of a long-term effort to secure greater state participation in funding our trial courts and in improving the adequacy of that funding, it is critical that the judiciary document that the funds are used as intended. This means two things: That the state funds do not merely replace or supplant existing levels of local funding; and, that the funds make a measurable difference in the level or quality of services delivered. In short, the judiciary must develop long-term credibility by holding *ourselves* accountable to the state for their initial investment in the courts.

Therefore, the Board for Judicial Administration is requesting that the Presiding Judge of each trial court benefiting from funds in trial court improvement accounts complete the following annual report. The information in the report will be used to:

- Report to the Washington State Legislature on the efficacy of the accounts in improving justice in Washington State.
- Monitor and report to the Legislature on use of the accounts to supplant current local funding of the trial courts.
- Report to the court community innovative uses of the funds in other jurisdictions.
- To the extent that the information yields patterns of funding need, use the information in continuing to seek additional increases to funding for trial court operations.

Please return the completed report to:

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PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE REPORT BY FEBRUARY 23, 2007

⁹ Chapter 457, Laws of 2006. See RCW 3.46.160, RCW 3.50.480, RCW 3.58.060 and RCW 35.20.280.

Jurisdiction:	
Report Period:	January – December, 2006
Amount Remitted to County by AOC:	
Superior Court Presiding Judge:	
District Court Presiding Judge:	

General Information:

1.	<p>What was the total amount of TCIA funds expended in 2006? \$ _____</p>
2.	<p>Which of the following apply for your county's 2007 budget cycle:</p> <p>_____ No decisions have been made yet regarding how to budget and use the TCIA funds for 2007. We will do a supplemental appropriation request in 2007.</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>_____ Funding was transferred from the TCIA to the following budgets: \$ _____ was transferred to the Superior Court's budget. \$ _____ was transferred to the District Court's budget. \$ _____ was transferred to the county office budget of _____ \$ _____ was transferred to the county office budget of _____ \$ _____ was transferred to the county office budget of _____</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>_____ A separate county budget has been established for appropriating funds from the TCIA. In 2007, this budget includes funding for items that improve staffing, programs, services or facilities for: \$ _____ for the Superior Court \$ _____ for the District Court \$ _____ Other _____</p>

3.	<p>How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?</p> <p>\$ _____ for the Superior Court \$ _____ for the District Court</p> <p>Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?</p> <p>___ Yes ___ No</p>
4.	<p>How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)</p> <p>___ District and/or superior courts independently submitted specific requests to the local legislative authority.</p> <p>___ District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.</p> <p>___ The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.</p> <p>___ The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.</p>

<p>General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:</p>
Empty space for comments

Project/Service Description

Please complete a project/service description **FOR EACH DISCRETE AREA OF FUNDING** for which TCIA funds were expended in 2006 and/or are budgeted for 2007.

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

Amount expended for this project or service in 2006: \$ _____

AND/OR

Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007: \$ _____

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

--

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services. Include any measurable outcomes, data, or other information that has or will document the improvements.

--

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources? For example, are the trial court improvement account funds used to increase the amount previously funded, are the funds used to restore funding previously reduced as a policy choice or decision or an “across the board” budget reduction, or are the funds used to shift the funding burden from the general fund, grant funding, or other revenue source?

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Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.

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Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures? (Check all that apply)

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil – Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil – Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal – Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal – Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court – Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court – Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court – Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

APPENDIX C

2006 TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT REPORT FORM for Cities

Introduction

In 2005 the Washington State Legislature, upon the request of the Board for Judicial Administration, created trial court improvement accounts¹⁰. These accounts are funded by counties and qualifying cities in amounts equal to that received by the county or city as partial reimbursement for district court and municipal court judges' salaries. The trial court improvement accounts are to be used to fund improvements to superior, district and municipal court staffing, programs, facilities, or services, as appropriated by the county or city legislative authority.

As the first step of a long-term effort to secure greater state participation in funding our trial courts and in improving the adequacy of that funding, it is critical that the judiciary document that the funds are used as intended. This means two things: That the state funds do not merely replace or supplant existing levels of local funding; and, that the funds make a measurable difference in the level or quality of services delivered. In short, the judiciary must develop long-term credibility by holding *ourselves* accountable to the state for their initial investment in the courts.

Therefore, the Board for Judicial Administration is requesting that the Presiding Judge of each trial court benefiting from funds in trial court improvement accounts complete the following annual report. The information in the report will be used to:

- Report to the Washington State Legislature on the efficacy of the accounts in improving justice in Washington State.
- Monitor and report to the Legislature on use of the accounts to supplant current local funding of the trial courts.
- Report to the court community innovative uses of the funds in other jurisdictions.
- To the extent that the information yields patterns of funding need, use the information in continuing to seek additional increases to funding for trial court operations.

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PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE REPORT BY FEBRUARY 23, 2007

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Jurisdiction:	
Report Period:	January – December, 2006
Amount Remitted to City by AOC:	
Municipal Court Presiding Judge:	

General Information:

1.	What was the total amount of TCIA funds expended in 2006? \$ _____
2.	<p>Which of the following apply for your city's 2007 budget cycle:</p> <p>_____ No decisions have been made yet regarding how to budget and use the TCIA funds for 2007. We will do a supplemental appropriation request in 2007.</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>_____ Funding was transferred from the TCIA to the following budgets:</p> <p>\$ _____ was transferred to the Municipal Court's budget.</p> <p>\$ _____ was transferred to the city office budget of _____</p> <p>\$ _____ was transferred to the city office budget of _____</p> <p>\$ _____ was transferred to the city office budget of _____</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>_____ A separate city budget has been established for appropriating funds from the TCIA. In 2007, this budget includes funding for items that improve staffing, programs, services or facilities for:</p> <p>\$ _____ for the Municipal Court</p> <p>\$ _____ Other _____</p>

3.	<p>How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?</p> <p>\$_____ for the Municipal Court</p> <p>Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?</p> <p>____ Yes ____ No</p>
4.	<p>How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)</p> <p>____ The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.</p> <p>____ The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.</p> <p>____ The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.</p>

<p>General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:</p>
<p> </p>

Project/Service Description

Please complete a project/service description **FOR EACH DISCRETE AREA OF FUNDING** for which TCIA funds were expended in 2006 and/or are budgeted for 2007.

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

Amount expended for this project or service in 2006: \$ _____

AND/OR

Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007: \$ _____

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services. Include any measurable outcomes, data, or other information that has or will document the improvements.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources? For example, are the trial court improvement account funds used to increase the amount previously funded, are the funds used to restore funding previously reduced as a policy choice or decision or an “across the board” budget reduction, or are the funds used to shift the funding burden from the general fund, grant funding, or other revenue source?

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.

Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures? (Check all that apply)

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil – Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil – Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal – Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal – Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court – Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court – Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court – Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

APPENDIX D

2006

TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT INDIVIDUAL JURISDICTION RESPONSES

City of Auburn

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$9,918	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$9,918	Budget Placement: Municipal Court Operating
	Amount Budgeted: \$9,918

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$189,200 %

- Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?
- Yes
 No
 Partially

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$9,918 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Money was used to buy a burster machine, resulting in increased clerk efficiency. The balance was applied to pay in part for a new clerk position.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services:
 Depending on the workload, the burster machine saves anywhere from one-half hour to three hours per day of manual clerk labor. The additional clerk position results in better service to the public and litigants both in and out of court.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 We used the funds to leverage more money from the city. We've been trying to convince the city to increase the number of clerks for many years. Pointing out that some of the cost of the position would be borne by the state made the decision to fund the position more palatable.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: if so, describe how.
 N/A

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

City of Bremerton

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$10,042	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

\$
4% - 5%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds.

The court requested that the funds be allowed to accumulate. Over the next several years a new facility is scheduled for the city/court. Dollars will be used for various equipment and improvements.

City of Burlington

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$1,456	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

City of Edmonds

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$3,999	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget Amount Budgeted: \$8,368

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$ 9.50%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?
 Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
 The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$8,368 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Court Security: (1) Four wireless duress alarms for judge, court clerk, probation officer and front counter clerk. (2) Electronic card reader for access to judge's chambers and back door.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Improve court security by providing safe and secure exits/entrance from courtroom and courthouse. Also provides security for staff in high risk positions with duress alarm, keyed into existing alarm system at police station (housed in the same building). Addresses the needs identified in the April 2006 AOC City of Edmonds Municipal Court Technical Assistance Report.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 I don't believe there was a shifting of funding burden. We would have probably received this funding from general funds if not from TCIA funds - it simply made the decision much easier. We also received a 9.5% general fund increase for 2007.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

City of Everett

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$16,179	Allocation Determined: Yes	
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget	
		Amount Budgeted: \$30,000	

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

\$
%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
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- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$30,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Install video arraignment equipment that will connect directly to the Snohomish County jail hearing room to the court.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 No need to move the prisoner; saves tax payer money by eliminating or reducing the need to transport prisoners; improves public safety; better use of law enforcement personnel; reduces delay; eliminates risk of escape; cuts transport costs.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Used to shift the funding burden from the general fund.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

City of Federal Way

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$9,917	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$9,917	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget Amount Budgeted: TBD

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$
 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ _____ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 To pay from part-time judge position to full-time judge position.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: if so, describe how.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

City of Kent

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$9,607	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

City of Kirkland

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$2,330	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$2,330	Budget Placement:	Municipal Court Operating
		Amount Budgeted:	\$2,330

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$177,229 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$2,330.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$28,198.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Increase judicial salary and part-time position to a full-time position. In addition, increased commissioner hours.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Additional court calendars were added in order to better serve the public and reduce the court calendars to a more manageable number. Provide administrative time for the judge to perform legal research, meet with staff, managerial duties, review and rule on lengthy and complex written motions, etc. Commissioner hours were also increased to allow for coverage of additional court calendars and workload.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Funds are used to support new and additional services as stated above.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

City of Marysville

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$2,574 Funds Expended: \$0	Allocation Determined: No Budget Placement: Not Determined Amount Budgeted: \$0

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:
 Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

City of Mt. Vernon

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$2,741	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:
 Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

City of Seattle

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$37,447	Allocation Determined:	No
Funds Expended:	\$37,447	Budget Placement:	Not Determined
		Amount Budgeted:	\$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$5,076,347 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
- No
- Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Overall technology to support all courtroom services and supporting activities (finance).

\$37,447.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR

\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The project was required information gathering for replacement of Seattle's case management system.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The detailed requirements will help inform Seattle's choice of vendor for new case management system.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Used to supplement other monies from the court and other sources.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

City of Spokane

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$36,534	Allocation Determined:	n/a
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement:	Not Determined
		Amount Budgeted:	n/a

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$263,000
 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

The Mayor and City Council have not responded to our requests for funding certain proposals. In 2007, the municipal court department ceased to exist and, therefore, the city will not be eligible to receive TCIA funds.

City of Tacoma

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$31,313	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$135,642 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

We are waiting for the funding to accrue to an amount that could be used to fund something.

City of Yakima

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$20,218	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$20,218	Budget Placement: Municipal Court Operating Amount Budgeted: \$28,508

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?
 \$42,353
 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The municipal court submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

The change to the municipal court judge's salary to 95% of the approved district court judge's salaries required approximately \$28,000 annually. Since the City received \$20,218, our general fund absorbed approximately \$8,000 in the initial year. As the revenue increases in subsequent years, we can look at additional uses of this revenue stream to enhance municipal court operations.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$28,508.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$29,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The 2006 TCIA was used exclusively to raise the salary level of municipal court judges.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 TCIA funds will allow the court to attract more qualified applicants for a three-quarter time commissioner position that has been authorized by the City Council, because the salary level is commensurate with other judicial office positions for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 2006 TCIA funds supplemented the general fund to reach 95% of district court judge salary level.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Adams County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$9,185	Allocation Determined: Partially
Funds Expended: \$9,317	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget
	Amount Budgeted: \$4,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$0	%
District Court	\$0	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Superior Court | District Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partially | <input type="checkbox"/> Partially |

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:
 In 2005 the general fund transferred \$24,100 into the TCIA and realized \$2,593 from the state. In 2006, the general fund transferred \$10,000 into the TCIA and realized \$7,027 from the state. To date, \$29,401.04 has been spent on court improvements. Until revenue from the state equals the amounts transferred from the general fund, there will be no further activity.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$9,317.09 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006

AND/OR

\$1,211.90 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Purchase and install FTR (For The Record™ digital recording systems) in all three courtrooms in Adams County to replace aging Lanier Recording System. Purchase and install enhanced PA system in superior court. Purchase and install listening assisted systems to comply with ADA requirements in two of the three courtrooms. The listening assisted system was installed in 2006, with funds allocated in 2005.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Access, storage and transcription of the court's records and accommodating the hearing impaired.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: if so, describe how.
 Both Superior and District Court benefits from the above expenditure.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Asotin County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$9,081	Allocation Determined:	No
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement:	Not Determined
		Amount Budgeted:	\$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$	District Court	\$
	%		%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	District Court
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Partially <input type="checkbox"/>	Partially <input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body gave input.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ _____ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 Same as 2005 when funds accumulate to accomplish tasks. We are also pursuing grants for these projects to supplement TCIA funds.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Same as 2005.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 These would be new services.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other: Since Judge Acey (Sup. Ct.) is a circuit judge, I am involved in Superior Court issues in his absence, so the expenditures would actually affect all of the areas listed.
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
 - Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other: Since Judge Acey (Sup. Ct.) is a circuit judge, I am involved in Superior Court issues in his absence, so the expenditures would actually affect all of the areas listed.
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Benton County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$31,313	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$3,020	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$22,500

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$273,587	
District Court	\$177,075	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Partially	<input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology *2006-Bailiff equipment/furniture for add'l work spaces*
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)
2007-Pilot law clerk program for Superior Court

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$3,019.76	Amount expended for this project or service in 2006 AND/OR
\$22,500.00	Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCJA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The law clerk pilot program would provide a law clerk to assist the judicial staff with research and briefing and assist the court administrator and judicial staff in revising and updating the court's personnel policies and procedures and emergency preparedness plan. If the position proves to be of benefit to the judicial staff they will request that the position be funded on an on-going basis through the general fund.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The law clerk will assist judges with docket and trial preparation reducing the delay in decisions from the bench. The position will also provide updated personnel policies and procedures when dealing with personnel matters and emergency preparedness.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Funds have been used in addition to the general fund budget.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 The emergency preparedness plan could benefit both the District Court and Superior Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Administration | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Clallam County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$16,701	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	TBD

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$98,349 %
 District Court \$72,358 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes
 No
 Partially
 District Court Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

The amount was not budgeted as a transfer from the TCIA to the general fund budget paying the Security Office because we were unsure of the amount we would receive. A budget change will be done near year-end to move the funds.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$60,000.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$64,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Funds are designated for a courthouse security officer. The courthouse security officer's primary responsibility is for prompt and proper action in matters pertaining to court and courthouse security improving employee and public safety. Duties include patrolling the courthouse facility, juvenile court facilities, screens litigants entering courtrooms, monitors courtrooms, staff areas, lobby, hallways, and facility entrances and parking areas.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The level of safety to employees and the public has been greatly increased. Previously the court had waited up to 45 minutes for emergency assistance because they did not have an officer in the area. The court now has the ability to have an individual taken into immediate custody from the courtroom. The ability for immediate arrests supports the court's Drug Court and DUI Court, and provides escort service for Domestic Violence and Anti-harassment calendars.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The funds will be used to shift the funding burden from the general fund.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 General duties include Superior Court, District Court, and Juvenile Court facility.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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|---|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Clark County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$62,628	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$1,400,000 %
 District Court \$600,000 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes No Partially
 District Court Yes No Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

Columbia County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$4,384	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$2,500

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court

District Court

\$

\$

%

%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court

District Court

Yes

Yes

No

No

Partially

Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.

District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.

The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.

The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$2,500.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 Installing the necessary software upgrades and equipment upgrades to an FTR recording system; conference telephone for the courtroom inclusive of phone line installation.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Our budget has not allowed for upgrades of this system, and the technology has advanced to the degree that regular updates must be planned and budgeted. This is our means of keeping the record, as required by statute, and it is of paramount importance to keep it up-to-date and serviced regularly.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 These TCIA monies are used to augment previously cut budget lines (capital expenditures).

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Absolutely. Superior Court utilizes the recording system when their Court Reporter is not available.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Columbia County Commissioners | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$7,777.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCJA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 An Electronic Document Processing system allows a document to be created in the courtroom; the defendant can read and sign it in the jail; jail personnel can print a copy for the defendant with all signatures. The District Court Clerk's office has an electronic copy of the document with signatures and the jail has the information.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The project allows the district/municipal courts, lawyers, defendants, and other departments to access electronic court forms that are created and signed electronically. Other offices will be able to access information on defendants immediately instead of waiting for paperwork.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 At this time it ONLY benefits District Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Douglas County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$10,438	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$3,434	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$3,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$8,949 %
 District Court \$37,767 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes
 No
 Partially
 District Court Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

District and Superior Courts meet and collaborate about planning and spending of the trial court improvement money. In 2007 the Bridgeport Branch is having a face lift (remodel). Next will be a Superior Court hearing room.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Document Imaging

\$3,434.26 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 (1) Repair electrical problems that only effect our courtroom sound system. (2) Purchased new scanners and monitors for electronic imaging system, used in courtroom during video court.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 (1) Provides better digital recording of hearings. (2) Provided expansion of our electronic imaging system.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The TCIA is funding projects that would otherwise not be funded.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes, Superior Court uses our (District Court) courtroom for hearings. Superior Court preliminary hearings are done with only the electronic images with the District Court judge sitting as a Superior Court Commissioner.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Civil - Arbitration
 - Civil - Small Claims
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Family Law
 - Domestic Violence
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Mental Illness
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other: The courtroom sound and imaging system affects all hearings.

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Juvenile
 - Drug Court - Family
 - DUI Court
 - Unified Family Court
 - Mental Health Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:

Ferry County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$3,758	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget Amount Budgeted: \$5,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$0 %
 District Court \$0 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes
 No
 Partially

District Court Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court improvement Account funds:

We are building up the funds in our account so we will have enough to install the video cabinets and flat screen monitors for the polycom system in the courtroom by the end of 2007.

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Will build and install video cabinets and install flat screen monitors for the polycom system in courtroom.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The video cabinets will hide the polycom system when not in use and will not be such a distraction to individuals in the courtroom. Individuals sitting in the gallery will also be able to see the court proceedings when the polycom is in use.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The funds used will shift the funding burden from the general fund.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes, both District and Superior Courts.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		

Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?

<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family	<input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court
<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

Franklin County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$10,438	Allocation Determined: Yes	
Funds Expended:	\$2,258	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget	
		Amount Budgeted: \$13,639	

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$61,736 %
 District Court \$15,671 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Superior Court Yes No Partially
- District Court Yes No Partially

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology 2006 & 2007
- Software or licenses 2006 & 2007

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters) 2007

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Records Retention

\$2,258.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$13,639.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The law clerk pilot program would provide a law clerk to assist the judicial staff with research and briefing and assist court administrator and judicial staff in revising and updating the court's personnel policies and procedures and emergency preparedness plan. If the position proves to be of benefit to the judicial staff they will request that the position be funded on an on-going basis through the general fund. --Appeals module to add to ApplicationXtender to store all case documents filed with the county clerk. --Microphones and bases for the District courtroom to provide a clear and audible record.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The law clerk will assist judges with docket and trial preparation reducing the delay in decisions from the bench. The position will also provide updated personnel policies and procedures when dealing with personnel matters and emergency preparedness. --Appeals module will enhance the electronic storage of cases. --Microphones will enhance the clarity of the record on the digital recording system.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Funds have been used in addition to general fund budget.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 The emergency preparedness plan could benefit both District Court and Superior Court. Electronic storage of records enhances future access by all courts. Microphones assist any court using the enhanced courtroom.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Administrative | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$1,191.89 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Improving recordkeeping and communication in the courtroom.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 1) Increase effectiveness of recording system; 2) increase hearing-impaired accessibility; 3) facilitate conference calls during court; and 4) allow attorneys to move about and still be heard.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The TCIA funds are used to supplement our normal county's budget.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes. It benefits both superior and district court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: All case types and legal applications are positively affected. | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Grays Harbor County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$20,876	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$82,439
	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	District Court
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Partially <input type="checkbox"/>	Partially <input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds.

We have not made any decisions yet on expenditures.

Island County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$10,438	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$7,443 %
 District Court \$0 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes No Partially
 District Court Yes No Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Island County continues to bank the TCIA funds received to use for goals established between Island County Superior and District Courts.

Jefferson County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$10,438 Funds Expended: \$2,720	Allocation Determined: Yes Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget Amount Budgeted: \$4,551

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$
	4%
District Court	

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Superior Court | District Court |
| Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Partially <input type="checkbox"/> | Partially <input type="checkbox"/> |

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program 2006
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology 2007
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services 2007
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants 2006
- Other: _____

\$2,720.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$4,550.73 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense for both expenditures
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 1. The Board of County Commissioners implemented the one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax for chemical dependency, mental health treatment services or therapeutic courts pursuant to RCW 82.14.460. 2. District & Superior Courts submitted a joint grant application to fund a much needed ICE cart for both courts. The foundation was only able to fund Superior Court; District Court used the TCIA funds to purchase the ICE cart.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 1. The success of drug/alcohol abuse and mental health courts continues to grow. An essential facet of that success is availability of local treatment resources. The reduction of recidivism, restorative justice aspects, and reduction in crowded criminal dockets will improve provision of judicial services to the local community. There should also be many collateral benefits for the law and justice community. 2. The technology the ICE cart brings will save Jefferson County approximately 50-60 hours a year in courtroom time by expediting evidence presentation.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 1. 2006 expenditure of TCIA funds were coordinated with the expenditure of the L&J tax revenue. 2. Using TCIA funds enabled us to purchase the ICE cart, as there were not funds available from the general fund.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Both expenditures benefit District and Superior Court. 1. The courts have coordinated their efforts to address defendants who simultaneously have pending matters in both courts and are being treated for substance abuse. The courts have also teamed with local treatment agencies and local mental health providers to provide a coordinated effort in addressing the recovery and rehabilitation of those defendants. 2. Due to spacing issues in the courthouse, it is essential to keep both courtrooms compatible. This enables us to share courtrooms and allows for timely case processing.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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|---|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

King County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$229,630	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$137,350	Budget Placement: Superior/District Operating
	Amount Budgeted: \$322,150

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$2,193,607 %
 District Court \$1,041,217 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- Superior Court Yes No Partially
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- District Court Yes No Partially
-

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

See the five individual project reports for Superior Court.

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Complete a staffing study for District Court that will include both the court and probation needs; it will not study the judicial or director level. Provide funding for temporary help and overtime for three months of 2007 until staffing study can be implemented.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Steep budget cuts and an increase of filings have left the court trying to manage huge backlogs. Technology has mitigated, but a reliable tool is needed to assess staffing needs on an ongoing basis.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 TCIA funds are shifting the funding burden from District Court and its contracting cities.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		

Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?

<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family	<input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court
<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

King County Superior Court Training

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: If so, describe how.
 Unknown at this time.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

King County Superior Court Audio

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$76,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.

Update audio systems in 39 downtown and juvenile courthouse courtrooms. This will provide for new amplifiers, microphones and wiring costs.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

The old systems were purchased in the mid-1980's and are largely ineffective or broken and un-repairable. Many courtrooms cannot use the old systems which makes court proceedings cumbersome, especially when juries are involved. The new audio systems will remedy this.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

No funding source was available to the court for this one-time court improvement project.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 This benefits everyone using the particular courtroom, but almost entirely Superior Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
 - Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

King County Superior Court Phones

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$8,000.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

These funds supplemented other one-time local funds to upgrade telephone systems in civil and criminal courtrooms. Specifically, these funds supplemented other funds to provide conference phones in each of these courtrooms. Conference phones are used frequently for remote testimony. Juvenile Court, Family Law and UFC courtrooms already had conference phones-provided via grant funding.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

Prior to this equipment purchase, both the downtown and RJC locations only had eight conference phones between them, available on a check-out basis for civil and criminal courtroom use. Having conference phones in each courtroom has increased courtroom efficiency.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

There were no funds that were used to expand a current telephone upgrade project.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: If so, describe how.
 This expenditure benefits anyone using a courtroom, but almost entirely Superior Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

King County Superior Court Pilots

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Not yet known. Likely a combination of courtroom services and direct services.

\$ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
 AND/OR
 \$23,500.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.

These funds will allow for the court to conduct one or more pilot projects-related recommendations resulting from the Court's Children & Family Operational Master Plan. The County Council approved the Superior Court's targeted operational master plan in September 2006. Included in that plan are 11 key recommendations intended to provide guidance to the court in improving case-related services for children and family law cases. The court is working through all 11 options to determine what pilot projects would be most useful and effective.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

Details regarding which specific pilot projects have not yet been determined.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

There are no funds currently available to the Court to conduct these pilot projects.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 This is not yet known.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |

Other: Case processing and programs regarding all juvenile matters.

King County Superior Court Interpreters

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
 - Security
 - Administration
 - Other direct services for clients/litigants
 - Other: Accessibility to court services by non-English speaking members of the public.
- Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

\$1,350.00
\$23,650.00

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.

This project provides for the translation of legal documents into multiple languages that would be practical and most useful to the non-English speaking population who interact with the court. Based on the utilization of interpreters, Spanish represents about 50% of the non-English speaking population who interact with the court. Vietnamese, Cambodian, Russian and Somali each utilize between 8% and 12%. Funds will also be used in collaboration with District Court for some multi-lingual signage.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

This project will increase accessibility to the court and court services for the non-English speaking population who interact most commonly with the court.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

These funds supplement other one-time funds available to the court for this project.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Expenditures for multi-lingual signage will benefit both Superior Court and District Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$36,413.01	Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
	AND/OR
\$60,000.00	Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 Added a fourth judge to District Court bench.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Timely dispositions - greater access to justice.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ _____ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The judges have agreed that on a one-time basis only - it is important to expand the adult probation department. The County Commissioners understand and agree that this "help" with funding is temporary.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 A new probation officer was needed to provide services to the Superior Court Drug Court. The County Commissioners would not fund the position without the courts agreeing to use one-third of the Court Improvement Fund for three years to apply toward the cost of the new position. After three years, the County will fund the position from its general fund. This new position was needed because the State Department of Corrections will no longer provide services to the Drug Court.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The results will be measured by the number of graduates from Drug Court that do not re-offend.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes, because the new position in the county probation office allows the other probation officers to spend more time on supervising defendants from the district courts.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Lewis County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$20,876	Allocation Determined:	No
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement:	Not Determined
		Amount Budgeted:	\$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$	District Court	\$128,573
	%		%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	District Court
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Partially <input type="checkbox"/>	Partially <input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

No one ever consulted this court regarding TCIA funds despite requests to do so.

Lincoln County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$7,724	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$6,108	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget
	Amount Budgeted: \$9,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$ %
 District Court \$ %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court District Court
 Yes Yes
 No No
 Partially Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$6,108.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 In 2006, funds were used to purchase and install digital recording equipment to replace tape recording equipment along with required computer in District Court.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 District Court staff can find the requested hearing record in much less time and can create discs in much less time than before. Transcriptionist can make transcripts in a fraction of the time it used to take.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 No effort - no supplanting. We are simply able to purchase needed equipment which we otherwise would not have been able to purchase.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes. Having clearer and easy-to-access recordings of District Court cases which are appealed to the Supreme Court helps the District Court by saving staff time and helps Superior Court where preparing the record on appeal and typing transcripts is much easier. Fewer delays for time to create the transcripts is required.

Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Mason County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$10,438	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$124,045	%
District Court	\$6,779	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially	<input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

Okanogan County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$20,876	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget
	Amount Budgeted: \$38,680

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$0	\$0
	%	%
District Court		

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Partially <input type="checkbox"/>
District Court	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Partially <input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

PLANNING - Courts collaborate in planning by budgeting funds received in alternating years (District Court plans/spends 2006 revenue, Superior Court plans/spends 2007 revenue). SPENDING - Courts submit their budget/spending requests to the County Commissioners for final approval.

Okanogan County Laser Fiche Interface

Calendar Year 2006 Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Calendar/Budget Year 2007 Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:
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How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs: **LASER FICHE INTERFACE**

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Staff efficiency

\$ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$11,480.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Imaging software interface to be written to link images to docket entries on the District Court JIS Docket.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the quality of service:

Imaging all court documents upon filing will increase ease of access for court staff, criminal justice system agencies, attorneys, media and the public. Reduction in court staff time retrieving paper file documents.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

N/A

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Okanogan County Sound Improvement - Courtroom 1

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category
Programs: SOUND IMPROVEMENT - COURTROOM 1

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other:

\$ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$5,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Improve sound system in Courtroom 1. Replaced speakers and microphones at counsel tables and replaced faulty wiring.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

Hearing had become difficult from faulty wiring and worn out microphones, especially in teleconference hearings. In addition, the speakers were replaced with high quality speakers designed for courtroom settings. This project is complete and there is significant improvement in the overall sound quality in the courtroom. All of the interference and hearing problems were resolved. In addition, official court recording quality is significantly improved.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Although this did not decrease the county-funded budget, the county budget is affected in that it will not have to endure these costs.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes - Superior Court uses this courtroom on a regular basis.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Drug Court - Family & Drug Court - Juvenile coming soon, possibly beginning in 2007 or 2008. | |

Okanogan County Elevated Area Removal in Courtroom 1

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category
Programs: REMOVE ELEVATED AREAS IN COURTROOM 1 - GENERAL SEATING AREA

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes - Superior Court uses this courtroom on a regular basis.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Family Law
 - Domestic Violence
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Mental Illness
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Small Claims
 Juvenile Offender
 Dependency
 Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Juvenile
 - Drug Court - Family
 - DUI Court
 - Unified Family Court
 - Mental Health Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other: Drug Court - Family & Drug Court - Juvenile coming soon, possibly beginning in 2007 or 2008.

Okanogan County Sound Improvement - Superior Courtroom

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category
Programs: SOUND IMPROVEMENT - SUPERIOR COURTROOM

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: if so, describe how.

No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
 - Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other: Drug Court - Family & Drug Court - Juvenile coming soon, possibly beginning in 2007 or 2008.
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Okanogan County Re-Model Jury Room

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs: RE-MODEL JURY ROOM

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Staff Efficiency

\$ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR

\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

The existing jury room located at the rear of the Superior courtroom, third floor north end of courthouse is in the process of being remodeled to allow more working room in the current area.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

The remodeling of the existing jury room will allow almost six feet more in room for the table and chairs for the deliberating jurors. Because jury deliberation sometimes takes anywhere from hours to several days, the extra room will give the jurors a little more comfort. The restrooms will also be remodeled to give a little more privacy in such small quarters. This project has not begun, however, it is scheduled in the next month or so.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Pacific County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$10,438	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$10,438	Budget Placement: District Court Operating
	Amount Budgeted: \$25,386

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court (\$16,402) %
 District Court \$16,814 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court
 Yes
 No
 Partially
 District Court
 Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

In addition to the increase in judicial salaries, the county has included in the 2007 budget the installation of a video arraignment system. This new system will increase security, reduce transportation and personnel costs, and increase efficiency.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$10,438.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$25,386.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The funds maintain a .10 FTE increase in District Court judicial staffing.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 This increase has enabled the District Courts to provide additional court days to manage increasing caseloads.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The TCIA funds are being used to increase District Court appropriations.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 These funds only apply to our District Courts at this time.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Pend Oreille County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$6,868	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$5,397	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$13,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$0	District Court	\$0
	%		%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	District Court	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially	<input type="checkbox"/>	Partially	<input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Requests from District and Superior Courts will be made to the County Commissioners for ADA equipment for both courtrooms. The balance will be use to offset the District Court judge's salary.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$6,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 2007: Hearing impaired infra red system for both courtrooms.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Self-explanatory.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Used to shift funding burden from general fund.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Both District and Superior Courts.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: New Superior Court Commissioner (10/06) & 22nd judicial dept (12/05).

\$72,724 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The funds were used to offset the cost of the 7th Court Commissioner in Superior Court which was added in October 2006. Funds were also used to offset the added expense associated with the 22nd judicial department in Superior Court which began in December 2005.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Added judicial resources aid in handling the workload in Superior Court. It allowed Superior Court to create and maintain an ex parte department.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Funds were used to offset/supplement county funds.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Family Law
 - Domestic Violence
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Mental Illness
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:

- Civil - Small Claims
- Juvenile Offender
- Dependency
- Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Juvenile
 - Drug Court - Family
 - DUI Court
 - Unified Family Court
 - Mental Health Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:

San Juan County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$8,037	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$16,325
	%
District Court	\$1,800
	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	District Court
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially <input type="checkbox"/>	Partially <input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

San Juan County continues to bank TCIA funds received to expend on projects established by San Juan Superior and District Court.

Skagit County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$7,487	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Not Determined
	Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$48,647 %
 District Court \$ %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes
 No
 Partially

District Court Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

No decisions have been made at this time. A meeting is scheduled in March. The TCCC applied for a grant in 2006 for a DV scanning project and was awarded funding for it.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$ _____ Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ _____ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 It was determined by the TCCC that the funds should be left to accrue.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Undetermined at this time.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 N/A

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 It was agreed upon that the project will at the minimum benefit both Superior and District court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Skamania County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$3,194	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$1,597	Budget Placement: District Court Operating
	Amount Budgeted: \$9,500

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$7,903
	%
District Court	\$7,903
	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Superior Court | District Court |
| Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Partially <input type="checkbox"/> | Partially <input type="checkbox"/> |

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$1,597.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006

AND/OR

\$9,500.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 Provide funding for new clerk position in District Court.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Due to increased work load, a new clerk was needed to assist the public.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Used to increase amount previously funded.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Snohomish County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$83,503	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget
	Amount Budgeted: \$259,566

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$762,112
	%
District Court	\$589,672
	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

- | | |
|---|---|
| Superior Court | District Court |
| Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Partially <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Partially <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests. **(Requests are yet to be submitted)**
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

The superior and district courts have negotiated an agreement on how the county's Trial Court Improvement Account funds will be allocated. It provides that the superior and district courts will each be entitled to 35% of the funds. Both courts must approve recommendations for expenditures from the remaining 30% joint portion. No funds were budgeted or expended in 2006. \$259,566 (\$90,848 - Superior Court, \$90,848 - District Court, and \$77,870 - joint portion) has been appropriated in the county's Trial Court Improvement Account for 2007. No decisions have yet been made on how the 2007 money will be spent.

Spokane County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$57,408	Allocation Determined:	No
Funds Expended:	\$16,537	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$63,368

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$297,000	
District Court	\$375,000	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially	<input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
<input type="checkbox"/>	District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

The TCCC has formalized an MOU designating 10-percent of TCIA funds for each court and 80-percent for joint court projects.

Spokane County Jury Coordinator

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Jury management equipment and signage.

\$7,996.66 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Purchase of equipment (folder/insert) and maintenance agreement contract on equipment for use by the Jury Coordinator. This equipment assists the Coordinator in issuing and mailing juror summonses. Also purchased was signage for jurors on and within the county campus.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

This equipment will improve the process for issuing juror summonses, making it more efficient and timely. The folder/insert will make the summonses more professional looking. Jurors will benefit from better signage on campus.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

TCIA funds were used to fill a need that was not funded elsewhere. General funds were not available.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 All courts in Spokane County are benefitted from this purchase as they are all part of the jury management system, operated by Superior Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Spokane County Mental Health Court

Calendar Year 2006 Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Calendar/Budget Year 2007 Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:
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- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Mental Health Planning Grant Services

\$6,500.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Funds were used to provide a cash match for a \$50,000 BJA Mental Health Planning Grant.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

This grant will enable all trial courts to look at therapeutic court solutions and find other grant options for funding mental health court initiatives.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

No other funds were available for this grant match.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court: if so, describe how.
 Spokane Superior, District and Municipal Courts will benefit from a comprehensive MH court plan, made possible with this planning grant.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Family Law
 - Domestic Violence
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Mental Illness
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
 - Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Juvenile
 - Drug Court - Family
 - DUI Court
 - Unified Family Court
 - Mental Health Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:

Spokane County Speakers/Amplifiers

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other:

\$2,041.68 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$ Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Purchase of speaker/amplifiers for customer service windows.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

Speakers will allow litigants to speak to counter clerks without yelling/spitting through four-inch openings in plexiglass shields. Speaker/amplifiers will improve communication/customer service in a noisy environment.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

Funds were not available for this purchase.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 At this time, District Court is the only court which will benefit from this equipment.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Stevens County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$10,438	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$7,500	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$10,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$0	District Court	\$0
	%		%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	Yes	District Court	Yes
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
	No		No
	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Partially		Partially
	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

The legislative body for Stevens County has been very cooperative in letting the courts decide how best to use these funds. The funds have allowed both courts the ability to obtain small but much needed items to improve all areas of both courts.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$7,500.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR

\$10,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
2006: 1. Digital hands-free phones for District & Superior Ct, Superior Ct Administrator and juvenile office. 2. FTR log notes for District Ct Clerk for use in courtroom. 3. Monitor for judge's bench in Superior Ct. 4. Adobe program for District Ct. 5. Fax machine for District Ct. 6. Relocate inlet air ductwork so jurors can smoke in private area under cover from elements. **2007:** 1. Additional hands-free head sets for Superior & District Ct Clerks. 2. Scanner for District Ct 3. Phone line to take credit card payments through District Ct Clerk's office. 4. Bench for public to sit outside Superior Ct courtroom. 5. Matching nicer tables for alternate court hearing room. 6. Locking cabinet to house FTR recording equipment in alternate court hearing room.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
2006: 1. Fewer missed calls/hands-free ability to research while on phone. 2. More efficient way to take notes/log times in courtroom. 3. Judge can now view documents needed for hearings while on the bench. 4. Public can access forms on-line at District Ct website. 5. Better serves attorneys/public. 6. Jurors do not have to walk out to public smoking areas in inclement weather. **2007:** 1. Fewer missed calls/hands-free ability to research while on phone. 2. For use in District Ct Clerk's office. 3. Self-explanatory. 4. Self-explanatory. 5. Will make what is county commissioner hearing room look more like a real courtroom. 6. Instead of having to set up/tear down recording equipment each court day, able to leave it in locked cabinet in hearing room.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The funds are used to shift the funding burden from the general fund.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 These benefit both Superior Court, District Court and the juvenile office.

Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		

Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?

<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family	<input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court
<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

Thurston County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$28,521	Allocation Determined: No
Funds Expended: \$0	Budget Placement: Separate TCIA Budget Amount Budgeted: \$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$0 %
 District Court

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes No Partially

 District Court

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

Wahkiakum County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$3,132	Allocation Determined:	No
Funds Expended:	\$0	Budget Placement:	Not Determined
		Amount Budgeted:	\$0

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$	
District Court	\$0	
	%	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Partially	<input type="checkbox"/>

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds.

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: Probation Assistance

\$23,516.40

Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR

\$12,968.00

Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007 (with matched funds from county)

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 Probation Assistant - learning the job and helping with all probationers, paperwork, tracking, filing, meetings, etc.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The caseload was becoming overwhelming for one person. Now there is a better accountability and managing service for probationers and up-to-date filings.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 We have no outside funding other than our county budget. This funding from TCIA enabled us to hire help for our Probation Officer (we only had one).

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 District Court is the only office receiving this fund so far.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Whatcom County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$20,876	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$15,680	Budget Placement: Superior/District Operating
	Amount Budgeted: \$29,798

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court \$1,425,963 %
 District Court \$425,787 %

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court Yes
 No
 Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Editor's note: Detail response not provided, funds not yet budgeted for 2007.

Whatcom County Night Court

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$1,581.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$8,083.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.

District Court has implemented a night court program. There are two night court sessions per month; one is for mitigation and contested traffic infractions, and the second is for small claims court cases.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

Offering a night court option for appropriate cases increases customer service received by the public in a number of ways. One is that many avoid having to take valuable time off from work or school to deal with their legal issue. A second is that by processing the cases during "off peak" times for the court, a greater efficiency is achieved during the regular work day. Night court popularity is reflected in the calendars consistently processing at 90% to 100% capacity.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

The night court program was specifically created using TCIA funds.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Whatcom County Additional Staff

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: Funds Expended:	Allocation Determined: Budget Placement: Amount Budgeted: General Fund Increase:

- How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)
- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
 - District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
 - The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
 - The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$14,099.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006

AND/OR

\$21,715.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007 (supplemental budget request in progress)

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:

Additional deputy clerks were added, in the criminal area, in document imaging and appeals processing.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.

Criminal document processing will be accelerated, document(s) will be in virtual file folders earlier.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?

To enhance operations for the courts, by adding resources to existing programs or by implementing new programs.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court? If so, describe how.
 No.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- Civil
 - Criminal - Felony
 - Family Law
 - Probate/Guardianship
 - Traffic & Other Infractions
 - Other:
- Civil - Arbitration
 - Criminal - Misd.
 - Domestic Violence
 - Mental Illness
- Civil - Small Claims
 - Juvenile Offender
 - Dependency
 - Adoption

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- Drug Court - Adult
 - Drug Court - Family
 - Unified Family Court
 - Domestic Violence Court
 - Other:
- Drug Court - Juvenile
 - DUI Court
 - Mental Health Court

Whitman County

Calendar Year 2006		Calendar/Budget Year 2007	
Funds Received:	\$10,438	Allocation Determined:	Yes
Funds Expended:	\$7,986	Budget Placement:	Separate TCIA Budget
		Amount Budgeted:	\$10,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$14,922	%
District Court	\$17,317	%

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

Superior Court	Yes
	No
	Partially

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$7,986.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR
\$10,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCIA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service.
 Provide for an ADA amplification system and assistive listening devices for the Whitman County Superior Court courtroom, the Whitman County District Court courtroom in the county courthouse and the Whitman County District Court courtroom in the Pullman City Hall.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 The acoustics in all three courtrooms make it very difficult for persons who are hard-of-hearing to hear and understand the proceedings. The amplification systems would benefit all courtroom participants. The assistive listening devices will be made available for anyone in the courtroom; however, they will be especially helpful for jurors who may be hearing impaired.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 The budget for Whitman County's TCIA is separate from any other budget or account. The balance of the funds in the TCIA does not affect the budget levels of the Superior or District Courts.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Yes, the equipment will be installed in both Superior and District Court.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Yakima County

Calendar Year 2006	Calendar/Budget Year 2007
Funds Received: \$41,752	Allocation Determined: Yes
Funds Expended: \$40,000	Budget Placement: District Court Operating Amount Budgeted: \$40,000

How much did the General Fund appropriation to the courts increase from the 2006 budget to the 2007 budget?

Superior Court	\$82,387 %
District Court	

Can the increase be attributed to the 2005 legislation that also raised fees in order to increase revenue for the General Fund?

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|--|------------------------------------|
| Superior Court | District Court |
| Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Partially <input type="checkbox"/> | Partially <input type="checkbox"/> |

How have decisions regarding the use of TCIA funds been made? (Check all that apply)

- The district and/or superior courts independently submitted specific request(s) to the local legislative authority.
- District and superior courts collaborated in planning and submitting requests.
- The local Trial Court Coordinating Council, Law and Justice Council, or similar body submitted recommendations to the local legislative authority.
- The local legislative body appropriated TCIA funds without consultation with trial court leadership.

General comments regarding use and budgeting of Trial Court Improvement Account funds:

TCIA funds are dollars available to both Superior and District Court for enhancement projects. County Commissioners have created a separate fund for these dollars for courts' use.

Project/Service Description

Project/Service Category

Programs:

- New program
- Expansion of existing program
- Restoration of previously de-funded program

Facilities/Equipment:

- Capital improvements
- Equipment or technology
- Software or licenses

Staffing:

- Increase in salary or benefits for existing judicial officers
- Increase in salary or benefits for existing non-judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for judicial officers
- New or increased position (e.g., part-time to full-time) for non-judicial officers
- Additional time or services from contracted direct service providers to clients/litigants (e.g., courthouse facilitators, interpreters)

This project/service is primarily designed to improve which of the following:

- Courtroom services
- Security
- Administration
- Other direct services for clients/litigants
- Other: _____

\$40,000.00 Amount expended for this project or service in 2006
AND/OR

\$40,000.00 Amount budgeted for this project or service in 2007

This project/service is a:

- One-time expense
- Recurring expense for which TCJA funds will likely be used in future years

Please provide a brief description of the project or service:
 The funds will assist with the operating expenses of the newly established Yakima County District Court satellite office in Grandview. The court will provide District and Superior Court services along with adult and juvenile probation services for the southeastern region of the county.

Please describe how this expenditure has or will increase efficiency or improve the level of services.
 Cases can be heard at the court closest to the law enforcement agencies and/or citizen's residence. In a county with over 4,296 square miles and no county-wide bus service, a satellite court should result in far fewer "failure to appear" hearings, provide economic assistance for law enforcement, legal counsel, and local citizens, and create a clear presence of justice in the Lower Valley area of our county. Due to portability rules, District Court judges can hear Superior Court cases as judge pro tems which will allow the facility to be used for case types across all court levels.

How are the TCIA funds for this project or service related to other funding sources?
 Funds were used to develop and operate Lower Valley court.

Does this expenditure benefit more than one level of court. If so, describe how.
 Superior (to include Juvenile) and District Courts, Adult and Juvenile Probation.

- Which area(s) of the law or case types are primarily affected by the expenditures?**
- | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil - Arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil - Small Claims |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Felony | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal - Misd. | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Guardianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Other Infractions | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | |

- Which therapeutic or problem solving court(s) are directly supported by TCIA funds?**
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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Juvenile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court - Family | <input type="checkbox"/> DUI Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |