

# Context of Trial Court Functions for Funding Discussion

## Private Sector Services and Initiatives

- Private dispute resolution
- DV shelters
- Neighborhood dispute resolution centers
- ADA/TA/TASK treatment alternatives

## Justice System Supports but Does Not Administer

- Civil indigent legal services

## Justice System

- Prosecution
- Jails/jail transport
- Public safety
- Building security
- Warrant enforcement
- Crime labs
- Criminal-justice training
- Tribal courts

## Judicial Branch

- Supreme Court/Court of Appeals
- Administrative Office of the Courts
- Regulation of the practice of law
- Indigent appellate representation
- State and local law libraries
- Judicial Information System

## Essential to Trial Court Operations but Not Administered by Them

- Criminal indigent defense
- Juvenile dependency representation
- Mental-health commitment representation
- Facilities

## Trial Court Functions

### Court Management/Administration

- **Court Administration**
  - Non-courtroom administrative staff
  - Budgeting and purchasing
  - Research/workload forecasting
  - Public relations and public information
  - Courtroom security
  - Policy and procedure development, review and revision
  - Judicial and staff training
  - Juvenile detention
- **Adequate Facilities**

### Financial Management/Accounting

- Trust accounts
- Cash handling
- Collection and distribution

### Case Management

- Timely disposition of cases
- Accessibility to public – counter, telephone including assistance to *pro se* litigants
- Interpreter availability and use
- Timely notices and reporting, e.g., hearings, FTA, summons
- Calendar management: special calendars such as DV dockets, mental health, license reinstatement
- Required reporting to other justice agencies (e.g. DOL, WSP)
- Parking enforcement

### Legal Decision Making

- Judicial and judicial staff positions
- Adjudicate cases
- Criminal proceedings, judgments and sentences
- Due process/protection of rights
- Warrant issuance
- Civil proceedings, judgments
- Traffic (criminal and infraction)
- Court orders (DV, anti-harassment)
- Juror and witness management
- Court-annexed ADR and settlement programs
- Courthouse facilitators/family court services

### Enforcements of Judgment

- Collection of legal financial obligations (fines, fees, restitution, time payment program, etc.)
- Compliance monitoring – e.g. bench, probation clerk, probation department
- Juvenile probation and programs

### Records Management/Record Keeping

- Evidence
- Electronic records
- Physical files
- Court reporting/electronic recording
- Data dissemination – public access to records
- Archiving, records retention, storage, and destruction