

Judiciary / Supreme Court

Role and Overview

The Supreme Court (JSC) is established by Article IV, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution. Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution sets the size of the Court and outlines its jurisdiction. Article IV, Section 5 of the Constitution grants rule making and other authority to the court. The Constitution also gives the Supreme Court authority to prescribe rules governing practice and procedure in all courts of the state and to exercise general superintendence over all state courts. The Constitution grants the Supreme Court exclusive authority to regulate admission to the practice of law, the discipline of attorneys admitted to practice, and all other matters relating to the practice of law. This third branch of government pays all or a substantial portion of the salaries for the judges of the state as established by the General Assembly, and funds other expenses of the state's judicial system such as salaries for the support staff of the 12 Courts of Appeals, salaries for the justices of the Supreme Court and its staff, operation and maintenance of the Ohio Judicial Center, and provides programs for the benefit of the trial and appellate courts throughout the state. Special purpose appropriations are included for the Ohio Center for Law Related Education and the Ohio Courts Technology Initiative. The Ohio Courts Technology Initiative supports projects to facilitate the exchange of information between and among Ohio courts and their justice system partners such as through the creation of an Ohio Courts Network and the delivery of technology services to courts throughout the state. It includes the development and implementation of educational and training programs for judges and court personnel, and the creation and operation of the Commission on Technology and the courts for the promulgation of statewide rules, policies, and uniform standards, and to aid in the orderly adoption and comprehensive use of technology in Ohio courts.

More information regarding the Judiciary / Supreme Court is available at <http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov>.

Agency Priorities

- Preside over cases in the trial courts, intermediate appellate courts, and Supreme Court. Qualified attorneys will be admitted to practice law and register to continue practicing law, and the fees they pay will support programs and grievance/disciplinary matters involving attorneys.
- Support programs involving case management, mental health and drug courts, mediation, family and children, judicial education, and technology modernization will continue to help the justice system run more effectively for the benefit of all citizens of the state.

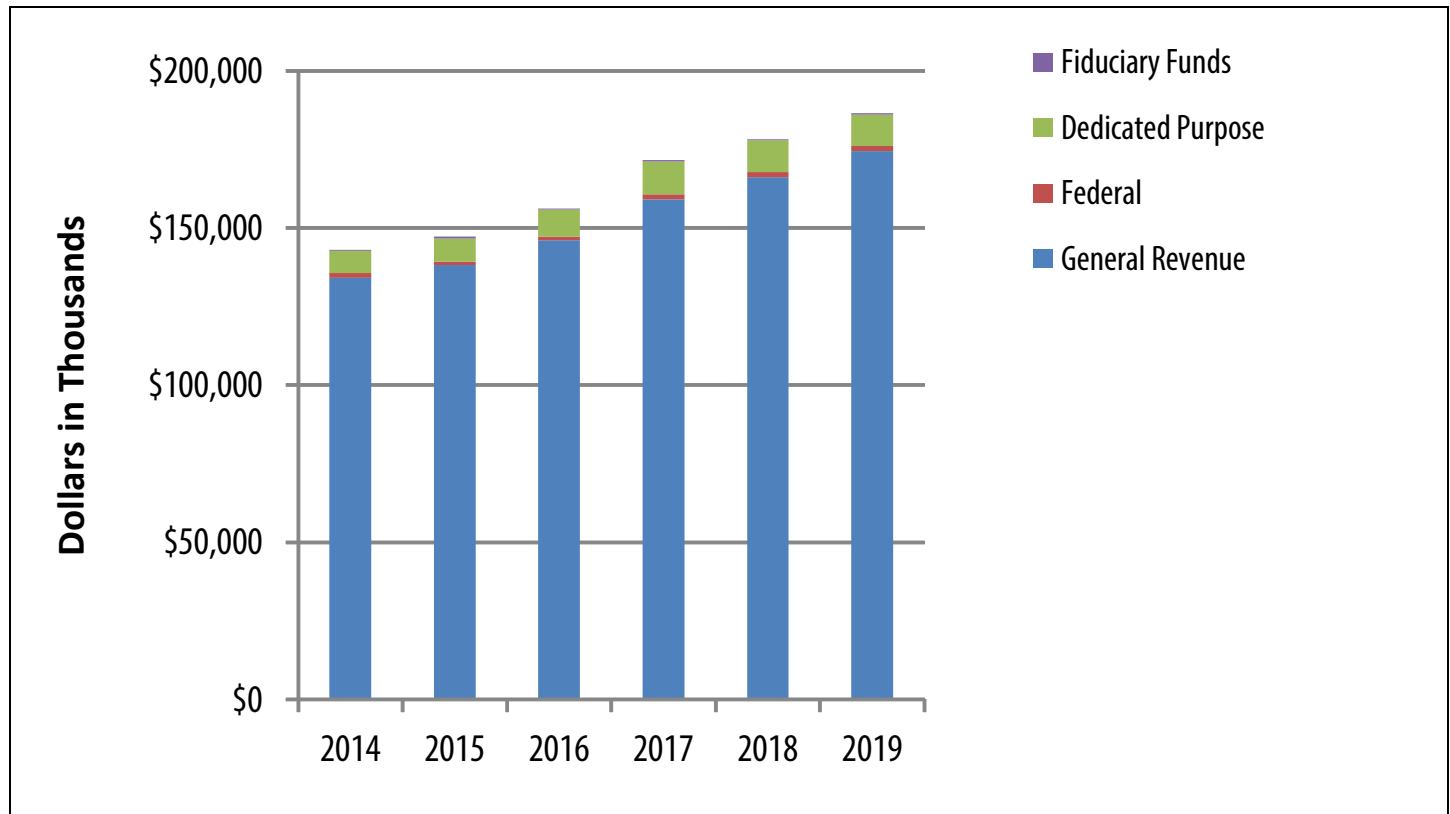
Funding Recommendation for 2018 and 2019

- GRF: Funding for fiscal year 2018 is \$166.1 million (or a 4.4% increase from fiscal year 2017). Funding for fiscal year 2019 is \$174.5 million (or a 5.1% increase from fiscal year 2018).
- All Funds: Funding for fiscal year 2018 is \$178.3 million (or a 3.9% increase from fiscal year 2017). Funding for fiscal year 2019 is \$186.5 million (or a 4.6% increase from fiscal year 2018).

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

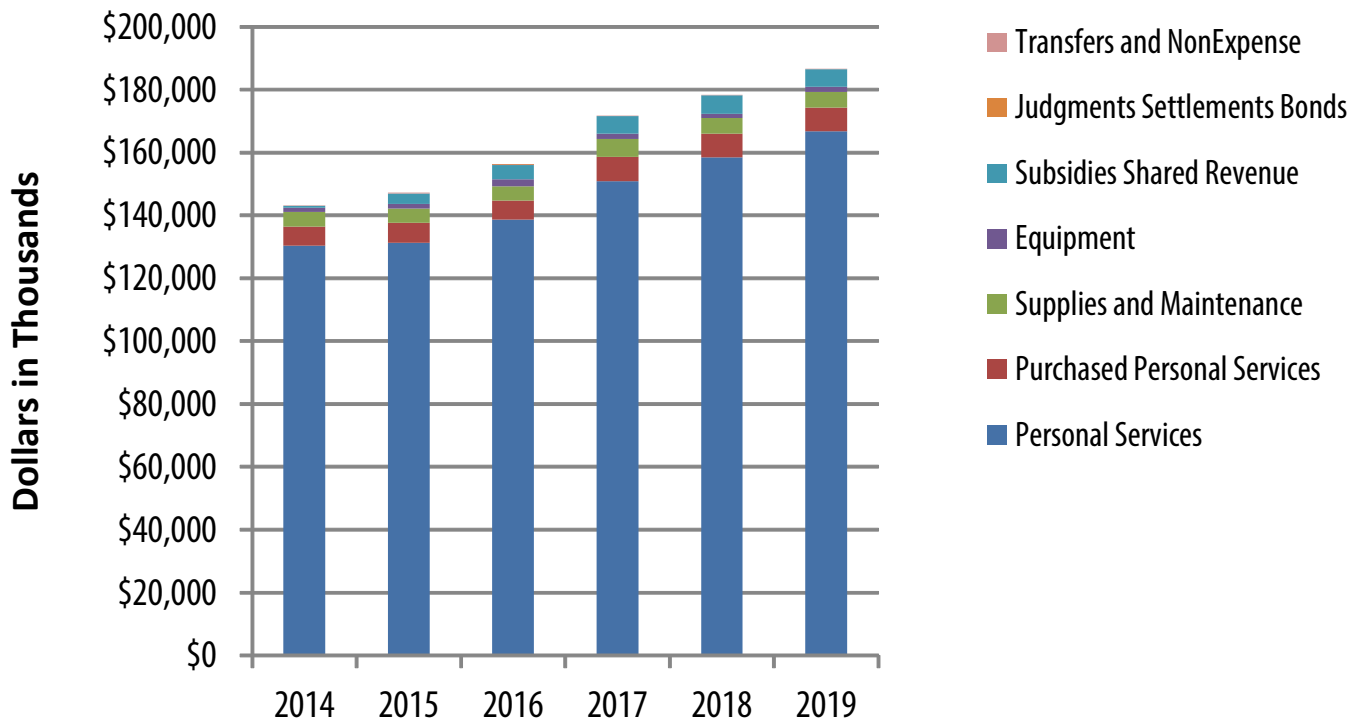
- Support the judicial process for all citizens in the state of Ohio.
- Assist the judicial system to run more effectively for the benefit of all citizens in the state of Ohio.

Budget Fund Group Information



(in Thousands)	Actual			Est.	% Change	Recommended			
Budget Fund Group	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 16-17	FY 2018	% Change	FY 2019	% Change
General Revenue	134,166	138,224	146,048	159,093	8.9%	166,112	4.4%	174,504	5.1%
Federal	1,569	1,042	1,208	1,618	33.9%	1,706	5.4%	1,528	-10.4%
Dedicated Purpose	7,090	7,464	8,691	10,391	19.6%	10,089	-2.9%	10,065	-0.2%
Fiduciary Funds	285	543	187	423	126.6%	358	-15.5%	358	0.0%
Total	143,110	147,273	156,133	171,525	9.9%	178,264	3.9%	186,455	4.6%

Expense Account Category Information



(in Thousands)	Actual			Est.	% Change	Recommended			
Expense Account Category	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 16-17	FY 2018	% Change	FY 2019	% Change
Personal Services	130,363	131,217	138,719	150,908	8.8%	158,372	4.9%	166,787	5.3%
Purchased Personal Services	6,003	6,452	5,998	7,624	27.1%	7,591	-0.4%	7,500	-1.2%
Supplies and Maintenance	4,690	4,539	4,492	5,797	29.1%	4,974	-14.2%	4,985	0.2%
Equipment	1,383	1,497	2,219	1,733	-21.9%	1,460	-15.7%	1,619	10.9%
Subsidies Shared Revenue	638	3,216	4,613	5,452	18.2%	5,854	7.4%	5,556	-5.1%
Judgments, Settlements & Bonds	0	0	37	0	-100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transfers and Non-Expense	34	352	55	11	-79.8%	13	14.3%	8	-38.4%
Total	143,110	147,273	156,133	171,525	9.9%	178,264	3.9%	186,455	4.6%

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Program Series 1: Judiciary/Supreme Court (138A0)

The Supreme Court has one program series containing one program (138B1), named Judiciary/Supreme Court, which is established by Article IV, Section 1, of the Ohio Constitution. Article IV, Section 2, of the Constitution sets the size of the court and outlines its jurisdiction. Article IV, Section 5, of the Constitution grants rule making authority and other authority to the court. The Supreme Court is the court of last resort in Ohio, and most of its cases are appeals from the 12 district courts of appeals.

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2017	FY 2018	% Change	FY 2019	% Change
GRF	005321	Operating Expenses - Judiciary/Supreme Court	155,576,646	162,561,608	4.5%	170,954,475	5.2%
GRF	005406	Law-Related Education	166,172	200,000	20.4%	200,000	0.0%
GRF	005409	Ohio Courts Technology Initiative	3,350,000	3,350,000	0.0%	3,350,000	0.0%
3J00	005603	Federal Grants	1,617,750	1,705,708	5.4%	1,528,315	-10.4%
4C80	005605	Attorney Services	8,164,315	8,166,646	0.0%	8,122,279	-0.5%
5HT0	005617	Court Interpreter Certification	45,356	8,670	-80.9%	9,537	10.0%
5SP0	005626	Civil Justice Grant Program	350,000	350,000	0.0%	350,000	0.0%
5T80	005609	Grants and Awards	53,815	6,000	-88.9%	6,000	0.0%
6720	005601	Continuing Judicial Education	337,960	100,000	-70.4%	100,000	0.0%
6A80	005606	Supreme Court Admissions	1,439,813	1,457,461	1.2%	1,477,098	1.3%
5JY0	005620	County Law Library Resources Boards	423,000	357,500	-15.5%	357,500	0.0%
Total for Judiciary/Supreme Court			171,524,827	178,263,593	3.9%	186,455,204	4.6%

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Line Item Summary by Budget Fund Group

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Actual			Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	% Change	FY 2019	% Change
GRF	005321	Operating Expenses - Judiciary/ Supreme Court	133,304,086	134,416,177	142,937,200	155,576,646	162,561,608	4.5%	170,954,475	5.2%
GRF	005406	Law-Related Education	236,172	236,172	166,172	166,172	200,000	20.4%	200,000	0.0%
GRF	005409	Ohio Courts Technology Initiative	625,715	3,571,890	2,944,400	3,350,000	3,350,000	0.0%	3,350,000	0.0%
Total General Revenue			134,165,973	138,224,239	146,047,772	159,092,818	166,111,608	4.4%	174,504,475	5.1%
3J00	005603	Federal Grants	1,568,972	1,041,520	1,207,788	1,617,750	1,705,708	5.4%	1,528,315	-10.4%
Total Federal			1,568,972	1,041,520	1,207,788	1,617,750	1,705,708	5.4%	1,528,315	-10.4%
4C80	005605	Attorney Services	5,602,786	6,042,797	7,299,961	8,164,315	8,166,646	0.0%	8,122,279	-0.5%
5HT0	005617	Court Interpreter Certification	28,198	0	1,705	45,356	8,670	-80.9%	9,537	10.0%
5SP0	005626	Civil Justice Grant Program	0	0	0	350,000	350,000	0.0%	350,000	0.0%
5T80	005609	Grants and Awards	4,035	13,274	50,194	53,815	6,000	-88.9%	6,000	0.0%
6720	005601	Continuing Judicial Education	134,108	890	3,125	337,960	100,000	-70.4%	100,000	0.0%
6A80	005606	Supreme Court Admissions	1,321,367	1,407,145	1,335,877	1,439,813	1,457,461	1.2%	1,477,098	1.3%
Total Dedicated Purpose			7,090,494	7,464,106	8,690,862	10,391,259	10,088,777	-2.9%	10,064,914	-0.2%
5JY0	005620	County Law Library Resources Boards	284,618	543,054	186,697	423,000	357,500	-15.5%	357,500	0.0%
Total Fiduciary Funds			284,618	543,054	186,697	423,000	357,500	-15.5%	357,500	0.0%
Grand Total Judiciary / Supreme Court			143,110,057	147,272,919	156,133,119	171,524,827	178,263,593	3.9%	186,455,204	4.6%