

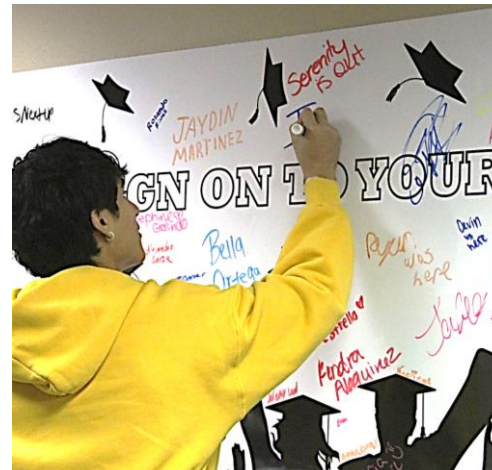
Municipal Court

FY 2027

Proposed Budget

City Council Budget Work Session
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Purposes of Courts

Courts exist to uphold the rule of law, protect individual rights, resolve disputes impartially, ensure fair and timely access to justice.



Justice & Rights:

Protect constitutional rights, due process, equal protection.

Fair & Impartial Resolution:

Neutral forum for fair, timely resolution of legal disputes.

Public Trust & Rule of Law:

Transparent court processes, judicial independence, confidence in justice.

Overview

Court Judiciary & Case Adjudication



- General Arraignment
- Docketing:
 - City Code
 - Animal Docket
 - Family Violence
 - Administrative Hearings
 - Trials

Municipal Court Operations



- Cashier
- Call Center
- Virtual Services
- Case Records
- Adjudication
- Specialty Court
- Compliance Warrant Officers
- Court Technology

Magistrate Services



- Art. 15.17 Hearings of higher offenses
- Magistration of Class C misdemeanor offenses
- Blood draw warrants
- Arrest/Search warrants
- Magistrate's order of emergency protection
- Mental health assessments

Juvenile Court Services



- Juvenile docket
- Youth Diversion Program
- Teen Court
- Community service
- Truancy Prevention & Intervention
- Student retention
- Senior Summits

Municipal Court Security

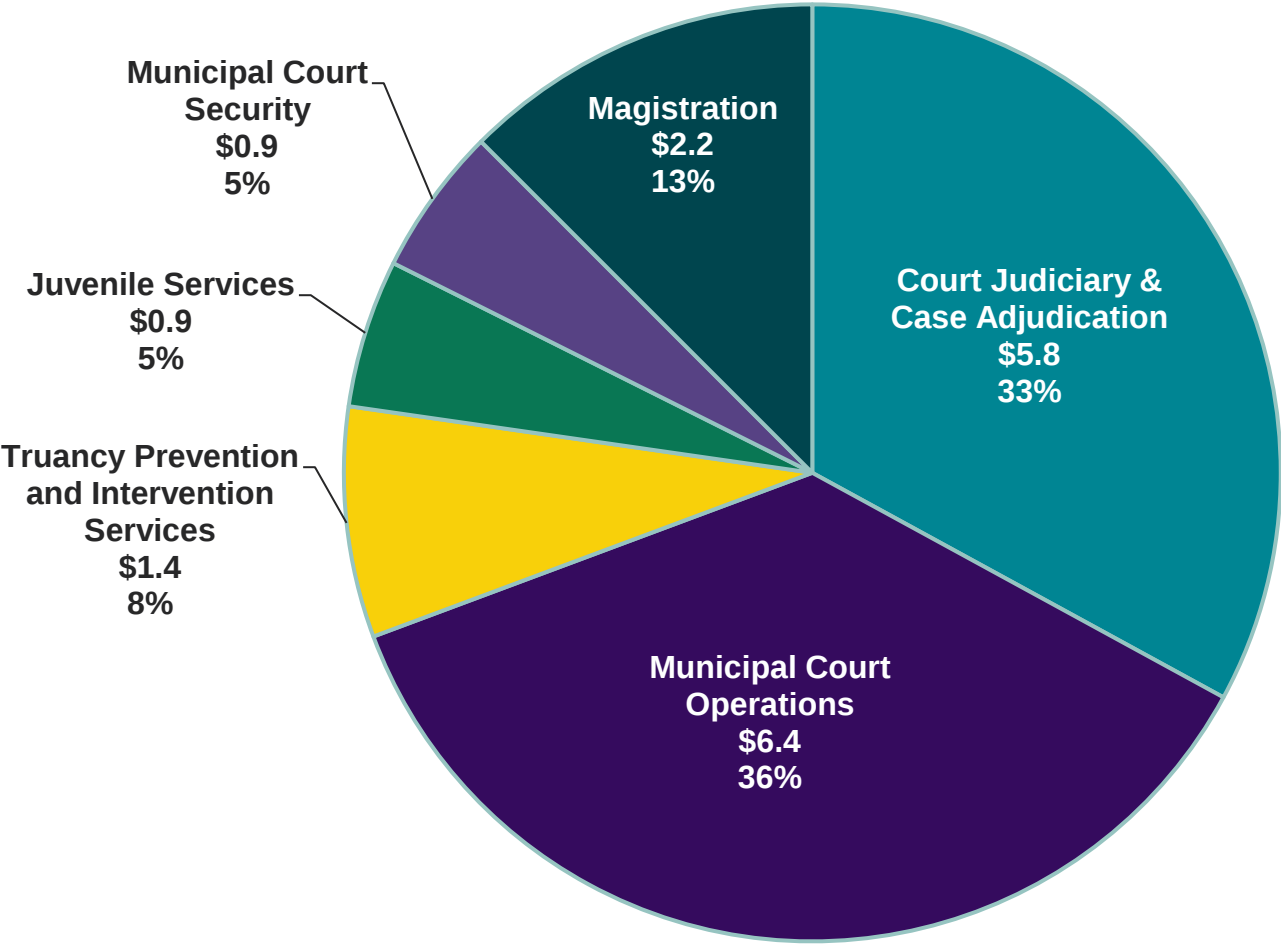


- Secure public access
- Threat and incident reporting
- Courtroom security
- Building security
- Secure area access
- Security Committee
- Facilities management

FY 2027 Proposed Budget: \$17.6 Million

Fund (\$ in Millions)	FY 2027 Proposed
General Fund	\$14.8
Restricted Funds	\$2.5
Grants	\$0.3
Total	\$17.6

Positions	
General Fund	118
Restricted Funds	16
Grants	5
Total	139



FY 2027 Reductions: \$445,273

Reduces 3 positions with no impact
\$309,872

- One filled Municipal Court Manager position in Court Services Division
- Two vacant Warrant Officer positions in Magistrate Services Division

Citywide reductions with no impact
\$135,401

- \$73,275 Right-size line items
- \$5,065 Reduction in education and travel
- \$57,061 Increase in turnover target

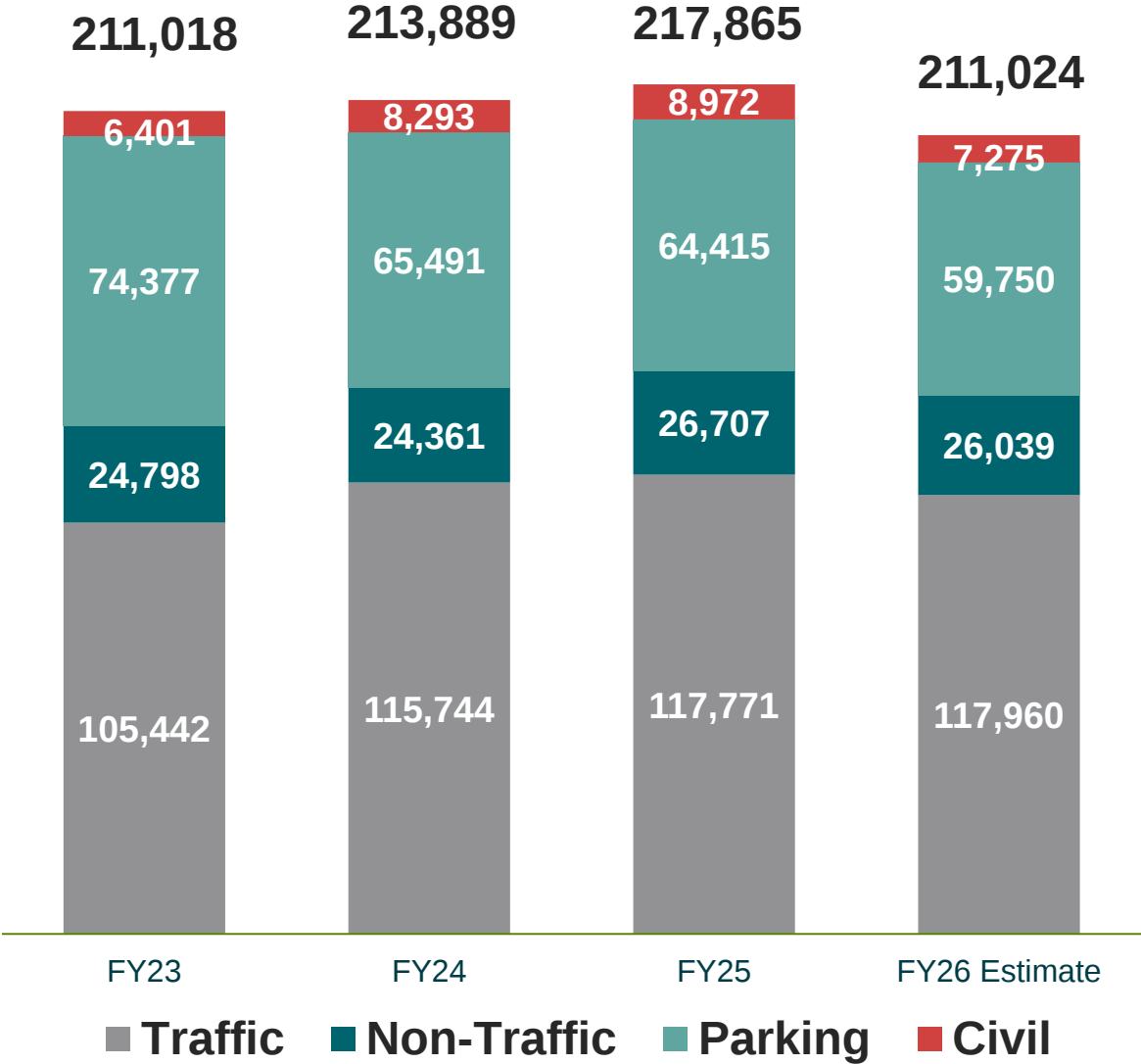
FY 2027 Revenue Enhancements

- Increases support for infrastructure, technology, and third-party processing services required to ensure reliable and efficient online transactions.

Revenue Change Description	Date Last Adjusted	FY 2026 Rate	FY 2027 Rate	FY 2027 New Revenue Amount	Cost of Service
Online Kiosk Payment Convenience Fee	2004	\$4.00 per transaction	\$5.00 per transaction*	\$121,908	\$5.15

**The State maximum fee allowable is \$5.00 per transaction.*

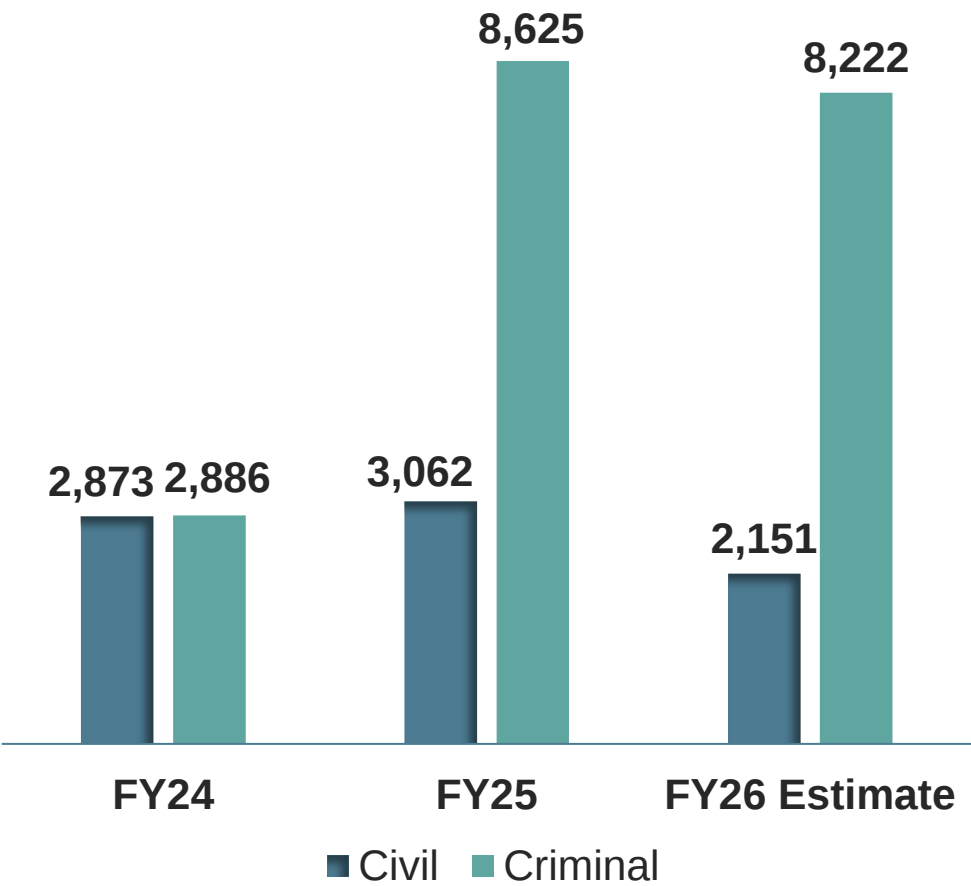
Case Filings FY23 - FY26



Offense Type	Examples
Traffic	- Speeding - Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign - Disregard Red Light
Non-Traffic	- Public Intoxication - Disorderly Conduct - ACS & Code Criminal Offenses
Parking	- Blocking a Fire Lane - Double-Parked - Parking Meter Pay Station Violation
Civil	- ACS Violations - Code Violations - Ground Transportation

Animal Docket

Criminal & Civil Animal Filings

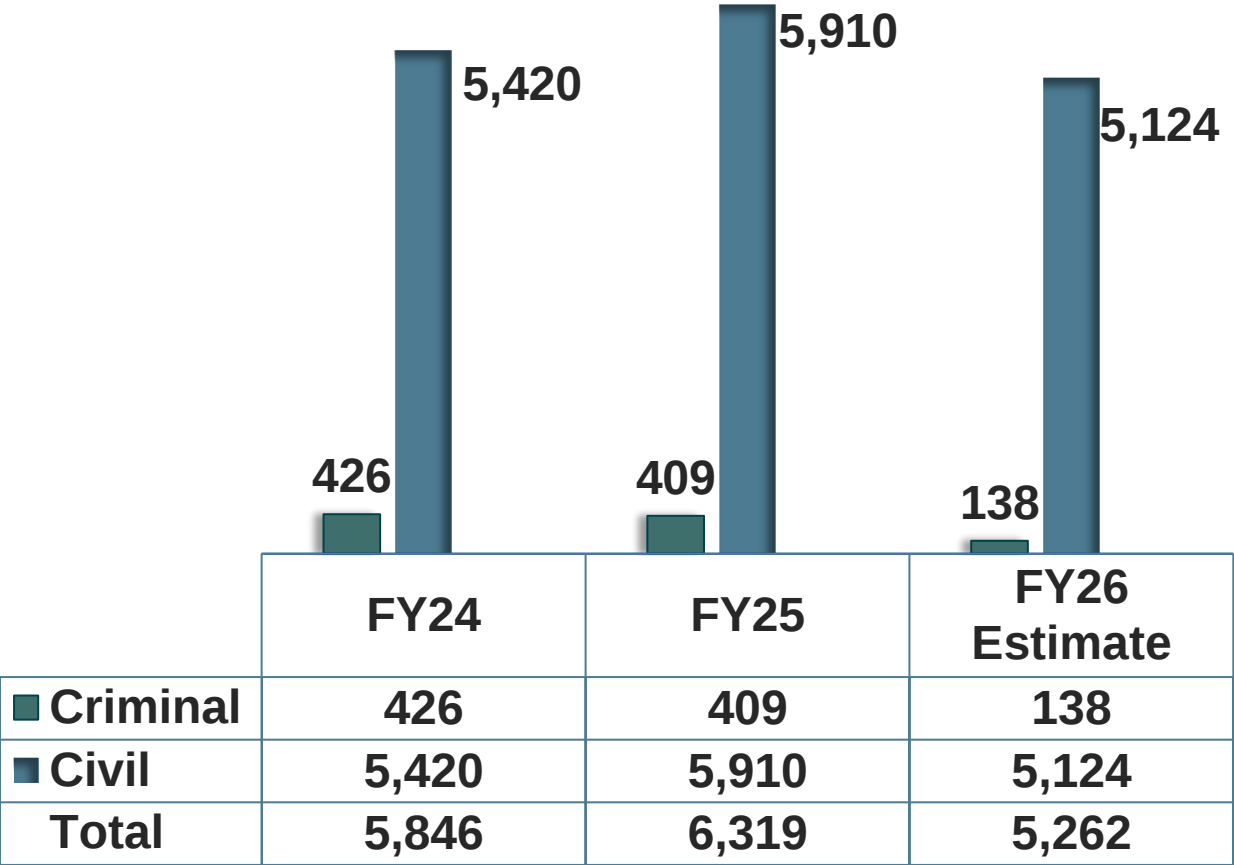


Outcomes	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026 Estimate
Criminal Cases			
Closed – guilty	363	682	1,164
Dismissal – probation	194	458	672
Dismissal – prosecutor recommends	898	2,126	3,396
Warrants issued	898	3,632	7,512
Civil Animal Hearings			
Failure to comply w/dangerous dog requirements	22	55	72
Cruelty to animals	29	26	36
Aggressive/dangerous dog appeals	10	6	12
Serious bodily injury	26	34	36

Code Docket

Civil Case Outcomes	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026 Estimate
Found liable	3,619	2,806	3,360
Found not liable	9	19	24
Case dismissed	356	611	756
Total	3,984	3,436	4,140

Criminal & Civil Code Filings



Juvenile Services

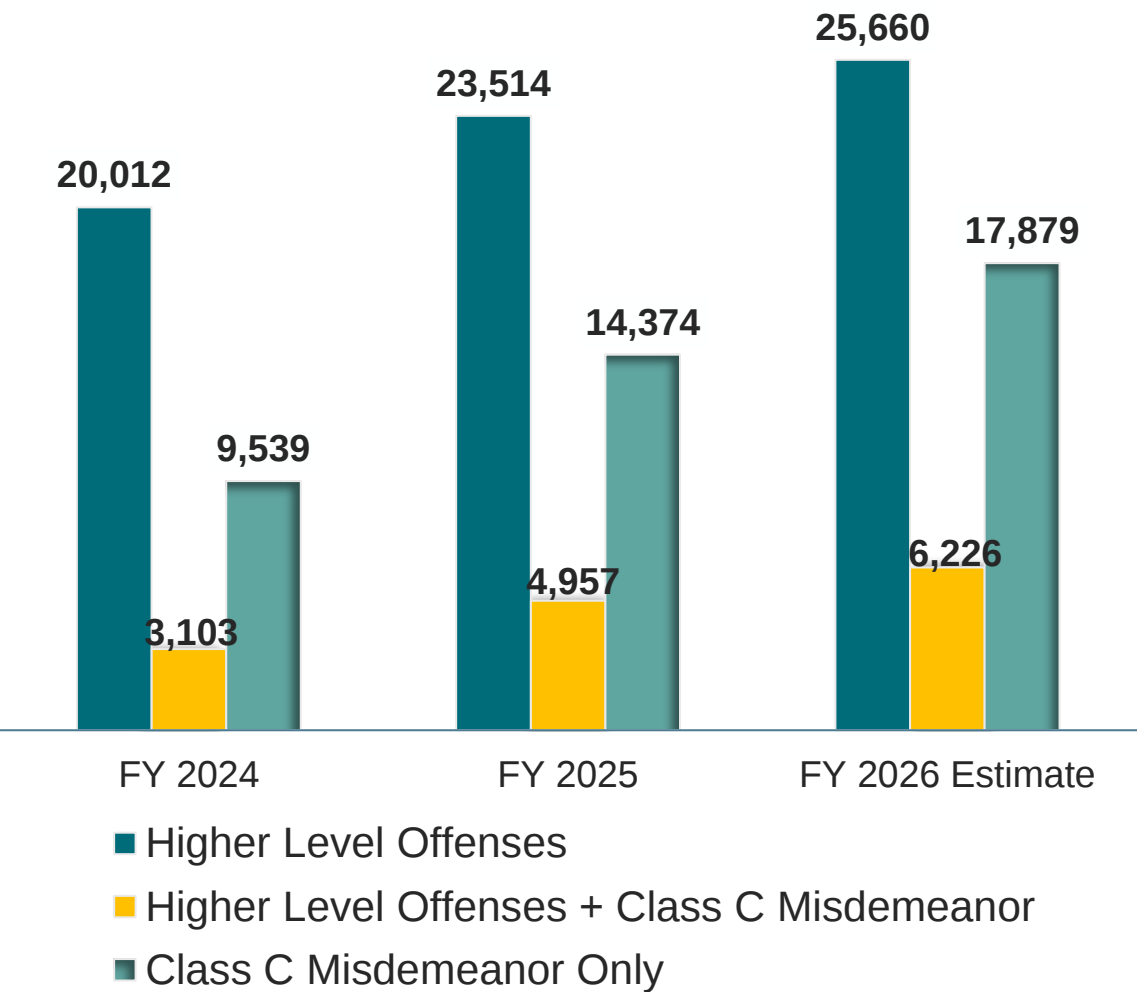
Intervention By Type ¹ (AY 25/26)	# Invited	# Attended	% Engaged
Truancy Prevention Forums	10,289	4,175	41%
Student Attendance Mediations	4,506	2,157	48%
Student Retention Support	2,203	704	32%
Senior Summits	1,266	510	40%
Grade Transition Support	849	279	33%
Youth Diversion Case Dispositions ² FY 2026 To-Date			
# Diversion Referrals			179
# Cases Successful Diversion			126
# Cases Unsuccessful Diversion			16

Service Population by Council District (AY 25/26)	
District	# of Students
3	3,477
5	3,273
2	2,280
4	1,916
7	1,611
6	1,404
1	1,054
8	458
9	43
10	37
UBC ³	1,804
Total	17,357

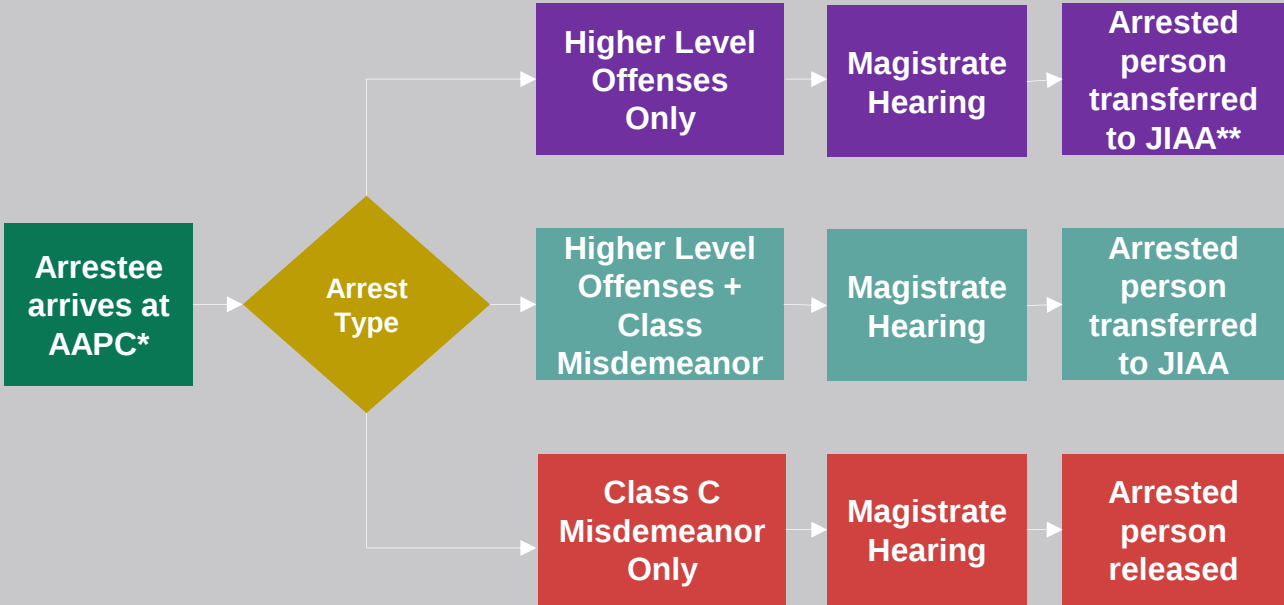
¹Services for students/youth in school are measured on an academic year, nine-month scale.
²Year-round services for youth are measured on a fiscal year, 12-month scale.

³Unincorporated Bexar County population are students living in non-council district areas of Bexar County

Magistrate Services



*Arrestee Administrative Processing Center (City facility)
**Bexar County Justice Intake & Assessment Annex



Additional Judicial Orders	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026 Estimate
Arrest Warrant/ Search Warrant	321	411	440
Mental Health Assessment Order	6,681	8,541	9,647
Magistrate’s Order of Emergency Protection	1,107	959	900
Blood Draw Warrant	1,869	1,982	2,656

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