

FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT
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Letter from Clerk Lori M. Tyack

Welcome to the Ninety-Fifth Annual Report of the Franklin County Municipal Court and Clerk's Office. As Clerk, my commitment is to create and implement new efficiencies; continue to find new ways to improve operations; and to cultivate cooperation with other government agencies and the community. This report includes new efficiencies implemented by the Clerk's Office in 2010 as well as strategic priorities set for 2011.

During May of 2010, a new Electronic Payment program was implemented. This program provides a convenient way for defendants to pay their traffic fines and costs through an online payment system or at a Kiosk placed in the main lobby of the Court Complex. The defendant assumes a small fee for the convenience of paying online, the City of Columbus, Franklin County, its Municipalities, and the State of Ohio receive 100% of the costs and fines ordered by the Court. Since the implementation of this new program, the City of Columbus has saved over Forty-Seven Thousand, Four Hundred Dollars (\$47,400) and has received over Three Million Dollars (\$3M) using this payment option. (The projected annual cost savings is \$75,000)

A new Electronic Certified Mail program began in June of 2010. This program created a significant time savings for staff and cost savings to the City of Columbus. Postage savings were approximately Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000 or \$1.20 per piece of mail), and savings in supplies and envelopes totaled approximately Seven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$7,400). The estimated year end savings for 2010 was Fifty One Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$51,800). (The projected annual cost savings will be \$80,000 to \$100,000 depending upon the case load)

Throughout 2010, the Clerk's Office accomplished a number of green initiatives promoted by the Franklin County Commissioners and the City of Columbus. Through our recycling and shredding program, over twenty-one (21) trees have been saved. Other recycling measures include purchasing recycled paper for copies, file folders and recycled toner cartridges. Most significantly, our carbon footprint was reduced by Fifty percent (50%) in the data center and we project a Forty percent (40%) reduction in power consumption through the replacement and consolidation of twenty-six (26) servers.

In early 2010, the Clerk's Website was given a face-lift and renamed the "Court Access & Search Engine" (CASE) Network. The CASE Network offers the ability to conduct a Municipal case search using basic case information. This change provided ease of use for the public and provided more efficient access to public records.

The Clerk's Office submits Strategic Priorities annually to the City of Columbus and to the Franklin County Commissioners. The objective of these Strategic Priorities is to save valuable taxpayer dollars and better utilize staff resources. The Strategic Priorities for 2011 include:

- Creation of a Web-Based Garnishment Management System
- Day-Forward Imaging for Workflow Process
- Web-Based Time Payment System
- Password protected access to our new CASE Network for Federal, State and Local agencies who require specific information for identification purposes

It is the Mission of the Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office to accurately maintain, safeguard and store all Court documents as well as collect and disburse all monies as directed by legal mandates. As the office continues to move forward through the creation of new efficiencies, I am constantly mindful that we must work together to conserve essential resources for future generations.

Lori M. Tyack, Clerk
Franklin County Municipal Court

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT

The Clerk's Office is entrusted with the responsibility of processing and archiving all Court records in accordance with file retention requirements established by the Supreme Court of Ohio. Additionally, the Clerk's Office calculates and fully details all financial transactions involving the Court. The Clerk's Office compiles and publishes an *Annual Report* each year that details the various categories of Court case filings and all financial transactions connected with all Court cases and statistically reports all relevant data regarding the same.



Lori M. Tyack, Clerk

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk of Court's Office is to accurately maintain, safeguard and store all Court documents as well as collect and disburse all monies as directed by legal mandates. This will be accomplished through a knowledgeable and diverse staff that will strive to serve all who use this office through competent customer service, communications and community outreach.

FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

The Franklin County Municipal Court has jurisdiction over traffic citations, criminal misdemeanor charges and civil case filings regarding disputes that range up to an amount of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00), as well as actions regarding building, health, housing or safety codes.

The Franklin County Municipal Court has county-wide jurisdiction and is divided into two (2) Divisions. The General Division is served by fourteen (14) Municipal Judges and the Environmental Division is served by one (1) Municipal Judge. Six (6) Magistrates also serve the Franklin County Municipal Court. Judges serve for a term of six (6) years.

COURT ADMINISTRATION

Administrative and Presiding Judge

Honorable Judge Paul M. Herbert

General Division Judges

Honorable Ted Barrows	Honorable Carrie E. Glaeden
Honorable Andrea Peebles	Honorable Anne Taylor
Honorable Mark A. Hummer	Honorable James E. Green
Honorable Scott D. VanDerKarr	Honorable H. William Pollitt, Jr.
Honorable David B. Tyack	Honorable Julia Dorrian
Honorable Amy Salerno	Honorable Michael T. Brandt
Honorable W. Dwayne Maynard	

Environment Division Judge

Honorable Harland H. Hale

Magistrates

Honorable Kathleen E. Graham	Honorable David S. Jump
Honorable Kirk Lindsey	Honorable Dennis R. Kimball
Honorable Antonio Paat	Honorable Denise Mathews

Clerk of Court

Honorable Lori M. Tyack

Court Administrator

Keith Bartlett

FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT
CLERK OF COURT MANAGEMENT STAFF 12/31/2010

Lori M. Tyack	Clerk of Court
Obie Lucas	Chief Deputy Clerk
Marilynn Stephens	Director of Public Relations
Tommy McFerin	Senior Advisor and Project Manager
Meagan McCabe/Jerry O'Shaughnessy	Human Resources Manager
Michelle LaMarr	Payroll Manager
Crystal Ross	Fiscal Administrator
Terry Brown	Fiscal Systems Analyst
Ken Euman	Assistant Fiscal Administrator
Roy Ball	Director of Operations
Susan Johnson	Receptionist
Rita LaForrest/Tina Newland	Quality Control
Judy Vance	Quality Control
Melissa Messina	Civil Division Manager
Marisa Akamine	Assistant Manager, Criminal/Traffic Division
Mike Cherry	Manager, Collection Division
Rhonda Ferguson	Manager, Accounting/Finance Division
Matt Hanna	Manager, Office of Information Services
Matt Pendency	Manager, Criminal/Traffic Division
Sancha Young	Traffic Violations/Communications Manager
Debra Jones	Assistant Manager, Traffic Violations Bureau
Mindy Cody	Supervisor, Civil Division
Kim Mitchell	Supervisor, Civil Division
Mike VanGundy	Supervisor, Civil Division
Brian Feldhaus/Colleen Peckens	Supervisor, Criminal/Traffic Division
Jerome Kemp	Supervisor, Criminal/Traffic Division
Rick Kramer	Supervisor, Criminal/Traffic Division
Mike Pizzurro	Supervisor, 2nd Shift Criminal/Traffic Division
Colleen Peckens until 2/10	Supervisor, 2nd Shift Criminal/Traffic Division
Robyn Johnson	Supervisor, 3rd Shift Criminal/Traffic Division
Rhonda Ferguson/Jeff Dever	Supervisor, Accounting/Finance Division
Matt Davenport	Supervisor, Accounting/Finance Division
Mark Hanson	Supervisor, Office of Information Services

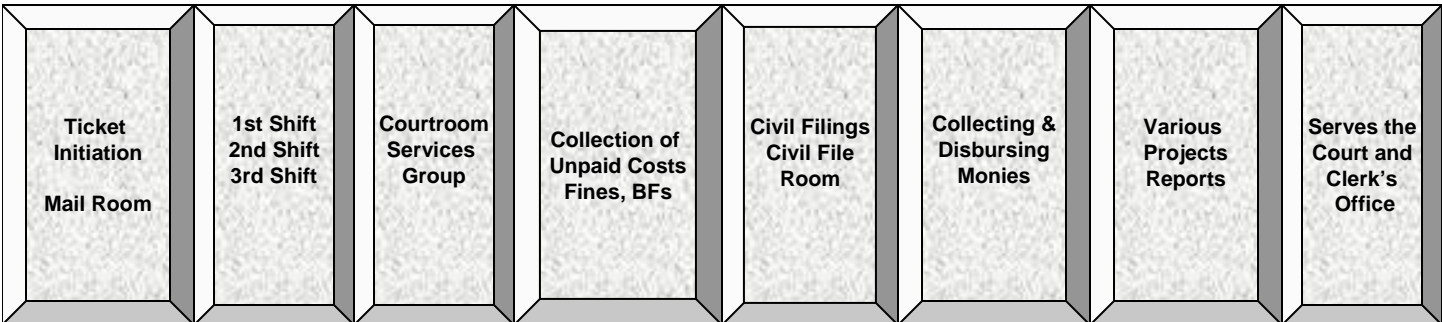
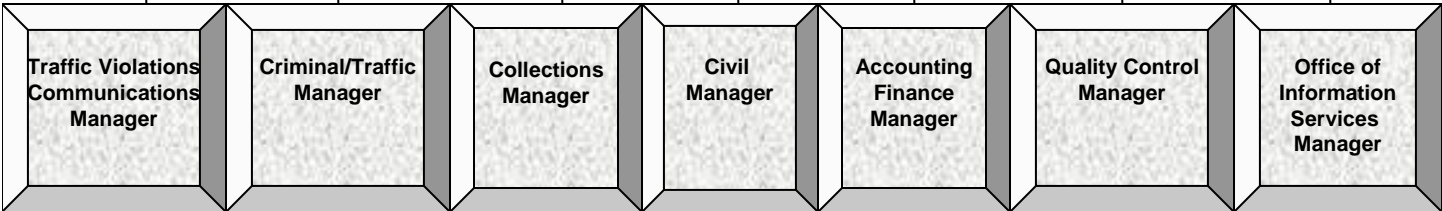
TABLE OF ORGANIZATION

Clerk of Court

Chief Deputy Clerk

Administrative Division

Senior Advisor/Special Projects
Director of Public Relations
Human Resources Manager
Director of Operations
Payroll Manager
Receptionist
Fiscal Administrator
Fiscal Systems Analyst
Assistant Fiscal Administrator



Funding of the Franklin County Clerk's Office

MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK'S OFFICE 2010 GENERAL FUND

•	Personnel Services	\$ 9,158,588
•	Materials and Supplies	158,401
•	Services for Operations and Maintenance	798,165
	Total	\$ 10,115,154

MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK'S OFFICE 2010 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

•	Personnel Services	\$ 712,425
•	Materials and Supplies	50,709
•	Services for Operations and Maintenance	659,177
•	Other Expenditures	
•	Capital Outlay	
•	Transfer Out-Operating	\$ 345,750
	Total	\$ 1,768,061

Clerk Administration Division

The Administrative Division of the Clerk's office is comprised of the Office of the Clerk, Chief Deputy Clerk, Director of Public Relations, Director of Operations, Senior Staff Advisor/Special Projects, Fiscal Administration, Fiscal Systems Analyst, Receptionist, Human Resources, which includes Payroll and training. This division oversees the day to day functions of the Clerk's Office. The Clerk's Office employees are guided by directives, budgets, programs, contracts, projects and grants. Also, guiding the Clerk's Office is implementation and control of communications and public relations for both external and internal audiences. In 2010, the Administrative Division accomplished and completed a wide variety of initiatives which includes the following:

- Negotiated contracts for E-pay and E-certified
- Renegotiated banking contract for higher earnings credit
- Awarded new vendor contract for CourtView support and maintenance
- Researched and implemented Legislative changes for the following:
 - Increase court cost and changes for disbursing funds
 - H.B. 338 - Driver's License Litigated in a single forum
 - H.B. 1 - (passed in 2009)
 - H.B. 431 - Consolidate Court Cost in O.R.C.
 - Rules of Superintendence (Rules 44-47) Personal Identifiers
- Submitted 19 Ordinances and 21 Legislated Contracts
- Deployed a payment and information Kiosk for public use
- Applied for Capital Improvement Funds for Imaging software and equipment
- Created a new Fiscal Systems Analyst position to review processes and procedure
- Outreach Missions:
 - St. Vincent Family Center:
 - Combined Charitable Campaign
 - The Mid Ohio Food Bank
 - Red Cross Blood Drive
 - Outreach with School Relationships & Internship

Office of Information Services

The Office of Information Services (OIS) provides technical support and services to the Franklin County Municipal Court and Clerk's Office. OIS is responsible for the operations of information systems including database and related technology infrastructure. Accomplishments for OIS in 2010 are as follows:

OIS provided active support for CourtView, a highly used and visible software program used extensively by the courts. This includes numerous hot line requests and the regular updating of the tables that support the application, and hold information about specific municipalities and offenses. This key software application, used by hundreds of people, supports the tracking of civil, traffic, criminal, and environmental court cases. Keeping this system running smoothly is a key OIS objective.

The FCMC website, www.fcmcclerk.com, was enhanced to allow payment online of certain minor offenses. We updated our website to create a more user friendly case search. Many people today rely on the convenience of online payment. Since the introduction of this service in Spring of 2010, more than 13,000 people have taken advantage and paid fines online.

Through a capital improvement request the Clerk's Office acquired 150 new desktop computers to begin the process of migrating away from the Windows XP operating system. Although Windows XP has proven to be a reliable platform to support computer operations, we began the process of migrating to Windows 7. This process started in 2010, and will continue through 2011.

OIS provides Help Desk support for both the Clerk and Court. Those services range from minor problems involving printer cartridges and system enhancements to major, system-down trouble shooting and repair. OIS handled over 5,000 Help tickets in 2010.

In order to simplify wiring and office set up, OIS changed to Power Over Ethernet servers. These machines support our Voice Over IP phone system by providing power to phones, reducing the number of wires required for each work station.

OIS worked closely with the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation to maintain our reporting mandates.

Opened new Imaging Center

- Inventoried over 4,000 boxes.
- Imaged 830 boxes of files and 500 Civil docket books.
- Twenty boxes of closed case files imaged every 3 ½ days.
- Assisted OIS in perfecting trouble shooting tracking system database.
- Recycled paper from 21 trees in new Shred-it program.

Quality Control Division

The Quality Assurance Division operated to minimize erroneous data through a system or real-time process monitoring, audit reporting and Total Quality Management strategies. Through business process improvement and change control programs, the Quality Assurance team has elevated efforts toward reengineering business processes and is better positioned to identify and leverage new technology. The following are a few of the proactive measures taken to ensure a high level of quality and to identify opportunities for improvement:

- Automated QIR prioritization tools have been developed to easily identify the most prevalent issues, allowing QC to spend less time analyzing data and more time developing corrective actions.
- A standard approach was adopted to define the basic steps necessary to identify high-priority issues, establish root cause, develop corrective actions, and to assist management with development of training plans relating to the issue.
- Web based groupware applications were developed to help management work with team members when personnel are separated either geographically or by shift.

Collection Division

The Collection Division oversees and coordinates the collection of debts owed to the Court, with the primary objective of seeking monies due to The City of Columbus. The Collection Division operates in conjunction with three (3) outside agencies. Additionally, the Collection Division is responsible for securing surety bond agent registration, monitoring compliance of State and Local Statutes and processing monthly billing statements. In 2010, the Collection Division:

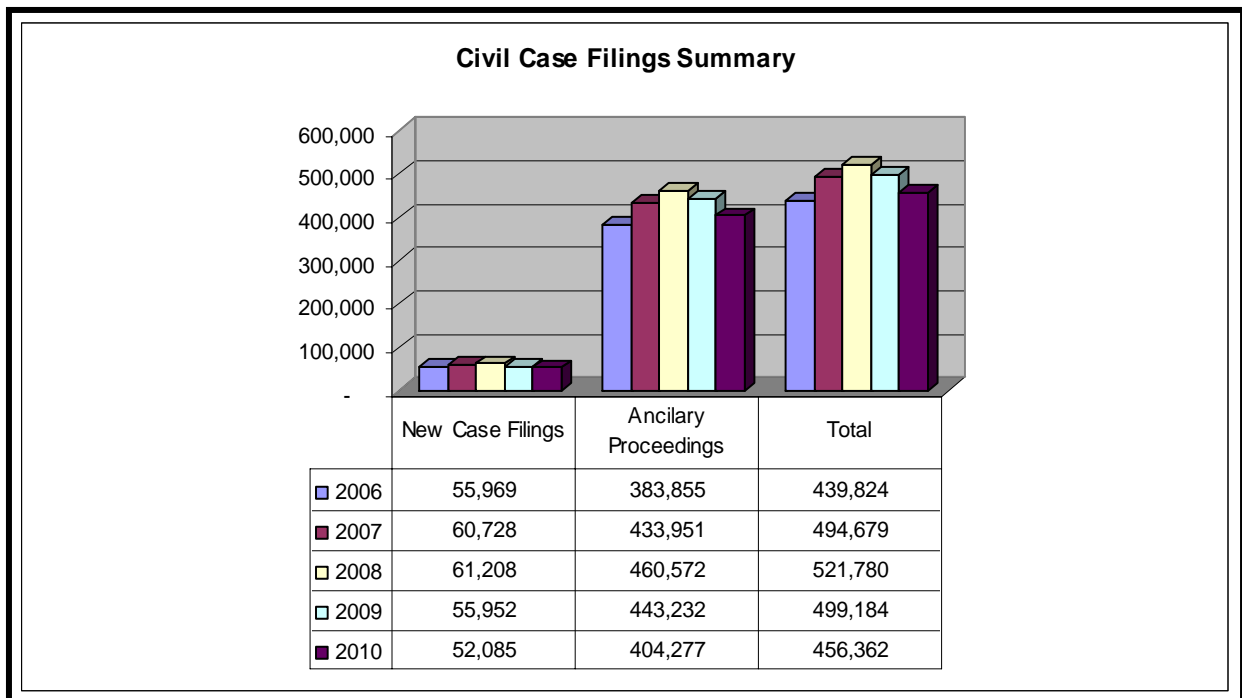
- Sent out \$6.16 million dollars to collection
- Collected over 2.1 million dollars
- Generated past due notices in-house for payable tickets.
- Continued efforts to collect monies due on Bond Forfeiture Judgments.
- Court waived bond forfeiture for individuals posting bond - \$65,362.00
- Bond Forfeiture Judgments paid - \$24,954.40
- Manage billings and compliance for Forty (40) Bonding Companies and over One Hundred Forty (140) Surety Agents.

AGENCIES	TOTAL AMOUNT SENT IN 2010	TOTAL COLLECTED 2010	COMMISSION PAID 2010
LINEBARGER	\$1,698,841.00	\$ 846,866.43	\$198,000.12
CAPITAL RECOVERY Bond Forfeitures	\$ 111,770.75	\$ 19,808.75	\$ 4,026.25
CAPITAL RECOVERY Enforcement Cases	\$1,342,643.00	\$ 286,793.98	\$ 78,517.00
DANA & PARISER	\$2,092,033.00	\$ 905,726.14	\$ 208,848.50
APELLES	\$ 349,966.00	\$ 102,883.00	\$ 24,480.00
TOTALS	\$6,160,331.75	\$ 2,146,223.95	\$ 493,197.04

Civil Division

The Civil Division is responsible for accepting, filing, issuing service, docketing, processing and maintaining records for civil cases. Civil cases include: contract disputes; personal injury; property damage; evictions; small claims; certificate of judgment transfers; foreclosures; declaratory judgments; housing and safety code issues. In 2010, the Civil Division accomplished the following:

- Implemented and trained staff for new electronic certified process
- Implemented the New Judgment Debtor Examination Process
- Redirected public to the information desk to create a better work flow
- Routed phone calls to file room for immediate assistance



2010 Annual Report					
New Civil Case Filings	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
Personal Injury/Property Damage	337	281	279	302	1,199
Contracts, Notes and Accounts	6,510	5,350	5,414	5,473	22,747
Forcible Entry & Detainer (Evictions)	4,235	4,770	5,537	4,633	19,175
Small Claims	1,810	1,834	1,897	1,633	7,147
Parking Violation Bureau	2	4	2	2	10
BMV Petition	236	168	260	403	1,067
Certificate of Judgment	4	6	7	22	39
Declaratory Judgment	15	5	38	13	71
Red Light Appeal	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Environmental	132	148	167		
Total	13,281	12,566	13,601	12,637	52,085

Civil Ancillary Proceedings	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
Certified Mail Service Issued	17,888	15,790	16,084	15,806	65,568
Ordinary Mail Service Issued	10,811	10,736	10,807	9,481	41,835
Bailiff Service Issued	5,773	6,310	7,426	6,251	25,760
Process Server Service Issued	117	177	172	158	672
Sheriff Service Issued	5	3	7	4	19
Service by Publication Issued	37	14	21	25	97
Registered Mail	1	0	1	5	7
Express Mail	0	0	0	1	1
Garnishments Issued	5,885	6,077	4,761	5,587	22,310
Garnishments Released	1,283	1,392	985	1,181	4,841
Writs of Restitution Issued	2,335	2,783	3,359	2,865	11,342
Requests for Set Outs Processed	1,648	1,929	2,349	2,033	7,959
Writs of Replevin Issued	6	7	11	9	33
Writs of Execution Issued	40	34	42	30	146
Judgments Certified to the BMV	16	30	5	5	23
Certificates of Judgment Issued	2,853	2,899	3,078	3,154	11,984
Transfers to Common Pleas Court	11	12	17	6	46
Civil Appeals Processed	8	10	18	12	48
Notice of Final Order Issued	19,805	21,735	21,535	15,410	78,485
Notice of Failed Service Issued	4,299	4,057	4,400	4,132	16,888
Exemplified Copies	42	50	41	25	158
Revivors of Judgment	127	82	103	84	396
Judgment Debtors	652	482	476	238	1,848
Civil Capias Warrants	72	81	84	79	316
Motion and Order for Show Cause	30	34	43	15	122
Motion for Contempt Orders	71	83	65	67	285
Mail Payments Processed	28,581	27,363	27,206	27,735	110,885
Total	102,396	102,170	103,096	96,568	404,277

Criminal/Traffic Division

The Criminal Traffic Division processes and maintains criminal, traffic, and environmental cases. The Criminal/Traffic Division provides a multitude of services to the general public, law enforcement and the Court. This Division plays an integral role in the promotion of public safety by providing support twenty-four (24) hours per day to law enforcement agencies throughout the county. Twenty-four (24) hour support is necessary for the filing and processing of criminal complaints as well as the verification of active warrants. The Criminal/Traffic Division is also responsible for collection and disbursement of bail/bond monies for defendants who are in custody. This process includes providing documentation to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office so defendants may be released from custody. The Criminal/Traffic Division is responsible for electronically reporting several types of violations to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). Daily, the Criminal/Traffic Division provides numerous services to assist the public, law enforcement, court personnel, and the legal community. Some of these services include collecting payment for court fines or for posting bond. The Division also processes applications for the Expungement of records and maintains and secures records ordered expunged. Other examples of service include administering oaths, accepting criminal and traffic charges, filing motions, filing search warrants, providing information about court cases, dispositions, future court dates, as well as assisting in the courtroom.

Five Year Comparative Review of Charges Filed					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Environmental	11,810	11,406	11,760	10,252	9,900
Criminal	47,949	46,933	43,541	42,352	43,414
Traffic	192,307	189,093	181,760	182,288	143,727
Total	252,066	247,432	237,061	234,892	197,041

Five Year Comparative Review of Cases Filed					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Environmental	6,336	5,943	5,959	5,463	4,834
Criminal	31,846	31,414	30,921	30,393	28,907
Traffic	123,147	122,109	119,523	120,111	95,174
Total	161,329	159,466	156,403	155,967	128,915

In 2010, the Criminal/Traffic Division accomplished the following:

Projects

- Developed and implemented a cohesive disaster recovery plan during controlled outages.
- Imaged all documents for cases created in Criminal/Traffic.
- Prepared active warrant files for Safe Surrender Program.

Phone Bank

- Effectively managed hours of operation regarding incoming public calls after 5:00 p.m.
- Re-organized telephone prompts for better routing of calls.

Law Enforcement

- Assisted Law Enforcement with STOP Program at OSU home football games.
- Provided a new daily report with updated information regarding felony cases filed.
- Participated in numerous sweeps carried out by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office.
- Updated cases daily for Crime Stoppers persons of the week.
- Re-opened the Fingerprint Station in the Courthouse with the assistance of the Columbus Division of Police.
- Communicated effectively with Law Enforcement, Prosecutors and the Court regarding new Confidential Identifier Forms.
- Developed a procedure for the arrest bond index for defendants who have more than two active warrants.
- Modified internal Warrant Verification Log to include vitals for warrant confirmation.
- Assisted with the introduction of new Slate Forms for Arraignment Court.

Assisted other City Agencies

- Worked cooperatively with the Public Defender's Office, Probation Department and Assignment Office.
- Coordinated with the Municipal Court Rules Committee and Franklin County Prosecutor to change the waiver of PH forms.
- Assisted Columbus City Prosecutor's Office in resolving old outstanding warrants.
- Established new procedure for remanded cases from Common Pleas Court.
- Routed Expungement case files without case limits to Probation Department.
- Condensed Expungement Forms to one page.

Criminal Cases 2010	
Type A - Felony	6,342
Type B - Criminal	22,544
Type C - OVI	1
Type D - All other	20
Total	28,907

Traffic Cases 2010	
Type A - Felony	0
Type B - Criminal	3
Type C - OVI	5,709
Type D - All other	89,462
Total	95,174

COURT SERVICES GROUP

The Courtroom Service Group (“CSG”) is a select group of highly skilled Deputy Clerks in the Criminal/Traffic Division responsible for the daily processing and updating of all cases on the Criminal/Traffic dockets. A CSG Deputy Clerk is assigned to each of the fifteen (15) Judges as well as the Arraignment Courtrooms (4C, 4D, 1A, 1B). On a daily basis, CSG Deputy Clerks docket subpoenas and motions, process unpaid fines and costs, enter sentencing information, issue warrants, process continuances, enter limited driving privileges, added Temporary Protections Orders, update bond information, and update all entries on CourtView. Additionally, CSG Deputy Clerks are responsible for routing files to the Assignment Office, Probation Department, Accounting/Finance Department, Expungement Department, Prosecutor’s Office, and to the Vehicle Immobilization Coordinator. The Group also timestamps, docket, pulls and routes Statement of Violations filed by the Probation Department. CSG also staffs LPD Court held on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. In addition, CSG Deputy Clerks run and process case management reports. Each CSG member acts as a liaison between the Court and the Clerk’s Office. CSG Deputy Clerks are the neutral party in the courtroom, therefore, to assist and provide information to everyone. After court, CSG assists with the public and attorney counters, answering telephones, working in the file room, and/or helping the Traffic Violations Bureau. In 2010 Court Services Group accomplished the following:

- Developed procedures and protocol in preparation for the Columbus Fugitive Safe Surrender Program.
- Worked with the County Prosecutor’s Office to develop a new procedure and form for cases that have been bound over to the Grand Jury.
- Implemented a new Add-On Procedure for Arraignment Courts 1A, 1B, 4C.
- Participated in a Customer Service for Court Personnel training class provided by the Supreme Court of Ohio Judicial College.

Expungements & Sealing of Cases in 2010

Number Of Applications Received For Expungement Proceedings	2,685
Number Of Cases That Were Ordered Expunged By The Court	2,211
Number Of Applications Denied For Expungement	315
Number Of Expungement Applications Withdrawn	36
Number Of Cases Expunged By Order Of The Common Pleas Court	336

Environmental Division

The Environmental Division of the Court began operations in 1992. This division has exclusive jurisdiction over criminal and civil actions to enforce building, housing, health, or safety codes applicable to premises intended for the use as a place of human habitation.

Environmental Cases 2010	
Type A - Felony	13
Type B - Criminal	3,372
Type C - OVI	12
Type D - All other	1,437
Total	
	4,834

Dog Violations			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
DOG REGISTRATION	0	2,439	2
DOG CONFINEMENT	1	527	0
CONFIN VICIOUS DOG	0	684	8
VICIOUS DOG INSURANCE	0	945	0
RABIES QUARANTINE	0	1,456	0
ABANDONING OR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	16	32	0
DISPLAY DOG TAG	0	63	1
DOG RUNNING AT LARGE	9	0	3
PROHIBITIONS CONCERNING ANIMALS	0	85	0
TOTAL	26	6,231	14

Code Violations / Permits			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
BUILDING CODE	273	0	22
ZONING CODE	362	1	29
NUISANCE ABATEMENT CODE	70	0	2
FIRE CODE	4	1	0
HEALTH CODE	90	7	1
TOTAL	799	9	54

Natural Resources / Wildlife			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
WILDLIFE VIOLATION	0	11	0
LITTERING	164	171	10
NO HUNTING LICENSE	0	0	0
NO FISHING LICENSE	0	53	0
UNLAWFUL SPITTING	16	0	0
DISTURBING THE QUIET	0	29	0
POLLUTING WATERS/AIR POLLUTION	0	8	0
PARK RESTRICTIONS	54	31	0
TOTAL	234	303	10

Fire Violations			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
NO MASSAGE LICENSE	18	0	0
NO PEDDLERS LICENSE	87	0	0
TOTAL	105	0	0

Commercial Trucking Offences			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
ARSON	0	2	0
OPEN BURNING/DUMPING	0	6	0
FIREWORKS	0	4	0
TOTAL	0	12	0

Other			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
LOAD DRIPPING/DROPPING	80	120	2
EXCEEDING MAXIMUM	0	0	0
WIDTH/ HEIGHT/ AND WEIGHT	20	63	7
MAXIMUM WHEEL LOAD	0	1,012	0
WHEEL PROTECTORS	3	41	0
TRANSPORT HAZARD WASTE	24	0	0
TOTAL	125	1,236	9

Other			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
Loud Sound	247	0	1
Graffiti	43	0	0
TOTAL	290	0	1

Murder / Assault			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
AGGRAVATED MURDER	0	22	0
MURDER	0	51	0
VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER	1	3	0
VEHICULAR HOMICIDE	0	1	0
ATTEMPTED MURDER	0	1	0
AGGRAVATED VEHICLE ASSAULT	0	7	0
FELONIOUS ASSAULT	0	353	0
FELONY ASSAULT	0	32	0
ASSAULTING A PEACE OFFICER	0	84	0
ASSAULT, NEGLIGENT ASSAULT, AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	332	4314	42
MENACING AND AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	135	975	28
MENACING BY STALKING	0	20	0
FELONY AGGRAVATED MENACING	0	3	0
FELONY MENACING BY STALKING	0	2	0
TOTAL	468	5868	70

KIDNAPPING & ENTICEMENT			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
KIDNAPPING	0	76	0
ABDUCTION	0	17	0
UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT	12	32	0
CHILD ENTICEMENT	0	5	0
TOTAL	12	130	0

SEX OFFENCES			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
RAPE	0	60	0
RAPE-UNDER 13 YEARS OLD	0	46	0
UNLAWFUL SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH A MINOR	0	26	0
GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION	0	12	0
GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION-UNDER 13 YEARS OLD	0	22	0
SEXUAL IMPOSITION	1	13	0
SEXUAL BATTERY	0	6	0
FELONY IMPORTUNING	0	3	0
IMPORTUNING	0	31	0
VOYEURISM	1	11	0
PUBLIC INDECENCY	74	111	2
SOLICITATION	745	230	2
PROSTITUTION	1	2	2
LOITERING FOR PROSTITUTION	4	0	0
PANDERING OBSCENITY	0	62	0
FAILURE TO REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER	0	1	0
FAILURE TO CHANGE OR RE-VERIFY ADDRESS AS SEX OFFENDER	0	84	0
TOTAL	826	720	6

ARSON, VANDALISM & CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
FELONY AGGRAVATED ARSON	0	40	0
AGGRAVATED ARSON	0	31	0
VANDALISM	0	25	0
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	74	34	3
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & ENDANGERMENT	173	212	15
TOTAL	247	342	18

DRUG ABUSE

Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
TRAFFICKING IN DRUGS	0	208	0
FELONY DRUG ABUSE	0	1344	0
MISDEMEANOR DRUG ABUSE	0	2,406	144
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	0	1831	143
DECEPTION TO OBTAIN DANGEROUS DRUGS	0	77	0
ILLEGAL PROCUREMENT OF DRUG DOCUMENTS	0	62	0
MANUFACTURE OF DRUGS	0	14	0
POSSESS/SELL FAKE DRUGS	0	17	0
POSSESSION OF DRUG INSTRUMENTS	0	0	21
LOITER-DRUG OFFENSES	2	4	0
TOTAL	2	5963	308

ROBBERY, BURGLARY & TRESPASSING

Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
AGGRAVATED ROBBERY	0	366	0
ROBBERY	0	210	0
AGGRAVATED BURGLARY	0	98	0
BURGLARY	0	412	0
BREAKING & ENTERING	0	203	0
SAFECRACKING & TAMPERING WITH A COIN MACHINE	5	10	0
CRIMINAL TRESPASSING	481	536	34
AGGRAVATED CRIMINAL TRESPASSING	1	30	1
TOTAL	487	1865	35

WEAPONS			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
CCW/FELONY	0	451	0
CCW	10	3	6
IMPROPER HANDLING OF FIREARM	1	14	3
WEAPONS UNDER DISABILITY	0	106	0
WEAPON USE WHILE INTOXICATED	8	0	1
DISCHARGING WEAPONS	43	0	5
POSSESSION OF CRIMINAL TOOLS	0	132	0
ATTEMPT/FELONY	3	77	0
ATTEMPT	0	218	0
COMPLICITY	13	170	3
TOTAL	78	1171	18

THEFT & FRAUD			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
GRAND THEFT	0	64	0
FELONY THEFT	0	45	0
THEFT/PETTY THEFT	721	3,547	207
FELONY THEFT BY DECEPTION	0	24	0
THEFT BY DECEPTION	0	33	2
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES	1	35	9
FELONY UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES-48 HOURS	0	19	0
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF PROPERTY	1	4	2
FELONY UNAUTHORIZED USE OF PROPERTY	0	1	0
FORGERY & UTTERING	0	544	0
PASSING BAD CHECKS	0	906	4
RSP	71	937	0
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARD MIS.	0	8	1
DEFRAUD, COUNTERFEIT & TAMPER WITH RECORDS	0	48	0
CRIMINAL SIMULATION	0	16	0
FELONY CRIMINAL SIMULATION	0	2	0
FELONY TAKING IDENTITY OF ANOTHER	0	78	0
TAKING IDENTITY OF ANOTHER		2	0
TOTAL	794	6313	225

OFFENCES AGAINST PEACE OFFICERS			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	895	518	39
RESISTING ARREST	308	258	19
FALSIFICATION/CERTAIN ACTS PROHIBITED	242	357	33
FAILURE TO COMPLY/ ELUDE	16	72	0
MISCONDUCT AT EMERGENCY	22	7	0
INDUCING PANIC	6	13	
MAKING FALSE ALARMS	4	11	1
IMPROPER USE OF 911	80	0	0
RIOT- ENTICING VIOLENCE	1	12	0
OBSTRUCTING OFFICIAL BUSINESS	357	396	17
OBSTRUCTING OFFICIAL BUSINESS FELONY	0	11	0
IMPERSONATING AN OFFICER	1	3	0
FLEEING AND ELUDING/FELONY	0	41	1
ESCAPE	0	7	0
FELONY ESCAPE	0	41	0
TOTAL	1932	1748	110

OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
ENDANGERING CHILDREN	0	486	2
ENDANGERING CHILDREN /OVI	0	29	0
FELONY ENDANGERING CHILDREN	0	24	0
INTERFERING WITH CUSTODY	0	21	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	0	3,910	0
FELONY VIOLATION TEMPORARY PROTECTION ORDER	0	8	0
PROTECTION ORDER FOR STALKING	0	11	0
CONTRIBUTE, INFLUENCE WITH MINOR	6		3
TOTAL	6	4489	5

OFFENCES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
CONTEMPT OF COURT	0	8	0
WITNESS INTIMIDATION	0	15	0
FELONY FORCE OR THREATEN WITNESS INTIMIDATION	0	15	0
TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE	0	86	0
PUBLIC URINATION	145	0	0
CONVEY ILLEGAL CONTRABAND TO JAIL	0	58	0
HARASSMENT BY INMATE	0	27	0
TELEPHONE HARASSMENT	0	207	18
DISRUPT PUBLIC SERVICES	0	4	0
TOTAL	145	420	18

ALCOHOL OFFENCES			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
PROHIBITED ALCOHOL UNDER 21 YEARS OLD	347	796	16
MINOR PURCHASING	22	7	4
OPEN CONTAINER	190	51	15
OPEN CONTAINER IN PUBLIC PLACE	440	318	0
OPEN CONTAINER IN MOTOR VEHICLE	268	58	5
KEEPER OF PLACE	9	6	0
TOTAL	1276	1236	40

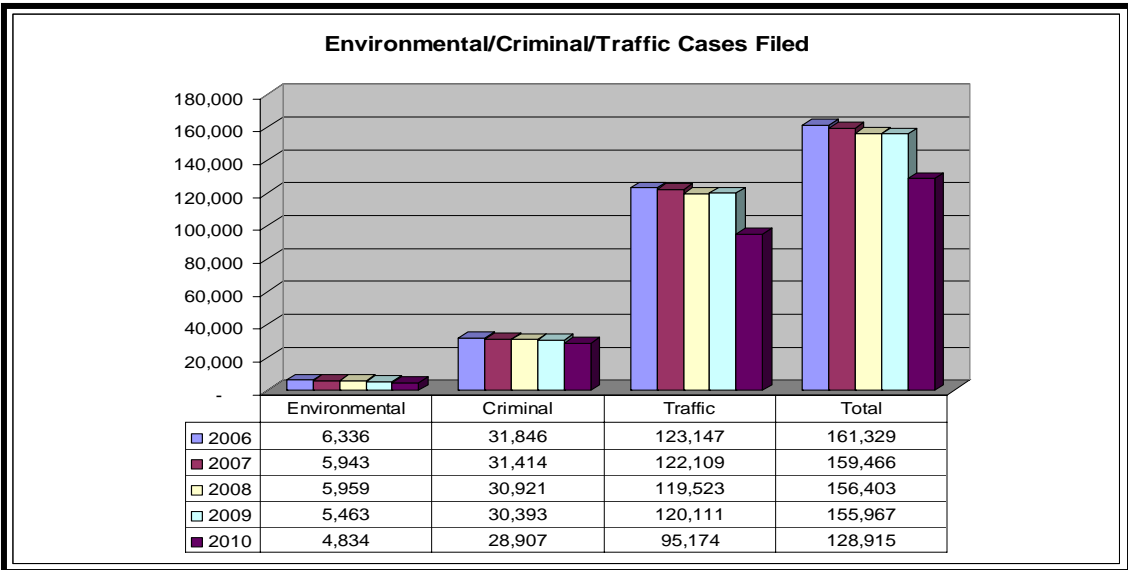
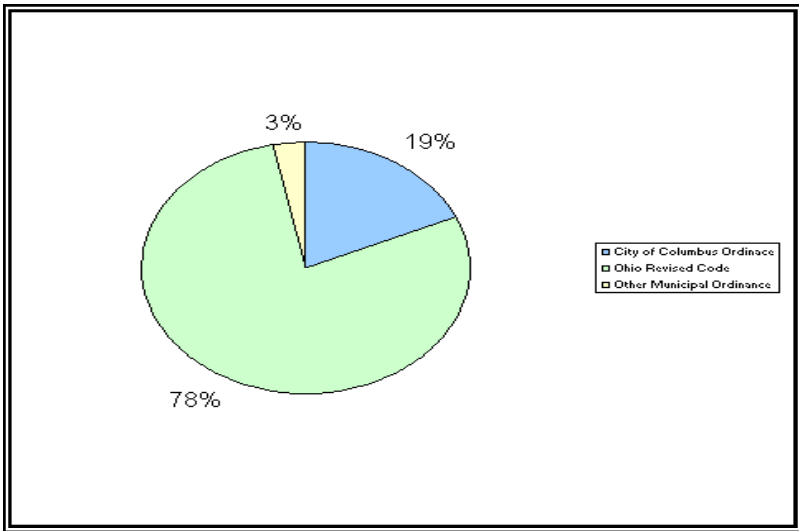
GAMBLING			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
PUBLIC GAMING	0	1	0
GAMING	0	3	0
TOTAL	0	4	0

MISC CRIMINAL VIOLATION			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE	0	70	0
HOLD FOREIGN JURISDICTION	0	397	0
CIVIL CAPIAS	0	123	0
ILLEGAL TOBACCO DISTRIBUTION	0	34	0
TAX FORMS	0	0	46
AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING	13	0	0
EXPOSING OTHERS-CONTAGION	0	10	0
MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER VIOLA.	0	16	0
TOTAL	13	650	46

OVI & PHYSICAL CONTROL			
Description	City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinances
OVI	1771	4,161	412
OVI PER SE	708	1931	36
PHYSICAL CONTROL	36	52	92
TOTAL	2515	6144	540

Summary of Cases

City of Columbus Ordinance	Ohio Revised Code	Other Municipal Ordinance
8801	37063	1439



Traffic Violations Bureau

The Traffic Violations Bureau manages all complaints issued by the following jurisdictions within Franklin County: Columbus Division of Police, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Franklin County Sheriff, Ohio State University Police, Port Columbus Police, eight (8) Townships, and other Municipal law enforcement agencies. Within the Traffic Violations Bureau is the Communications Department. The function of the Communications Department is to further promote ongoing communications and the delivery of excellent public service to the general public, law enforcement agencies, attorneys, court personnel, other courts and governmental agencies. The responsibilities of The Traffic Violations Bureau and Communications Department include the following:

- Initiating payable and mandatory offenses; this includes traffic, criminal, and environmental cases.
- Sending out notices and summonses for new court dates on traffic, criminal and environmental cases.
- Housing payable traffic cases with future court dates and cases 30 days after the original court date.
- Preparing cases to be processed for the Judge signing session.
- Opening, logging and processing mail for all divisions.
- Processing payments to ensure accuracy prior to being receipted.
- Referring cases to Magistrates and Judges for payment determinations.
- Sending out letters for invalid car insurance and payments for traffic, criminal and or environmental cases.
- Processing cases transferred from Mayor's Courts, which may include bond money and slated defendants.
- Assisting the public, employers, City, County and State Agencies by providing case dispositions pertaining to public record requests.
- Preparing the daily traffic court docket sheets.
- Entering Identification Tracking Numbers (ITN's) into CourtView.

In 2010, the Traffic Violations Bureau accomplished the following:

- Imaged all original tickets and/or complaints filed with the Court; implemented new confidential identifier forms
- Modified letters to reflect changes in policy and procedures
- Cross-trained staff to ensure all daily responsibilities were completed
- Attended Citywide Training Classes to gain additional knowledge of professionalism and customer service to successfully attain our mission statement
- Held weekly staff meetings to keep the lines of communication open due to policy changes questions/concerns
- Assisted the Criminal/Traffic Department with the end of the year file control
- Invested in the community by providing opportunities for internships to High School students

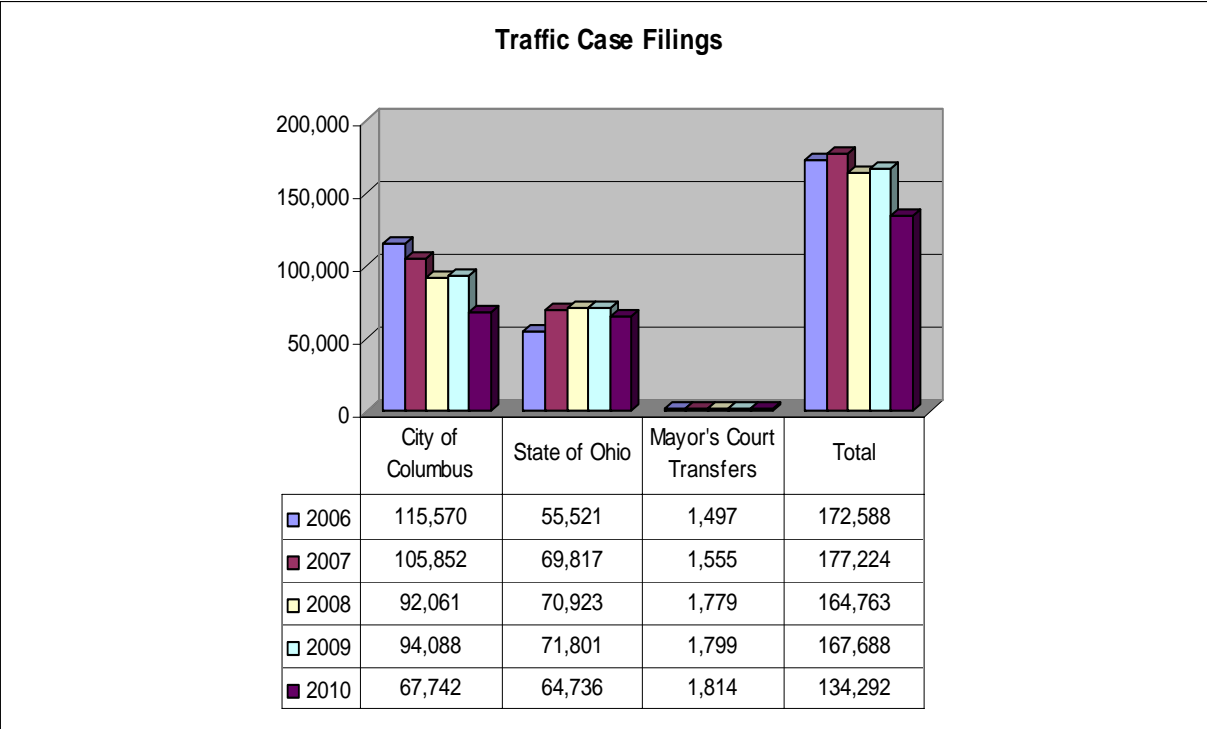


CITY OF COLUMBUS TRAFFIC CASES FILED IN 2010

ACDA	6,210	Failure to Display	74
Appr Pub Safety Veh w/Lts Dis	115	Failure to Display Headlights	284
Back Across Center Line	2	Failure to Display Two Plates	113
Backing from Alley, Priv Dr/Bldg	36	Failure to Reinstate License	1,478
Backing on a Freeway	5	Failure to Signal	1,483
Backing w/out Safety	362	Failure to Stop/Grade Crossing	3
Backup Lights/Forward	2	Failure to Stop-Accident	190
Bicycle Brake/Bell Required	14	Failure to Stop-School Bus	38
Bicycle Lamps/Refll Req at Night	150	Failure to Yield from Private Dr	699
Bicycle Signal Device	41	Failure to Yield-Funeral Proc	3
Bicycle to Ride on Right Side	43	Failure to Yield Public Safety Veh	69
Bicycle-Operate w/o Safety	59	Failure to Yield Ped Xwalk/Sdwk	54
Bicycle-Park on Sidewalk Restr	3	False Info to Issuing Officer	23
Bicycle-Ride on Sidewalk Proh	89	Flashing Lights Prohibited	9
Blue Light Prohibited	37	Flashing Traffic Signal	49
Board/Alight in Motion Proh	3	Focus and Aim of Headlights	1
Brake Equipment Requirements	4	Following Emergency Vehicle	2
Certain Acts Prohibited	142	Following too Closely	146
Chg Course w/o Safety	424	FTY "T" Intersection	22
Cycle-Helmet/Glasses	10	FTY Right on Red	24
Display False License	1	Hand/Arm Signals	1
Drive Across Grade Crossing	3	Hazardous or No Passing Zone	92
Drive on Closed Highway	39	Hit Skip-Pub Street	635
Drive on Curb/Sidewalk	54	Horn/Siren/Alarm Signal	1
Drive over Fire Hose	4	Improper Bumper	4
Drive through Safety Zone	2	Improper Left Turn	326
Driving Left of Center Proh	160	Improper Passing	96
Driving on Right Side	101	Improper Right Turn	301
Driving outside License Restr	50	Inadequate Brakes	6
Driving u/FRA Susp-Immob	3,010	Interfere w/Arrest	1
Driving u/OVI Susp-Immob	218	Intersection w/Non-Wrk Traf Cntrl	17
Driving u/Susp-Rev	4,230	Lane Control Signals	3
Driving Unsafe Vehicle	77	Let Unlicensed Driver Drive	2
Driving Within Lanes	803	License Plate Violation	5
Duties/Non Working Signal	1	M/C Ops/Exp Ops	10
Emerg Veh-Fail to Slow Down	1	Manner of Signal-Bicycle	4
Expired Tags	829	Marked Lanes	995
Fail to Display License	2	Mirror-Unobstructed View	1
Fail to Register	12	Motor Vehicle/Cycle Noise	10
Fail/Keep to Right	1	Muffler, Excessive Gas or Smoke	203
Failure to Comply	275	No Moped License	2
Failure to Control	3,098	No Motorcycle Endorsement	45

No Operator's License	5,472	Prohibited Starting-School Bus	1
No Ops License Exp < 6 Months	282	Prohibited Turn	380
Non Trans Mat on Window Proh	5	Prohibited Use of Mobile Comm	30
Obscured Lights	2	Prohibited/Left of Center	31
Obscured Windshield Prohibited	15	Prohibition/Highway	6
Obstructed View-Driver	7	Rear License Plate Light	20
Obstructed View-Passenger	2	Rear View Mirror, Clear View	24
Obstructing Intersec/RR Xng	69	Red Light/Flag Req on Ext Load	3
One Way-Bicycle	5	Red Reflectors Req on MV/Trailer	12
One Way-Highway/Rotary	358	Refl Material on Window Proh	3
Open Door in Traffic	31	Registration Violation	52
Open Door w/o Safety	10	Repeat Offender Suspension	52
Operate w/Foreign Tag	3	Req Distr of Headlight Beams	64
Operate w/Tag From Prev Owner	8	Resisting Traffic Enf Official	27
Operating w/Outside Rider Proh	4	Riding Bicycle/Motorcycle Restr	5
Operation of Moped-Requirement	1	Riding on Outside Prohibited	8
Operation of MV/MC on Sidewlk	3	Right of Way When Turning Left	1,520
Operation w/Proh Window Tint	1,252	Right of Way: Pedestrian	10
Parking Violations	13	ROMV	287
Passing on the Left	103	Rt of Way/Stop/Yield	423
Passing on the Right	79	Rt of Way: Intersection	51
Passing Vehicle Stopped at Xwvk	1	Sell/Buy Traffic Device	1
Pedestrian Control Signal	42	Side Cowl,Fender,Backup Lght	5
Pedestrian Cross w/o Safety	157	Signal Terms/Lights	510
Pedestrian Diagonal Xng Restr	39	Slow Moving Veh/Dr on R Side	2
Pedestrian on the Roadway	175	Slow Speed	161
Pedestrian Outside Bridge/Tunnel	2	Slow Vehicle Headlight Req	1
Pedestrian Outside Xwvk to Yield	126	Speed	16,789
Pedestrian Solicit from Roadway	620	Spotlight/Aux Driv Lght Proh	2
Pedestrian Solicit Ride Prohibited	25	Squealing Tires	114
Pedestrian to Face Traffic	18	Stop Lights Required	70
Pedestrian to Yield R of Way	5	Stop Sign	1,611
Pedestrian Under the Influence	200	Stop-Sidewalk Area	96
Pedestrian Use of Xwvk Req	277	Street Racing	3
Pedestrian Use of Sidwvk/Shldr	574	Tag Violations	1,378
Permit Riding/Cargo Area Proh	1	Tail/License Plate Light Req	439
Posses Xtra Licenses	1	Tampering W/Traf Cntrl Device	3
Poster/Sign Window	7	Temp Plate-Display	1
Prohibited Number of Headlghts	99	Temp Prmt Without Lic Driver	6
Prohibited Riding In/On Vehicle	1	Temporary Permit Violation	241
Prohibited Right Turn	30	Temporary Permit/MC Violation	5
Prohibited Start/Backing	147	Title/Violation	5

Traffic Control Device	2,303		
Traffic Cntrl Dev-Pedesterian	36		
Turn on Red	127		
Turn/Disregard Paint	2		
Turn/From One Way Street	7		
Turn/Stop Signals	26		
Turning at Intersections	580		
Turning into Priv Dr,Alley,Bldg	17		
Two Lights Required	222		
Unnecessary Horn	20		
Use Fictitious Plates	54		
Use of Headphones	17		
Use Tag to Another Vehicle	401		
U-Turn	530		
Valid Ops/Exp Ops	10		
Vehicle Stop/Grade Crossing	1		
Windshield Required	1		
Windshield Wiper Required	1		
Wrong Side-Divided Road	68		
Wrongful Entrustment	114		
Yield Sign	40		





ACDA	1,183	Failure to Display-Two Plates	30
Apply Registration	1,950	Failure to Reinstate License	1,124
Backing on Freeway	32	Failure to Signal	792
Backing w/o Safety	85	Failure to Stop-Accident	47
Bicycle Lmps/Refl Req at Night	17	False Info to Issuing Officer	79
Bicycle to Ride on Right Side	2	Flashing Traffic Signal	3
Brake Equipment Requirements	3	Focus and Aim of Headlights	5
Certain Acts Proh-Fictitious ID	5	Follow Safety Vehicle	1
Certificate of Title Violation	2	Following too Close	305
Child Restraint	549	FTY From Private Drive	108
Counterfeit Plates	7	FTY to Emrg Veh: Pedestrian	2
Dealer Tag-Display	4	FTY to Pedestrian in Xwtk/Sidwtk	3
Drag Racing	11	FTY-Funeral Procession	1
Drive Across Grade Crossing	1	FTY-Public Safety Vehicle	34
Drive on Curb/Walk	8	Handicapped Parking	120
Drive Over Fire Hose	2	Hazard/No Pass Zone	55
Drive Thru Safety Zone	3	Hit Skip-Pers/Property	23
Drive-Closed Highway	139	Hit Skip-Pub Street	118
Drivers License Restriction	10	Illegal Dealer Tag	4
Driving Action Appr Emer Veh	144	Improper Bumper	3
Driving Left of Center Proh	94	Improper Passing	30
Driving on Right Side of Rdway	84	Inadequate Brakes	1
Driving Outside License Restr	41	Inter w/Non-Wrk Traff Cntrl Dev	5
Driving u/FRA Susp/Cancellation	2,767	Let Unlicensed Driver Drive	58
Driving u/OVI Suspension	318	Lights Req on Slow Move Veh	2
Driving u/Repeat Traff Off Susp	157	Marked Lanes	1,045
Driving Under Suspension	4,179	Max Number of Headlights	2
Driving Unsafe Vehicle	111	Muffler, Excessive Gas or Smoke	150
Driving w/o Valid License	420	No Motorcycle Endorsement	55
Driving Within Lanes	1,049	No Operators License	4,580
Emrg Veh-Ft Slow Down	1	No Operators Lic Exp < 6 Months	188
Engine Noise Violation	4	Obstructed View-Driver	5
Equipment Turn Signals	3	Obstructing Intersection/RR Xng	10
Equipment Turn Signals-M/C	1	One Way-Highway/Rotary	35
Erect Stop Sign Private	1	Open Door in Traffic	1
Fail to Display License	254	Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Title	2
Fail to Register	20	Operate w/Foreign Tag	3
Fail to Stop-School Bus	16	Operate w/Tag from Prev Owner	26
Failure to Control	1,124	Operating w/Outside Rider Proh	1
Failure to Display	35	Operation Veh On/Near Highway	1
Failure to Display Bicycle Lic	1	Operation w/Proh Window Tint	69
Failure to Display Headlights	326	Other Lights-Intensity/Direction	1

Over 48 Hour Parking	3	Riding Bicycle/Motorcycle Restr	38
Park on Highway	24	Riding on Outside Prohibited	1
Park on Sidewalk	6	Right of Way at Intersections	342
Park-Double	3	Right of Way: Pedestrian	1
Park-Driveway	6	ROMV-Off Street	30
Park-Fire Hydrant	5	Safety Glass	9
Park-Fire Station	1	Safety Lighting on Com Veh Req	7
Park-Gvt Regulations	19	School Bus Regs	1
Parking in Fire Lane	2	Seatbelt-Allow Passenger	101
Parking Near Curb	22	Seatbelt-Operator	9,199
Parking Wrong Direction	2	Seatbelt-Passenger	489
Park-Intersection	6	Side Cowl/Fender/Back Up Lght	15
Park-Obstruct Traffic	21	Signal Terms/Lights	361
Park-Private Rules	45	Slow Speed	86
Park-Rail Crossing	1	Slow Vehicle Headlight Req	1
Park-Safety Zone	105	Solid Tires	2
Park-Traffic Control Device	19	Special Vehicles	4
Passing Left of Center	114	Speed	21,861
Passing on the Right	25	Stop Lights Required	103
Pedestrian Control Signal	1	Stop Sign	737
Pedestrian on Freeway	2	Stop-Sidewalk Area	15
Pedestrian on Roadway	2	Suspension Drug Offense	7
Pedestrian Outside Crosswalk	42	Tag Violations	1,851
Pedestrian Solicit from Roadway	44	Tail/License Plate Light Required	528
Pedestrian Solicit Ride Proh	2	Tampering w/Traffic Cntrl Device	1
Pedestrian Sudden Cross w/o Saf	1	Temp Plate-Registrar	6
Pedestrian to Face Traffic	1	Temp Prmt w/o License Driver	46
Pedestrian Under Influence Proh	23	Temporary Permit Violation	27
Pedestrian Use of Sidewalk Req	10	Temporary Permit/MC Violation	6
Permit Minor to Operate Vehicle	2	Tinted Windows	173
Possession/Sale Traff Cntrl Dev	1	Title & Reg Transfer	33
Prohibited Attaching to Vehicle	1	Title-Destroyed MV	1
Prohibited Number of Headlights	212	Traffic Control Device	1,548
Prohibited U-Turn	91	Traffic Control Device-Pedestrian	3
Proof of FRA	43	Turn on Red	209
Rear View Mirror, Clear View	27	Turning at Intersections	154
Reckless Operation	280	Two Lights Required	229
Red Light/Flag Req on Extend Ld	8	Unattended Motor Vehicle	4
Red Reflectors Req on Mtr Veh	14	Unauthorized Signs and Signals	1
Refl Mat on Window Prohibited	1	Use Fictitious Plates	253
Req:Distr of Headlight Beams	104	Use of Headphones	9
Resisting Traffic Enf Official	1	Use Tag to Another Vehicle	329

Use Special Plates	1		
Windshield Placard Violation	6		
Windshield Required	58		
Wrong Side-Divided Road	88		
Wrongful Entrustment	99		
Yield Sign	22		

MAYOR COURT TRANSFERS 2010

AGENCY	TOTAL
BEXLEY	22
BRICE	21
CANAL WINCHESTER	11
DELAWARE	4
DUBLIN	146
GAHANNA	213
GRANVIEW HEIGHTS	67
GROVE CITY	336
GROVEPORT	18
HARRISBURG	2
HILLIARD	202
MARBLE CLIFF	37
MINERVA PARK	23
NEW ALBANY	42
OBETZ	18
REYNOLDSBURG	167
UPPER ARLINGTON	43
VALLEYVIEW	28
WESTERVILLE	144
WHITEHALL	200
WORTHINGTON	70

TOTAL CASES FILED:

1,814

ACCOUNTING/FINANCE DIVISION

The Accounting/Finance Division oversees the accounting of all fines, court cost, fees, bail, garnishments, and judgments issued by the Court. The Division also oversees the disbursement of collected funds to the appropriate parties, and releases funds in satisfactions, judgments, attachments, garnishments, and executions. The Accounting Division also has three internal payment programs in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code and Local Court Rules. The programs are as follows:

Time Payment Program

This program under authorization by the sentencing Judge allows a defendant to make monthly payments on court fines and costs; up to twelve months or until balance is paid in full.

Rent Escrow Program

This program allows tenants with complaints regarding their residential housing conditions to deposit rent due into an escrow account until the matter has been resolved.

Cases filed in 2010: **265**

Trusteeship Program

This program allows a debtor to deposit a portion of the personal earnings with the Clerk of Courts to avoid legal proceedings by creditors. The funds collected are disbursed to creditors equally until all debt is paid in full.

Cases filed in 2010: **49**

The Accounting/Finance Division is responsible for preparing monthly, a general accounting of all money received and disbursed by the Clerk's Office. These records are audited annually by a licensed certified public accounting firm and approved by the State Auditor's Office. In 2010 the Accounting Finance Division accomplished the following:

- Restructured staff to ensure checks and balances.
- Improved garnishment turn around time to two weeks.
- Trained cashiers to set up defendants on the time payment program. This has increased customer service and resulted in shorter wait period in the clerks office.
- Implemented a 30-day structured training within the 90 day probation period for all new cashiers. Evaluation and completion letter then sent to payroll and Human Resources.
- Implemented a new Standard of Conduct.
- Revised Cashiers Cash Handling Agreement.
- Created a Cash Office Agreement.
- Successfully maintained cross-training initiatives throughout division.
- Implemented a new disciplinary procedure.
- Established a monthly muster meeting for entire division.
- Installed new counterfeit detections system at each cashier window, thus, cutting down on counterfeit monies that are passed on to the Clerk's Office.
- Created a new Unclaimed Funds procedure to assure the Clerk's Office is in compliance with Government Standards.
- Implemented an online payment process (E-Pay). To date, processed more than 13,000 payments.
- Set up the copy card program for Court to track and collect monies for copies made in court.
- Established solid job descriptions throughout division.

**2010 Franklin County Municipal Court
Financial Statements**

**FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT
Columbus, Ohio**

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Financial Statements
Balance Sheet
For the Year Ending December 31, 2010

Assets	
Cash Civil	\$1,417,836.99
Cash Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$1,331,001.32
Cash Rent Escrow Fund	\$94,699.99
Cash Trusteeship Fund	\$2,795.59
Total Assets	\$2,846,333.89

Liabilities	
Due to Payee Civil Fund	\$1,417,836.99
Due to Payee Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$1,331,001.32
Due to Payee Rest Escrow Fund	\$94,699.99
Due to Payee Trusteeship Fund	\$2,795.59
Total Liabilities	\$2,846,333.89

Statement of Receipts & Disbursements
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010

Receipts	
Receipts Civil Fund	\$25,798,380.33
Receipts Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$20,524,570.05
Receipts Rent Escrow Fund	\$275,504.11
Receipts Trusteeship Fund	\$247,298.13
Total Receipts	\$46,845,752.62

Disbursements	
Disbursements Civil Fund	\$25,852,329.06
Disbursements Criminal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$20,198,169.15
Disbursements Rent Escrow Fund	\$269,872.36
Disbursements Trusteeship Fund	\$246,994.88
Total Disbursements	\$46,567,365.45



**Statement of Civil Fund Receipts
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

City of Columbus

Administrative 1% Legal Aid Fees	\$11,911.31
Civil Contempt Fines	(\$4,300.00)
Civil Court Costs	\$5,497,120.70
Civil Security Facilities Fees	\$346,635.00
Civil Specialty Docket Programs	\$48,950.00
Copier Debit Cards	\$6,186.94
Municipal Clerk Computer Fees	\$494,990.00
Municipal Court Computer Fees	\$148,497.00
Return Check Fees	\$400.00
Small Claims Dispute Resolution Sub-Fund	\$1,215.00
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Total	\$6,551,605.95
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State of Ohio

State Legal Aid Fees	\$1,179,204.68
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Total	\$1,179,204.68
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Daily Reporter

Publication Fees	\$433,833.00
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Total	\$433,833.00
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Other Entities

Civil Bond Deposits	\$52,450.04
Civil Deposits	\$11,702.67
Civil Judgement Deposits	\$17,510,112.99
Civil Jury Deposits	\$19,500.00
Civil Overpayment Deposits	\$31,748.71
Civil Sheriff Deposits	\$2,029.00
Civil Towing Deposits	\$1,600.00
Civil Witness Deposits	\$3,918.29
Environmental Appraisal	\$375.00
Environmental Injunctive	\$0.00
Environmental Mortgage	\$0.00
Environmental Sheriff	\$300.00
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Total	\$17,633,736.70
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Total Civil Fund Receipts	\$25,798,380.33
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**Statement of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

City of Columbus

Appearance Bond Costs	\$108,587.10
City Jury Fees	\$7,814.67
Collection Account 14450	\$218,479.00
Columbus City Code Fines	\$2,511,499.84
Court Costs	\$4,585,267.04
CR/TR Clerk Computerization Fund	\$981,989.00
CR/TR Collection Fee	\$675,125.53
CR/TR Court Computerization Fund	\$294,532.74
CR/TR Environmental Fines	\$29,313.75
CR/TR Probation Scram	\$154.00
CR/TR Probation Services	\$240,034.17
CR/TR Security Facilities Fee	\$673,986.77
CR/TR Specialty Docket Program	\$88,022.50
Criminal Diversion Fee	\$450.00
DUI Education Fund	\$30,735.40
Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$22,324.00
Home Incarceration Program	\$14,710.00
Immobilizing/Disabling Devices Fine	\$127,060.11
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund DUI	\$204,633.45
Local Expungements City Share	\$6,760.00
Local Witness Fees	\$35,583.55
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines 14050	\$432,191.19
Prosecutor's Check Resolution Program	\$38,407.50
Returned Check Fees	\$3,827.00
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Total	\$11,331,488.31
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State of Ohio

Bail Surcharge-Indigent Defense Support	\$187,286.50
Child Restraint Law State Share	\$9,427.00
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$259,605.70
Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$2,235,890.05
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	\$2,872.00
Justice Program Services Fund	\$7,550.50
Local Expungements State Share	\$10,140.00
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines State Share	\$497,145.23
Public Defender-Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$182,356.53
State Expungements State Share	\$23,550.00
State Liquor Fines State Share	\$56,354.25
State Seatbelt Fines	\$182,770.00
Trauma and EMT Fund	\$55,238.25
Victims of Crime	\$829,583.50
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Total	\$4,539,769.51
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**Statement of Criminal Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

State of Ohio-BMV

BMV Driver License Suspension/Reinstatement Fee	\$760.00
BMV Warrant Block Reinstatement Fee	\$1,230.00
Total	\$1,990.00

State of Ohio-DUI

Ohio Highway Patrol DUI Education Fund	\$23,364.50
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State of Ohio-ODNR

State Watercraft Fund	\$170.00
State Wildlife Fund	\$3,351.00
Total	\$3,521.00

Franklin County

Agency	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,736.91	\$12,736.91
Capitla Area Humane Society	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$557.00	\$557.00
Columbus Development Center	\$0.00	\$829.00	\$50.00	\$879.00
Columbus State University	\$1,609.00	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$1,869.00
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$241,316.83	\$241,316.83
Department of Animal Control	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$89,193.20	\$89,193.20
Franklin County Development Center	\$9,903.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,903.60
Municipal Police	\$478,782.61	\$100,663.90	\$181,434.69	\$760,881.20
ODJFS Unemployment Fraud	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Ohio Department of Natural Resouces	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$4,389.00	\$4,439.00
Ohio Department of Taxation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,426.00	\$3,426.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,100.00	\$4,100.00
Ohio Highway Patrol	\$110,216.56	\$225.15	\$35.00	\$110,476.71
Ohio State Agencies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
Ohio State University	\$25,871.00	\$5,526.00	\$3,468.08	\$34,865.08
Port Columbus Airport	\$27,791.00	\$3,244.00	\$1,008.00	\$32,043.00
State Liquor Fines-County Share	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$56,354.25	\$56,354.25
Total				\$1,363,453.78
Indigent Application Fee				\$107,817.70
State Expungements-County Share				\$15,700.00
State Jury Fees				\$6,297.03
State Witness Fees				\$24,073.98
Total				\$153,888.71

**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

<u>Townships County Share</u>	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Blendon	\$47,066.88	\$11,414.00	\$820.94	\$59,301.82
Clinton	\$16,419.20	\$11,284.75	\$909.50	\$28,613.45
Franklin	\$7,969.47	\$5,624.25	\$1,040.00	\$14,633.72
Madison	\$25,122.55	\$6,263.20	\$1,031.00	\$32,416.75
Mifflin	\$13,493.50	\$5,785.00	\$306.50	\$19,585.00
Perry	\$57,493.40	\$16,800.25	\$17.00	\$74,310.65
Sharon	\$15,477.50	\$3,167.50	\$0.00	\$18,645.00
Total				\$247,506.39
<u>Franklin County Sheriff</u>	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Sheriff Blendon	\$23,838.00	\$985.00	\$3,093.00	\$27,916.00
Sheriff Brown	\$4,083.00	\$649.00	\$0.00	\$4,732.00
Sheriff Clinton	\$8,520.00	\$0.00	\$3,275.00	\$11,795.00
Sheriff Franklin	\$10,890.00	\$0.00	\$17,828.00	\$28,718.00
Sheriff Hamilton	\$0.00	\$15,782.25	\$0.00	\$15,782.25
Sheriff Jackson	\$22,112.00	\$7,958.00	\$0.00	\$30,070.00
Sheriff Jefferson	\$21,183.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,183.00
Sheriff Madison	\$8,910.00	\$0.00	\$2,114.00	\$11,024.00
Sheriff Mifflin	\$16,891.00	\$2,155.00	\$2,686.37	\$21,732.37
Sheriff Non-Township	\$52,508.46	\$26,719.50	\$11,035.75	\$90,263.71
Sheriff Norwich	\$3,561.50	\$961.50	\$0.00	\$4,523.00
Sheriff Perry	\$565.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$665.00
Sheriff Plain	\$7,534.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$8,134.00
Sheriff Pleasant	\$10,683.75	\$2,317.00	\$60.00	\$13,060.75
Sheriff Prairie	\$19,956.75	\$17,784.50	\$150.00	\$37,891.25
Sheriff Sharon	\$2,049.00	\$0.00	\$1,135.00	\$3,184.00
Sheriff Truro	\$11,470.50	\$13,984.00	\$0.00	\$25,454.50
Sheriff Washington	\$1,659.50	\$167.50	\$0.00	\$1,827.00
Total				\$357,955.83



**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

<u>Municipalities</u>	<u>DUI Education</u>	<u>Fines</u>	<u>Mayors Court</u>	
Bexley	\$981.00	\$5,784.00	\$0.00	\$6,765.00
Brice	\$0.00	\$2,348.50	\$0.00	\$2,348.50
Canal Winchester	\$375.00	\$746.00	\$0.00	\$1,121.00
Dublin	\$950.00	\$16,514.87	\$4,586.50	\$22,051.37
Gahanna	\$882.00	\$13,824.00	\$4,327.40	\$19,033.40
Grandview Heights	\$850.00	\$10,428.57	\$0.00	\$11,278.57
Grove City	\$1,300.00	\$15,224.59	\$190.00	\$16,714.59
Groveport	\$310.00	\$965.00	\$0.00	\$1,275.00
Harrisburg	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Hilliard	\$550.00	\$16,784.00	\$8,336.95	\$25,670.95
Minerva Park	\$550.00	\$15,788.00	\$0.00	\$16,338.00
New Albany	\$400.00	\$5,554.00	\$2,374.00	\$8,328.00
Obetz	\$454.00	\$685.00	\$107.00	\$1,246.00
Reynoldsburg	\$2,883.00	\$9,913.50	\$1,111.00	\$13,907.50
Upper Arlington	\$225.00	\$28,900.50	\$1,437.00	\$30,562.50
Urbancrest	\$0.00	\$135.00	\$0.00	\$135.00
Valleyview	\$100.00	\$664.00	\$0.00	\$764.00
Westerville	\$850.00	\$22,441.87	\$3,387.00	\$26,678.87
Whitehall	\$600.00	\$6,040.93	\$1,351.30	\$7,992.23
Worthington	\$2,275.00	\$9,970.00	\$2,836.00	\$15,081.00
Total				\$227,316.48

<u>Townships</u>	<u>DUI Education</u>	<u>Fines</u>	
Blendon	\$2,786.00	\$59,301.79	\$62,087.79
Clinton	\$225.00	\$28,613.45	\$28,838.45
Franklin	\$250.00	\$14,633.72	\$14,883.72
Hamilton	\$0.00	\$15,782.25	\$15,782.25
Madison	\$1,125.00	\$32,416.75	\$33,541.75
Mifflin	\$1,009.00	\$19,585.00	\$20,594.00
Norwich	\$0.00	\$4,523.00	\$4,523.00
Perry	\$2,447.00	\$74,310.65	\$76,757.65
Prairie	\$0.00	\$37,891.25	\$37,891.25
Sharon	\$676.00	\$18,645.00	\$19,321.00
Washington	\$0.00	\$1,827.00	\$1,827.00
Total			\$316,047.86



**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Other Entities

Central Ohio Crime Stoppers

CR/TR Crime Stoppers Fee \$9,080.01

Columbus Airport Authority

Port Columbus PD DUI Education Fund \$471.50

Columbus & Franklin County Metro Parks

Metro Parks Police Fines \$875.00

Franklin County Sheriff

Sheriff DUI Education Fund \$6,286.50

DUI Offender Housing Fund \$182,117.01

Total

\$188,403.51

Ohio Department of Public Safety

ODPS Drug Law Enforcement Fund \$11,916.49

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy

State Drug/Pharmacy Fund \$71,839.00

The Ohio State University

Ohio State University DUI Education Fund \$1,720.00

Overpayments

Criminal/Traffic Overpayment Deposits \$54,212.47

Total Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts

\$18,904,820.35



**Statement of Bail Fund Receipts
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Appearance Bonds

Appearance Bond Receipts	\$979,279.29
Applied Appearance Bonds	(\$183,135.48)
Total	\$796,143.81

Bond Costs

Bond Cost Receipts	\$108,808.81
Applied Bond Costs	(\$108,559.10)
Total	\$249.71

Bond Surcharge

Bond Surcharge Receipts	\$319,242.00
Applied Bond Surcharge	(\$188,033.00)
Total	\$131,209.00

Cash Bonds

Cash Bond Receipts	\$549,827.11
Applied Cash Bonds	(\$69,736.14)
Total	\$480,090.97

Moving Violations

Moving Violation Receipts	\$50,480.00
Applied Moving Violations	(\$40,578.00)
Total	\$9,902.00

Non-Moving Violations

Non-Moving Violation Receipts	\$920.00
Applied Non-Moving Violations	(\$520.00)
Total	\$400.00

Public Defender

Public Defender Receipts	\$269,429.00
Applied Public Defender	(\$153,313.00)
Total	\$116,116.00

Victims-Of-Crime

Victims-Of-Crime Receipts	\$153,564.00
Applied Victims-Of-Crime	(\$70,484.00)
Total	\$83,080.00

Total Bail Fund Receipts

\$1,617,191.49



**Statement of Rent Escrow Fund Receipts
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Court Costs	\$2,985.18
Deposits	\$272,518.93
Overpayment Deposits	\$0.00
Total Rent Escrow Fund Receipts	\$275,504.11

**Statement of Trusteeship Fund Receipts
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Court Costs	\$3,145.58
Deposits	\$30.00
Disbursement	\$244,007.05
Overpayment Deposits	\$115.50
Total Trusteeship Fund Receipts	\$247,298.13

**Statement of Overpayment & Time Payment Receipts
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Refunds/Overpayments

Criminal/Traffic

Refund/Overpayment Receipts	\$54,359.47
Applied Refunds/Overpayments	(\$147.00)
Total	\$54,212.47

Civil

Refund/Overpayment Receipts	\$31,748.71
Applied Refunds/Overpayments	\$0.00
Total	\$31,748.71

Rent Escrow

Refund/Overpayment Receipts	\$0.00
Applied Refunds/Overpayments	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00

Trusteeship

Refund/Overpayment Receipts	\$115.50
Applied Refunds/Overpayments	\$0.00
Total	\$115.50

Time Payments

Criminal Traffic

Time Payment Receipts	\$625,546.49
Applied Time Payments	(\$622,988.28)
Total	\$2,558.21



**Statement of Disbursements Treasurer City Of Columbus
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Civil Fund

Administrative 1% Legal Aid Fees	\$11,897.61
Civil Contempt Fines	(\$4,300.00)
Civil Court Costs	\$5,511,887.15
Civil Security Facilities Fees	\$350,593.00
Civil Specialty Docket Programs	\$48,236.00
Copier Debit Cards	\$6,061.94
Municipal Clerk Computer Fees	\$502,262.68
Municipal Court Computer Fees	\$150,678.00
Return Check Fees	\$400.00
Small Claims Dispute Resolution Sub-Fund	\$1,200.00
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Total	\$6,578,916.38
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Criminal/Traffic Fund

Appearance Bond Costs	\$107,857.60
City Jury Fees	\$7,717.67
Collection Account 14450	\$215,117.50
Columbus City Code Fines	\$2,480,595.07
Court Costs	\$4,519,351.44
CR/TR Clerk Computerization Fund	\$967,958.00
CR/TR Collection Fee	\$663,577.48
CR/TR Court Computerization Fund	\$290,332.74
CR/TR Environmental Fines	\$29,635.75
CR/TR Probation Scram	\$154.00
CR/TR Probation Services	\$236,718.67
CR/TR Security Facilities Fee	\$664,107.77
CR/TR Specialty Docket Program	\$86,521.00
Criminal Diversion Fee	\$425.00
DUI Education Fund	\$30,504.80
Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$22,433.00
Home Incarceration Program	\$14,710.00
Immobilizing/Disabling Devices Fine	\$125,096.43
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund DUI	\$201,892.99
Local Expungements City Share	\$6,720.00
Local Witness Fees	\$34,920.20
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines 14050	\$423,807.79
Prosecutor's Check Resolution Program	\$38,223.00
Returned Check Fees	\$3,802.00
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Total	\$11,172,179.90
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Rent Escrow Fund

Court Costs	\$2,979.01
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Total	\$2,979.01
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Trusteeship Fund

Court Costs	\$3,097.58
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Total	\$3,097.58
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Total Disbursements Treasurer City Of Columbus

\$17,757,172.87

**Statement Of Disbursements Treasurer State Of Ohio
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Civil Fund

State Legal Aid Fees	\$1,177,848.38
Total	\$1,177,848.38

Criminal Traffic Fund

Bail Surcharge-Indigent Defense Support	\$185,161.50
Child Restraint Law State Share	\$9,338.00
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$255,638.20
Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$2,195,608.61
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	\$2,885.00
Justice Program Services Fund	\$7,431.70
Local Expungements State Share	\$10,080.00
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines State Share	\$487,597.36
Public Defender-Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$185,651.43
State Expungements State Share	\$23,400.00
State Liquor Fines State Share	\$56,193.75
State Seatbelt Fines	\$179,651.00
Trauma and EMT Fund	\$54,177.37
Victims of Crime	\$817,799.40
Total	\$4,470,613.32

Total Disbursements Treasurer State Of Ohio **\$5,648,461.70**

**Statement Of Disbursements Franklin County Treasurer
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Criminal/Traffic Fund

Agency	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,955.91	\$11,955.91
Captial Area Humane Society	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$557.00	\$557.00
Columbus Development Center	\$0.00	\$829.00	\$50.00	\$879.00
Columbus State University	\$1,609.00	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$1,719.00
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$241,709.16	\$241,709.16
Department of Animal Control	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$88,469.20	\$88,469.20
Franklin County Development Center	\$9,750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,750.00
Municipal Police	\$456,198.94	\$98,533.90	\$178,963.19	\$733,696.03
ODJFS Unemployment Fraud	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Ohio Department of Natural Resouces	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$4,477.00	\$4,527.00
Ohio Department of Taxation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,326.00	\$3,326.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,100.00	\$4,100.00
Ohio Highway Patrol	\$108,098.81	\$221.15	\$35.00	\$108,354.96
Ohio State Agencies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
Ohio State University	\$25,136.00	\$5,451.00	\$3,318.28	\$33,905.28
Port Columbus Airport	\$27,702.00	\$3,179.00	\$958.00	\$31,839.00
State Liquor Fines-County Share	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$56,193.75	\$56,193.75
Total				\$1,331,394.29
Indigent Application Fee				\$106,178.85
State Expungements-County Share				\$15,600.00
State Jury Fees				\$6,394.03
State Witness Fees				\$23,352.39
Total				\$151,525.27

**Statement Of Disbursements Franklin County Treasurer Continued
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

<u>Townships County Share</u>	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Blendon	\$46,597.88	\$11,411.00	\$820.94	\$58,829.82
Clinton	\$15,749.20	\$10,857.25	\$909.50	\$27,515.95
Franklin	\$7,670.97	\$5,470.50	\$1,040.00	\$14,181.47
Madison	\$24,922.55	\$6,317.20	\$1,027.00	\$32,266.75
Mifflin	\$13,109.00	\$5,842.00	\$306.50	\$19,257.50
Perry	\$57,610.90	\$16,513.25	\$92.00	\$74,216.15
Sharon	\$15,355.00	\$3,230.00	\$0.00	\$18,585.00
Total				\$244,852.64
<u>Franklin County Sheriff</u>	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Sheriff Blendon	\$23,518.00	\$985.00	\$3,068.00	\$27,571.00
Sheriff Brown	\$4,083.00	\$649.00	\$0.00	\$4,732.00
Sheriff Clinton	\$8,445.00	\$0.00	\$3,320.00	\$11,765.00
Sheriff Franklin	\$10,740.00	\$0.00	\$17,753.00	\$28,493.00
Sheriff Hamilton	\$0.00	\$15,563.75	\$0.00	\$15,563.75
Sheriff Jackson	\$21,727.00	\$7,858.00	\$0.00	\$29,585.00
Sheriff Jefferson	\$21,115.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$21,165.00
Sheriff Madison	\$8,600.00	\$0.00	\$2,114.00	\$10,714.00
Sheriff Mifflin	\$16,691.00	\$2,052.00	\$2,743.37	\$21,486.37
Sheriff Non-Township	\$52,073.46	\$26,355.50	\$11,006.30	\$89,435.26
Sheriff Norwich	\$3,501.50	\$949.00	\$0.00	\$4,450.50
Sheriff Perry	\$565.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$665.00
Sheriff Plain	\$7,619.00	\$625.00	\$0.00	\$8,244.00
Sheriff Pleasant	\$10,648.75	\$2,220.00	\$60.00	\$12,928.75
Sheriff Prairie	\$19,608.75	\$17,441.50	\$150.00	\$37,200.25
Sheriff Sharon	\$2,049.00	\$0.00	\$1,135.00	\$3,184.00
Sheriff Truro	\$11,360.50	\$13,262.50	\$0.00	\$24,623.00
Sheriff Washington	\$1,637.00	\$167.50	\$0.00	\$1,804.50
Total				\$353,610.38
Total Disbursements Franklin County Treasurer				\$2,081,382.58

**Statement Of Disbursements Municipalities
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

<u>Criminal Traffic Fund</u>	DUI Education	Fines	Mayors Court	
Bexley	\$965.00	\$5,747.00	\$0.00	\$6,712.00
Brice	\$0.00	\$2,348.50	\$0.00	\$2,348.50
Canal Winchester	\$375.00	\$746.00	\$0.00	\$1,121.00
Dublin	\$925.00	\$16,200.87	\$4,320.50	\$21,446.37
Gahanna	\$900.00	\$13,724.00	\$4,282.40	\$18,906.40
Grandview Heights	\$850.00	\$10,468.57	\$0.00	\$11,318.57
Grove City	\$1,310.00	\$14,946.59	\$170.00	\$16,426.59
Groveport	\$250.00	\$1,290.00	\$40.00	\$1,580.00
Harrisburg	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Hilliard	\$575.00	\$16,448.00	\$8,332.95	\$25,355.95
Minerva Park	\$550.00	\$15,819.00	\$30.00	\$16,399.00
New Albany	\$400.00	\$4,769.00	\$2,221.00	\$7,390.00
Obetz	\$454.00	\$785.00	\$137.00	\$1,376.00
Reynoldsburg	\$2,783.00	\$9,995.50	\$1,061.00	\$13,839.50
Upper Arlington	\$225.00	\$28,770.30	\$1,433.00	\$30,428.30
Urbancrest	\$0.00	\$135.00	\$0.00	\$135.00
Valleyview	\$100.00	\$664.00	\$0.00	\$764.00
Westerville	\$850.00	\$22,434.87	\$3,387.00	\$26,671.87
Whitehall	\$625.00	\$5,750.93	\$1,264.30	\$7,640.23
Worthington	\$2,165.00	\$9,643.00	\$2,736.00	\$14,544.00
Total Disbursements Municipalities				\$224,428.28

**Statement Of Disbursements Townships
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Criminal Traffic Fund

DUI Education

Fines

Blendon	\$2,736.00	\$58,829.79	\$61,565.79
Clinton	\$225.00	\$27,515.95	\$27,740.95
Franklin	\$250.00	\$14,181.47	\$14,431.47
Hamilton	\$0.00	\$15,563.75	\$15,563.75
Madison	\$1,100.00	\$32,266.75	\$33,366.75
Mifflin	\$984.00	\$19,257.50	\$20,241.50
Norwich	\$0.00	\$4,450.50	\$4,450.50
Perry	\$2,385.00	\$74,216.15	\$76,601.15
Prairie	\$0.00	\$37,200.25	\$37,200.25
Sharon	\$651.00	\$18,585.00	\$19,236.00
Washington	\$0.00	\$1,804.50	\$1,804.50
Total Disbursements Townships			\$312,202.61

**Statement Of Disbursements Other Entities
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Civil Fund

Daily Reporter

Publication Fees		\$430,504.00
Total		\$430,504.00

Other Entities

Civil Bond Deposits		\$87,325.69
Civil Deposits		\$11,596.29
Civil Judgement Deposits		\$17,449,712.03
Civil Jury Deposits		\$65,900.00
Civil Sheriff Deposits		\$8,126.66
Civil Towing Deposits		\$800.00
Civil Witness Deposits		\$9,145.82
Environmental Appraisal		\$75.00
Environmental Injunctive		\$0.00
Environmental Mortgage		\$0.00
Environmental Sheriff		\$60.00
Total		\$17,632,741.49

Criminal/Traffic Fund

Central Ohio Crime Stoppers

CR/TR Crime Stoppers Fee		\$8,893.01
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Columbus Airport Authority

Port Columbus PD DUI Education Fund		\$471.50
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Columbus & Franklin County Metro Parks

Metro Parks Police Fines		\$925.00
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Franklin County Sheriff

Sheriff DUI Education Fund		\$6,188.50
DUI Offender Housing Fund		\$179,582.95
Total		\$185,771.45

**Statement Of Disbursements Other Entities Continued
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Franklin County Law Library

Law Library Fund \$15,000.00

Ohio Department of Public Safety

ODPS Drug Law Enforcement Fund \$12,098.49

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy

State Drug/Pharmacy Fund \$70,385.00

The Ohio State University

Ohio State University DUI Education Fund \$1,695.00

State of Ohio-BMV

BMV Driver License Suspension/Reinstatement Fee \$745.00

BMV Warrant Block Reinstatement Fee \$1,200.00

Total \$1,945.00

State of Ohio-DUI

Ohio Highway Patrol DUI Education Fund \$23,144.50

State of Ohio-ODNR

State Watercraft Fund \$170.00

State Wildlife Fund \$3,351.00

Total \$3,521.00

Rent Escrow Fund

Rent Deposit Payments \$266,893.35

Total \$266,893.35

Trusteeship Fund

Trust Deposit Payments \$0.00

Trust Disbursements \$243,817.80

Total \$243,817.80

**Statement Of Bail Fund Disbursements
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Appearance Bonds \$778,973.18

Bond Costs \$2,212.11

Bond Surcharge \$99,375.00

Cash Bonds \$476,407.19

Moving Violations \$8,720.00

Non-Moving Violations \$310.00

Public Defender \$103,911.00

Victims-Of-Crime \$77,477.00

Total Bail Fund Disbursements \$1,547,385.48

**Statement Of Overpayment Refunds
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Civil Refunds	\$32,318.81
Criminal/Traffic Refunds	\$66,127.03
Rent Escrow Refunds	\$0.00
Trusteeship Refunds	\$79.50
Total Overpayment Refunds	\$98,525.34

**Statement Of Unclaimed Funds Disbursements City Of Columbus
For The Year Ending December 31, 2010**

Civil Unclaimed Funds	\$44,927.16
Criminal/Traffic Unclaimed Funds	\$40,790.17
Rent Escrow Unclaimed Funds	\$4,390.20
Trusteeship Unclaimed Funds	\$4,306.14
Total Unclaimed Funds	\$94,413.67

Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes A - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The Franklin County Municipal Court (the court) was created and operates under the authority of Section 1901.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. Under the present law, the Court operates with 15 elected Judges and an elected Clerk of Court, each whom serves a six year term. The court has been granted jurisdictions for the entire area of Franklin County.

For financial reporting purposes, the Court is an agency fund group which consists of the agency fund of the five divisions of the Court: Criminal/Traffic, Bail, Civil, Trusteeship and Rent Escrow. The operating expenses of the Court are funded by the City of Columbus and Franklin County and are not; therefore, part of the reporting entity.

Basis of Accounting

The Court prepares its financial statements on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when incurred.

Note B - Civil Fund Receipts

In addition to the Civil Fund total receipts and disbursements, cases are processed for the City of Columbus, State of Ohio and Franklin County agencies at not cost at the time of filing.

Additional Amount Breakdowns

See statements for summary totals of this information

Note C - Statement of Disbursements to Municipalities

The DUI Education Fund fine amounts are included in the totals for each municipality and township.



FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

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Administrative & Presiding Judge
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March 31, 2011

Columbus City Council
Columbus City Clerk
Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk
Board of Commissioners of Franklin County
Citizens of Franklin County

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with section 1901.14 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is my pleasure to provide you with the 2010 Annual Report of the Franklin County Municipal Court.

As the largest and busiest municipal court in Ohio, we continually strive to improve our services to every citizen who appears in this Court and to be wise and efficient stewards of taxpayer resources. We are especially proud of the continuing success of our Work Release program, Foreclosure Mediation, Eviction Resolution, Felony Drug Court, and Fugitive Safe Surrender. Our success is a direct result of the sustained, enthusiastic support given the Court in general and these programs in particular. For that support, we are indebted to the Mayor, City Council, and all others who have contributed to our efforts.

Please feel free to contact me at 645-8287 if you have any questions or would like any additional information.

Yours truly,

/s/ Paul M. Herbert
Judge Paul M. Herbert
Administrative and Presiding Judge

Enclosure

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

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2010 ANNUAL REPORT

The Franklin County Municipal Court traces its origin to the creation of the Columbus Municipal Court in 1916. Now, the geographic jurisdiction of the Court is all of Franklin County and those portions of the City of Columbus that extend beyond the boundaries of Franklin County. The Court has 14 judges in the General Division and one judge in the Environmental Division. Judges serve six-year terms, unless appointed or elected to fill a vacancy. Annually, they elect one of their peers to serve as the Administrative and Presiding Judge.

The judges who served the Franklin County Municipal Court during the year 2010 were Judge Paul M. Herbert, Administrative and Presiding Judge, and Judges Anne Taylor, W. Dwayne Maynard, James E. Green, Scott D. VanDerKarr, H. William Pollitt, Jr., Michael T. Brandt, Harland H. Hale, Ted Barrows, Julia L. Dorrian, Carrie E. Glaeden, Amy Salerno, Andrea C. Peeples, David B. Tyack, and Mark Hummer.

Judges preside over civil, criminal, and traffic cases and conduct both jury and non-jury or court trials. In jury trials, judges interpret the law and the jury determines the facts. Court trials are the most common trials in this Court. In these trials, judges have the dual role of interpreting the law and determining the facts. The judges also conduct criminal arraignments and preliminary hearings on felony cases; set bond on criminal charges; issue search warrants; and impose sentence when a defendant is found guilty of a traffic or criminal charge. The judges hear civil cases with an amount in controversy of \$15,000 or less, and cases that are transferred from the Small Claims Division to the General Division of the Court. Other civil disputes resolved in this Court included evictions, rent escrow proceedings, and proceedings to aid in the collection of judgments.

The Environmental Division has exclusive jurisdiction to enforce local codes and regulations affecting real property, such as fire and building codes. The Environmental Division has injunctive powers, and there is no monetary limit on those cases that fall within the Division's exclusive jurisdiction.

Each week a different judge is assigned to the Duty Session to handle a variety of responsibilities, such as applications from law enforcement officers for search warrants, probable cause hearings, and civil wedding ceremonies.

MAGISTRATES

The Court employs an Administrative Magistrate, five full-time magistrates and one part-time magistrate who preside over traffic arraignments, landlord-tenant actions, wage garnishments, small claims cases, and other civil matters. Judges may refer a specific case to a magistrate to take testimony, make legal rulings, and render a decision that is subject to final approval by the judge. Magistrates have the authority in misdemeanor cases to accept guilty and no contest pleas. If the parties agree, they may also hear contested criminal cases and preside over civil cases heard by a jury. Consent is not required from either party for a magistrate to hear a minor misdemeanor criminal case.

BAILIFFS

Bailiffs coordinate activities in the courtrooms, schedule cases, provide docket management, provide information to the public about the status of cases, and act as liaisons between their assigned judge or magistrate and attorneys, court personnel, and the general public. Each judge has an assigned courtroom bailiff, and there is an unassigned or "floater" bailiff who rotates among the judges when a judge's bailiff is absent. Each magistrate also has a bailiff, and there is a Duty Room Bailiff.

COURT ADMINISTRATION

Court Administration oversees the administrative and operational functions of the Court. It is the vehicle by which the non-judicial policies of the Court are carried out. In addition to providing overall support and direction to the Court's nearly 200 employees, some of the specific functions of Court Administration include personnel management, budgeting and fiscal management, purchasing, liaison with other courts and agencies, public information, appointment of counsel, court investigation, court security, interpreter services, vehicle immobilization, and volunteer services.

The Court Administrator, Keith Bartlett, is the chief non-judicial officer. The Court's General Fund Operating budget for 2010 was \$14,205,773 with an additional \$1.66 million Secure Facilities Fund budget and \$533,933 Computer Fund budget.

Court Investigation

Court Investigation is a two-person unit that helps defendants resolve matters such as an extension of time to pay a fine and court costs; delaying the start of court-ordered incarceration; issuance of or change in limited driving privileges; withdrawal of warrant or order-in that has been issued; assistance with impounded vehicle; assistance with Bureau of Motor Vehicle problems; and continuance of a court date. In 2010, Court Investigation assisted approximately 18,377 individuals – 12,428 in-office interviews; 3,847 telephone interviews; and 2,102 other requests for information and assistance.

Court Security Program

The Court Security Program was established to maintain a safe environment in the courthouse for elected officials, Court employees, and all others having business in the courthouse. The staff consists of a Security Director, Security Supervisor, Administrative Assistant, control room operator, and 14 security officers on the first shift, plus a control room operator on the second and third shifts. In addition, the Court contracts with a private security company that provides evening, weekend, and holiday coverage.

Interpreter Services

During 2010, the Court employed two full-time Spanish language interpreters and contracted for one part-time Somali language interpreter. Together they completed an estimated 8,900 requests for service. As well, there were 750 requests for 33 other languages. The top five foreign languages for which interpreters were requested were Spanish, Somali, Russian, French, & Mandarin. Also, the Court filled 165 requests for American Sign Language interpreters. The Court has multiple contracts with outside vendors to provide foreign language and ASL interpreters.

Vehicle Immobilization Program

State law mandates the immobilization or forfeiture of vehicles operated by defendants who are convicted of the following offenses: repeat OVI offenses (operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs); driving under certain court or BMV-issued suspensions; Financial Responsibility/Accountability (FRA) suspensions; and wrongful use of a vehicle. A steering wheel locking device is used to immobilize vehicles. In 2010, the Court processed 8,672 driving under suspension cases (a decrease of 1.58% from 2009) and 5,675 OVI cases (a decrease of 16.85% from 2009). The program's two employees provide the communication from and to the courts, law enforcement and defendants to ensure compliance with the court's orders involving the defendant's vehicle.

Volunteer Services Program

The Volunteer Services Program was developed to augment services to the Court and the community. The Volunteer Coordinator recruits, screens, and places volunteers in appropriate positions by matching their interests, skills, and scheduling requirements. Volunteers serve in a variety of positions, such as in the Department of Probation Services and Assignment Office. In 2010, three volunteers provided 2,850 hours of service at an estimated cost savings to the Court of \$48,992.

ASSIGNMENT OFFICE

The Assignment Office is responsible for randomly assigning cases to the judges. Criminal and traffic cases are assigned when a not guilty plea has been entered. Civil cases are assigned after an answer or motion is filed. The Court employs a single assignment system. This means that when a person is charged with a criminal or traffic offense and already has a pending criminal or traffic case, or the person is on probation to this Court, the new charges will be assigned to the judge who presided in the previous case. Once a case is assigned to a judge, the Assignment Office is responsible for the management of the case as it proceeds through the system. In 2010, the eight Assignment Coordinators scheduled 86,753 hearings. In addition, the Assignment Office is responsible for completing the monthly judges' reports for the Ohio Supreme Court.

COURT REPORTERS

Court reporters make a verbatim record of court proceedings, prepare a transcript from the record of court proceedings upon request, and maintain records of exhibits introduced at court proceedings. The Court has an obligation to provide a transcript of all proceedings upon request of a party, and there must be a court record of all pleas and waivers. There are 14 full-time and two part-time Court Reporter positions.

JURY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

It is the duty of the Jury Commissioner's Office to summon, orient and assign prospective trial jurors to courtrooms when needed. The Jury Commission tracks *voir dire* results and trial verdicts, and collects demographic data to ensure the jury venire is a true sampling of Franklin County's qualified population. Jury service is limited to two weeks, except in those cases in which additional days are required to reach a verdict. In certain instances, jurors will serve for one week only. Several different reporting times are offered to accommodate parking issues and work schedules. Jurors are paid \$20 per day for each day they are in attendance, which by law is set by the county commissioners. The number of jurors summoned in 2010 was 4,306.

LEGAL RESEARCH

The Court employs a Legal Research Supervisor who provides legal research, supervises the work of part-time law clerks, and serves as a part-time magistrate. The Supervisor and law clerks research and prepare memoranda on issues pending before the Court, maintain research and reference materials, review new case law to ensure the Court's compliance with the decisions, review pending legislation that may affect the Court, and advise the judges and employees regarding new legal developments and applications of current law to court procedures.

DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION SERVICES

The Department of Probation Services promotes public safety by accountable rehabilitation. Currently 46 badged officers are assigned to eight different work units and 20 additional staff cover four essential rehabilitation related programs. Administrative staff help coordinate the many processes involved.

General Supervision Unit officers constructively enforce all court ordered conditions of probation, which may include obtaining assessments and treatment for mental health or substance abuse issues; payment of fines, fees and court costs; serving some days in either the county jail, work release, electronically monitored house arrest or driver intervention program; attendance by drunk drivers at a victim impact panel; testing for alcohol or drug use; domestic violence counseling; defensive driving class; community service work; repayment of court-ordered restitution to victims and a host of less frequent requirements. **Domestic Violence Unit** officers specialize in domestic partner abuse cases, require that substance abuse and other issues be addressed, and also require successful completion of a minimum of 40 weeks of domestic violence counseling. Two additional staff members work exclusively with domestic violence victims. The **Alcohol and Drug Addiction Program (ADAP)** officer supervises this court's Specialty Docket of drug offenders. The **Mental Health** officers serve the probationers with mental health issues, including those within the Mental Health Specialty Docket. The **Changing Actions to Change Habits (CATCH) Specialty Docket Officer** works with solicitation cases. Repetitive drunk driving cases receive intensive supervision from **Multiple Offender Program (MOP) Officers**, and a caseload of sex offenders is supervised by a specially trained officer. The **Electronically Monitored Home Incarceration program Officers** monitor the exact location of selected offenders who do not need incarceration in order to maintain public safety. The **Work Release Officer** monitors employment, substance abuse and counseling compliance while people serve out that judicial sanction. During 2010 the Department supervised 13,332 probation cases. In addition, the **Investigation Unit** researched and prepared 2,767 sentencing and expungement investigations during 2010.

The **Community Services Unit** monitors compliance with this court ordered sanction. During 2010 approximately 35,400 hours of community service were provided in satisfaction of sentences passed. The **Restitution Program** collects money orders owed to victims from probationers, and disbursed \$213,285 in 2010. The **Provided No Convictions (PNC)** program monitored 7,914 cases last year for compliance with certain court orders and notified the court regarding violations. The **Support Unit** reliably handles a massive volume of human interaction, a vast amount of detailed data collection and entry, and a remarkable amount of hard copy and computerized records.

In 2009 the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction collaborated with the Court, Alvis House, and other governmental agencies to re-open the Work Release Facility. The Court has received two grants of \$200,000 to pay for the Court's participation. The program allows a judge in sentencing an offender to jail time to authorize work release; that is, the offender lives in a secure facility operated by Alvis House, but is permitted to leave the facility for the sole purpose of going to a job.

The offender is required to pay 25% of his or her income to the facility to offset costs. In 2010, participants served 3,389 “bed nights” in work release. The Work Release Program provides many advantages: the cost of a “bed night” at the Work Release facility is less than the cost of incarceration in the jail; offenders have access to rehabilitative services; and the offender can keep their jobs, thus supporting their families, paying taxes, and not becoming a drain on other taxpayer-supported services.

SERVICE BAILIFFS

Service bailiffs assist litigants, attorneys, and the Court by delivering court documents to parties and enforcing both pre-judgment and post-judgment remedies. Responsibilities include service of complaints, summonses, criminal and civil subpoenas, garnishments, juror letters, and revocation hearing notices. Writs of replevin are enforced through seizure of property to be returned to the rightful owner, and writs of execution through levy and sale of personal property for the purpose of satisfying a judgment. Additionally, service bailiffs supervise the set-out of tenants’ property during an eviction.

The Service Bailiffs’ Department processed or served in excess of 50,000 legal documents in 2010 and supervised over 1,500 set-outs. The Department currently employs 17 full-time individuals: a Chief Service Bailiff, two Deputy Chief Service Bailiffs, 13 Service Bailiffs, and a Secretary/Receptionist.

SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION DEPARTMENT

The **Small Claims Division** helps people and businesses file complaints for money damages up to \$3,000. Small Claims Court is less formal than the General Division of the Court. Small Claims Court may also resolve cases more quickly. Usually, an attorney is not required in small claims cases.

The Small Claims Division offers all of the required forms, information, brochures and booklets about how to proceed in every phase of the case. Forms and information are also available on the Court’s web page: www.fcmcclerk.com. In addition, the Small Claims Division helps people who have won their cases take steps to collect their judgments.

The Division has five full-time employees. They provide support for the magistrates who hear small claims cases. The staff initiates, assigns, and schedules each case for trial. The Division processed more than 7,200 new small claims cases in 2010. The Small Claims Division Staff set new trial dates or re-issued service on more than 5,000 cases. The Small Claims Division also supports the Court’s Dispute Resolution Department.

The **Dispute Resolution Department** offers parties the opportunity to resolve disputes without a trial. In 2010, the Department's free Evening Mediation Service scheduled 1,033 mediations. Parties reached agreement about their disputes in 351 cases. Although only 33% of mediations resulted in complete agreement, the number of small claims cases did not increase. Mediators in the Evening Mediation Program are volunteers

The Check and Account Resolution Service (CARS) scheduled more than 70 businesses and consumers/clients for a meeting to discuss resolution of the dispute. Forty-eight percent of those cases resulted in resolution before or at mediation.

In 2010, Judges and Magistrates referred 768 cases to mediation. This is a 26% increase over 2009. As of December 31, 2010, 586 cases were closed without a trial. One hundred fifty-five cases were still open. Mediation helped resolve 422 cases before or at mediation.

In November 2008, the Court agreed to provide mediation services for foreclosure cases in Franklin County. The Franklin County Foreclosure Mediation Project (FCFMP) provides mediation services for borrowers and lenders in mortgage cases. In 2010, FCFMP accepted referrals for mediation in over 1,800 cases. As of December 31, 2010 in approximately 45% of the cases, mediation agreements allowed borrowers to remain in their homes.

The goals of the Small Claims Division and Dispute Resolution Department are to provide excellent customer service, support the Magistrates and expand dispute resolution services in 2011.

SPECIALTY DOCKETS

The CATCH docket (Changing Actions to Change Habits) is focused on establishing a process that restores women trapped in street prostitution to lawful, productive citizenship. It is a voluntary two-year program offering outreach, connection, advocacy, and counseling to women with multiple solicitation charges who desire to end their lifestyle of addiction and street life. By uniting women with a diverse and dedicated team as well as to other participants for the treatment of specific issues related to this crime, CATCH helps them change actions to change habits that have long bound them to a dangerous and deadly way of life. The program benefits not only the women who participate, but also the local community through cost savings, reverse of neighborhood decline, and the development of citizens who are able to contribute in a positive way to society. In 2010, 84 women were referred to CATCH, of which 57 were accepted into the program. In 2010, the costs savings for CATCH is calculated at \$107,210, of which \$101,910 was saved in probable jail costs alone.

In 2009, the Court and the Franklin County Prosecutor's office entered an agreement to provide expedited court arraignments and prosecution of low-level drug offenders. In many cases, a defendant charged in Common Pleas Court with a fourth or fifth degree felony ended up entering a plea to a misdemeanor offense. Under this program, a defendant charged with a fourth or fifth degree felony may be referred to the ADAP 101 program if both the prosecutor and defendant agree. This reduces the time and money spent processing these cases in Common Pleas Court. In 2010, there were 413 defendants referred to ADAP 101, and 366 successfully completed the Program. The Court estimates that those 366 clients spent an average of 3.3 nights in jail, instead of an average of 16 nights in jail without the Program, for a savings to the taxpayers of \$367,208. Only 10 of the 458 defendants were charged with an additional felony in 2010.

The ADAP Long-Term Docket Program is a two-year specialty docket that allows defendants to be connected to long-term treatment, with intensive monitoring and support services offered through the ADAP staff and the presiding judge. The Court calculates that the ADAP Long Term Program resulted in a savings in jail costs alone of \$307,942. The average number of summonses per client prior to ADAP Long Term was 2.9 per year. That figure for program participants was substantially reduced, resulting in estimated additional savings of \$17,000 in 2010.

The Mental Health Program Docket, established in 2004, continued to achieve remarkable success in not only saving lives but in saving taxpayers' money. The Program provides a mechanism to promote effective treatment as an alternative to incarceration for a person whose symptoms of mental illness, history of treatment non-compliance, and/or refusal to accept treatment results in a recurring pattern of misdemeanor offenses. The Program provides a comprehensive, coordinated approach to the misdemeanor cases of selected defendants with severe mental illness and/or co-occurring disorders in order to decrease criminal recidivism, improve public safety, and improve the defendant's quality of life. Limited court involvement in treatment planning and compliance is required, which results in more effective utilization of other court resources. Literally hundreds of thousands of dollars have been saved by this program in reduced jail costs and in breaking the cycle of arrest-release-arrest that plagues some of our most vulnerable citizens, those with treatable mental health issues. The Mental Health Program Docket is a voluntary 18-24 month long program consisting of four phases.