



Franklin County Municipal Clerk of Court 2025 Annual Report



**One Hundred and Tenth Annual Report
Franklin County Municipal Clerk of Court
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Welcome to the 2025 Annual Report



Welcome to the 2025 Annual Report of the Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office. There were many challenges that presented themselves this past year, some of them coming from the state legislature and some from economic changes which caused an overall increase in case filings. I am very proud of the work each division accomplished while remaining compliant with those legislative changes. To meet this increasing demand on our resources, the Clerk's Office is working to create a paper-on-demand environment by collaborating with justice partners, setting objectives and exploring options for future modernization of court processes and procedures.

New case filings totaled 153,123 compared to 136,614 filed in 2024 for an increase of 12%. Costs, fines, and fees collected equaled \$42.2M compared to \$39.5M in 2024 for an increase of 6.84%. The total amount referred to collections was \$2,645,224.75 in 2025. Overall collection of court-ordered fines and costs through the efforts of four collection agencies decreased by 17% from 2024, for a total of \$676,281.05. Bond money forfeited by the Court increased by 20% in 2024 from \$41,958 to \$50,198. Based on economic challenges, our civil division saw 6,000 more cases filed than in 2024 for a total of 66,723 new civil cases. While eviction cases decreased slightly by 2.3%, contract cases increased by 22%.

The number of law enforcement agencies submitting electronic citations expanded from eight (8) to fourteen (14). There were over 22,000 e-citations filed in 2025, which is a 13% increase from 2024. The Franklin County Sheriff's Office started filing eCitations in 2025 and the Columbus Police Department continued to increase the number of eCitations filed. Further expansion of law enforcement agencies submitting electronic citations is anticipated over the next several years.



E-filing expansion has continued to be one of my top priorities. In 2025, 33,696 new cases were e-filed which is a 41% increase from 2024. Additionally, 71,125 subsequent filings were e-filed which is a 58% increase from 2024.

The state legislature passed several pieces of legislation relevant to the Clerk's Office and the Supreme Court updated the Rules of Superintendence. Below are some of the highlights.

House Bill 29:

House Bill 29 required a 15-year rollback of license suspensions issued by the court. My staff manually reviewed more than 11,000 files and cleared 6,537 suspensions. Additionally, the Clerk's Office created a new installment payment plan so individuals could set up and make partial payments in compliance with the new law.

Supreme Court Rules of Superintendence Rule 26:

The Supreme Court updated the retention rules in the Rules of Superintendence to help courts modernize their record retention process. The Clerk's Office updated our record retention schedule to comply with those changes.

In addition to the work our office does on a daily basis, we also implemented the first year of my five-year plan to upgrade the current case management system. We contracted with Mission Critical Partners to conduct an analysis and assessment of our current and future needs. Currently, we have completed 35% of the assessment and plan to release a request for proposals in mid-2026 for a new case management system.

It is critical to the future operations of the Clerk's Office to have adequate funding to complete this assessment and to ensure funds are available to purchase and implement a new system.

This will ensure the Clerk's Office and the Court will be ready to move into a new municipal court building which is planned to be constructed by 2030. The new building will have no storage for physical files. So, it is imperative that we migrate to a digital system and image and shred existing case files prior to the move.

In 2025, we participated in multiple community outreach projects, including the Tap In Center sponsored by Franklin County, multiple expungement clinics, and



we hosted the driver's license reinstatement workshop. Over 500 participants realized total savings of more than \$54,000 and 11% of participants left that day with a valid license. The remaining participants left with either new driving privileges or received a personalized road map detailing the necessary requirements for becoming valid. The opportunity to provide positive services to the public makes these programs worthy of mention and help diminish the barrier between the court and the community promoting public trust and confidence in the Justice system.

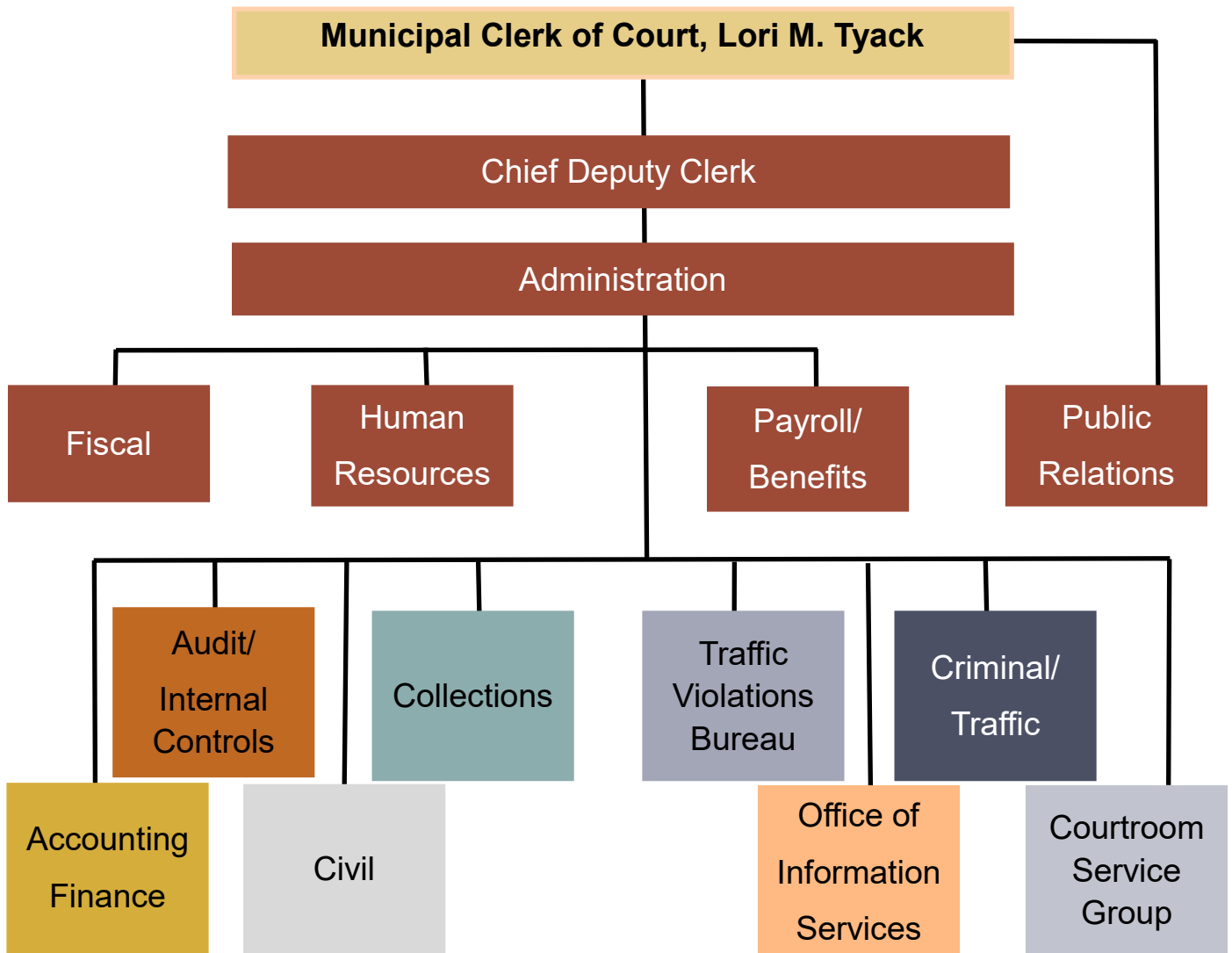
I am proud of the work my Office does to ensure that these programs and services are accessible to the people who need them most. Thank you for taking the time to read the 2025 Annual Report.

Sincerely,

Clerk Lori M. Tyack
Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk



Organizational Structure





Clerk of Court Leadership Staff 2025

Municipal Clerk of Court, Lori M. Tyack

Administration

Chief Deputy Clerk, Obie Lucas
Executive Director of Fiscal Administration, Crystal Ross
Director of Human Resources, Charlene Johnson
Director of Public Relations, Tate Wooding
Payroll Administrator, Michelle LaMarr
Procurement Coordinator, Colton Goodrich
Procurement/Administrative Specialist, Terrie Bailey

Audit/Internal Controls

Director, Lee Anne Sheppard
Deputy Director, Vickie Spivey

Traffic Violations Bureau

Director, Sancha Young
Deputy Director, Debra Jones

Criminal/Traffic

Director, Matt Pendency
Deputy Director, Simon DelGigante and Nick Johnson

Civil

Director, Bob Condon
Deputy Director, Barbie Lucas

Collections

Director, Mike Cherry/Lindsey Morbitzer

Accounting Finance

Director, Rhonda Fulks
Deputy Director, Heather Ogle

Courtroom Service Group

Director, Lori Kette
Deputy Director, Jessica Koon

Office of Information Services

Director, Craig Wiley
Deputy Director, Mark Hanson

Mission



Statement



To accurately maintain and safeguard court records, collect and disburse public funds while promoting equal access, fairness, and transparency.



PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:
COLUMBIUS STATE PARALEGAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FORMER BAILEY TO JUDGE JENO IFER BUSHNIDER
FORMER PARALEGAL ASSISTANT, PROBATE, CRIMINAL
NATIONAL CENTER FOR STATE COURTS CERTIFICATIONS
SERVING AS MUNICIPAL CLERK OF COURT SINCE 2006

Vision



Statement



To provide access to justice through competent customer service, communication, and community outreach.



Value



Statement



Commitment to the Core Values of Respect, Integrity, Justice, and Compassion for All We Serve





Administration

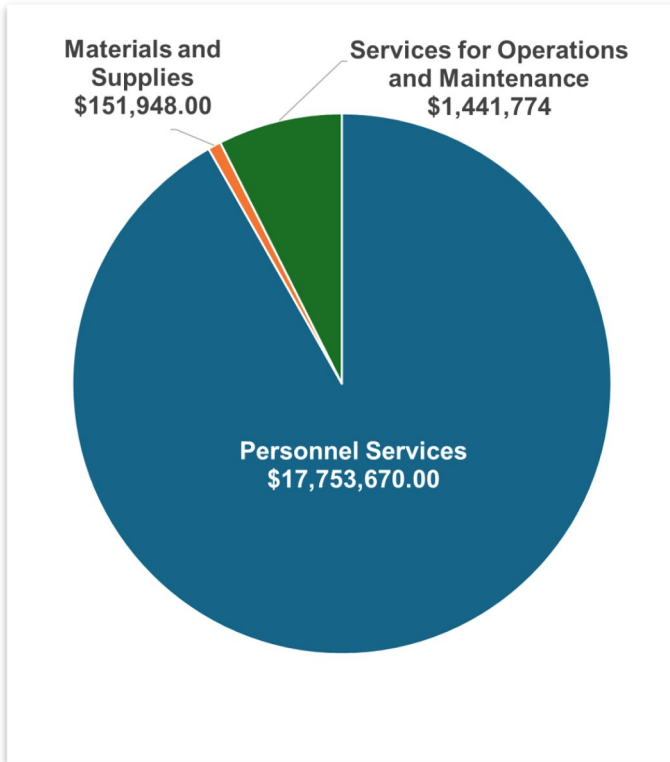
The Administration Division of the Clerk's Office is comprised of the Office of the Clerk, Chief Deputy Clerk, Director Public Relations, Executive Director Fiscal Administration, Director Human Resources, Administrator Payroll & Benefits, Procurement Coordinator, and the Procurement/Administrative Specialist. This Division oversees the daily operations of the Clerk's Office and is governed by directives as set forth in the Annual Budget and the Ohio Revised Code.

Additionally, all new programs, contracts, projects, and grants are established and implemented within the Division. It conducts all public relations and internal communications for the Clerk's Office. Accomplishments for the Administration Division in 2025 include the following:

- ◇ Interviewed, hired, and onboarded new staff to keep staffing levels up to 188 total employees.
- ◇ Managed budgets totaling more than \$20.8 million.
- ◇ Prepared and processed ordinances totaling \$1,720,880.74 for approval by Columbus City Council.
- ◇ Partnered with other government agencies for community outreach events including the License Reinstatement Workshop, Expungement Clinics, the Tap-In Center, and Make-A-Day Clinics.
- ◇ Led the effort to update the office's record retention policies in accordance with the Supreme Court's Rules of Superintendence.

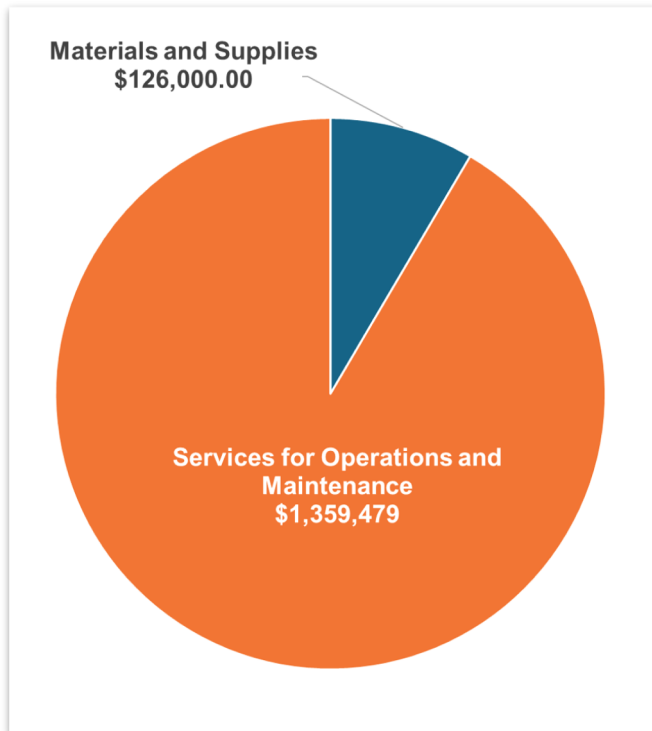


2025 Financial Overview



Municipal Court Clerk's Office 2025 General Fund

The general fund budget provides for 188 full-time employees. Non-personnel expenses include witness fees, banking, printing, postage, and other office expenses.



Municipal Court Clerk's Office 2025 Special Revenue

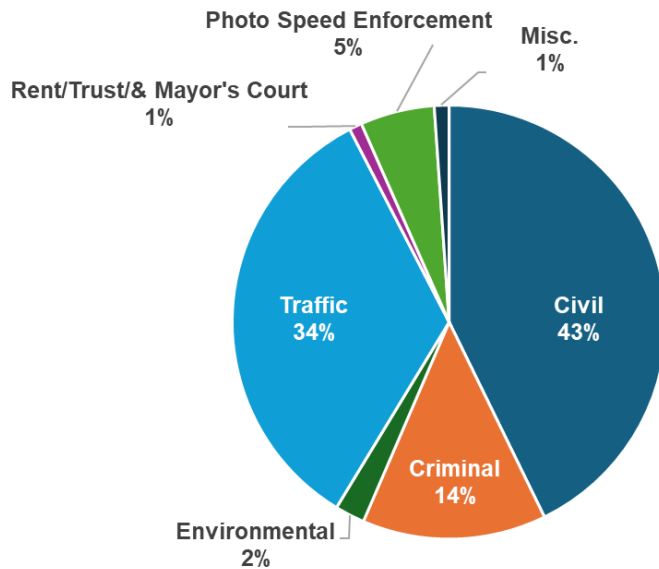
The Special Revenue Fund also known as the Computer Fund provides technological support, supplies, and maintenance to help the department achieve its mission.



Clerk's Office At a Glance in 2025

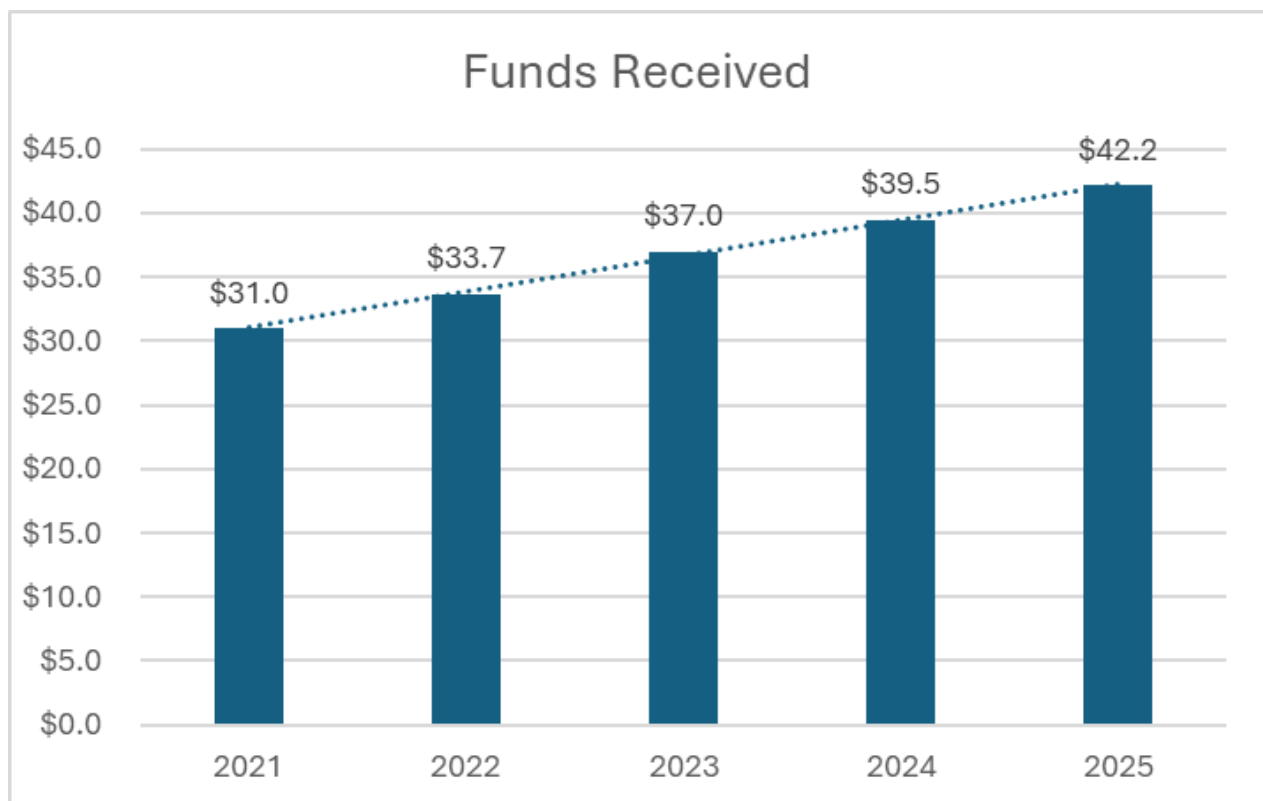
Case Type Breakdown

Civil cases were the largest case type filed in 2025 with just over 66,000 cases filed. Traffic cases made up the second largest case type making up 34% of the total cases filed.



Funds Received

A total of 153,123 cases were filed in the Franklin County Municipal Court. Costs, fines, and fees collected totaled \$42.2 million.





Community Outreach: License Reinstatement Workshop

The Clerk's Office organized the 5th License Reinstatement Workshop on September 18th at the Columbus Metropolitan Library's Main Library with the help of our partners.

In preparation for the event, the Clerk's Office hosted a phone bank with ABC6 to get the word out to the community about the event. We answered nearly 200 calls in two hours. Deputy clerks not only were able to get the word out about the event, but answered people's questions about their specific situation.

Over 400 people attended the event and around 40 of those individuals left that day as valid drivers. Additionally, over \$50,000 in court costs, fines, fees, and reinstatement fees were waived.



Clerk Tyack stated, "The services provided by participating agencies are invaluable to those who get stuck in the revolving door of license suspension and reinstatement issues. Our workshop provides assistance to those individuals whose lives have been put on hold for years."



Civil Division

The Civil Division is responsible for accepting, filing, issuing service, docketing, processing, and maintaining records for all civil cases. Civil cases include contract disputes, personal injury, property damage, evictions, small claims, certificates of judgment, cognovits, declaratory judgments, and civil environmental including housing/safety code issues. The Civil Division also processes applications for driving privileges.

Accomplishments for the Civil Division in 2025 include the following:

- ◇ Dismissed cases are now being audited and reviewed. Once the images are reviewed and approved, the physical files will be shredded instead of storing the files for two years.
- ◇ Applications to remove eviction cases began being processed without relying on the physical file. This new paperless process allows for quicker processing times and the reduction of creating supplemental files.
- ◇ Began sending email notices on default judgment entries to reduce printing and costs associated with mailing ordinary mail notices. Plan to continue expansion of this project in 2026.
- ◇ E-filing of new cases increased significantly in 2025, with 44% (including photo speed enforcement cases) of all new civil cases being E-filed.
- ◇ The Civil Division is in full compliance with the legislative changes made in H.B. 94. All filings that can be filed in person are now available to be E-filed.
- ◇ Continued to reduce the reliance on the physical file by ceasing to print certain types of E-filed documents.

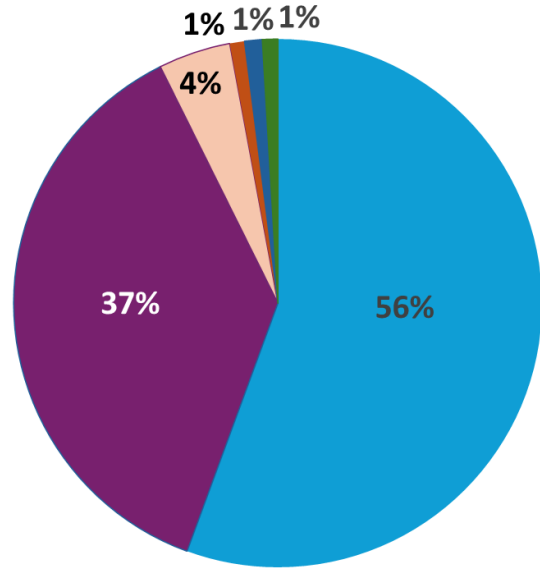








Civil Division: By the Numbers

In 2025, 66,723 cases were filed in the Civil Division compared to 60,531 filed in 2024 for an increase of 10%.

For the first time since 2020, eviction cases decreased slightly in 2025 from 2024. However, the caseload is still higher than it was pre-pandemic.

The largest percentage increase by case type was in Contracts, Notes, and Accounts, which increased by 22%.



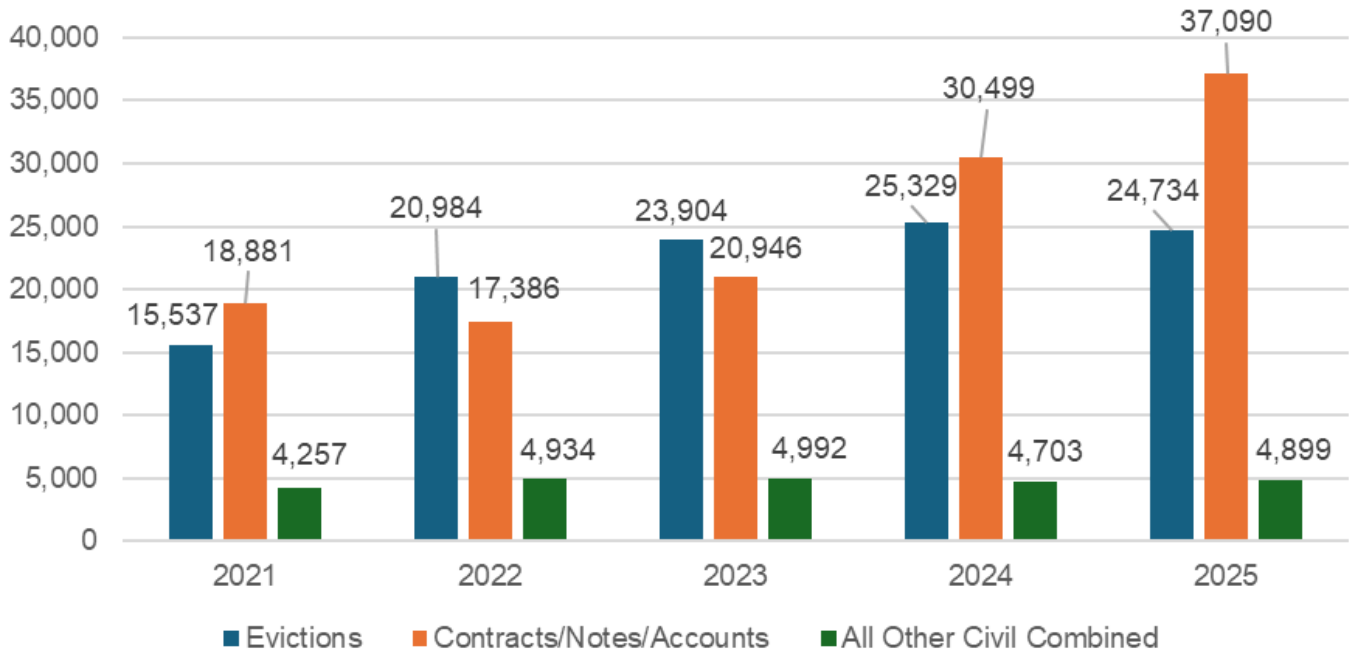
Contract/Notes/Accounts	37,090	(56%)	
F.E.D. (Evictions)	24,734	(37%)	
Small Claims	2,949	(4%)	
Other Civil (including parking appeals)	603	(1%)	
Civil Environmental	718	(1%)	
Personal Injury/Property Damage	629	(1%)	



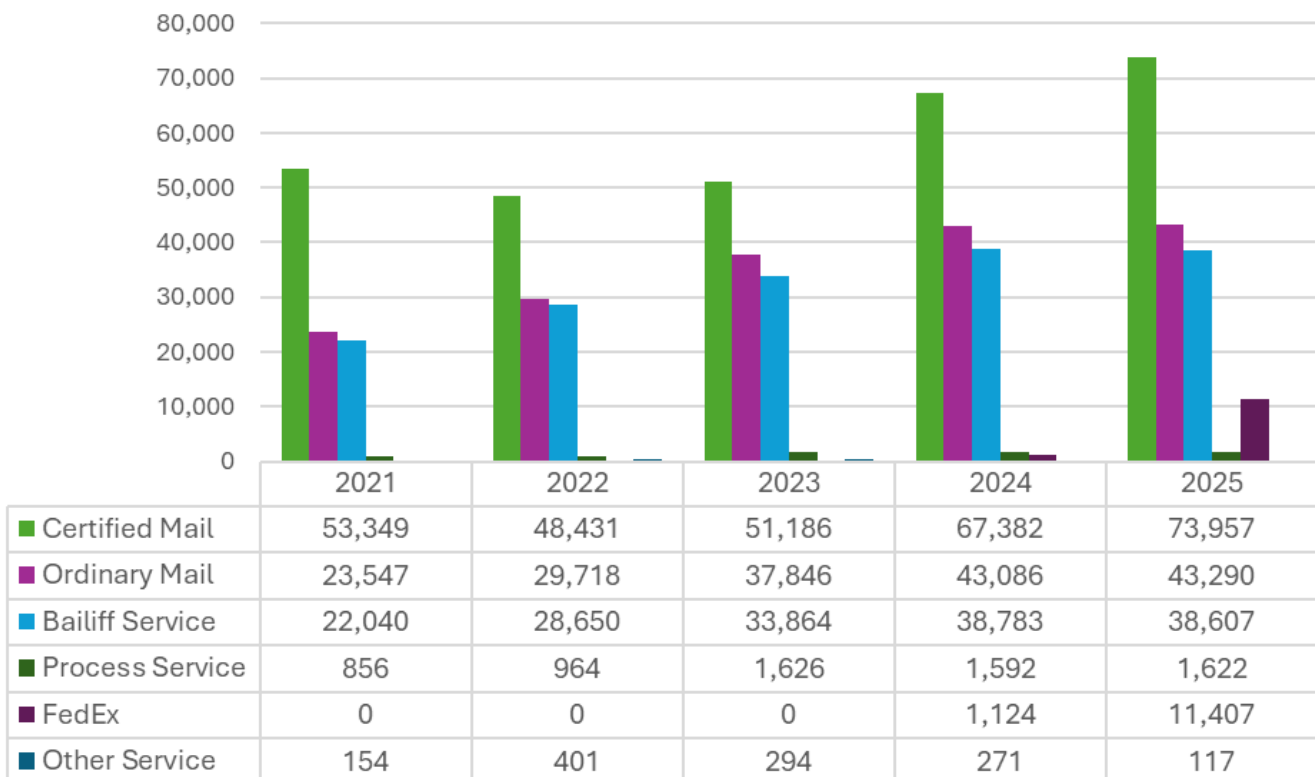
Civil Division: By the Numbers

Ancillary Proceedings

Civil Cases Filed By Case Type
2021-2025



Civil Mail Processed

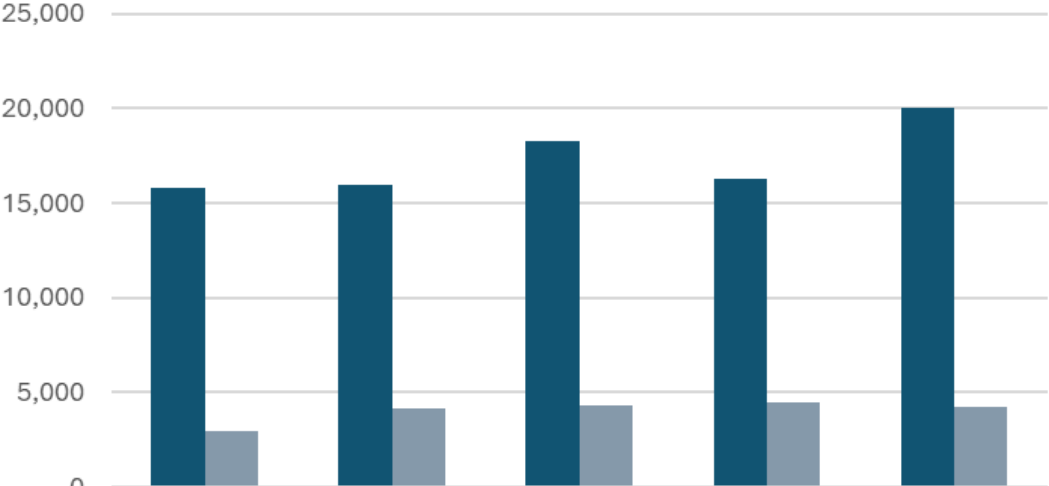




Civil Division: By the Numbers

Garnishments

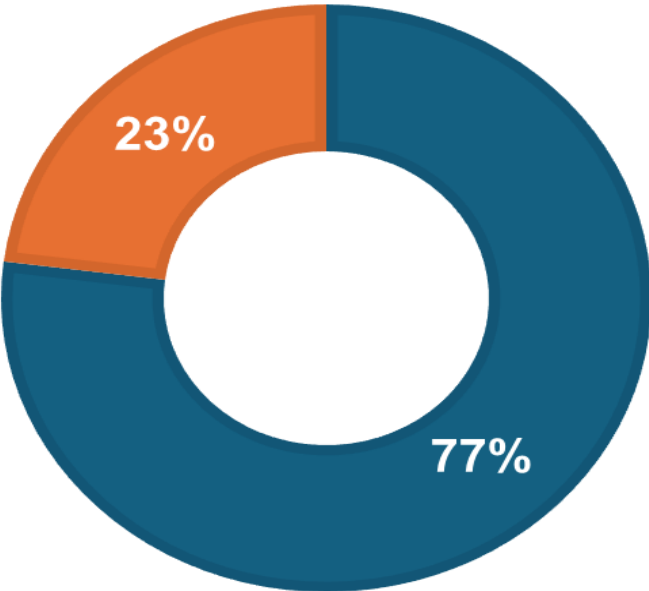
Garnishments Issued and Released
2021-2025



	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
■ Garnishment Issued	15,786	15,993	18,270	16,294	20,072
■ Garnishments Released	2,942	4,147	4,299	4,484	4,224

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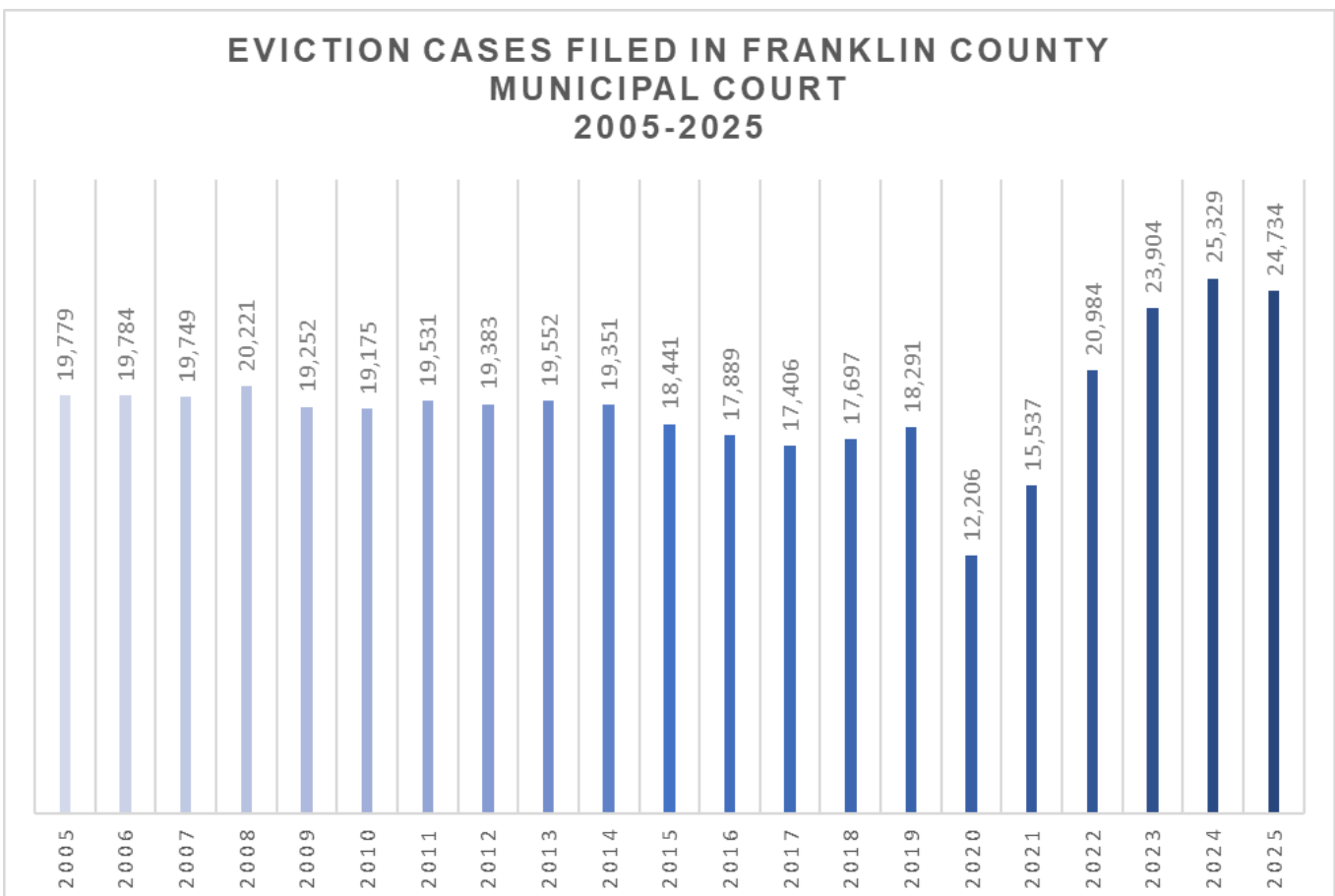


Civil Division: Evictions

Eviction cases in Franklin County decreased slightly in 2025 compared to 2024. However, eviction case totals are still higher than what they were prior to the pandemic.



Below is a chart showing the eviction cases filed in the Franklin County Municipal Court from 2005-2025.





Criminal / Traffic Division

The Criminal/Traffic Division processes and maintains Criminal, Traffic, and Environmental Criminal cases. The Criminal/Traffic Division provides a multitude of services to the 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. Documentation is provided to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office once bond has been posted and then the defendants may be released.

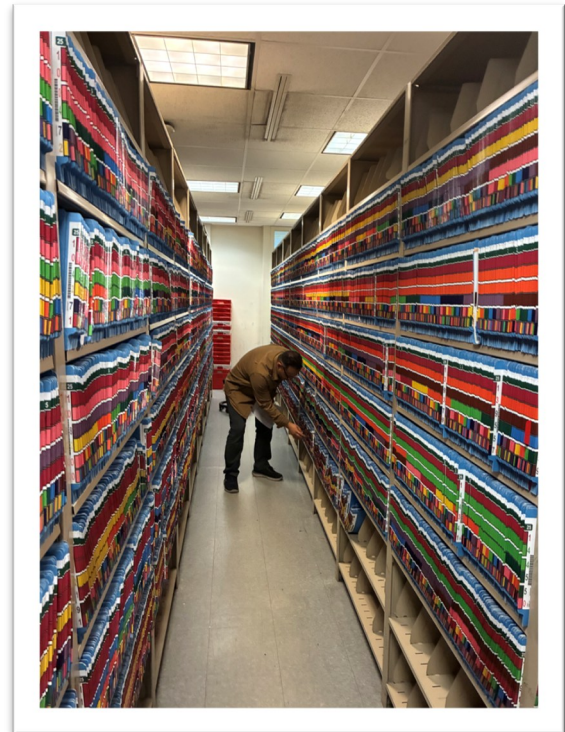
The Division also processes applications for the expungement of case records as well as maintaining and securing records which have been ordered by the Court to be sealed. Other examples of service include administering oaths, accepting criminal and traffic charges, filing motions, filing search warrants, providing information about court cases, dispositions, future court dates, as well as assisting in the courtroom.



Criminal / Traffic Division

Accomplishments for Criminal/Traffic in 2025 are as follows:

- ◇ Partnered with the Court to reformat the expungement forms to allow for a smoother process for all parties.
- ◇ Reviewed old order-ins for partial payments. 1,280 cases where over 350 applications were received.
- ◇ Participated in two expungement clinics where we took in over 350 applications.
- ◇ Partnered with the Franklin County Sheriff's to staff a deputy clerk for 1st and 2nd shifts year-round at the James A. Karnes Correction Center.
- ◇ Implemented all the changes in House Bill 29 and implemented the necessary updates.
- ◇ Participated in Operation Unity with the Columbus Police Department by verifying warrants ahead of time.
- ◇ Partnered with the Court's Service Bailiffs to provide scanned personal subpoena services now available on demand.
- ◇ Participated in multiple Tap in Center events with the Court and the Franklin County Office of Justice Policy & Programs.



Criminal Cases 2025

Type A-Felony	6,571
Type B-Criminal	14,979
Total	21,141

Traffic Cases 2025

Type C-OVI	5,052
Type D-All Other	47,037
Total	52,089

Five-Year Comparative Review of Cases Filed

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Environmental	3,027	2,670	3,038	2,359	2,707
Criminal	18,918	20,178	21,457	21,775	21,172
Traffic	44,062	49,995	49,683	51,709	52,060
Total	66,007	72,843	74,178	75,843	75,939

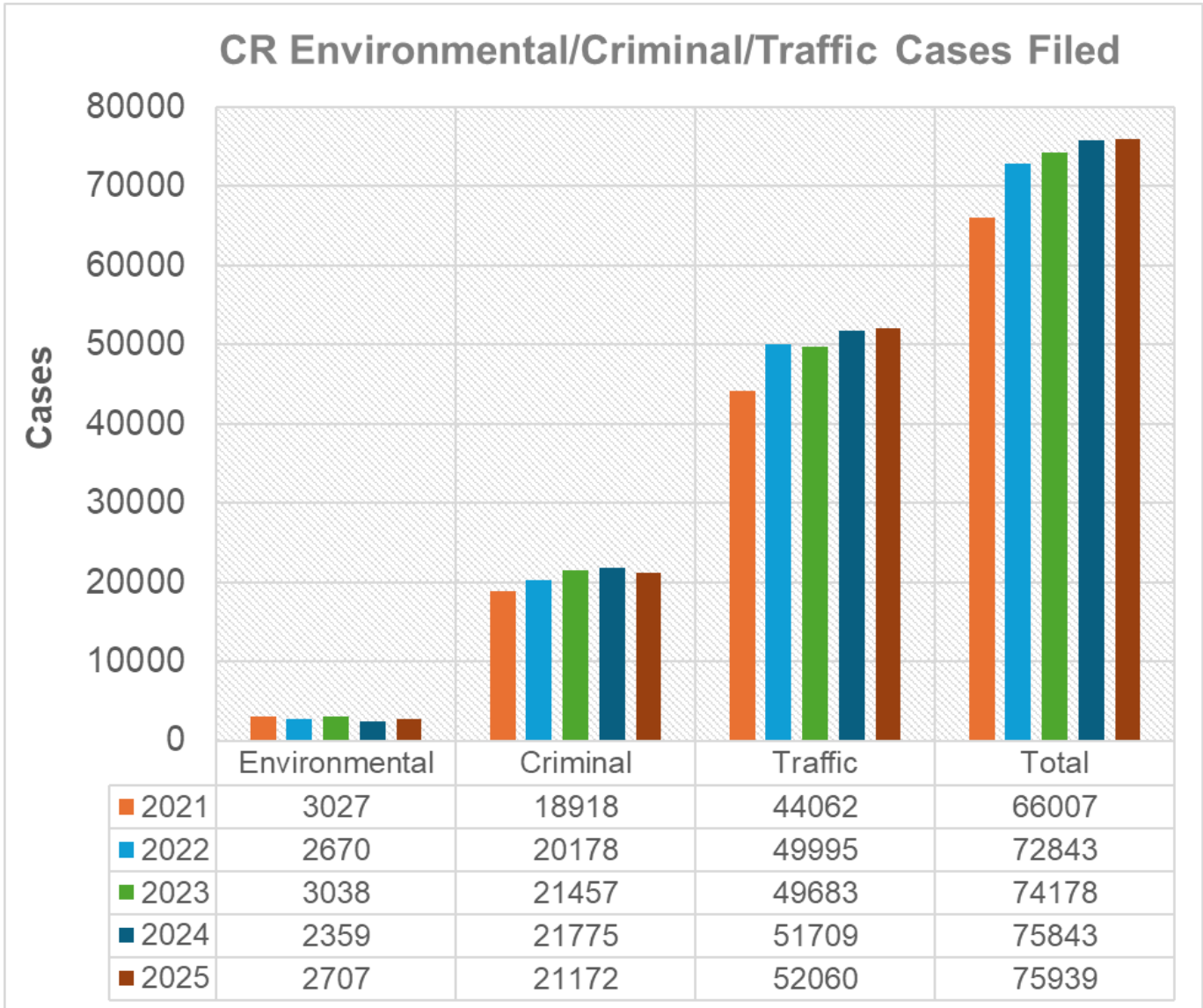
Five-Year Comparative Review of Charges Filed

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Environmental	5,495	4,735	5,793	4,478	5,645
Criminal	27,797	29,400	30,220	30,422	29,783
Traffic	66,864	77,449	78,547	81,331	81,391
Total	100,156	111,584	114,560	116,231	116,819



Criminal / Traffic Division: Case Comparison (2021 - 2025)

Criminal and environmental criminal cases have remained stable even through the pandemic. However, there was a slight decrease of 2.8% in criminal case filings in 2025. Environmental criminal cases realized a 14.8% increase in 2025. Traffic cases increased by less than 1% in 2025. Overall, criminal, environmental, and traffic cases remained consistent with 2024.





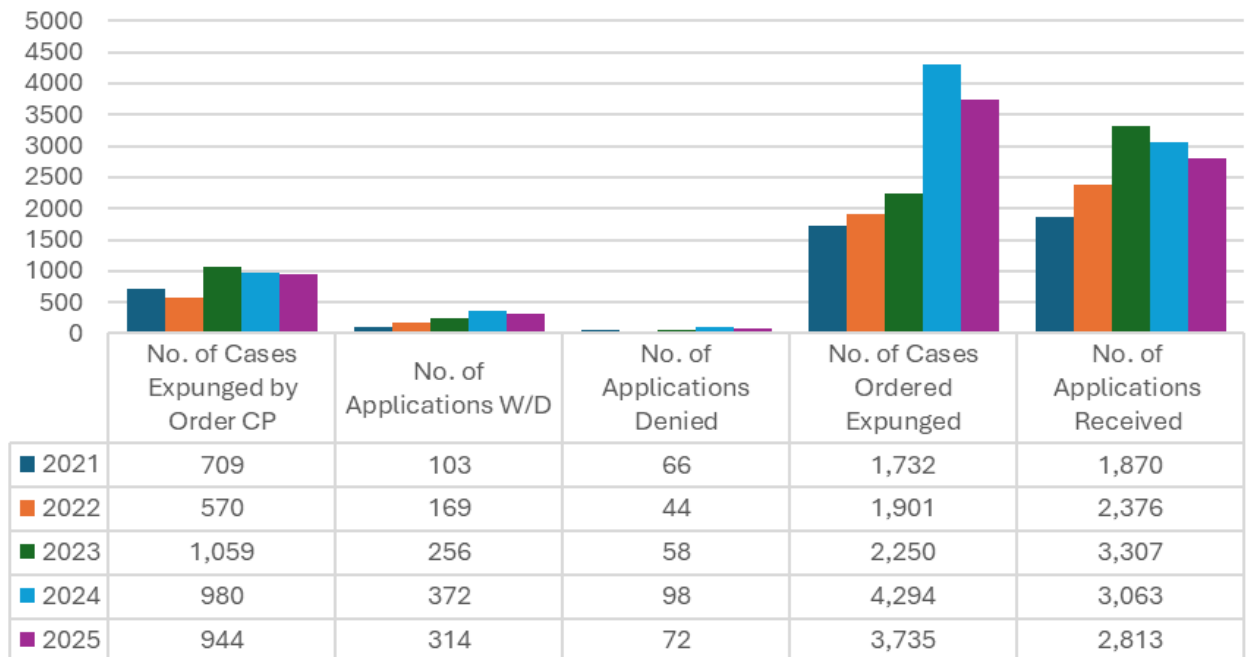
Criminal / Traffic Division

Expungements

Expungements & Sealing of Cases in 2025

Number of Applications Received For Expungement Proceedings	2,813
Number of Cases Ordered Expunged By The Court	3,735
Number of Applications Denied For Expungement	72
Number of Expungement Applications Withdrawn	314
Number of Cases Expunged By Order Of The Common Pleas Court	944

5-Year Expungement Data



CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED IN 2025	CITY OF COLUMBUS ORDINANCE	OHIO REVISED CODE	OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES
MURDER / ASSAULT			
AGGRAVATED MURDER		6	
MURDER		66	
INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER / RECKLESS HOMICIDE		7	
AGGRAVATED / VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER	1	6	
AGGRAVATED / VEHICULAR HOMICIDE		2	
AGGRAVATED / VEHICLE ASSAULT		3	
FELONIOUS ASSAULT		654	
ASSAULT, NEGLIGENT ASSAULT, & AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	120	4,364	7
MENACING AND AGGRAVATED MENACING	113	1,521	2
MENACING BY STALKING		32	
FELONY MENACING BY STALKING		5	
TOTAL	234	6,666	9
KIDNAPPING & ENTICEMENT			
KIDNAPPING		104	
ABDUCTION		43	
UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT	4	58	
TOTAL	4	205	0
SEX OFFENSES			
RAPE		60	
RAPE < UNDER 13 YEARS OLD		11	
GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION		11	
GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION < 13 YEARS OLD		11	
SEXUAL IMPOSITION		16	
SEXUAL BATTERY		9	
IMPORTUNING / FELONY IMPORTUNING		4	2
VOYEURISM	4	19	
PUBLIC INDECENCY	27	70	3
PROCURING	1		
COMPEL / PROMOTE PROSTITUTION / TRAFFIC PERSONS		4	
PROSTITUTION		185	
LOITERING FOR PROSTITUTION / SOLICITING	90	21	5
EXPOSING OTHERS-CONTAGION			
PANDERING / DISSEMINATING / DISPLAYING HARMFUL MATTER TO / OF JUV		89	
SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS VIOLATIONS			
FAILURE TO REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER		146	
FAILURE TO CHANGE OR (RE-)VERIFY ADDRESS AS SEX OF- FENDER		15	
TOTAL	122	671	10

CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED IN 2025	CITY OF COLUMBUS ORDINANCE	OHIO REVISED CODE	OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES
ARSON, VANDALISM & CRIMINAL MISCHIEF			
ARSON		60	
ARSON OFFENDER REGISTRATION		1	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF / VANDALISM	21	79	4
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & ENDANGERMENT	81	254	5
TOTAL	102	394	9
DRUG ABUSE			
TRAFFICKING IN / DISTRIBUTION OF DRUGS		50	
FELONY DRUG ABUSE		318	
MISDEMEANOR DRUG ABUSE		19	1
POSSESSION OF DRUGS / CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES	2	1,109	1
PERMITTING DRUG ABUSE		1	
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA / INSTRUMENTS		942	46
DECEPTION TO OBTAIN DANGEROUS DRUGS			
ILLEGAL DRUG DOCUMENTS		1	
MANUFACTURE OF DRUGS		1	
POSSESS / SELL FAKE COUNTERFEIT DRUGS		411	
CORRUPTING ANOTHER WITH DRUGS		3	
TOTAL	2	2,855	48
ROBBERY, BURGLARY & TRESPASSING			
AGGRAVATED ROBBERY		131	
ROBBERY		137	
AGGRAVATED BURGLARY		180	
BURGLARY		200	
BREAKING & ENTERING		97	
SAFECRACKING / TAMPERING VENDING MACHINE / ATM		5	
AGGRAVATED / CRIMINAL TRESPASSING	425	674	38
TOTAL	425	1,424	38
WEAPONS			
CCW		100	
IMPROPER HANDLING OF FIREARM / DISCHARGING	43	555	2
WEAPONS UNDER DISABILITY / ILLEGAL POSSESSION	5	421	
WEAPON USE WHILE INTOXICATED	17	46	1
DEFACED / ALTERED WEAPON / FIREARM		5	
FAIL TO INFORM OFFICER (CCW / FIREARM)		37	
POSSESSION OF CRIMINAL TOOLS	15	100	2
POSSESSION / ILLEGAL CONVEY / UNSECURED DANGEROUS ORDINANCE OR DEADLY WEAPON	4	19	
ATTEMPT / FELONY		62	
COMPLICITY	20	57	5
TOTAL	104	1,402	10

CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED IN 2025	CITY OF COLUMBUS ORDINANCE	OHIO REVISED CODE	OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES
THEFT & FRAUD			
GRAND / FELONY THEFT		44	
THEFT / PETTY THEFT / THEFT BY DECEPTION	1010	2,930	243
EXTORTION / THREAT OF FORCE		1	
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES		39	
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF PROPERTY		2	
FORGERY & UTTERING		81	
PASSING BAD CHECKS		7	2
RSP	12	483	2
MISUSE / THEFT OF CREDIT CARD MIS.		6	
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARD FELONY		1	
TELECOMMUNICATION FRAUD		6	
CRIMINAL SIMULATION		2	
TAKING IDENTITY OF ANOTHER / IDENTITY FRAUD		144	
TRAFFICKING IN / ILLEGAL USE OF FOOD STAMPS		1	
MEDICAID FRAUD		7	
TOTAL	1,022	3,754	247
OFFENSES AGAINST PEACE OFFICERS			
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	210	351	36
RESISTING ARREST	43	247	3
CERTAIN ACTS PROHIBITED / FALSE ID	8	258	
FAILURE TO COMPLY	8	70	3
MISCONDUCT AT EMERGENCY	13	17	1
IMPROPER USE OF 911	21		4
RIOT / INCITING VIOLENCE / INDUCING PANIC / FALSE ALARMS	7	48	4
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE / OFFICIAL BUSINESS	142	699	19
FALSE INFORMATION TO MISLEAD / FALSE REPORT / FALSE ALLEGATION / FALSIFICATION / FAIL TO REPORT	75	346	15
IMPERSONATING AN OFFICER		1	
ASSAULT ON POLICE OFFICER		42	
HARASSMENT / ASSAULT BY INMATE		47	
FLEEING AND ELUDING		336	1
ESCAPE		14	
TOTAL	527	2,476	86
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY			
ENDANGERING CHILDREN / CHILD ABUSE	2	302	27
ENDANGERING CHILDREN / OVI		95	3
INTERFERING WITH CUSTODY	1	26	
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (FELONY)		12	
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	86	4,047	
FELONY VIOLATION PROTECTION ORDER		18	
VIOLATION OF PROTECTION ORDER	14	872	
NONSUPPORT OF DEPENDENTS			
CONTRIBUTE, INFLUENCE WITH MINOR		12	
ABUSE OF CORPSE		1	
PATIENT NEGLECT / ABUSE / ENDANGERMENT	1	2	
TOTAL	104	5,387	30

CRIMINAL CHARGES FILED IN 2025	CITY OF COLUMBUS ORDINANCE	OHIO REVISED CODE	OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES
OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC			
ADMINISTRATION			
CONTEMPT OF COURT			
WITNESS INTIMIDATION / RETALIATION		5	
TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE / RECORDS		128	
ILLEGAL CONVEYANCE		18	
DISRUPT PUBLIC SERVICES / MISCONDUCT	8	13	
WORKERS COMPENSATION VIOLATION			
ETHICS / DERELICTION VIOLATIONS		16	
TAX FORMS / MISC TAX VIOLATIONS		1	12
TOTAL	8	181	12
ALCOHOL OFFENSES			
PROHIBITED ALCOHOL UNDER 21 YEARS OLD / MINOR PURCHASE / POSSESSION / SALES TO	4	56	3
UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION		130	
OPEN CONTAINER	3	19	31
CONSUMPTION / OPEN CONTAINER IN PUBLIC PLACE	14	30	
CONSUMPTION / OPEN CONTAINER IN MOTOR VEHICLE KEEPER OF PLACE	22	78	4
LIQUOR PROHIBITIONS / PERMIT VIOLATIONS		17	
TOTAL	43	330	38
GAMBLING			
GAMBLING / GAMING		18	
CASINO RELATED OFFENSES / LOTTERY VIOLATIONS		30	
TOTAL	0	48	0
MISC CRIMINAL VIOLATION			
FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE		88	
HOLD FOREIGN JURISDICTION		365	
PEACE WARRANT / CIVL CAPIAS		17	
TELEPHONE / TELECOMMUNICATIONS HARRASSMENT	1	128	3
ETHNIC INTIMIDATION/ TERRORISTIC THREATS	1	2	
TOBACCO VIOLATIONS		22	
BUSINESS / VENDOR LICENSE / REGISTRATION		7	
AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING / STREET BEGGERS	15		
MONEY LAUNDERING / COUNTERFEITING	6	2	
PUBLIC URINATION / DEFECATION / SPITTING	11		
AIRCRAFT OPERATION / INTERFERENCE		5	
MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER / TITLE VIOLATIONS		1	
FIREWORKS VIOLATIONS	1	1	
TOTAL	35	638	3
OVI & PHYSICAL CONTROL			
OVI (FELONY)		78	
HIT SKIP / FAIL TO STOP (FELONY)		2	
TOTAL	0	80	0



Courtroom Service 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 Traffic Arraignment courtrooms (1A and 1B). Daily, CSG Deputy Clerks docket subpoenas and motions, process unpaid fines and costs, enter sentencing information, issue/recall warrants, process continuances, enter limited driving privileges, add Temporary Protection Orders, image entries and update bond information along with all other entries in the case management system.

Additionally, CSG Deputy Clerks are responsible for routing files to the Assignment Office, Probation Department, Accounting/Finance Department, Expungement Department, Prosecutor's Office, Collections Department, and to the Vehicle Immobilization Coordinator.





Courtroom Service Group

The CSG Deputy Clerks also timestamp, docket, and route Statement of Violations filed by the Probation Department. CSG Deputy Clerks run and process case management reports. Each CSG member acts as a liaison between Court personnel and the Clerk's Office. After Court, CSG Deputy Clerks provide assistance to other divisions of the Clerks' Office.

The Courtroom Service Group electronically reports several types of Traffic and Criminal convictions to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV).

In 2025, the Courtroom Service Group accomplished the following:

- ◇ Management reviewed over 11,000 license forfeitures and cleared 6,537 as part of H.B. 29.
- ◇ Worked with Probation Department staff to develop and implement a new Jail Diversion Program through Alvis House, replacing the Richland County Pay to Stay facility.
- ◇ Updated approximately 500 old case dismissals in cooperation with the City Attorney's Office
- ◇ Transmitted 64,439 records to the Ohio BMV using an FTP process
- ◇ Terminated 41,968 cases
- ◇ Sent 7,909 cases to collections for failure to pay fines and court costs
- ◇ Issued 17,648 bench warrants



Courtroom Service Group: By the Numbers

Cases Reported to BMV		
	2024	2025
TOTAL TRANSMISSIONS	63,478	64,439
AR (ALS LDPS, POSITIVE TEST)	203	275
C1 (TRAFFIC CONVICTIONS)	42,591	39,765
C2 (COMMERCIAL SPEED)	451	683
C6 (OVI DISMISSALS)	1,937	2331
LF (LICENSE FORFEITURE)	9,744	13,653
NC (NON-COMPLIANCE LDP)	246	303
PT (PRETRIAL SUSPENSION)	193	194
SI (ALS LDPS, TEST REFUSAL)	349	388
SC (COURT SUSPENSION)	1,611	1,767
WB (WARRANT BLOCKS)	3,152	3,407
REG BLOCK	2,989	1,629
MODIFICATION ORDERS	244	202

CSG Data Entry		
	2024	2025
CASES TERMINATED TOTAL	40,687	41,968
DISMISSALS (ASSIGNED CASES)	13,464	14,031
DISMISSALS (UNASSIGNED CASE)	391	617
DISMISSALS (1A)	2,374	2,844
DISMISSALS (1B)	2207	2,850
DISMISSALS (4C)	3,644	3,309
DISMISSALS (4D)	4,631	4,602
IGAC	4,540	4,861
IGNC	6,827	6,543
IJT (JURY TRIALS)	14	21
ICT (COURT TRIALS)	77	81
CHJ (4C)	1,950	1,822
CHJ (4D)	568	387
CONTINUED (ASSIGNED CASES)	43,044	45,817
REFER TO COLLECTIONS	8,404	7,909
SOVS (SOV, SOVA, SOF)	4,711	5,129
ALERTS ISSUED TOTAL	17,611	17,648
SMS (TEXT NOTICES)	1,445	319
EFILE (EVALUATIONS)	5,529	8,758



Traffic Violations Bureau

The Traffic Violations Bureau (TVB) initiates all traffic citations, criminal/traffic and environmental complaints issued by law enforcement into the case management system. Twenty-one (21) Municipal Law Enforcement agencies and eight (8) Townships within Franklin County are served, including: Columbus Division of Police, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Franklin County Sheriff, Ohio State University Police, and Port Columbus Police. Franklin County Municipal Court has jurisdiction in three (3) counties: Franklin, Delaware, and Fairfield. Additionally, The Franklin County Municipal Court process cases for sixteen (16) Mayor's Courts. Cases are transferred for further action before the Municipal Court.

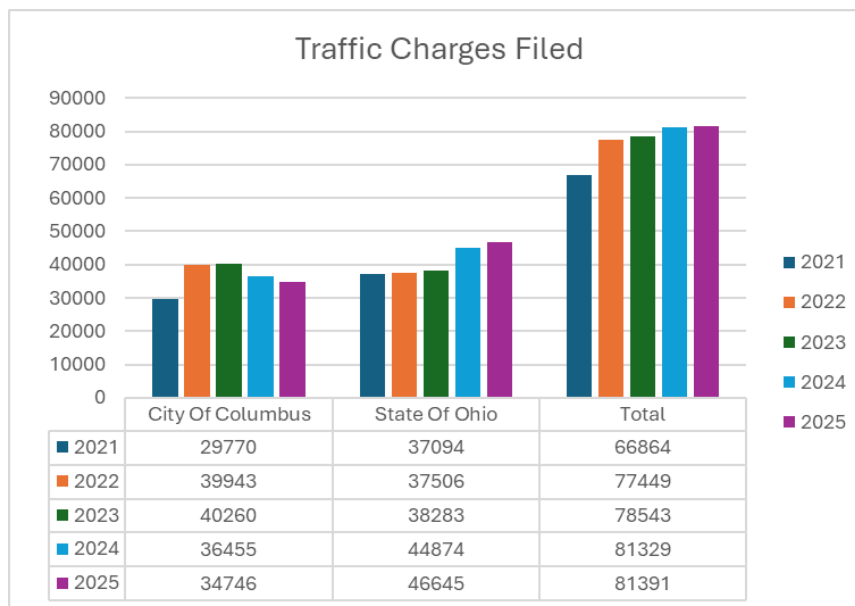
Within the Traffic Violations Bureau, is the Communications Department. The function of the Communications Department is to further promote ongoing communications and the delivery of excellent public service to the general public, law enforcement agencies, attorneys, court personnel, other courts and governmental agencies.



TVB: By the Numbers

In 2025 there were...

- ◇ Fourteen (14) law enforcement agencies submitted electronic citations.
- ◇ 21,798 citations electronically filed.
- ◇ 76,161 cases initiated; which includes traffic, criminal, and environmental.
- ◇ 4,155 certified summonses mailed out; which includes traffic, criminal, and environmental.
- ◇ 1,313 Criminal/Traffic payments logged.
- ◇ 1,362 Mayor Court Transfer cases initiated.
- ◇ 16,360 ITNs were entered into the system.



In 2025, the Traffic Violations Bureau/Communications Department accomplished the following:

- ◇ Processed eCitations for the following police agencies that began filing this year: Mifflin Township, Blendon Township, Perry Township, Bexley, Franklin County Sheriff, and Upper Arlington. We currently have a total of (14) police agencies filing E-Tickets, which also include Ohio Highway Patrol, Columbus Police, Gahanna, Whitehall and New Albany, Minerva Park, Dublin and Hilliard.
- ◇ Cross-trained all staff to ensure all daily responsibilities are met.
- ◇ Continued effective communication with Police Agencies, Prosecutors, Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Court, Mayor Court Clerks and Courtroom Clerks to ensure quality work.



TVB: By the Numbers

City of Columbus Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
ACDA	1,676
APPR PUB SAFETY VEH W/LTS DISPLAYED	43
BACKING FROM ALLEY, PRIV DR OR BLDG	10
BACKING ON FREEWAY	10
BACKING WITHOUT SAFETY	92
BICYCLE LAMPS/REFLECTRS REQ AT NIGHT	27
BICYCLE RECKLESS OPERATION	11
BICYCLE-RIDE ON RIGHT SIDE OF RDWAY	5
BICYCLE-RIDE ON SIDEWALK PROHIBITED	57
BICYCLE- SIGNAL DEVICE	7
BICYCLE-YLD RGHT OF WAY AT CROSSING	1
BLUE LIGHT PROHIBITED	8
BOARD/ALIGHT IN MOTION PROHIBITED	1
BRAKE EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS	5
CERTAIN ACTS PROH-FALSE DISPLAY	1
CERTAIN ACTS PROH-FICTITIOUS ID	27
CHANGE COURSE W/O SAFETY	222
CHANGING LANES W/O SAFETY	394
CHANGING LANES W/O SAFETY-BICYCLE	13
COUNTERFEIT PLATES	6
CYCLE-HELMET/GLASSES	8
DISPLAY FALSE LICENSE	2
DRIVE ACROSS GRADE CROSSING	3
DRIVE ON CLOSED HIGHWAY	22
DRIVE ON CURB/SIDEWALK	23
DRIVE OVER FIRE HOSE	1
DRIVE THROUGH SAFETY ZONE	10
DRIVING LEFT OF CENTER PROHIBITED	19
DRIVING MV IN BIKE LANE	3
DRIVING ON RIGHT SIDE OF ROADWAY	223
DRIVING OUTSIDE LICENSE RESTRICTION	51
DRIVING UNDER FRA SUSPENSION	746
DRIVING UNDER OVI SUSPENSION	95
DRIVING UNDER SUSPENSION	2,425
DRIVING UNSAFE VEHICLE	55
DRIVING WITHIN LANES	81
DUTIES/NON-WORKING SIGNAL	1
ELUDE/FLEE OFFICER	2
EMERGENCY VEH-FAIL TO SLOW DOWN	1
EXPIRED TAGS	168
FAIL TO YIELD PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE	77
FAIL TO YIELD TO PED IN CRSWLK/SDEWLK	62
FAIL/KEEP TO RIGHT	1
FAILURE TO COMPLY	219



TVB: By the Numbers

City of Columbus Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
FAILURE TO COMPLY W/ORDER OF OFFCR	13
FAILURE TO CONTROL	1,996
FAILURE TO DISPLAY	17
FAILURE TO DISPLAY HEADLIGHTS	152
FAILURE TO DISPLAY LICENSE	1
FAILURE TO DISPLAY LICENSE PLATE	85
FAILURE TO REGISTER	1
FAILURE TO REINSTATE LICENSE	333
FAILURE TO SIGNAL	904
FAILURE TO STOP-ACCIDENT	494
FAILURE TO STOP-MARKED SCHOOL XING	1
FAILURE TO STOP-SCHOOL BUS	28
FAILURE TO YIELD FROM PRIVATE DRIVE	161
FALSE INFO TO ISSUING OFFICER	9
FLASHING RED/BLUE LIGHTS PROHIBITED	1
FLEEING	9
FOCUS AND AIM OF HEADLIGHTS	3
FOLLOWING EMERGENCY VEHICLE	1
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	43
FREEWAY USE PROHIBITED	1
FTY "T" INTERSECTIONS	16
FTY RIGHT ON RED	1
FTY STOP SIGN-BICYCLE	1
HAND/ARM SIGNALS	2
HANG ON OR RIDE OUTSIDE OF VEHICLE	4
HAZARDOUS OR NO PASSING ZONE	45
HIT SKIP-PERSONAL/PROPERTY	3
HIT SKIP-PUBLIC STREET	97
IMPROPER BUMPER	1
IMPROPER PASSING	39
IMPROPER TURN-RIGHT/LEFT	141
INSTALL OF PROH WINDOW TINT	6
INTERSECT W/NON-WORKING TCD	7
KEEP TO RIGHT/ROTARY	2
KNWNGLY PRMT HANG/RIDE OUTSIDE VEH	5
LANE CONTROL SIGNALS	4
LET UNLICENSED DRIVER DRIVE	3
LICENSE PLATE VIOLATION	5
LOAD EXTENSION LIMITATIONS	2
LOUD SOUND SYSTEM PROHIBITED	31
MANNER OF SIGNAL	2
MANNER OF SIGNAL-BICYCLE	2
MARKED LANES	320
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF HEADLIGHTS	2



TVB: By the Numbers

City of Columbus Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
MIRROR-UNOBSTRUCTED VIEW	3
MOTOR VEHICLE/CYCLE NOISE	7
MUFFLER,EXCESSIVE GAS OR SMOKE	29
NO MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT	38
NO OPERATORS LICENSE	4,378
NO OPERATORS LICENSE < 6 MTHS	73
NO OPERATORS LICENSE-VALID OPS	22
NON TRANSPRNT MAT ON WNDW PROH	14
OBSCURED LIGHTS	4
OBSCURED WINDSHIELD PROHIBITED	2
OBSTRUCT INTERSECTION/RR CROSSING	29
ONE WAY-BICYCLE	5
ONE WAY HIGHWAY/ROTARY	209
OPEN CONTAINER	1
OPEN DOOR IN TRAFFIC	2
OPEN DOOR WITHOUT SAFETY	1
OPERATE MV W/O TITLE	1
OPERATE MV/MC ON SIDEWALK	1
OPERATE W/FOREIGN TAG	2
OPERATE W/TAG FROM PREV OWNER	21
OPERATION W/PROH WINDOW TINT	928
ORDER OF OFFICER-PEDESTRIAN	20
OVERTAKING PASSING TO RIGHT/LEFT	15
PARK-BLOCKING INTERSECTION	2
PARK-FAILURE TO REGISTER	34
PARKING VIOLATION	2
PARK-OBSTRUCTING ROADWAY	2
PARK-OBSTRUCTING STREET/CROSSWALK	2
PASS ON RGHT-CARS OPPOSITE DIRECTION	4
PASSING LEFT OF CENTER	58
PASSING ON THE LEFT	11
PASSING ON THE RIGHT	22
PED TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY TO VEHICLES	10
PEDESTRIAN CONTROL SIGNAL	2
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PROHIBITED	9
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING W/O SAFETY	6
PEDESTRIAN ON BRIDGE PROHIBITED	1
PEDESTRIAN ON THE FREEWAY	40
PEDESTRIAN OUTSIDE CRSWLK TO YIELD	8
PEDESTRIAN SOLICIT RIDES PROHIBITED	1
PEDESTRIAN TO FACE TRAFFIC	27
PEDESTRIAN UNDER INFLUENCE PROH	1
PEDESTRIAN USE OF CROSSWALK REQ	79



TVB: By the Numbers

City of Columbus Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
PEDESTRIAN USE OF SHOULDER REQ	14
PEDESTRIAN USE OF SIDEWALK REQ	120
POSSESS EXTRA LICENSE	1
POSTER/SIGN WINDOW	3
PROH RIDING IN/ON VEHICLE	1
PROH USE OF MOBILE COMM DEVICE	25
PROHIBITED ATTACHING TO VEHICLE	1
PROHIBITED NUMBER OF HEADLIGHTS	99
PROHIBITED RIGHT TURN	3
PROHIBITED START/BACKING	7
PROHIBITIONS/LEFT OF CENTER	17
REAR LICENSE PLATE LIGHT	3
REAR VIEW MIRROR,CLEAR VIEW	13
RED REFLECTORS REQ ON MV	4
REFLECTORIZED MAT ON WINDOW PROH	5
REGISTRATION VIOLATION	8
REPEAT OFFENDER SUSPENSION	13
REQ:DISTR OF HEADLIGHT BEAMS	37
RESISTING TRAFFIC ENF OFFICIAL	1
RIDING BICYCLE/MC ABREAST	15
RIDING BICYCLE/MC RESTRICTIONS	9
RIGHT OF WAY/STOP/YIELD	56
RIGHT OF WAY/TURNING LEFT	903
RIGHT OF WAY:INTERSECTION	32
RIGHT OF WAY:PEDESTRIAN	10
ROMV	179
ROMV-ALL PURPOSE VEH/OFF ROAD MC	2
ROMV-WILLFUL DISREGARD	87
SIDE COWL,FENDER,BACK-UP LIGHT REST	4
SIGNAL DEVICES ON BICYCLE-BRAKE	12
SIGNAL TERMS/LIGHTS	18
SKATES,COASTER,TOY IN RDWAY	2
SLOW MOV VEH DRIVE ON RIGHT SIDE	1
SLOW SPEED	253
SOLICIT RIDES/RIDE ON OUTSIDE VEH	7
SPEED	4,630
SPEED-SCHOOL ZONE < 35 MPH	16
SPEED-SCHOOL ZONE > 35 MPH	18
SPEED-UNREASONABLE FOR CONDITIONS	8
SQUEALING TIRES	37
STOP LIGHTS REQUIRED	57
STOP SIGN	1,039
STOP-SIDEWALK AREA	124



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City of Columbus Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

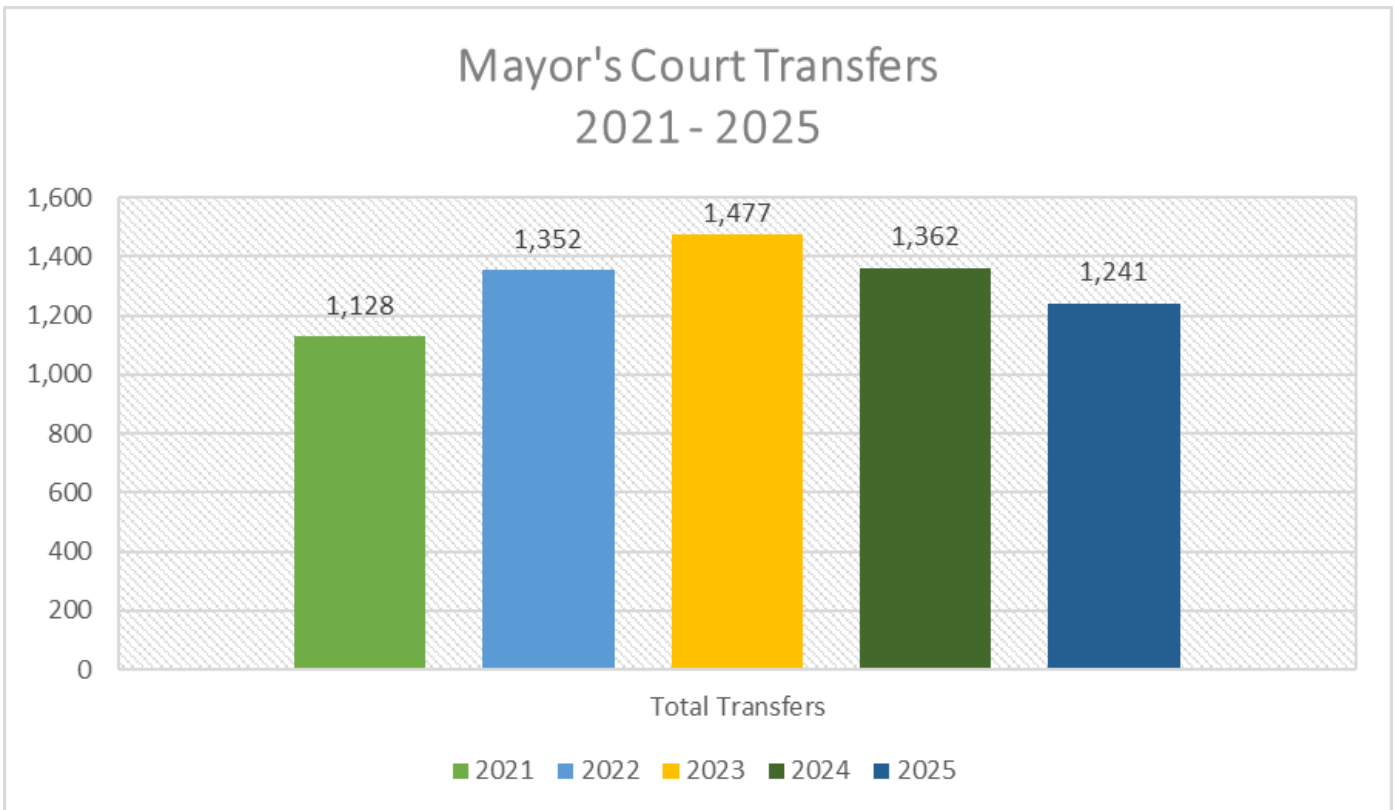
CHARGE TYPE	2025
STREET RACING	24
TAG VIOLATIONS	1,874
TAIL/LICENSE PLATE LIGHT REQUIRED	205
TEMP PLATE-DISPLAY	2
TEMPORARY PERMIT VIOLATION	555
TEMPORARY PERMIT W/O LICENSE DRIVER	1
TEMPORARY PERMIT/MC VIOLATION	7
TITLE/VIOLATION	18
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	1,661
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE-PEDESTRIAN	9
TRANSFER REGISTRATION	1
TURN ON RED	20
TURN/FROM ONE WAY ST	10
TURN/STOP SIGNALS	79
TURNING AT INTERSECTIONS	209
TURNING INTO PRIV DR/ALLEY/BLDG	4
TWO LIGHTS REQUIRED	184
UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS/SIGNALS	5
UNNECESSARY HORN	7
USE FICTITIOUS PLATES	52
USE OF HEADPHONES	8
USE TAG TO ANOTHER VEHICLE	233
U-TURNS	312
VEHICLE STOP/GRADE CROISING	1
WINDSHIELD REQUIRED	4
WINDSHIELD WIPER REQUIRED	1
WRONG SIDE-DIVIDED ROAD	31
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT	24
YIELD SIGN	20



TVB: Mayor's Court Transfers

Total Mayor's Court Transfers In 2025:

Agency	Cases Transferred
BEXLEY	18
CANAL WINCHESTER	90
DUBLIN	145
GAHANNA	59
GROVE CITY	414
GROVEPORT	11
HILLIARD	54
MINERVA PARK	9
NEW ALBANY	14
OBETZ	4
REYNOLDSBURG	170
UPPER ARLINGTON	21
VALLEYVIEW	5
WESTERVILLE	53
WHITEHALL	151
WORTHINGTON	23
Total	1,241





TVB: By the Numbers

State of Ohio Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
ACDA	1,090
APPLY REGISTRATION	105
APPR STATIONARY PUBLIC SAFETY VEH	137
BICYCLE LAMPS/REFLECTRS REQ AT NGHT	9
BMV 12 POINT SUSPENSION	71
BRAKE EQUIP REQUIRED FOR VEHICLES	2
CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEM	253
CONSUMPTION IN A MV	8
DEMONSTRATION PLACARDS	1
DISPLAY OF DRIVERS LICENSE	13
DISPLAY PLACARDS ISS TO MANF/DEALRS	18
DRAG RACING/STREET RACING	20
DRIVE LEFT OF CNTR/SUFF DIST TO PASS	34
DRIVE ON CLOSED ROADWAY/HIGHWAY	45
DRIVE ON CURB/SIDEWALK	11
DRIVE U/SUSP OR VIOL LICNSE RESTR	550
DRIVING IN MARKED LANES	1,580
DRIVING IN MARKED THIRD LANE	7
DRIVING LEFT OF CNTR/FOUR LANE ROAD	7
DRIVING OUTSIDE LICENSE RESTRICTION	24
DRIVING THROUGH SAFETY ZONE	3
DRIVING U/FRA SUSP OR CANCELLATION	1,610
DRIVING U/SUSP-FTA/PAY CHILD SUPPORT	223
DRIVING U/OVI SUSPENSION	248
DRIVING UNDER SUPSENSION	815
DRIVING UNSAFE VEHICLE	62
DRIVING W/NON PYMNT JDGMNT SUSP	21
EMERG VEHICLE PROCEED W/CAUTION	1
FAIL TO REPORT ACCIDENT	1
FAIL TO SLOW DOWN AT RR CROSSING	1
FAIL TO STOP/GRADE RR CROSSING	1
FAIL TO STOP/YIELD AT STOP SIGN	488
FAIL TO STOP-SCHOOL BUS	94
FAIL TO YIELD AT YIELD SIGN	19
FAILY TO YIELD TO PED IN CRSWLK/SDWLK	12
FAILURE TO COMPLY	37
FAILURE TO CONTROL	994
FAILURE TO DISPLAY	8
FAILURE TO DISPLAY HEADLIGHTS	226
FAILURE TO DISPLAY-TWO PLATES	2
FAILURE TO OBEY OFFICIAL SIGNS/TCD	3
FAILURE TO REGISTER-EXPIRED TAGS	2,471
FAILURE TO REINSTATE LICENSE	320



TVB: By the Numbers

State of Ohio Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
FAILURE TO SIGNAL	606
FAILURE TO STOP-ACCIDENT	89
FAILURE TO TRANSFER REGISTRATION	34
FAILURE TO YIELD FROM PRIVATE DRIVE	73
FAILURE TO YIELD-BICYCLE	1
FALSE INFO TO ISSUING OFFICER	5
FILE REGISTRATION APPLICATION	1
FLASHING LIGHTS PROHIBITED	1
FLASHING RED/BLUE LIGHTS PROHIBITED	1
FOCUS AND AIM OF HEADLIGHTS	3
FOLLOW EMERG/PUBLIC SFTY VEH PROH	1
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE	57
FTY PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE	21
FURNISH FALSE INFO TO AVOID CITATION	12
GENERAL PROHIBITION-PROOF OF INS	1
HANDICAPPED PARKING	12
HIT SKIP-PUB STREET	103
IMPAIRED ALERTNESS-DRIVE COMM VEH	3
IMPROPER BUMPER	1
IMPROPER PASSING	77
INTERSECTION W/NON-WORKING TCD	2
ISSUANCE OF REGIST AND LICENSE PLATE	125
LANE STRADDLING	206
LICENSE PLATE VIOLATION	116
LIGHTS REQ ON PARKED/STOPPED VEH	1
LIGHTS REQ ON SLOW MOVE VEHICLE	1
MALFUNCTIONING TRAFF CNTRL SIGNAL	1
MANNER TO SIGNAL	1
MAX NUMBER OF HEADLIGHTS	2
MC-IMPROPER SITTING/NUMBER PSNGRS	1
MC-TEMP PERMIT VIOL W/O HELMET	1
MC-TEMP PERMIT VIOL/HDLGHT BEAMS	1
MC-TEMPORARY PERMIT VIOLATION	2
MUFFLER,EXCESSIVE GAS OR SMOKE	23
NO MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT	13
NO-TRNSPRNT MAT ON WINDOW PROH	1
NO MORE THAN ONE SPTLHT/THREE AUX	1
OBSTRUCT INTERSECTION/RR CROSSING	4
OBSTRUCTED VIEW-DRIVER	2
OCCUPY SPACE ON FRWY/PEDESTRIAN	8
ONE WAY HIGHWAY/ROTARY	28
OPEN CONTAINER	85
OPEN DOOR IN TRAFFIC	2



TVB: By the Numbers

State of Ohio Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
OPERATE LOW SPEED-UTLTY VEH/MINI TRK	1
OPERATE MV BEARING INVALID LIC PLATE	214
OPERATE MV USING ELEC WRLS COMM	4,988
OPERATE MV USING ELEC WRLS COMM-2ND	1
OPERATE MV USING ELEC WRLS COMM-3RD	1
OPERATE MV W/O TITLE	2
OPERATE MV W/O VAL LIC EXP < 6 MTHS	39
OPERATE MV W/O VAL LIC-EXPIRED	11
OPERATE MV W/O VAL LIC-NEVER LICNSD	61
OPERATE MV W/O VALID LICENSE	4,497
OPERATE MV W/PREVIOUS OWNER PLATES	11
OPERATE W/FOREIGN TAG	3
OPERATION OF BICYCLE/MOTORCYCLE	1
OPERATION OF SALVAGE VEHICLE	1
PARKING NEAR CURB	4
PARKING VIOLATION-PRIVATE RULES	7
PARKING WRONG DIRECTION	5
PASS ON RT-CARS IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION	3
PASS VEH STOPPED AT CRSSWLK PROH	1
PASSING IN MARKED HAZARDOUS ZONES	39
PED OUTSIDE CROSSWALK YIELD/PROH	5
PED YIELD RGHT OF WAY TO PUB SFTY VEH	1
PEDESTRIAN ON BRIDGE/RR CROSSING	1
PEDESTRIAN ON SDEWLK-RIGHT OF WAY	1
PEDESTRIAN UNDER INFLUENCE PROH	1
PEDESTRIAN WALKING IN RDWY/HGHWY	45
PERMIT OPERATION W/O VALID LICENSE	6
PERMIT OPER-SNWMBLE/MC/APV OFF HGWY	2
PERMITTING MINOR TO DRIVE	2
PROBATION LICENSE RESTRICTIONS VIOL	3
PROH AGNST DRIVE UPON LFT SIDE OF RD	29
PROH AGNST PARKING ON HIGHWAY	40
PROH AGNST RESIST/INTERFERE W/OFFCL	3
PROH SOLICIT BY PED-EMPTY BUSN/CNTRB	21
PROH SOLICITING BY PED-SOLICIT RIDE	7
PROHIBITED ACTS-LICENSE	2
PROHIBITED NUMBER OF HEADLIGHTS	163
PROHIBITION-SNWMBLE/MC/ALL PRPS VEH	4
REAR VIEW MIRROR,CLEAR VIEW	6
RECKLESS OPERATION	189
RECKLESS OPERATION-OFF ST/HIGHWAY	17
RED LIGHT/FLAG REQ ON EXTENDED LOAD	4
RED REFLECTORS REQUIRED ON MV	1
REG REQ-SNWMBLE/MC/APV OFF HGHWY	2



TVB: By the Numbers

State of Ohio Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
REG WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF RESIDENCY	5
REQ:DISTRIBUTION OF HEADLIGHT BEAMS	32
RIDE BICYCLE TO RIGHT SIDE OF RDWAY	4
RIGHT OF WAY AT INTERSECTION	19
RIGHT OF WAY WHEN TURNING LEFT	311
RT HALF OF RDWY EXCEPTIONS	211
RULES FOR PASSING LEFT OF CENTERLINE	34
RULES FOR PASSING ON THE RIGHT	24
SAFETY GLASS	9
SAFETY LIGHTING ON COMM VEHICLE REQ	3
SCHOOL BUS REGULATIONS	1
SEAT SAFETY BELT/ANCHORAGE UNIT REQ	9
SEATBELT-ALLOW PASSENGER	63
SEATBELT-OPERATOR	3,487
SEATBELT-PASSENGER	119
SIDE COWL,FENDER,BACK-UP LGHT REST	20
SLOW MOVING VEH ON RIGHT SIDE OF RD	1
SLOW SPEED	90
SPEED	8,111
SPEED LIMITS PRIVATE RDWYS/DRVWYS	5
SPEED-SCHOOL ZONE	103
SPEED-SCHOOL ZONE OVER 20MPH	50
STARTING AND BACKING VEHICLES	106
STOP AFTR ACCIDENT INVOLVING INJURY	18
STOP LIGHTS REQUIRED	89
STOP SIGN PRIV RESDNTL RD OR DRVWY	3
STOP-SIDEWALK AREA	18
SURRENDER FOREIGN DRIVERS LICENSE	9
SURRENDER TITLE	1
SUSP DRUG OFF U/FED LAW/ANTHR STATE	1
SUSPENSION OF LICENSE-FTA OR PAY	112
TAG VIOLATIONS	923
TAIL/LICENSE PLATE LIGHT REQUIRED	378
TEMPORARY PERMIT	286
TEMPORARY PERMIT VIOLATION	116
TEMPORARY PERMIT/MC VIOLATION	4
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	870
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE-PEDESTRIAN	4
TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS	114
TRAFFIC SIGNALS-RED LIGHT	248
TURNING AT INTERSECTIONS	185
TURNING IN ROADWAY	28
TWO HEADLIGHTS DISPLAYED	127
U TURN PROHIBITED	25



TVB: By the Numbers

State of Ohio Traffic Charges Filed In 2025:

(Charges are in alphabetical order)

CHARGE TYPE	2025
UNATTENDED MOTOR VEHICLES	10
USE OF HEADPHONES	5
VEHICLE STANDING OR PARKING VIOL	107
WINDOW TINT RESTRICTIONS	248
WINDSHIELD PLCRDS/LIC PLTS/PRKG CRDS	2
WINDSHIELD REQUIRED	14
WINDSHIELD WIPER REQUIRED	1
WRONG SIDE-DIVIDED ROAD	97
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT OF MV	13
WRONGFUL ENTRUSTMENT-NOT VALID	6



Audit & Internal Controls



The Audit and Internal Controls Division is responsible for minimizing erroneous data through a system of real time process assurance and monitoring, audit reporting, and quality management. The objective is to achieve operational effectiveness and efficiency, assure reliable and accurate financial reporting in compliance with state and local laws, regulations, and policies. The main purpose of the Division is to help direct and protect resources of the Clerk's Office while improving internal processes and services that the Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office provides to its customer base, the Court, law enforcement, all external partners and most importantly, the public. Other Responsibilities include, balancing four (4) depositing accounts monthly; verification of funds with the financial institution and the case management system (CourtView); and collaborating with private auditing firm (annual audit), monitoring PCI compliancy, auditing, maintaining and submitting the Ohio Supreme Court Report, and monitoring and auditing online payments received.

The Audit and Internal Controls Division also houses the Clerk's Imaging Department. Closed case files are prepped by divisions and sent to the Imaging Department for imaging and shredding. Some case files are stored until their expiration date and shredded, based on the Clerk's Office's Retention Schedule.





AIC: Accomplishments

Accomplishments for Audit and Internal Controls/Imaging for 2025 are as follows:

- ◇ The traditional external audit did not occur due to the recommendations by the State Auditor and City Auditor. However, our financial disbursements to the City of Columbus are audited as part of the larger City of Columbus audit. Additionally, our Internal Auditors procedures, financial, and case management audits have continued as scheduled.
- ◇ Verified funds for the Ohio Pooled Collateral System, this is the seventh year for this requirement. Also completed the bi-annual Public Unit Funds Attestation security audit. This is a requirement in public funds management.
- ◇ Audited, maintained, and submitted unassigned case statistics for the monthly Ohio Supreme Court Report.
- ◇ Submitted annual financial statistics to the City of Columbus Auditor's Office and submitted annual Operating Indicators Report to the Franklin County Auditor's Office.
- ◇ Reported no security breaches with our credit/debit card processing in 2025. We are fully complaint and up to date with PCI DSS security, (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard).
- ◇ Completed daily deposit verification of all funds submitted from our cash office to Huntington bank. This adds a second layer of security and separation of financial duties within the office.
- ◇ The imaging department scanned 3.8 million items / 256,000 cases. This is an increase of more than 600,000 items from 2024.
- ◇ Submitted the Receivables and Municipalities Reports to the City Of Columbus Treasurer's office.
- ◇ Completed bank statement reconciliation for our 4 depositing accounts: Criminal/Traffic, Civil, Rent Escrow and Trusteeship.



Office of Information Services

The Office of Information Services provides services related to information technology to the Franklin County Municipal Court and Clerk's Office staff. This Division's responsibilities include maintaining a stable electronic work environment, collaborating with other agencies and staff to use information technology to better serve the Franklin County Municipal Court, identifying emerging technologies for the Court's investment in technology, and providing training to staff on the proper use of software programs and equipment.

Accomplishments for OIS in 2025 are as follows:

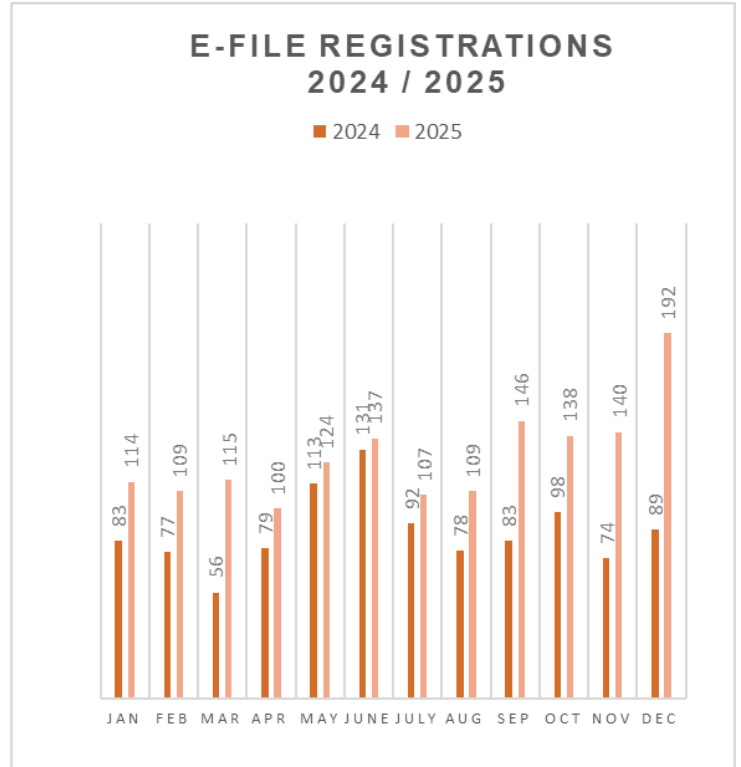
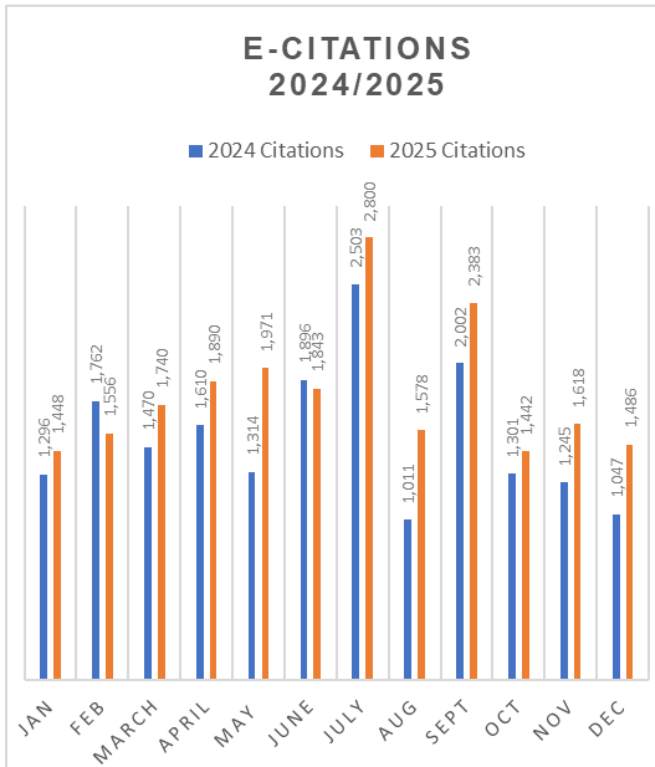
- ◇ Successfully upgraded CourtView to Version 2.94 and eServices to Version 1.54. We are currently working through several post-upgrade issues in collaboration with Equivant.
- ◇ Launched KnowBe4 Security Training to ensure staff is aware of current phishing attacks.
- ◇ Created the Office's IT Asset Management Policy to establish guidelines and procedures for all the division's assets.
- ◇ Expanded Remote Support for offsite community events.
- ◇ Collaborated with Court on paper on demand initiatives.



OIS: E-Citations and E-Filing Expansion

This year saw continued expansion in E-filing. In 2025, 33,696 new cases were E-filed which is a 41% increase from the previous year. Additionally, 71,125 subsequent filings were E-filed which is a 58% increase from the previous year. Overall, the Clerk’s Office saw a 52% increase in E-filing amongst all case types. E-filing registrations continue to increase with over 1,500 new registrations approved in 2025.

eCitations continue to expand. The Franklin County Sheriff’s Office, one of the largest agencies in Franklin County, began the eCitation process in 2025. The Clerk’s Office looks forward to continuing to expand eCitations in 2026.





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 taxpayers. The Collection Division operated in conjunction with four (4) outside agencies in 2025. The Collection Division is responsible for securing surety bond agent registration, monitoring compliance of State and Local Statutes and processing monthly billing statements. Additionally, the collections division is accountable for sending notices (postcards, letters) for missed court appearances and forfeiture notices regarding bond.

Accomplishments for Collections in 2025 are as follows:

- ◇ Total Amount Sent - \$2,645,224.75 Total Amount Collected - \$676,281.05
- ◇ Continued generating past due notices in-house for payable tickets.
- ◇ Bond money forfeited by the Court for 2025 - \$50,198.70
- ◇ Total of Bond Forfeiture Judgments paid for 2025 - \$6,087.50
- ◇ Managed billings and compliance for twelve (12) active bond companies and fifty-three (53) active surety agents.

Agencies	Total Amount Sent	Total Collected	Commission Paid
Capital Recovery <i>Enforcement Cases</i>	\$ 634,146.00	\$ 183,805.17	\$ 43,720.90
Capital Recovery <i>Bond Forfeitures</i>	\$ 67,111.75	\$ 6,087.50	\$ 1,127.50
Linebarger	\$ 783,247.00	\$ 188,563.60	\$ 43,126.00
Apelles	\$ 618,375.00	\$ 181,354.54	\$ 41,721.50
Schuerger Law	\$ 542,345.00	\$ 116,470.24	\$ 27,366.50
Totals	\$ 2,645,224.75	\$ 676,281.05	\$ 157,062.40



Accounting Finance Division

The Accounting Finance Division extends over the Civil Division and Criminal/Traffic Division. The Accounting Finance Division oversees the collection and accounting for all fines, court costs, fees, bail/bonds, garnishments, judgments, and restitution, which are issued by the court. The Division processes a monthly disbursement of all the collected funds to the appropriate state, city, county, and township agencies. Accomplishments for the Accounting Finance Division are as follows:

- ◇ Created a new installment payment plan in compliance with HB29.
- ◇ Renewed the banking services contract with Huntington National Bank.
- ◇ Enabled online payment capability for Village of Brice tickets.
- ◇ Implemented a new verification log system in the Cash Office for improved accountability.
- ◇ Developed a secure deposit pick-up procedure for kiosk locations at the JAK.
- ◇ Achieved full compliance with SB94, enabling acceptance of all filings electronically.
- ◇ Implemented an internal “Slate Area B” process for quality control on all bond transactions.
- ◇ Reviewed and updated annual ACH transfer limits for Civil and Criminal/Traffic accounts with Huntington Bank.
- ◇ Per the Judges, created a new “Court Modernization Fund”, effective December 15, 2025.
- ◇ Completed the annual unclaimed funds notice process and met the December 31, 2025, deadline.



Accounting Finance: Electronic Payment/Filing

Online Payment Service (EPAY) is an online payment convenience that is offered by the Clerk of Court for payment of payable Criminal/Traffic citations and for any fines and court costs once a case is adjudicated

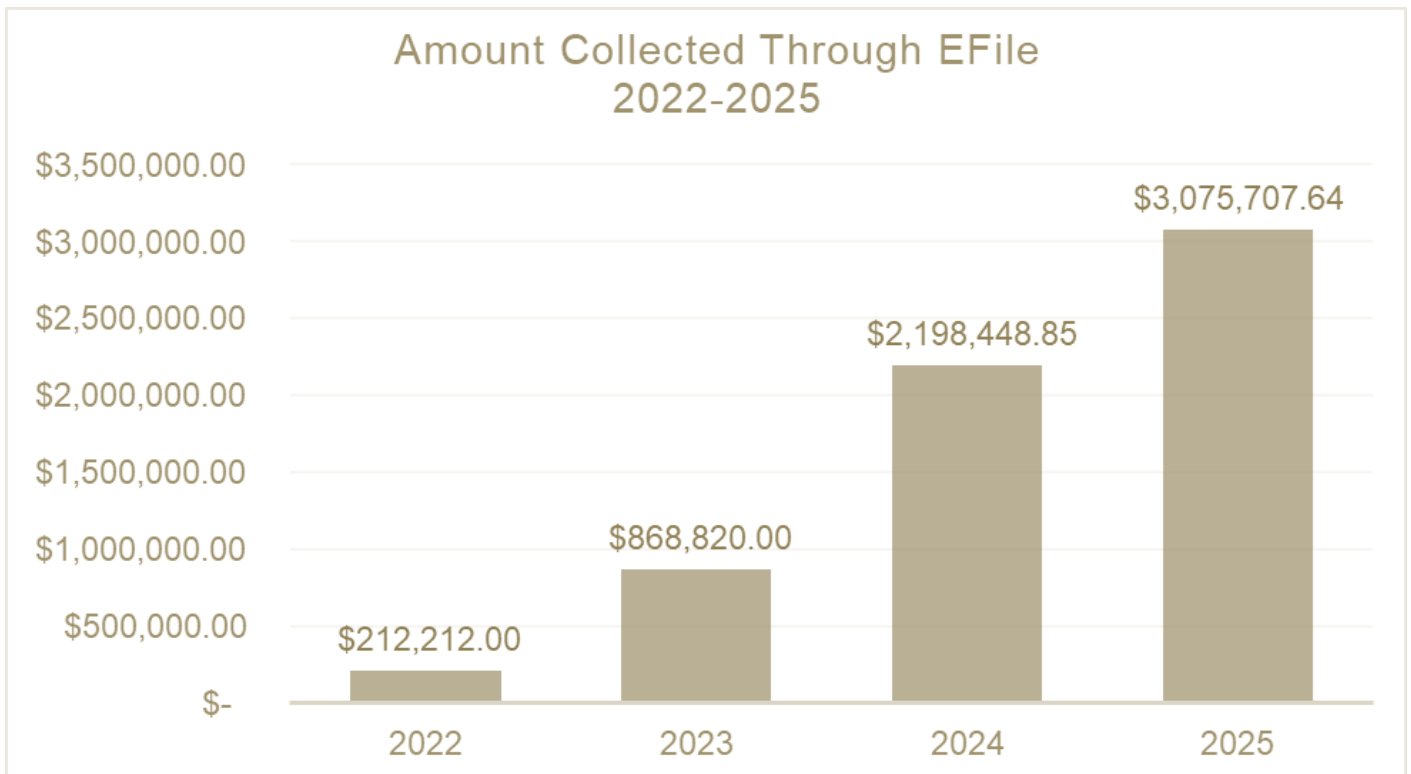
Total amount collected from the EPAY service in 2025: \$5,252,935.46

Total number of cases paid through the EPAY service in 2025: 25,302

Payments are also accepted through the E-filing portal. Civil and Criminal/Traffic expungement filings are accepted.

Total amount collected through E-file online services in 2025: \$3,075,707.64

Total number of cases paid through the E-file services in 2025: 41,809





Accounting Finance: Programs

Accounting Finance has four internal payment plan programs that follow the Ohio Revised Code, and the Local Court Rules, as well as an online payment service that is offered through the Clerk of Courts. The programs are as follows:

The Time Payment Program for fines, costs, and restitution authorized by the sentencing Judge, allows a defendant to make monthly payments, up to twelve months, or until balance is paid in full.

Total new signed payment plans in 2025: 575

Total cases on program that were paid in full in 2025: 206

The Rent Escrow Program allows tenants that have a complaint regarding their residential housing conditions to deposit their rent payment into an escrow account until the matter has been resolved.

New Rent Escrow cases filed in 2025: 235

The Trusteeship Program allows a debtor to deposit a portion of their personal earnings with the Clerk of Courts to avoid legal proceedings, by creditors. The funds received are disbursed to the creditors equally, until all debt is paid in full.

New Trusteeship cases filed in 2025: 19

The Restitution Program provides victims who have suffered damages compensation as ordered by the Court. Payments are made to the Clerk of Court, and sent directly to victims.

Payments forwarded to victims in 2025: 2153

Total monies forwarded to victims in 2025: \$612,767.78

Cases with Restitution that were paid in full in 2025: 624

2025



**Financial
Statements**

Financial Statements
Balance Sheet
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025

Assets	
Cash Civil	\$2,427,494.55
Cash Criminal/Traffic/ Bail Fund	\$1,214,815.80
Cash Rent Escrow Fund	\$356,100.87
Cash Trusteeship Fund	\$4,208.75
Total Assets	\$4,002,619.97
Liabilities	
Due to Payee Civil Fund	\$2,427,494.55
Due to Payee Criminal/ Traffic/Bail Fund	\$1,214,563.30
Due to Payee Rest Es- crow Fund	\$356,100.87
Due to Payee Trustee- ship Fund	\$4,545.69
Total Liabilities	\$4,002,704.41

Statement of Receipts & Disbursements
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025

Receipts	
Receipts Civil Fund	\$30,004,496.19
Receipts Criminal/ Traffic/Bail Fund	\$11,466,111.85
Receipts Rent Escrow Fund	\$573,291.95
Receipts Trusteeship Fund	\$114,690.30
Total Receipts	\$42,158,590.29
Disbursements	
Disbursements Civil Fund	\$29,603,720.68
Disbursements Crimi- nal/Traffic/Bail Fund	\$11,469,989.92
Disbursements Rent Escrow Fund	\$521,200.47
Disbursements Trus- teeship Fund	\$118,863.30
Total Disbursements	\$41,713,774.37

**Statement of Civil Fund Receipts
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

City of Columbus

Administrative 1% Legal Aid Fees	\$17,533.00
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person CV OCA 226005	\$66,280.02
Civil Contempt Fines	\$0.00
Civil Court Costs	\$7,172,065.18
Civil Environmental Fines	\$410,524.85
Civil Home Incarceration Pro-gram Fee	\$0.00
Civil Home Incarceration Equip-ment Cost	\$0.00
Civil Parking Violation Judgement	\$50.00
Civil Security Facilities Fees	\$689,188.42
Civil Specialty Docket Programs	\$206,553.00
Copier Debit Cards	\$0.00
Court Modernization Fund CV	\$23,420.00
Municipal Clerk Computer Fees	\$1,037,106.04
Municipal Court Computer Fees	\$206,788.00
Jury Deposit Payment	\$0.00
Return Check Fees	\$975.00
Small Claims Dispute Resolution Sub-Fund	\$0.00

Total City of Columbus	\$9,830,483.51
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State of Ohio

State Legal Aid Fees	\$1,733,201.91
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Daily Reporter

Publication Fees	\$634,159.56
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Municipalities

Muni Brice Penalty	\$416,016.50
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Other Entities

Civil Bond Deposits	\$132,653.04
Civil Deposits	\$44,433.78
Civil Judgment Deposits	\$17,169,536.43
Civil Jury Deposits	\$3,000.00
Civil Jury Deposits Applied	\$0.00
Civil Overpayment Deposits	\$37,736.01
Civil Sheriff Deposits	\$2,555.00
Civil Towing Deposits	\$0.00
Civil Witness Deposits	\$582.45
Environmental Appraisal	\$0.00
Environmental Injunctive	\$0.00
Environmental Mortgage	\$0.00
Environmental Sheriff	\$0.00

Total Other Entities	\$17,390,496.71
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Total Civil Fund Receipts	\$30,004,358.19
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**Statement of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

City of Columbus

Appearance Bond Costs	\$100,567.30
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person TR OCA 226105	\$40,003.96
City Jury Fees	\$0.00
Collection Account 14450	\$53,126.50
Columbus City Code Fines	\$1,103,950.25
Columbus Health Department Fines	\$0.00
Court Costs	\$1,776,372.50
CR/TR Clerk Computerization Fund	\$575,222.68
CR/TR Collection Fee	\$156,348.95
CR/TR Court Computerization Fund	\$122,319.33
CR/TR Environmental Fines	\$46,001.00
CR/TR Probation Scram	\$0.00
CR/TR Probation Services	\$228,566.99
CR/TR Security Facilities Fee	\$402,841.10
CR/TR Specialty Docket Program	\$120,193.33
Criminal Diversion Fee	\$0.00
Court Modernization Fund CR	\$2,082.00
DUI Education Fund	\$14,647.00
ENV Community Service Fee	\$1,280.00
ENV Probation Services	\$10,477.34
Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$0.00
Home Incarceration Program	\$1,285.00
Human Trafficking	\$0.00
Indigent DR ALC Fund DUS	\$0.00
Immobilizing/Disabling Devices Fine	\$92,393.75
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund DUI	\$97,772.34
Local Expungements City Share	\$3,720.00
Local Witness Fees	\$7,137.82
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines 14050	\$349,152.65
Prosecutor's Check Resolution Program	\$0.00
Returned Check Fees	\$50.00
Workers Comp Fee	\$1,945.00

Total City of Columbus **\$5,307,456.79**

State of Ohio

Address Confidentiality Program Fund	\$70.00
Bail Surcharge-Indigent Defense Support	\$67,700.44
Child Restraint Law State Share	\$4,210.00
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$124,668.95
Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$1,106,313.14
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	\$4.50
Justice Program Services Fund	\$3,650.00
Local Expungements State Share	\$5,580.00
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines State Share	\$397,537.08
Public Defender-Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$427.00
State Expungements State Share	\$21,570.00
State Highway Safety Fund	\$237.50
State Liquor Fines State Share	\$5,082.00
State Seatbelt Fines	\$90.00
Statewide Treatment & Prevention Fund	\$64,723.00
Trauma and EMT Fund	\$108,033.72
Victims of Crime	\$363,201.26

**Statement of Criminal Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

State of Ohio-BMV

BMV License Suspension/Reinstatement Fee	\$0.00
BMV Warrant Block Reinstatement Fee	\$30.00

State of Ohio-DUI

Ohio Highway Patrol DUI Education Fund	\$8,919.38
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State of Ohio-ODNR

State Watercraft Fund	\$360.00
State Wildlife Fund	\$1,365.00

Total State of Ohio **\$2,283,772.97**

Franklin County

	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
Captial Area Humane Society Columbus Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$550.00
Columbus Regulation Division	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Columbus State University	\$2,263.65	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$2,308.65
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$94,677.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$94,677.40
Department of Animal Control Franklin County Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,213.60	\$4,213.60
Municipal Police	\$249,830.19	\$65,919.00	\$100,182.85	\$415,932.04
Ohio Dept of Agriculture	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio Department of Natural Resouces	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$757.00	\$757.00
Ohio Department of Taxation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Ohio Highway Patrol	\$88,196.50	\$68.50	\$76.60	\$88,341.60
ODJFS Unemployment Fraud	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio State Agencies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$437.00	\$437.00
Ohio State University	\$7,210.00	\$1,775.00	\$2,910.00	\$11,895.00
Otterbein College PD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Port Columbus Airport	\$13,070.54	\$2,535.00	\$1,415.00	\$17,020.54
	\$455,248.28	\$70,342.50	\$164,955.98	
Indigent Application Fee				\$42,626.16
Law Library Resources Fund				\$94,622.40
State Expungements-County Share				\$14,380.00
State Jury Fees				\$240.00
State Liquor Fines-County Share				\$5,082.00
State Witness Fees				\$6,084.55

**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

	State Traffic	Other State	Other State	
Townships County Share	4511 & 4513	Traffic Violations	Violations	
Blendon	\$6,974.76	\$1,292.50	\$418.50	\$8,685.76
Clinton	\$5,519.50	\$2,771.75	\$435.00	\$8,726.25
Franklin	\$9,292.50	\$6,233.50	\$675.50	\$16,201.50
Madison	\$19,139.75	\$4,050.00	\$425.00	\$23,614.75
Mifflin	\$3,029.05	\$1,386.25	\$557.16	\$4,972.46
Perry	\$11,236.50	\$2,279.50	\$105.00	\$13,621.00
Sharon	\$4,215.00	\$935.00	\$75.00	\$5,225.00
	\$59,407.06	\$18,948.50	\$2,691.16	
Total Township County Share				\$81,046.72
	State Traffic	Other State	Other State	
Franklin County Sheriff	4511 & 4513	Traffic Violations	Violations	
Sheriff Blendon	\$12,545.00	\$760.00	\$760.00	\$14,065.00
Sheriff Brown	\$3,620.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$3,870.00
Sheriff Clinton	\$1,700.50	\$0.00	\$815.00	\$2,515.50
Sheriff Franklin	\$6,091.00	\$0.00	\$6,765.00	\$12,856.00
Sheriff Hamilton	\$20.00	\$14,210.00	\$0.00	\$14,230.00
Sheriff Jackson	\$14,614.00	\$2,851.00	\$40.00	\$17,505.00
Sheriff Jefferson	\$13,585.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$13,685.00
Sheriff Madison	\$10,103.00	\$0.00	\$1,880.00	\$11,983.00
Sheriff Mifflin	\$8,763.00	\$680.00	\$1,365.00	\$10,808.00
Sheriff Non-Township	\$10,515.00	\$17,691.50	\$2,948.00	\$31,154.50
Sheriff Norwich	\$2,242.50	\$212.50	\$97.50	\$2,552.50
Sheriff Perry	\$155.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$185.00
Sheriff Plain	\$2,390.00	\$280.00	\$0.00	\$2,670.00
Sheriff Pleasant	\$5,440.00	\$635.00	\$0.00	\$6,075.00
Sheriff Prairie	\$13,066.00	\$5,020.45	\$60.00	\$18,146.45
Sheriff Sharon	\$4,365.00	\$0.00	\$510.00	\$4,875.00
Sheriff Truro	\$4,950.00	\$1,270.00	\$0.00	\$6,220.00
Sheriff Washington	\$785.00	\$42.50	\$0.00	\$827.50
	\$114,950.00	\$43,932.95	\$15,340.50	
Total Franklin County Sheriff				\$174,223.45
Total Franklin County Receipts				\$1,108,852.04

**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

<u>Municipalities</u>	Fines	DUI Education	Mayors Court	
Bexley	\$635.00	\$552.00	\$0.00	\$1,187.00
Brice	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Canal Winchester	\$1,090.00	\$75.00	\$148.00	\$1,313.00
Dublin	\$10,703.00	\$925.00	\$8,029.00	\$19,657.00
Gahanna	\$7,017.00	\$1,066.00	\$1,202.00	\$9,285.00
Grandview				
Heights	\$1,590.00	\$400.00	\$154.00	\$2,144.00
Grove City	\$19,966.00	\$609.00	\$5,513.70	\$26,088.70
Groveport	\$1,045.00	\$100.00	\$89.00	\$1,234.00
Harrisburg	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hilliard	\$2,300.00	\$555.00	\$534.00	\$3,389.00
Lithopolis	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minerva Park	\$265.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$290.00
New Albany	\$3,889.00	\$350.00	\$384.00	\$4,623.00
Obetz	\$395.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$470.00
Reynoldsburg	\$7,027.80	\$1,157.00	\$1,105.00	\$9,289.80
Upper Arlington	\$9,570.00	\$250.00	\$684.00	\$10,504.00
Urbancrest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Valleyview	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Westerville	\$2,627.00	\$800.00	\$971.00	\$4,398.00
Whitehall	\$2,967.00	\$3,588.00	\$1,101.00	\$7,656.00
Worthington	\$325.00	\$650.00	\$880.00	\$1,855.00
	\$71,451.80	\$11,202.00	\$20,794.70	

Total Municipalities **\$103,448.50**

<u>Townships</u>	Fines	DUI Education	
Blendon	\$8,685.74	\$350.00	\$9,035.74
Clinton	\$8,726.25	\$352.00	\$9,078.25
Franklin	\$16,146.50	\$75.00	\$16,221.50
Hamilton	\$14,230.00	\$0.00	\$14,230.00
Madison	\$23,614.75	\$781.00	\$24,395.75
Mifflin	\$4,972.46	\$125.00	\$5,097.46
Norwich	\$2,552.50	\$0.00	\$2,552.50
Perry	\$13,621.00	\$175.00	\$13,796.00
Prairie	\$18,146.44	\$0.00	\$18,146.44
Sharon	\$5,225.00	\$75.00	\$5,300.00
Washington	\$827.50	\$0.00	\$827.50
	\$116,748.14	\$1,933.00	

Total Townships **\$118,681.14**

**Statement Of Criminal/Traffic Fund Receipts Continued
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Other Entities

Central Ohio Crime Stoppers

CR/TR Crime Stoppers Fee \$2,650.10

Columbus Airport Authority

Port Columbus PD DUI Education Fund \$150.00

Columbus & Franklin County Metro Parks

Metro Parks Police Fines \$845.00

Columbus Development Center

Col Develop Center DUI Education Fund \$0.00

Franklin County Sheriff

Sheriff DUI Education Fund \$724.50

DUI Offender Housing Fund \$61,687.93

Ohio Department of Public Safety

ODPS Drug Law Enforcement Fund \$17.50

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy

State Drug/Pharmacy Fund \$6,193.70

The Ohio State University

Ohio State University DUI Education Fund \$125.00

Overpayments

Criminal/Traffic Overpayment Deposits \$12,164.08

Criminal/Traffic Applied Overpayment Deposits (\$69.00)

Time Payments

Time Payment Receipts \$174,256.00

Applied Time Payments (\$170,519.82)

Restitution

Restitution Deposit Receipts \$618,686.53

Applied Distributions (\$618,295.53)

Restitution Receipts \$618,344.03

Total Other Entities

\$706,960.02

**Statement of Bail Fund Receipts
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Appearance Bonds	
Appearance Bond Receipts	\$1,145,670.03
Applied Appearance Bonds	(\$68,249.87)
	\$1,077,420.16
Bond Costs	
Bond Cost Receipts	\$127,296.67
Applied Bond Costs	(\$100,913.30)
	\$26,383.37
Bond Surcharge	
Bond Surcharge Receipts	\$157,350.00
Applied Bond Surcharge	(\$70,322.00)
	\$87,028.00
Cash Bonds	
Cash Bond Receipts	\$536,221.50
Applied Cash Bonds	(\$45,388.64)
	\$490,832.86
Moving Violations	
Moving Violation Receipts	\$23,750.00
Applied Moving Violations	(\$16,037.50)
	\$7,712.50
Non-Moving Violations	
Non-Moving Violation Receipts	\$210.00
Applied Non-Moving Violations	(\$350.00)
	(\$140.00)
Public Defender	
Public Defender Receipts	\$140,515.00
Applied Public Defender	(\$55,025.50)
	\$85,489.50
Victims-Of-Crime	
Victims-Of-Crime Receipts	\$87,861.00
Applied Victims-Of-Crime	(\$25,714.00)
	\$62,147.00
Total Bail Fund Receipts	\$1,836,873.39
Total Receipts Crim/Traf/Bail	\$11,466,044.85

Statement of Rent Escrow Fund Receipts

For the Year Ending December 31, 2025

Court Costs	\$5,949.02
Return Check Fees	\$0.00
Deposits	\$567,342.93
Overpayment Deposits	\$0.00
Total	\$573,291.95

Statement of Trusteeship Fund Receipts

For the Year Ending December 31, 2025

Court Costs	\$950.00
Deposits	\$113,722.12
Applied Deposits	(\$117,895.12)
Disbursement	\$117,895.12
Overpayment Deposits	\$18.18
Applied Overpayment Deposits	\$0.00
Total	\$114,690.30

**Statement of Disbursements Treasurer City Of Columbus
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Civil Fund	
Administrative 1% Legal Aid Fees	\$17,313.08
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person CV OCA 226005	\$65,958.02
Civil Contempt Fines	\$0.00
Civil Court Costs	\$7,087,676.41
Civil Environmental Fines	\$410,524.85
Civil Home Incarceration Program Fee	\$0.00
Civil Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$0.00
Civil Parking Violation Judgement	\$50.00
Civil Security Facilities Fees	\$680,125.41
Civil Specialty Docket Programs	\$203,864.00
Copier Debit Cards	\$0.00
Court Modernization Fund CV	\$0.00
Municipal Clerk Computer Fees	\$1,002,833.38
Municipal Court Computer Fees	\$204,064.00
Jury Deposit Payment	\$0.00
Return Check Fees	\$925.00
Small Claims Dispute Resolution Sub-Fund	\$0.00
Total Civil Fund	\$9,673,334.15
Criminal/Traffic Fund	
Appearance Bond Costs	\$100,101.80
Assist Self Help for Indigent Person TR OCA 226105	\$39,554.96
City Jury Fees	\$0.00
Collection Account 14450	\$54,249.50
Columbus City Code Fines	\$1,091,467.83
Columbus Health Department	\$0.00
Court Costs	\$1,760,829.42
CR/TR Clerk Computerization Fund	\$562,956.18
CR/TR Collection Fee	\$157,268.33
CR/TR Court Computerization Fund	\$120,966.83
CR/TR Environmental Fines	\$44,327.00
CR/TR Probation Scram	\$0.00
CR/TR Probation Services	\$226,307.27
CR/TR Security Facilities Fee	\$398,320.22
CR/TR Specialty Docket Program	\$118,843.33
Criminal Diversion Fee	\$0.00
Court Modernization Fund CR	\$0.00
DUI Education Fund	\$13,664.00
ENV Community Service Fee	\$1,252.00
ENV Probation Services	\$10,667.26
Home Incarceration Equipment Cost	\$0.00
Home Incarceration Program	\$1,395.00
Human Trafficking	\$0.00
Immobilizing/Disabling Devices Fine	\$88,457.96
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	\$4.50
Indigent DR ALC Fund DUS	\$0.00
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund DUI	\$96,058.96
Local Expungements City Share	\$3,640.00
Local Witness Fees	\$7,030.75
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines 14050	\$347,983.10
Prosecutor's Check Resolution Program	\$0.00
Returned Check Fees	\$50.00
Workers Comp Fee	\$1,898.00
Total Criminal Traffic Fund	\$5,247,294.20
Rent Escrow Fund	
Court Costs	\$5,905.82
Returned Check Fees	\$0.00
Trusteeship Fund	
Court Costs	\$950.00
Disbursements Treasurer City Of Columbus	\$14,927,484.17

Statement Of Disbursements Treasurer State Of Ohio

For the Year Ending December 31, 2025

Civil Fund

State Legal Aid Fees	\$1,713,812.84
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Criminal Traffic Fund

Address Confidentiality Program Fund	\$70.00
Bail Surcharge-Indigent Defense Support	\$67,600.44
Child Restraint Law State Share	\$4,225.00
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$123,307.05
Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$1,092,699.26
Justice Program Services Fund	\$3,609.70
Local Expungements State Share	\$5,460.00
Ohio Highway Patrol Fines State Share	\$395,976.09
Public Defender-Indigent Defense Support Fund	\$453.00
State Expungements State Share	\$21,870.00
State Liquor Fines State Share	\$5,216.00
State Highway Safety Fund	\$227.50
State Seatbelt Fines	\$105.00
Statewide Treatment & Prevention Fund	\$59,240.00
Trauma and EMT Fund	\$107,480.27
Victims of Crime	\$359,314.58

Total Criminal Traffic Fund	\$2,246,783.89
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Total Treasurer State Of Ohio	\$3,960,596.73
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For the Year Ending December 31, 2025

CriminalTraffic
Fund

Agency	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
Captial Area Humane Society	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$550.00
Columbus Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Columbus Regulations Division	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Columbus State University	\$2,263.65	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$2,308.65
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$93,270.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$93,270.40
Department of Animal Control	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,148.93	\$48,148.93
Franklin County Development Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,995.60	\$3,995.60
Municipal Police	\$248,285.19	\$67,444.00	\$101,831.03	\$417,560.22
Ohio Department of Natural Resources	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$757.00	\$757.00
Ohio Department of Taxation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,900.00	\$4,900.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Ohio Highway Patrol	\$87,829.11	\$89.00	\$76.60	\$87,994.71
ODJFS Unemployment Fraud	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ohio State Agencies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$437.00	\$437.00
Ohio State University	\$6,335.00	\$1,630.00	\$2,910.00	\$10,875.00
Otterbein College PD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Port Columbus Airport	\$12,920.54	\$2,535.00	\$1,415.00	\$16,870.54
	\$450,903.89	\$71,743.00	\$165,496.16	
Indigent Application Fee				\$42,342.16
State Expungements-County Share				\$14,580.00
State Jury Fees				\$240.00
State Liquor Fines-County Share				\$5,216.00
State Witness Fees				\$6,297.78

**Statement Of Disbursements Franklin County Treasurer Continued
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

	State Traffic	Other State	Other State	
Townships County Share	4511 & 4513	Traffic Violations	Violations	
Blendon	\$6,844.76	\$1,247.50	\$418.50	\$8,510.76
Clinton	\$5,353.00	\$2,544.25	\$422.50	\$8,319.75
Franklin	\$9,272.50	\$6,233.50	\$600.50	\$16,106.50
Madison	\$18,980.25	\$4,135.00	\$425.00	\$23,540.25
Mifflin	\$3,094.05	\$1,496.25	\$529.66	\$5,119.96
Perry	\$11,139.00	\$2,267.00	\$105.00	\$13,511.00
Sharon	\$4,040.00	\$935.00	\$75.00	\$5,050.00
	\$58,723.56	\$18,858.50	\$2,576.16	
Total Township County Share				\$80,158.22
Franklin County Sheriff	State Traffic 4511 & 4513	Other State Traffic Violations	Other State Violations	
Sheriff Blendon	\$12,355.00	\$760.00	\$715.00	\$13,830.00
Sheriff Brown	\$3,620.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$3,870.00
Sheriff Clinton	\$1,645.50	\$0.00	\$815.00	\$2,460.50
Sheriff Franklin	\$6,231.00	\$0.00	\$6,740.00	\$12,971.00
Sheriff Hamilton	\$20.00	\$13,987.50	\$0.00	\$14,007.50
Sheriff Jackson	\$14,594.00	\$2,810.00	\$0.00	\$17,404.00
Sheriff Jefferson	\$13,110.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$13,210.00
Sheriff Madison	\$10,328.00	\$0.00	\$1,940.00	\$12,268.00
Sheriff Mifflin	\$8,613.00	\$680.00	\$1,320.00	\$10,613.00
Sheriff Non-Township	\$10,570.00	\$16,815.50	\$3,048.00	\$30,433.50
Sheriff Norwich	\$2,192.50	\$287.50	\$97.50	\$2,577.50
Sheriff Perry	\$155.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$185.00
Sheriff Plain	\$2,390.00	\$280.00	\$0.00	\$2,670.00
Sheriff Pleasant	\$5,170.00	\$835.00	\$0.00	\$6,005.00
Sheriff Prairie	\$13,073.50	\$4,975.45	\$60.00	\$18,108.95
Sheriff Sharon	\$4,155.00	\$0.00	\$510.00	\$4,665.00
Sheriff Truro	\$4,770.00	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	\$5,820.00
Sheriff Washington	\$785.00	\$42.50	\$0.00	\$827.50
	\$113,777.50	\$42,773.45	\$15,375.50	
Total Franklin County Sheriff				\$171,926.45
Total Franklin County Treasurer				\$1,008,903.66

**Statement Of Disbursements Municipalities
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Civil Fund				\$399,331.50
Muni Brice Penalty				\$399,331.50
Total Municipalities				\$399,331.50
Criminal Traffic Fund	Fines	DUI Education	Mayors Court	
Bexley	\$635.00	\$510.00	\$0.00	\$1,145.00
Brice	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Canal Winchester	\$1,100.00	\$75.00	\$148.00	\$1,323.00
Dublin	\$10,058.00	\$900.00	\$7,949.00	\$18,907.00
Gahanna	\$7,082.00	\$1,041.00	\$1,250.00	\$9,373.00
Grandview Heights	\$1,590.00	\$400.00	\$154.00	\$2,144.00
Grove City	\$19,966.00	\$609.00	\$5,336.70	\$25,911.70
Groveport	\$1,370.00	\$100.00	\$89.00	\$1,559.00
Hilliard	\$2,300.00	\$580.00	\$534.00	\$3,414.00
Lithopolis	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minerva Park	\$265.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$290.00
New Albany	\$4,089.00	\$350.00	\$384.00	\$4,823.00
Obetz	\$395.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$470.00
Reynoldsburg	\$6,307.80	\$1,132.00	\$1,075.00	\$8,514.80
Upper Arlington	\$9,570.00	\$250.00	\$684.00	\$10,504.00
Valleyview	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Westerville	\$2,232.00	\$800.00	\$941.00	\$3,973.00
Whitehall	\$2,967.00	\$3,617.00	\$1,101.00	\$7,685.00
Worthington	\$325.00	\$600.00	\$792.00	\$1,717.00
	\$70,291.80	\$11,089.00	\$20,437.70	
Total Municipalities				\$101,818.50

**Statement Of Disbursements Townships
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Criminal Traffic Fund	Fines	DUI Education	
Blendon	\$8,510.74	\$350.00	\$8,860.74
Clinton	\$8,319.75	\$327.00	\$8,646.75
Franklin	\$16,051.50	\$75.00	\$16,126.50
Hamilton	\$14,007.50	\$0.00	\$14,007.50
Madison	\$23,540.25	\$781.00	\$24,321.25
Mifflin	\$5,119.96	\$125.00	\$5,244.96
Norwich	\$2,577.50	\$0.00	\$2,577.50
Perry	\$13,511.00	\$175.00	\$13,686.00
Prairie	\$18,108.94	\$0.00	\$18,108.94
Sharon	\$5,050.00	\$50.00	\$5,100.00
Washington	\$827.50	\$0.00	\$827.50
	\$115,624.64	\$1,883.00	
Total Townships			\$117,507.64

**Statement Of Disbursements Other Entities
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Civil Fund		
Daily Reporter		
Publication Fees		\$648,847.56
Other Entities		
Civil Bond Deposits		\$75,697.60
Civil Deposits		\$30,400.95
Civil Judgment Depos-		\$17,021,871.57
Civil Jury Deposits		\$0.00
Civil Sheriff Deposits		\$1,505.00
Civil Towing Deposits		\$800.00
Civil Witness Deposits		\$26.50
Environmental Ap-		\$0.00
Environmental Injunc-		\$0.00
Environmental Mort-		\$0.00
Environmental Sheriff		\$0.00
Criminal Traffic Fund		
Central Ohio Crime		
CR/TR Crime Stop-		\$2,629.10
Columbus Airport		
Port Columbus PD		\$150.00
Columbus & Franklin County Metro Parks		
Metro Parks Police		\$845.00
Columbus Develop-		
Col Develop Center		\$0.00
Franklin County		
Sheriff DUI Education		\$724.50
DUI Offender Housing Fund		\$59,627.56

**Statement Of Disbursements Other Entities Continued
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Franklin County Law Library	
Law Library Fund	\$93,215.40
Ohio Department of Agriculture	
Ohio Department of Agriculture	\$0.00
Ohio Department of Public Safety	
ODPS Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$21.00
The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy	
State Drug/Pharmacy Fund	\$6,016.70
The Ohio State University	
Ohio State University DUI Education Fund	\$125.00
State of Ohio-BMV	
BMV License Suspension/Reinstatement Fee	\$0.00
BMV Warrant Block Reinstatement Fee	\$45.00
State of Ohio-DUI	
Ohio Highway Patrol DUI Education Fund	\$8,368.38
State of Ohio-ODNR	
State Watercraft Fund	\$360.00
State Wildlife Fund	\$1,465.00
Rent Escrow Fund	
Rent Deposit Payments	\$515,294.64
Trusteeship Fund	
Trust Deposit Payments	\$0.00
Trust Disbursements	\$117,895.12
Restitution	
Restitution Deposit Checks	\$611,487.54
Total Other Entities	\$19,197,419.12

**Statement Of Bail Fund Disbursements
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Appearance Bonds	\$1,176,952.25
Bond Costs	\$34,173.77
Bond Surcharge	\$95,675.00
Cash Bonds	\$474,141.50
Moving Violations	\$10,240.00
Non-Moving Violations	\$240.00
Public Defender	\$92,653.00
Victims-Of-Crime	\$65,267.00
Total Bail Fund Disbursements	\$1,949,342.52

**Statement Of Overpayment Refunds
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Civil Refunds	\$38,093.01
Criminal/Traffic Refunds	\$13,191.33
Rent Escrow Refunds	\$0.00
Trusteeship Refunds	\$18.18
Total Overpayment Refunds	\$51,302.52

**Statement Of Unclaimed Funds Disbursements City Of Columbus
For the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

Civil Unclaimed Funds	\$32,477.80
Criminal/Traffic Unclaimed Funds	\$115,948.32
Rent Escrow Unclaimed Funds	\$2,518.81
Trusteeship Unclaimed Funds	\$258.10
Total Unclaimed Funds	\$151,203.03



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 with filing fees deferred until a decision is rendered by the court

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.