



Superior Court 00100.861.

Mission Statement

Superior Court:

- Adjudicate all cases, both criminal and civil, in a just and timely manner
- Assure due process and equal protection under the law
- Promote access to justice to all persons

Drug Court:

Enhance community safety and security by holding substance abusing individuals accountable for their actions while providing them an opportunity for treatment to develop and change their life skills and habits so they can become responsible and productive members of their families and society.

LIFT Court (Living in Families Together) Family Therapeutic Court:

LIFT Court's mission is to achieve safe and timely permanent child placement by providing structure, discipline, accountability and encouragement to parents through judicially managed community based service.

Function

Superior Court: The Superior Court is a general jurisdiction court. It has the responsibility of adjudicating matters coming before it over which it has original or appellate jurisdiction, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Washington. This includes felony criminal, civil, juvenile, domestic relations, adoption, guardianship, paternity, probate, domestic violence, and mental illness cases. The court is charged with resolving cases in an accessible and expeditious fashion.

Drug Court: Clallam county operates three Drug Court Programs for those charged with crimes. Adult Drug Court, Juvenile Drug Court and DUI Drug Court. All three Drug Courts are a minimum one year voluntary treatment-based program for individuals in need of intensive treatment for addictive disease. Drug Court offers an alternative to criminal prosecution.

Since its inception, Drug Court has served 938 participants with 347 graduates. Drug Court reduced recidivism, returned participants to work and school, reunited families and participants became active members of the community reducing need for community services. Clallam County has been able to provide more services and treatment opportunities to more participants than any county of comparable size.

Goals

Superior Court:

1. Provide continuous training and education to staff and judges to ensure a high level of competency and efficiency.
2. Provide a secure courtroom for the processing of criminal and civil cases that protect litigants, witnesses, spectators, and court personnel.
3. Management of limited resources. Cost saving programs implemented by the court includes reducing jail costs through court supervision with Mental Health Court, using Friendship Division for pre-trial supervision and probation, establishing criminal flat fee contracts for criminal conflict cases and establishing flat fee mental health evaluations with a local provider.
4. Provide 24 hour coverage for law enforcement search warrants.
5. Continue to reduce case backlog.

Drug Court:

1. Provide an alternative to traditional criminal procedures for defendants committing offenses due to drug addiction.
2. Provide team training to enhance the effectiveness of the Drug Court Team and individual team members.
3. Utilize existing financial resources effectively.
4. Explore alternatives to State funded inpatient treatment placements for participants needing more help than is available through intensive outpatient treatment.

Workload Indicators

	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	6/30/11 Actual
Cases Filed:	~	~	~
Criminal	548	532	234
Civil	1,369	1,330	653
Domestic	458	569	294
Probate/Guardianship	418	358	177
Adoption/Paternity	147	120	40
Mental Illness	13	15	8
Juvenile Non-Offender	543	522	270
Juvenile Offender	261	282	157
TOTAL CASES FILES	3,757	3,728	1,833
Non-Trial Proceedings:			
Civil/Juvenile	7,590	8,178	4,483
Criminal/Juvenile Offender	13,121	12,273	6,347
Total Non-Trial Proceedings	20,711	20,451	10,830
Trials			
Civil Non-Jury Trial	43	33	14
Civil Jury Trials	3	2	5
Juvenile Offender	15	26	15
Criminal Jury	19	30	15
Criminal Non-Jury	10	27	15

Total Trials	90	118	64
Drug Court:			
Adult, Juvenile & DUI Drug Court Participants	95	64	24
Adult, Juvenile & DUI Drug Court Graduates	28	29	15
Return to Work/School	26	21	19
LIFT Court:			
Participants Enrolled	29	35	44
Children with Enrolled Children	32	39	57
Cases with Achieved Permanency	8	21	3

Grant Funding Sources

1. Department of Health and Human Services (Federal)
2. Office Administrator for the Courts (State)

Revenues

	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	6/30/11 Actual	2012 Budget
Taxes	0	0	0	0
Licenses and Permits	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental Revenues	42,651	39,703	17,233	70,405
Charges for Goods and Services	13,186	14,918	21,111	24,000
Fines and Forfeits	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	94,649	84,481	30,325	162,849
Other Financing Sources	0	0	0	0
Transfers In	38,000	50,000	30,000	100,000
General Tax Support	1,175,339	1,276,876	707,426	956,075
Total	\$1,363,825	\$1,465,978	\$806,095	\$1,313,329

Expenditures

	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	6/30/11 Actual	2012 Budget
Salaries and Wages	716,694	722,333	374,615	751,958
Personnel Benefits	142,961	139,077	73,427	160,510
Supplies	11,254	9,406	9,345	12,450
Other Services and Charges	492,916	595,162	348,708	388,411
Intergovernmental Services	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlays	0	0	0	0
Interfund Payments for Services	0	0	0	0
Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Total	\$1,363,825	\$1,465,978	\$806,095	\$1,313,329

Staffing

	2009 Budget	2010 Budget	2011 Budget	2012 Budget
Full Time Equivalents	9.61	9.61	10.01	10.76

*The Drug Court Special Revenue Fund was closed on 12/31/10 and is now a division of the Superior Court General Fund.

Revenues - Drug Court History

	2009 Actual	2010 Actual
Beginning Fund Balance	12,202	20,548
Taxes	0	0
Licenses and Permits	0	0
Intergovernmental Revenues	0	0
Charges for Goods and Services	31,951	25,011
Fines and Forfeits	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	0	0
Other Financing Sources	0	0
Transfers In	0	0
Total	\$44,153	\$45,559

Expenditures - Drug Court History

	2009 Actual	2010 Actual
Ending Fund Balance	20,848	0
Salaries and Wages	10,668	10,857
Personnel Benefits	1,037	1,138
Supplies	981	648
Other Services and Charges	7,292	6,532
Intergovernmental Services	0	0
Capital Outlays	0	0
Interfund Payments for Services	3,327	3,826
Transfers Out	0	22,858
Total	\$44,153	\$45,859

Petty Cash was closed; that is the \$300 difference between 2010 Revenue and Expenditure totals.

Staffing - Drug Court History

	2009 Budget	2010 Budget
Full Time Equivalents	0.40	0.40