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Budget & Finance Committee Members, Metropolitan Council  
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Re: Juvenile Court's response to Department FY2021 Budget Questionnaire

To the Members of the Budget & Finance Committee:

The Juvenile Court is pleased to have the opportunity to provide the Budget & Finance Committee with the below responses to the questions posed in your letter of April 16, 2020.

1. What is the amount of the proposed funding decrease from the previous fiscal year?

**There is no proposed funding decrease from fiscal year FY2020 to FY2021.**

2. Please provide a statement regarding the impact the proposed reductions will have on your department's operations. Specifically, please be sure to address the following questions:

**The proposed FY2021 budget will not have a negative impact on Juvenile Court operations.**

- a. What services currently provided by your department do you anticipate will be reduced/eliminated?  
**No services will be reduced or eliminated.**
- b. What impact will such reduction or elimination have on the residents and businesses of Davidson County?  
**No Davidson County residents or businesses will be negatively impacted.**
- c. How many department employees do you anticipate will be impacted by the reduction in funding?  
**No Juvenile Court employees will be negatively impacted.**

3. Regarding the number of FTE employees in your department:

- a. How many budgeted employees do you have for the current fiscal year?

**Juvenile Court has ninety-seven (97) locally funded and twenty-seven (27) grant funded employees budgeted for FY2020. Five (5) additional locally funded positions were frozen to meet the department's targeted savings goal.**

- b. How many unfilled FTE employees does your department currently have?

**Juvenile Court currently has six (6) unfilled locally funded FTE positions. Juvenile Court currently has zero unfilled grant funded positions.**

- c. How many FTE positions are included in the Mayor's proposed budget?

**The Mayor's proposed budget provides funding for ninety – seven (97) locally funded positions and thirty (30) grant funded positions.**

4. Regarding your department's "departmental savings":

- a. What is the amount of your department's 'targeted savings' for FY2020?

**\$339,200**

- b. What was your department's budget for FY2020 after the targeted savings?

**\$ 13,461,900**

- c. How does that compare with the Mayor's proposed FY2021 budget?

**The Mayor's proposed FY2021 budget reflects a net increase to Juvenile Court's FY2020 budget (after targeted savings) due primarily to the expected increased cost associated with a new juvenile detention facility management contract.**

5. Regarding any previous audits in which your department has participated:

- a. What operations or expenditures have been audited within the last three years? Five years? Ten years?

**The Metropolitan Nashville Office of Internal Audit conducted a comprehensive audit of Juvenile Court which concluded with a report issued March 31, 2016.**

- b. Has any capital spending been audited during the last five years? Ten years?

**Juvenile Court has not had any capital spending during the last ten years.**

- c. Are there any prior audit recommendations still shown as pending/outstanding? If so, please identify these recommendations and provide a response regarding your department's plan to address the recommendation(s).

**There are no outstanding prior audit recommendations.**

The Juvenile Court administration and staff thank you for the opportunity to share this information. We appreciate your continued support of Juvenile Court and the children and families in our community.

Sincerely,



Sheila D.J. Calloway,  
Juvenile Court Judge