

Department of Juvenile Corrections

	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 ESTIMATE	FY 2026 BASELINE
OPERATING BUDGET			
<i>Full Time Equivalent Positions</i>	738.5	738.5	738.5
Personal Services	24,263,900	27,732,000	27,732,000
Employee Related Expenditures	8,191,300	9,456,600	9,456,600
Professional and Outside Services	1,008,400	1,246,300	1,246,300
Travel - In State	687,400	644,200	644,200
Travel - Out of State	72,200	14,800	14,800
Other Operating Expenditures	7,425,200	4,461,400	4,461,400
Equipment	675,900	21,300	21,300
AGENCY TOTAL	42,324,300	43,576,600	43,576,600 ^{1/2/}
FUND SOURCES			
General Fund	29,998,500	29,978,900	29,978,900
<u>Other Appropriated Funds</u>			
Criminal Justice Enhancement Fund	523,200	528,900	528,900
Department of Juvenile Corrections Local Cost Sharing Fund	6,724,000	6,724,000	6,724,000
State Charitable, Penal and Reformatory Institutions Land Fund	3,700,000	4,881,100	4,881,100
State Education Fund for Committed Youth	1,378,600	1,463,700	1,463,700
SUBTOTAL - Other Appropriated Funds	12,325,800	13,597,700	13,597,700
SUBTOTAL - Appropriated Funds	42,324,300	43,576,600	43,576,600
Other Non-Appropriated Funds	135,100	271,100	271,100
Federal Funds	756,300	1,623,500	698,700
TOTAL - ALL SOURCES	43,215,700	45,471,200	44,546,400

AGENCY DESCRIPTION — The Department of Juvenile Corrections (DJC) is responsible for the care and treatment of youth offenders adjudicated to be delinquent and remanded to the custody of the department. DJC has jurisdiction over youth until they are released from custody or reach age 18.

FOOTNOTES

^{1/} Twenty-five percent of land earnings and interest from the state charitable, penal and reformatory institutions land fund shall be distributed to the department of juvenile corrections, in compliance with section 25 of the enabling act and the Constitution of Arizona, to be used to support state juvenile institutions and reformatories. (General Appropriations Act footnote)

^{2/} General Appropriations Act funds are appropriated as a Lump Sum by Agency.

Operating Budget

The Baseline includes \$43,576,600 and 738.5 FTE Positions in FY 2026 for the operating budget. These amounts consist of:

	FY 2026
General Fund	\$29,978,900
Criminal Justice Enhancement Fund (CJEF)	528,900
Department of Juvenile Corrections Local Cost Sharing Fund	6,724,000

State Charitable, Penal and Reformatory Institutions Land Fund 4,881,100
State Education Fund for Committed Youth 1,463,700

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2025.

The FY 2025 and FY 2026 budgets include a decrease of \$(900,000) from the General Fund and a corresponding increase of \$800,000 from the Land Trust Fund and \$100,000 from the CJEF for a temporary shift in operating costs. The FY 2026 Baseline's 3-year plan restores the General Fund appropriation in FY 2027.

Other Issues

This section includes information on the following topics:

- Local Cost Sharing
- Population Counts
- Long-Term Budget Impacts

Local Cost Sharing

Under permanent law, Maricopa County is required to pay \$6,724,000 into the DJC Local Cost Sharing Fund to defray a portion of the department's operating expenses. *(Please see the FY 2023 Appropriations Report for the history of this fund.)*

Population Counts

Table 1 lists the DJC population by category since FY 2021. From FY 2021 to FY 2024, the housed population

decreased from 182 to 163, or (10.43)% while the parole population has decreased from 130 to 115, or (11.5)%.

Through October 2024, the housed population in DJC has increased from an average population of 141 in FY 2024 to 163, or 15.6%. The parole population has increased from an average population of 102 in FY 2024 to 115 in October, or 12.7%.

Long-Term Budget Impacts

As part of the Baseline's 3-year spending plan, the department's General Fund costs would increase by \$900,000 in FY 2027 over FY 2026. This estimate is based on the FY 2025 and FY 2026 budgets decreasing the department's operating appropriation from the General Fund by \$(900,000) and a corresponding increase of \$900,000 from the department's appropriated funds. *(Please see the operating budget for further details.)*

Table 1

	DJC Census				Population as of October 31, 2024
	FY 2021 Average Population	FY 2022 Average Population	FY 2023 Average Population	FY 2024 Average Population	
Housed Population					
Adobe Mountain	182	144	133	141	163
Parole Population					
Parole	62	45	31	25	29
Interstate Compact (Inside Arizona) ^{1/}	<u>68</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>86</u>
Parole Population	130	115	114	102	115
Total DJC Population	312	259	247	243	278

^{1/} The Interstate Compact is an agreement between states to supervise parolees in each other's state. "Inside Arizona" means parolees from other states living in Arizona and "Outside Arizona" means Arizona parolees living in other states. There were no reported Arizona parolees outside of Arizona in FY 2024 or FY 2025. As of Oct. 2024, DJC reports 1 Outside Arizona probation case.

SUMMARY OF FUNDS	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimate
Coronavirus Relief Fund (DJA2975/A.R.S. § 35-142)		Federal Funds
Source of Revenue: Monies received by the state from the federal COVID-19 response legislation. Arizona received \$1.86 billion from the Coronavirus Relief Fund established by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act based on the state's share of the population.		
Purpose of Fund: Monies are allocated by the Governor to supplement costs of the state's COVID-19 response, including necessary expenditures incurred by the state due to the public health emergency from March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020.		
Funds Expended	7,800	0
Year-End Fund Balance	0	0

SUMMARY OF FUNDS	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimate
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (DJA2985/U.S. P.L. 117-2)		Federal Funds
Source of Revenue: Federal monies appropriated in the American Rescue Plan Act (P.L. 117-2).		
Purpose of Fund: To provide emergency support to households, small businesses, nonprofits, workers performing essential work, and certain industries negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. To extend government services that received a reduction in revenue as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. To make investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.		
Funds Expended	23,200	924,800
Year-End Fund Balance	924,800	0
Criminal Justice Enhancement Fund (DJA2281/A.R.S. § 41-2401)		Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Receives 3.57% of state Criminal Justice Enhancement Fund (CJEF) revenues. CJEF consists of a 42% assessment added on to every fine, penalty and forfeiture collected by the courts for criminal offenses, and civil penalties imposed for traffic violations and motor vehicle violations.		
Purpose of Fund: For treatment and rehabilitation of youth who have committed drug-related offenses.		
Funds Expended	523,200	528,900
Year-End Fund Balance	763,100	1,188,300
Department of Juvenile Corrections Local Cost Sharing Fund (DJA3007/A.R.S. § 41-2833)		Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Maricopa and Pima Counties are required to pay a proportional share of \$8,450,900 based on their share of the state population according to the 2010 decennial census.		
Purpose of Fund: To fund the operational costs of DJC.		
Funds Expended	6,724,000	6,724,000
Year-End Fund Balance	118,700	118,700
DJC Career and Technical Education Fund (DJA2326/A.R.S. § 41-2828)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Proceeds generated by any department educational, vocational, treatment, training, or work program, including the sale of unneeded equipment or supplies.		
Purpose of Fund: To pay expenses that are required for any educational, vocational, treatment, training or work program established by the department.		
Funds Expended	0	0
Year-End Fund Balance	0	0
DJC Restitution Fund (DJA2476/A.R.S. § 41-2826)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Federal, state, and local appropriations distributed by the director from the DJC Career Technical Education Fund, in addition to grants, gifts, and other donations from any public or private source.		
Purpose of Fund: For the payment of restitution and monetary assessments by youths who are ordered to make such payments but who are financially unable to pay. In a committed youth work program or a community work program, youth participate and receive payment through the Restitution Fund, a portion of which is distributed in the form of restitution payments to victims or the court.		
Funds Expended	5,400	8,100
Year-End Fund Balance	101,100	96,200
Employee Recognition Fund (DJA2449/A.R.S. § 41-709)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Gifts and donations from public and private entities.		
Purpose of Fund: Employee recognition programs that recognize and award the performance, achievement, longevity or major life event of department employees.		
Funds Expended	11,400	10,000
Year-End Fund Balance	5,000	5,100
Federal Funds (DJA2000/A.R.S. § 35-142)		Federal Funds
Source of Revenue: Federal Grants.		
Purpose of Fund: For the National School Breakfast and Lunch Program, Special Education, Career Technology Education, substance abuse, and other federal programs.		
Funds Expended	725,300	698,700
Year-End Fund Balance	37,600	88,300

SUMMARY OF FUNDS	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimate
IGA and ISA Fund (DJA2500/A.R.S. § 35-142)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Monies received through intergovernmental and interagency agreements.		
Purpose of Fund: To provide training to DJC staff in behavioral therapy, motivational interviewing, and child and family teams, and some supplemental funding for attainment of juvenile treatment goals.		
Funds Expended	(32,100)	0
Year-End Fund Balance	57,400	82,700
Indirect Cost Recovery Fund (DJA9000/A.R.S. § 35-142)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Charges made to interagency agreements and monies transferred from the department's appropriated and non-appropriated funds.		
Purpose of Fund: To pay departmentwide administrative and overhead costs.		
Funds Expended	0	0
Year-End Fund Balance	600	600
Juvenile Corrections Fund (DJA3024/A.R.S. § 41-2810)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Donations by individuals and businesses, proceeds from vending machines, and fund-raising efforts.		
Purpose of Fund: For additional supplies and department conferences, for purposes agreed upon by donors and the agency Director, or for special student activities.		
Funds Expended	7,400	12,600
Year-End Fund Balance	27,700	20,300
State Charitable, Penal and Reformatory Institutions Land Fund (DJA3029/A.R.S. § 37-525)		Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Earnings on state lands and interest on the investment of the Permanent Land Fund. As approved by voters in May 2016, Proposition 123 increased the Treasurer's annual distribution rate from the Permanent Land Fund from 2.5% to 6.9% from FY 2016 to FY 2026.		
Purpose of Fund: To help defray costs of operating juvenile correctional facilities.		
Funds Expended	3,700,000	4,881,100
Year-End Fund Balance	2,517,300	1,252,300
State Education Fund for Committed Youth (DJA2323/A.R.S. § 15-1371)		Appropriated
Source of Revenue: The state's statutory K-12 Basic State Aid formula provides funding based on the DJC population.		
Purpose of Fund: To help provide for the education of committed youth.		
Funds Expended	1,378,600	1,463,700
Year-End Fund Balance	439,100	(18,600)
State Education System for Committed Youth Classroom Site Fund (DJA2487/A.R.S. § 15-1373)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Classroom Site Fund monies received from the ADE, pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-977. The Classroom Site Fund receives monies from a 0.6% sales tax.		
Purpose of Fund: To provide additional funding for teacher compensation increases based on performance (40%); teacher base salary increases and employment related expenses (20%); and class size reduction, teacher compensation increases, AIMS intervention programs, teacher development, dropout prevention, and teacher liability insurance premiums (40%).		
Funds Expended	142,700	240,100
Year-End Fund Balance	512,300	429,900
Statewide Donations Fund (DJA2025/A.R.S. § 35-142)		Non-Appropriated
Source of Revenue: Gifts and donations from public and private entities.		
Purpose of Fund: Employee recognition programs or for the specified purpose for which they were donated.		
Funds Expended	300	300
Year-End Fund Balance	100	100