



## **EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FY26 APPROPRIATION REQUEST HIGHLIGHTS OF GENERAL FUND REQUEST**

### **Base Budget Request**

- **\$7,338.5K** - General Fund Request for FY26
  - **\$502.2K**- requested increase from FY25 Section 4 (7.3% increase)
    - **\$46.7K** – increase for Judges statutory compensation
    - **\$125.9K** – Attorney Supervisor position, funding needed to provide legal support to our three District Judges and five Magistrate Judges, for supervision, development and operation of the court Domestic Mediation, Self-help and Alternative Dispute Resolution programs and oversee the court’s compliance with IPRA responses.
    - **\$68.3K** – Legal Office Specialist position, funding needed to perform administrative support district wide to keep us in compliance with performance standards and to serve as a backup Court Monitor.
    - **\$61.6K**– Judicial Specialist 2 position, funding needed, dedicated to timely and accurate appeals case processing and backup jury clerk for district and magistrate courts in Taos.
    - **\$68.3K**– Administrative Assistant 2 position, funding needed to support two Domestic Relations Hearing Officers in scheduling hearings and writing orders.
    - **\$76.4K** – Financial Specialist Senior position in order to relieve Magistrate managers fiscal responsibilities for AOC monthly reporting requirements, and thereby, improve case flow processing, supervising and training. This position will also absorb additional accounting duties such as witness travel and grant compliance reporting.
    - **\$5.0K** – GPS monitoring contract services for our Pretrial Services
    - **\$50.0K** – Taos Magistrate Court Security Services for two magistrate courtrooms in Taos that are currently without a bailiff or security contractor needed to keep judges, staff and the public safe.

### **FY26 Special Requests**

- **\$33.5K** – courtroom technology in the magistrate hearing room at the historic Clayton courthouse.
- **\$52.7K** – to purchase a 7-passenger court vehicle
- **\$71.5K** – to install bullet proof film on the glass surrounding the security station in the Taos county courthouse.
- **\$17.5** – to update Microsoft Word 2019 and Microsoft Office 2019 computer refresh on 124 computers.

### **FY26 Capital Requests**

- **\$72.6** – to add a partition wall to our Jury Assembly Room to increase multifunctional usage.