

Thirteenth District Court Quick Facts:

- 1,085 visitors given free legal help at monthly clinics in FY 17.
- Family Support Services Program pairs social workers with parents in abuse & neglect cases.
- FSS social workers provide case management to parents, and interface with CYFD staff on a clinical level to allow quicker resolution of cases.
- FSS began accepting pilot cases in Bernalillo Co. in FY17 and continues with this in FY18.
- 245,138 inhabitants – the second most populous judicial district.
- Thirteenth's population grew by 9,795 people from 2010 to 2016 which is 45% of NM's population growth during that time.
- District's population has grown 35% since 2000.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau 2016 Population Est.

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THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CIBOLA, SANDOVAL AND VALENCIA COUNTIES

Fiscal Year '19 Budget Request

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REQUEST HIGHLIGHTS:

- Funding for the 13th decreased by 2.1% from FY16 to FY18.
- The District's caseload increased 11.4% (1,217 more cases) from FY16 to FY17.
- Requested funding will continue the highly successful Foreclosure Settlement Project (FSP)
- FSP focuses on residential foreclosures and requires settlement talks before court filings or hearings. The request continues funding for two Project staff, a total of 216.1.
- FSP settled 87% of cases in FY17.
- 46% of FSP settlements resulted in homeowners keeping their home.
- 80.0 to continue funding for the Cibola County Adult Drug Court, current BJA grant expires Sept. 2018.
- Cibola ADC averaged 10 participants at any point in FY17, and has 18 current participants with 6 pending referrals.



BASE BUDGET REQUEST:

The 13th Judicial District requests a base budget of 7,503 for FY 19. The funding would:

- Fund the Foreclosure Settlement Program
- Restore FY16 level of GF funding
- Restore full funding and training for drug courts.
- Restore funding for several vacant positions – the District's vacancy rate rose steeply. It was 13% at the end of February 2017 and remained at 8.5% in October 2017.

Workforce Investment Project funding will:

- Replace income employees have lost to rising insurance premia and cost of living over the last several fiscal years.
- Help with staff retention & recruitment by keeping judicial branch salaries in line with other agencies.
- Move judges' salaries up slightly, no longer making New Mexico District Court Judges' salaries lowest in the nation.



CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST:



NEEDED COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY

Capital Outlay Request 98.0:

- 98.0 for needed upgrades to aging courtroom technology in Sandoval County. Current systems no longer interface with existing courtroom technology. New document & video display systems greatly reduce the length of hearings and trials.