



Municipal Court

BUDGET FY23

2022 Accomplishments

- Transition from one elected judge to three elected judges
- Complete third courtroom construction





NEW COURT PROGRAMS

- Pre-trial Supported Release Program
- Traffic Court
- Shelter Court
- Community Service Administrator

Pre-trial Supported Release Program

Tier I

- Lowest level of monitoring
- No history of non-appearance
- Stable residence
- Receive Court reminders

Tier II

- 3 or fewer non-appearances
- Housing instability
- Receive Court reminders
- Complete monthly report via the City website
- Monthly check-ins w/Re-entry Specialist

Tier III

- Highest level of monitoring
- Seriousness of offense
- 3+ non-appearances
- Housing instability
- Receive Court reminders
- Complete monthly report via the City website
- Bi-weekly telephone check-ins
- Possible referral to Community Supported Re-Entry Program for further services

Traffic Court

- ▶ Remove certain driving offenses from the criminal court docket
- ▶ Assist participants in obtaining a valid driver's license
- ▶ Utilize a social work intern to help participants navigate driver's services and determine reason for DL suspension
- ▶ Participants who are successfully reinstated may receive a dismissal of charges

Shelter Court

- ▶ Coordinate with the Poverello, City Attorney, and Public Defender's Office to hold court via Zoom from the Poverello
- ▶ Increases accessibility to a vulnerable population
- ▶ Held the last Friday of each month
- ▶ Participants will not be sent to jail increasing likelihood of appearing
- ▶ Possibility of resolving outstanding matters without personally appearing

Community Services Administrator

- ▶ Community Services Administrator position created by reclassifying an existing position
- ▶ CSA will work with local organizations to place participants for completion of community service
- ▶ Work closely with Supported Release Program staff
- ▶ Assist with implementation and ongoing supervision of Traffic Court
- ▶ Coordinates Shelter Court
- ▶ Ability to connect Defendants to other services in the community

Questions?

