



DALLAS COUNTY
Criminal Justice Department

530 Sub-Committee
Wednesday, July 9, 2025

Agenda

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Review/Approval of Minutes *
3. Tribute to Vickie Rice Presented by Michaela Himes
4. 530 Fund Balance & Update
5. Drug Testing
6. Housing
7. Voting Items*
 *Memo Request from MHJD/SET Court
8. Specialty Court Video Production
9. Texas State Office of the Governor Update
10. Department Updates
 - a. CJD
 - b. CSCD
 - c. DA
 - d. PD
 - e. Judiciary
11. Announcements
12. Adjourn

Next meeting— August 13, 2025

****Denotes voting item***

ATTENDANCE

<u>Name</u>	<u>First Join</u>	<u>Last Leave</u>	<u>In-Meeting Duration</u>
Deborah Hill	6/11/25, 8:59:52 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:54 AM	44m 2s
Marcus TurnerJr	6/11/25, 8:54:50 AM	6/11/25, 9:44:23 AM	49m 32s
Barbara West	6/11/25, 8:55:15 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:46 AM	48m 31s
Julie Turnbull	6/11/25, 8:55:34 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:48 AM	48m 13s
Jeremy Lewis	6/11/25, 8:56:33 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:50 AM	47m 17s
Regina Fowlks	6/11/25, 8:56:37 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:55 AM	47m 18s
Bibiana Castillo	6/11/25, 8:56:40 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:50 AM	36m 40s
Rebecca Malek	6/11/25, 8:57:01 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:53 AM	46m 52s
Alina Caratas	6/11/25, 8:57:09 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:55 AM	46m 45s
LaShonda Jefferson	6/11/25, 8:58:10 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:52 AM	45m 42s
Laura Edmonds	6/11/25, 8:59:01 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:53 AM	44m 51s
Harry Ingram	6/11/25, 8:59:09 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:51 AM	44m 42s
Trina Crosby	6/11/25, 8:59:09 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:52 AM	44m 43s
Michaela Himes	6/11/25, 9:00:08 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:47 AM	43m 39s
Charlene Randolph	6/11/25, 9:00:22 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:47 AM	43m 24s
Abigail Peak	6/11/25, 9:00:46 AM	6/11/25, 9:44:20 AM	43m 34s
Bryan Smith	6/11/25, 9:00:48 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:48 AM	43m
Christi Bustos	6/11/25, 9:01:07 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:53 AM	42m 45s
Janine Capetillo	6/11/25, 9:01:42 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:51 AM	42m 9s
Keta Dickerson	6/11/25, 9:01:42 AM	6/11/25, 9:44:00 AM	42m 17s
George Johnson	6/11/25, 9:02:07 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:46 AM	41m 38s
Jessica Gamez	6/11/25, 9:02:35 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:54 AM	41m 19s
Marta Kang	6/11/25, 9:05:34 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:54 AM	38m 19s
Serena McNair	6/11/25, 9:09:43 AM	6/11/25, 9:44:21 AM	34m 38s
Kimberly Duran	6/11/25, 9:10:25 AM	6/11/25, 9:43:46 AM	33m 20s

Departments	Designated Representative	Alternate
CSCD	Serena McNair	N/A
PD	Vickie Rice	Michaela Himes
DA	Julie Turnbull	N/A
CRIMINAL JUSTICE	Charlene Randolph	Marcus Turner Jr.
OOG CERTIFIED COURTS		
4C	Bryan Smith	N/A
AIM	George Johnson	Andre Craig/Maegan Westbrook
ATLAS	Judge Raquel Jones	Harry Ingram
Competency	Judge Kristin Wade	Jeremy Lewis
DDC	Judge Jennifer Bennett	Serena McNair
DIVERT	Trina Crosby	Judge Suzy Venegas
DWI Misd	Judge Audrey Moorehead	N/A
DWI Felony	Lynn Cox	Emily Antram
IIP	Christie Bustos	N/A
Legacy Family	Judge Sandra Jackson	Judge Tamika Abendroth
MHJD/SET	Judge Kristin Wade	Alina Caratas
STAC	Judge Lela Mays/ Judge David Woodruff	Barbara West
STAR	Rebecca Malek	Michaela Himes
Veterans Court	Judge Dominique Collins	Janine Capetillo
OOG	Keta Dickerson	N/A

N/A = No Alternate

Updated 6/9/2025

Behavioral Health Steering Committee
530 Fund Sub-Committee
June 11, 2025

ATTENDEES: Abigail Peak, Alina Caratas, Barbara West, Bibiana Castillo, **Bryan Smith, Charlene Randolph, Christi Bustos, Deborah Hill, George Johnson, Harry Ingram,** Janine Capetillo, Jeremy Lewis, Jessica Gamez, **Julie Turnbull, Keta Dickerson,** Kimberly Duran, LaShonda Jefferson, Laura Edmonds, Marcus Turner Jr, Marta Kang, Michaela Himes, **Rebecca Malek,** Regina Fowlks, **Serena McNair, Trina Crosby**
**bold font indicates designated voting representatives*

Review/Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Marcus Turner. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Julie Turnbull. Bryan Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were approved and accepted. A discussion was held regarding changing the voting representatives for STAR court. Marcus Turner and Michaela Himes will meet to discuss further details.

530 Fund Balance & Update

The current total balance for the 530 fund is \$242,872.58. Currently, there are no bus passes available. The FY25 Account Credits balance is \$60,624.84. Marcus Turner reported that the budget adjustment that was approved by the 530 committee and will go before Commissioners Court on 06/17/2025. The budget adjustment that is being presented to the Commissioners Court included: decreasing the training line item by \$19,000.00, increasing inpatient treatment by \$9,220.00, increasing transitional housing by \$3,000.00, and increasing transportation by \$3,780.00. Currently, there are 12 courts that have completed the survey to be eligible to receive incentive funds. The total Account 120 balance is \$37,287.45.

Drug Testing

Marcus Turner reported that there were 6 drug tests that were requested. The results included 2 negatives, 2 positives, 1 unable to test, and 1 pending. The total amount of drug testing invoiced for May was \$1,930.25. The courts with low funds available for drug testing have the option to request additional funds from the Flex account by filling out the Memo Request Allotment form.

Inpatient Treatment & Transitional Housing

The May invoices from the Salvation Army have not been received for processing. The CJD team will continue to work closely with the Salvation Army to retrieve these invoices so that they can be recorded. Mr. Turner stated that committee members can contact him with inquiries regarding clients in transitional housing or available funds for housing or inpatient treatment.

Specialty Court Video Production

Marcus Turner reported that he is working with the video producer, Owen Cole, to confirm a schedule for recording. Mr. Turner will be contacting all individuals who have expressed interest in participating in the video. Committee members who would like to participate or nominate someone to be a part of the video should submit their request to Mr. Turner.

Department Updates

Office of the Governor – Keta Dickerson attended the OOG spring meeting and reported that the peer reviews were conducted by the Specialty Court Resource Center based on the specialty court's grant application and/or Best Assessment. Overall, there were 13 courts that required peer reviews, in which over half of these courts were from Dallas County. Ms. Dickerson recommended that Courts that are required to have a peer review conducted, inquire if the team that is evaluating the court is also required to have a peer review conducted. If the evaluation team is required to complete a peer review, a request for another evaluation team should be made. Ms. Dickerson also recommended that each court allows herself or Mr. Turner to review court processes to ensure that Best Practices are followed. Any inaccuracies and concerns that the Specialty Courts have regarding the peer review evaluation business processes should be included in the response to the action items report, forwarded to Amber Gregory with TASC, and the Governor's office.

Public Defenders Office – Michaela Himes reported that the Public Defenders, District Attorney, County Administration, and Criminal Justice offices have been creating ideas to help serve individuals in need of problem-solving efforts, including individuals coming into jail with mental health problems. Representatives from each department have traveled to Miami, Fl., to review the Miami Dade model of decriminalizing mental illness, and trainings regarding Assisted Outpatient Treatment in San Antonio, Tx.

Announcements

Bryan Smith announced the creation of the Golf Tournament Committee for the Specialty Courts fundraiser being held this Fall. Committee members or specialty court team members that would like to volunteer during the event should contact Bryan Smith.

Marcus Turner announced that any topics wanting to be added to the 530 Sub-Committee meeting agenda should be requested by completing the Request to Add Discussion Topic to Meeting Agenda form. The form should be submitted to Marcus Turner, Deborah Hill, Regina Fowlks, and Charlene Randolph.

The Specialty Courts Program Coordinator Collaborative Meeting will be held Monday, July 14, 2025, at 1:00 PM.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 a.m. and will be reconvened on July 09, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Current Total Balance: \$237,984.80 ; **0 Bus Passes Available **					
FY25 Account Credits: \$60,624.84					
Cost Center	Account	Line Item	Budget	Invoiced	Balance Remaining
9277	62027	Training	\$29,000.00	\$25,526.02	\$3,473.98
9276	62240	Incentives	\$24,000.00	\$5,104.37	\$18,895.63
9277	62367	Inpatient Treatment	\$43,220.00	\$29,052.00	\$14,168.00
9277	62367	Transitional Housing (Salvation Army)	\$33,000.00	\$27,918.00	\$5,082.00
9276	62160	Office Supplies	\$1,400.00	\$65.75	\$1,334.25
9277	62140	Transportation	\$7,580.00	\$7,560.00	\$20.00
9276	62920	Drug Testing	\$44,400.00	\$17,492.57	\$26,907.43
9277	62567	Video Production Services	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00
		Operating Total	\$185,000.00	\$112,718.71	\$72,281.29

***Incentives Breakdown for FY25:**

Eligible for Incentives	Specialty Court	Approved	Invoiced	Balance
The highlighted courts have completed the Specialty Court Survey and are eligible to utilize their allotted incentive	MHJD/SET	\$1,500.00	\$150.00	\$1,350.00
	DIVERT	\$3,000.00	\$63.00	\$2,937.00
	STAR	\$1,400.00		
	STAC	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00
	Veterans	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
	AIM	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00
	ATLAS	\$700.00	\$91.37	\$608.63
	Competency	\$2,000.00	\$300.00	\$1,700.00
	DDC	\$600.00		\$600.00
	IIP	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00
	4C	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$0.00
	DWI Misdemeanor	\$800.00		\$800.00
	DWI Felony	\$800.00		\$800.00
	Legacy			
	National Treatment Court Month			
	Totals	\$24,000.00	\$5,104.37	\$18,895.63

530 FY25 Expenditures

Month	Cost Center 9277	Description	Cost Center 9276	Description
24-Oct				
			\$1,597	RMS Drug Testing
			\$103.35	Abbott Toxicology
	\$7,103.53	Salvation Army	\$350	RMS Drug Testing
	\$3,780	DART	\$261.66	Abbott Toxicology
24-Nov	\$4,941	Salvation Army	\$700	RMS Drug Testing
			\$4,200	Redwood Abbott 4-C Testing Cups
			\$297.30	Redwood Abbott
			\$17.40	RMS Alcohol Monitoring
24-Dec			\$1,000	Incentives
			\$131.25	Redwood Abbott Veterans Court Testing Cups
	\$4,437	Salvation Army	\$175	RMS Drug Testing
			251.43	Abbott Toxicology
			\$121.80	RMS Alcohol Monitoring
25-Jan	\$4,599	Salvation Army		
			\$722	RMS Drug Testing
25-Feb			\$262.50	RMS
			\$204.17	Redwood
			\$152.25	RMS- Alcohol Monitoring
	\$7,266	Salvation Army		
Mar-25			\$172.39	Abbott Toxicology
			\$700.00	RMS
			\$152.25	RMS-Alcohol Monitoring
	\$9,703	Salvation Army		
25-Apr			\$3,150	4-C Drug Testing Redwood Toxicology
	\$11,905.12	Salvation Army		
			\$174	Recovery: Alcohol Monitoring
			\$80.46	Redwood Laboratory
			\$206.25	F-DWI Redwood Toxicology
			\$875	RMS-DRUG TESTING
			65.75	STAC Court Supplies
25-May				
			\$806.25	4-C Redwood Toxicology
			\$1,050	RMS-Drug Testing
			\$75	RMS-UA's
			\$211.75	Redwood Toxicology
25-Jun				
			\$143.86	Redwood Toxicology
			\$700	RMS-Drug Testing
			\$430.65	RMS-Alcohol Monitoring
	\$3,780	DART		
	\$2,555.53	Salvation Army		

530 Committee Credits and Account balances

Month	9277 Credits	Cost Center 9277 Balance	9276 Credits	Cost Center 9276 Balance
Oct-24	\$172.92	\$173,713.32	\$0.00	\$90,438.30
Nov-24	\$385.89	\$150,837.20	\$0.00	\$89,216.95
Dec-24	\$372.43	\$150,837.20	\$0.00	\$86,380.95
Jan-25	\$271.65	\$174,521.80	\$0.00	\$90,735.02
Feb-25	\$242.87	\$169,581.27	\$0.00	\$87,522.04
Mar-25	\$574.54	\$157,272.88	\$53.28	\$85,260.29
Apr-25	\$378.76	\$159,095.52	\$24.51	\$84,197.29
May-25	\$1,049.44	\$154,485.39	\$10.30	\$88,387.19
Jun-25	\$316.00	\$151,470.39	\$138.47	\$86,514.41
Jul-25				
Aug-25				
Sep-25				

Account 120

Oct-24	\$5,702.36
Nov-24	\$4,379.63
Dec-24	\$4,310.92
Jan-25	\$3,971.02
Feb-25	\$4,116.12
Mar-25	\$4,608.34
Apr-25	\$5,334.23
May-25	\$4,864.83
Jun-25	\$4,708.22
Jul-25	
Aug-25	
Sep-25	
Total	\$41,995.67

530 Drug Testing Snap Shot

	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	YTD
Requested	12	3	3	2	5	4	6	6	2	0	0	0	43
Positive	8	2	0	2	2	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	21
Negative	1	1	0	0	2	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	10
Dilute	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unable to Test	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Pending	3	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	9
Court													
Competency	1					0	0						1
DIVERT	1	1				0	0	4	3				9
STAC	1			1	1	2	2	1					8
MHJD/SET	5			1	2	1	3	1					13
DDC						1	0						1
VETERANS						0	0						0
ATLAS				2		0	0						2
AIM	4	2				0	0						6
Felony DWI						0	0						0
IIP						0	0						0
STAR						0	0						0
Legacy					2	0	0						2
Positive Substance													
Alcohol													0
ETG/ETS													0
THC	2	1			1								4
GHB													0
K2													0
Cocaine	3	1			1		1	1	2				9
Amphetamines	3					1	2		1				7
Benzodiazepines													0
Opiates													0
PCP													0
Methamphetamines	3			2	1	1	2	1	1				11
Morphine													0
Codeine													0
Buprenorphine													0
Nordiazepam													0
Temazepam													0
Alprazolam													0
Steroids													0
Fentanyl	1												1
Norfentanyl													0
Line Item Budget													\$44,400.00
Invoice Amount	\$1,947.00	\$4,900.00	\$306.25	\$884.28	\$528.95	\$1,023.87	\$4,485.71	\$2,142.00	\$1,274.51				\$17,492.57
Balance													\$26,907.43

530 Drug Testing-Individual Court Utilization

	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	YTD	Allotment	Memo Request Allotment	Balance
Court																
Comp	\$262.50												\$262.50	\$1,704.96		\$1,442.46
DIVERT	\$262.50	\$262.50						\$949.00	\$700.00				\$2,174.00	\$5,328.00		\$3,154.00
STAC	\$87.50		\$175.00	\$305.14	\$152.25	\$327.25	\$174.00	\$87.50	\$470.44				\$1,779.08	\$7,104.00		\$5,324.92
MHJD/SET	\$787.50			\$204.05	\$262.50	\$473.00	\$612.50	\$87.50					\$2,427.05	\$2,664.00	\$1,000.00	\$236.95
DDC						\$209.45	\$342.96	\$137.80	\$74.49				\$764.70	\$1,420.80		\$656.10
VET			\$131.25	\$25.09									\$156.34	\$2,664.00		\$2,507.66
ATLAS				\$350.00									\$350.00	\$888.00		\$538.00
AIM	\$547.00	\$437.50						\$806.25					\$1,790.75	\$3,552.00		\$1,761.25
F.DWI							\$206.25						\$206.25	\$1,065.60		\$859.35
IIP													\$0.00	\$3,552.00		\$3,552.00
STAR													\$0.00	\$1,420.80		\$1,420.80
Legacy					\$114.20	\$14.17		\$73.95	\$29.58				\$231.90	\$1,065.60		\$833.70
4C		\$4,200.00					\$3,150.00						\$7,350.00	\$7,459.20		\$109.20
M. DWI													\$0.00	\$1,065.60		\$1,065.60
Flex													\$0.00	\$3,445.44		\$3,445.44
Total	\$1,947.00	\$4,900.00	\$306.25	\$884.28	\$528.95	\$1,023.87	\$4,485.71	\$2,142.00	\$1,274.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,492.57	\$44,400.00		\$26,907.43

530 Inpatient Treatment- Salvation Army

	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	YTD
Referrals	1	0	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	8
Admissions	0	1	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
Discharges	2	0	1	0	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	9
Referrals by Court													
Court													
4C													0
AIM													0
ATLAS		1	1										2
Competency													0
DDC													0
DIVERT									1				1
Felony DWI													0
IIP													0
Legacy					1	2	2						5
MHJD/SET	2			1	2	1	2	1					9
Misdemeanor DWI													0
Pride													0
STAC													0
STAR							1						1
VET													0
Discharge Types													
Unsuccessful	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0				2
Successful	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	1				8

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530 Transitional Housing- Salvation Army

	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	YTD
Referrals	1	7	0	2	3	3	1	1	1				0
Admissions	2	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	0				0
Discharges	1	1	2	2	0	1	1	1	0				0
Referrals by Court													
Court													
4C													0
AIM													0
ATLAS													0
Competency													0
DDC													0
DIVERT				2	1	1	1	1					6
Felony DWI													0
IIP													0
Legacy		1											1
MHJD/SET	2	3	3	2	1	1	1	2	1				16
Misdemeanor DWI													0
Pride													0
STAC	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	1					11
STAR							1						1
VET													0
Discharge Types													
Unsuccessful	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Successful	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5

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Dallas County
Department of Criminal Justice

Dallas County Problem Solving Court Judges

FCCB, 133 Riverfront Blvd.

Dallas, Texas 75207

RE: 530 fund

In efforts to continue financial support of Dallas County Certified Problem Solving Courts the following criteria has been established when requesting use of 530 funding. The Behavioral Health Steering Committee will review all 530 requests. Approved requests are then forwarded to Commissioner's Court, who has final authority over 530 funds.

In your request please include a description of how the your 530 award will be utilized. If funds are being utilized for clients please include how many participants will be served and cost per participant. All requests should be submitted 30-45 days prior to the date the funding is needed. The following information is required with your request:

Item	Unit Cost	Participants	Total Cost
Drug Testing Allotment	\$87.50		\$1000

1. The date the court was certified by the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Certification date: July 2004

2. Court Outcomes

	Active Start of FY	New Admissions	Unsuccessful discharge	Graduates
FY24	36	74	28	35
FY25	39	64	28	23

Current number of enrollees: 9, MHJD/ 38 SET COURT

Max Program Capacity: 150

3. List of all court's fund sources to include grants, federal funds, donations and state or local funding.
Mental Health Diversion Court Grant
4. List any additional requests for funding the event; include the status of the event.
This request is for \$1000 to support drug patches for the remiainder of FY2025. This will allow our court to continue testing clients.
5. Justification for training, including last attended, when applicable.
Please provide your court contact regarding feedback of this 530 request. All documents are to be submitted to Marcus Turner Jr. Please feel free to email this document to marcus.turnerjr@dallascounty.org



COURT ORDER 2025-0698

Criminal Justice - Approve FY2025 Budget Adjustment for the 530 Fund

On a motion made by Commissioner Dr. Elba Garcia, and seconded by Commissioner Andrew Sommerman, the following order was passed and adopted by the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, State of Texas:

BRIEFING DATE: June 17, 2025

FUNDING SOURCE: 100.20000.9245.41010, 100.20000.9240.41011 and 100.12000.4555.4000

Be it resolved and ordered that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby **approve the proposed FY2025 Budget Adjustment for 530 Fund at an overall operating budget of \$185,500 and accompanying itemized budget overview to benefit all certified Dallas County specialty courts listed above.**

Done in open Court June 17, 2025 by the following vote:

IN FAVOR: County Judge Clay Jenkins, Commissioner Dr. Theresa Daniel, Commissioner John Wiley Price, Commissioner Dr. Elba Garcia, and Commissioner Andrew Sommerman

OPPOSED: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

Recommended by: Ronica Watkins

Originating Department: Budget



Dallas County
BRIEFING / COURT ORDER
Commissioners Court - Jun 17 2025

- ☐ Resolution
- ☐ Solicitation/Contract
- ☐ Executive Session
- ☐ Addendum

Criminal Justice - Approve FY2025 Budget Adjustment for the 530 Fund

Briefing Date: Jun 17 2025
Funding Source: 100.20000.9245.41010, 100.20000.9240.41011 and
100.12000.4555.4000
Originating Department: Budget
Prepared by: Vanessa G. Rodriguez, Budget & Policy Analyst
Recommended by: Ronica Watkins, Budget Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The revenue for Fund 530 is generated from the intoxication fees that are added to drug related convictions. The fees collected are located in two escrow accounts 100.20000.9245 and 100.20000.9240 (misdemeanor and felony) and General Fund 120 account 45555. A new fee structure was enacted in January 2020 with SB346. The structure collects fees on all criminal offenses not only offenses delineated as drug related. Fees collected under SB346 are located in General Fund 120 account 45555. The use of these fees is authorized under the "county specialty court account" under Section 134.101(b)(6) of the Texas Local Government Code. See TEX. LOCAL GOV'T CODE ANN. § 134.101(b)(6) (West 2021). The new legislation only applies to offenses committed on or after January 1, 2020. See Act of June 15, 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., ch. 1352, § 5.01, 2019 TEX. GEN. LAWS 1352. The funds are overseen by the Dallas County 530 Sub-Committee and Behavioral Health Steering Committee. The FY2025 Intoxication and Drug Conviction Fee (530) & Senate Bill 346 County Specialty Court Accounts Budget was approved on September 17, 2025, with Court Order 2024-1049.

The purpose of this briefing is to recommend that the Commissioners Court approve the proposed budget adjustment and accompanying itemized budget overview. In creation of the budget adjustment, a formal discussion and vote occurred over the period of a month. The proposed FY2025 budget adjustment is to move monies from one budget line item to another and will not result in an increase or decrease to the overall budget. Specifically, the budget adjustments are to move a total of \$16,000 from Training to Inpatient Treatment, Transitional Housing, and Transportation.

For more information please contact Deborah Hill, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Planning Unit, at (214) 761-1382, deborah.hill@dallascounty.org and Marcus Turner, Jr, Specialty Courts Program Manager, at (214) 604-4228, marcus.turnerjr@dallascounty.org.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT:

The attached FY2025 budget and budget explanation provides an overview of how the 530 Fund anticipates operating within the 2025 fiscal year to continue to adequately support certified specialty courts within Dallas County. The 530 Fund applies to all adult Dallas County specialty courts certified through the Texas State Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. These courts include: AIM, ATLAS, 4-C SAFPF Reentry Court, Competency Court, Felony DWI Court, Intensive Intervention

Program (IIP), Mental Health Diversion Court, Misdemeanor DWI Court, SET, STAC Court, Veterans Court, DIVERT Court, Dual Diagnosis Aftercare Court, STAR Court, and Legacy Family Court.

The proposed budget adjustment was formulated after the May 530 Sub-Committee meetings. Meeting attendees included program decision makers and specialty court team members involved in the daily operations of specialty courts. The process enabled the proposed budget to be responsive to actual specialty court needs. Internal procedures are being modified to allow more flexibility and relevancy in the utilization of funding. Future sub-committee meetings will ensure the function of policy and procedures and provide oversight. The sub-committee will continue to operate as an impactful and cohesive group working towards common goals. The proposed budget adjustment and sub-committee oversight maximizes utilization of resources in an effective, efficient, and accountable manner required to be good stewards of the fund.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The FY2025 current balance for the 530 Fund escrow account is approximately \$243,293. The General Fund 120 account balance is approximately \$32,423. Together, the accounts total approximately \$275,715. A transfer of the monies from the General Fund 120 to the escrow account will occur in October 2025. The proposed FY2025 budget has an operating total of \$185,000. The FY2025 budget with proposed adjustments, along with a description of each line item is in the attached document.

The changes from the previous budget include the following:

- An increase of \$9,220 in line item for Inpatient Treatment. The line item was increased based upon a need to cover the cost for Specialty Court participants to receive inpatient treatment.
- An increase of \$3000 in line for Transitional Housing. This line item was increased based upon a need to cover the cost to provide housing for Specialty Court participants.
- An increase of \$3780 in line item for Transportation. This line item was increased based upon a growing need of courts to provide bus passes to Specialty Court participants.
- A decrease of \$16,000 in line item for Training. This line item was decrease to free funds to support the needs of the Specialty Court. Important to note: Funds in this line item were available after Specialty Court team attended TASC Conference.

The 530 Sub-Committee approved this FY2025 Budget Adjustment on May 20, 2025, and will be communicated to the Behavioral Health Steering Committee (BHSC). Future proposals for utilization of any reserve funds will go through the BHSC 530 Fund Sub-Committee and larger BHSC committee for approval.

LEGAL IMPACT:

N/A

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

N/A

SBE PARTICIPATION:

N/A

MISSION, VISION, VALUE COMPLIANCE:

Approval of FY2025, Budget Adjustment for the Intoxication and Drug Conviction Fee (530) & Senate Bill 346 County Specialty Court Accounts adheres to the mission of Dallas County to deliver

exceptional services that promote a thriving community. The budget line-item works together for the improvement of people's lives. The fund directly benefits Specialty Courts within Dallas County, by efficiently and effectively providing service to reduce recidivism, target at-risk offenders, and provide essential treatment and services directly to court participants. Treatment courts are the single most successful intervention in our nation's history for leading people living with substance abuse and mental health disorders out of the justice system and into stable lifestyles. Furthermore, it aligns with the mission of the Criminal Justice Department, which is to facilitate strategic planning with criminal justice and community stakeholders, to reduce recidivism and victimization by maximizing resources, leveraging data, and effectively managing the Dallas County Jail Population, through greater use of evidence-based diversion strategies. Therefore, the Intoxication and Drug Conviction Fee (530) & Senate Bill 346 County Specialty Court Accounts contributes to the overall health of our community.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Office of Budget and Evaluation recommends the approval of the proposed FY2025 Budget Adjustment for 530 Fund at an overall operating budget of \$185,500 and accompanying itemized budget overview to benefit all certified Dallas County specialty courts listed above.

MOTION:

On a motion made by TBD, and seconded by TBD, the following order will be voted on by the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, State of Texas:

Be it resolved and ordered that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby approve the proposed FY2025 Budget Adjustment for 530 Fund at an overall operating budget of \$185,500 and accompanying itemized budget overview to benefit all certified Dallas County specialty courts listed above.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Attachment - FY2025 530 Budget Adjustment](#)

FY2025 530 Budget Adjustment

Cost Center	Account	Line Item	FY2025 Budget	FY2025 Budget with Adjustment	Variance
9277	62027	Training	\$45,000	\$29,000	\$(16,000)
9276	62240	Incentives	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$-
9277	62367	Inpatient Treatment	\$34,000	\$43,220	\$9,220
9277	62367	Transitional Housing (Salvation Army)	\$30,000	\$33,000	\$3,000
9276	62160	Office Supplies	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$-
9277	62140	Transportation	\$3,800	\$7,580	\$3,780
9276	62920	Drug Testing	\$44,400	\$44,400	\$-
9277	62567	Video Production Services	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$-
		Operating Total	\$185,000	\$185,000	

The 530 Fund budget allotments apply to all Dallas County specialty courts that are certified through the Texas State Office of the Governor. These courts include: AIM, ATLAS, 4-C Reentry Court, Competency Court, Felony DWI Court, IIP, Mental Health Diversion Court, Misdemeanor DWI Court, PRIDE, Veterans Court, DIVERT Court, Dual Diagnosis Aftercare Court (DDC), STAC Court, STAR Court, and Legacy Family Court.

Transitional Housing (Salvation Army):

Line item covers the per diem rate for participants to reside in transitional housing with the Salvation Army. Transitional housing assists clients to successfully transition to permanent housing and provides clients the tools and resources so they can demonstrate housing stability.

Training:

Line item covers expenses for team building, in-house training, or local in-state training for those assigned to a certified specialty court. Covered expenses to include transportation expenses (airfare, mileage, and ground transportation), registration fees, speaker/presenter fees, facility space fees, lodging, food/meals, and other applicable incidentals.

Incentives:

Line items cover purchased items such as gift cards, food/delivery cost and supplies for graduations or other specialty court related events/celebrations, or other items to be utilized for the purpose of providing participant incentives. Incentives will not exceed the amount of \$20.00 per specialty court participant.

Inpatient Treatment:

Line item covers the per diem rate for participants to engage in residential treatment with a community-based provider. Funding from this line item will only apply to participants who are engaged in a certified specialty court program.

Office Supplies:

Line item covers expenses to purchase office supplies and printing.

Transportation:

The line item covers the purchase of bus passes that are distributed to each specialty court for the benefit of its participants, to assist in their transportation need while participating in the specialty court.

Drug Testing:

Line-item purchases drug and alcohol testing services and supplies for certified specialty courts through Dallas County approved/contracted drug screen vendor.

Video Production Services:

To obtain video production services to create specialty court testimonials and updates.