0324 – PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION FISCAL YEAR 2025 LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The Public Defender Commission was created to address a variety of concerns relating to the representation of indigent criminal defendants in Arkansas.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
		Actual	Authorized	Legislative
1VA	Ombudsman Program	\$74,249	\$76,691	\$77,351
337	Public Defender-Operations	\$3,520,254	\$3,782,034	\$3,799,753
530	Public Defender -Trial Office	\$27,987,864	\$30,114,151	\$30,294,936
AT7	AR Public Defender Cash - NEH0000	\$730,197	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
X66	Commission for Parent Counsel	\$4,189,463	\$4,775,665	\$4,780,776
Total		\$33,462,982	\$39,748,541	\$39,952,816

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources	%	
Fund Balance	4000005	11.79
Special Revenue	4000030	0.02
State Central Services	4000035	70.84
Cash Fund	4000045	0.01
Bail Bond Fees	4000115	2.36
Inter-agency Fund Transfer	4000316	0.13
Transfer from DHS	4000510	2.67
Transfer from DHS-DYS	4000515	0.20
Transfer State Admn of Justice	4000570	5.36
User / Attorney Fees	4000725	4.13
Restricted Reserve Fund	4000755	2.59
Total Funds	100.00	

NO CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY20225: 289 Total Authorized Positions FY2024: 287 Increase / (Decrease): 0 Extra Help Positions FY2025: 65

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

No Changes.