



# OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER STATE OF MONTANA

## Assessments and Collections

The Office of the State Public Defender (OPD) has a state special revenue account that receives funds from sources authorized under 47-1-110. One of the sources of funds are payments for the cost of a public defender ordered by the court pursuant to 46-8-113 as part of a sentence in a criminal case.

The courts provide OPD with summary information as to the assessments made by each court for the cost of public defender services. The assessment amounts received during FY 2015 are on the accompanying Attachment A. The agency uses this information to record a lump sum accounts receivable.

The courts also provide OPD with summary information as to their collection of the assessed fees by each court. The amounts received by the courts during FY 2015 are contained on the accompanying Attachment B.

The agency uses the amount actually deposited by the Department of Revenue through the County Collection Process (not the amount reported by the courts in Attachment B) to record a lump sum revenue and a reduction of its accounts receivable balance. There is a variance between the courts' reporting and the timing of the actual deposit to OPD's state special revenue account.

OPD does not receive information from the courts or the Department of Revenue by client.

OPD also receives a small amount of funds directly from clients at the Central Services Office in Butte.

## Attachment A

### Office of the State Public Defender JUDICIARY FEE ASSESSMENTS BY COURT - FY 2015

<u>COURT</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
Alberton City Court	\$ 72
Baker City Court	2,000
Belgrade City Court	1,210
Billings Municipal Court	850
Bozeman Municipal Court	11,331
Carbon County Justice Court	1,750
Columbia Falls City Court	11,200
Columbus City Court	1,125
Dawson County Justice Court	850
Fallon County Justice Court	625
Fergus County Justice Court	250
Forsyth City Court	250
Gallatin County Justice Court	3,100
Glendive City Court	2,250
Great Falls Municipal Court	2,520
Hamilton City Court	650
Havre City Court	750
Hill County Justice Court	1,083
Jefferson County Justice Court	1,000
Kalispell Municipal Court	100
Laurel City Court	7,600
Lewistown City Court	500
Libby City Court	6,000
Lincoln County Justice Court, Eureka	250
Lincoln County Justice Court, Libby	14,375
Livingston City Court	3,300
Manhattan City Court	250
McCone County District Court	200
Miles City City Court	5,071
Mineral County Justice Court	1,148
Missoula County Justice Court	56,285
Missoula Municipal Court	1,442
Park County Justice Court	500
Ravalli County Justice Court	5,650
Red Lodge City Court	1,750
Rosebud County Justice Court, Forsyth	1,830
Sheridan County Justice Court	250
Sidney City Court	300
Superior City Court	66
Treasure County Justice Court	750
Troy City Court	500
West Yellowstone City Court	421
White Sulphur Springs City Court	875
Whitefish City Court	700
Wibaux County District Court	800
Yellowstone County Justice Court	4,000
Big Horn County District Court	8,800
Blaine County District Court	3,200
Broadwater County District Court	8,526
Carbon County District Court	18,850
Cascade County District Court	17,600
Chouteau County District Court	2,750

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### Office of the State Public Defender JUDICIARY FEE ASSESSMENTS BY COURT - FY 2015

<u>COURT</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
Custer County District Court	17,650
Dawson County District Court	34,700
Fallon County District Court	800
Flathead County District Court	124,050
Gallatin County District Court	50
Glacier County District Court	1,000
Hill County District Court	28,875
Judith Basin County District Court	800
Lake County District Court	200
Lincoln County District Court	4,500
Mineral County District Court	9,600
Missoula County District Court	161,209
Musselshell County District Court	2,400
Park County District Court	2,800
Phillips County District Court	300
Powder River County District Court	800
Ravalli County District Court	65,709
Richland County District Court	44,231
Roosevelt County District Court	6,400
Rosebud County District Court	650
Sanders County District Court	13,350
Sheridan County District Court	6,400
Sweetgrass County District Court	300
Treasure County District Court	800
Valley County District Court	1,986
Wheatland County District Court	800
Yellowstone County District Court	266,270
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,014,134</b>

<b>SUMMARY</b>			
<b>Lower Courts: Number assessed and Value</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>157,579</b>
<b>Percentage of total that assessed</b>	<b>30%</b>		
<b>District Courts: Number assessed and Value</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>856,555</b>
<b>Percentage of total that assessed</b>	<b>52%</b>		
<b>All Courts: Number assessed and Value</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,014,134</b>
<b>Percentage of total that assessed</b>	<b>38%</b>		

## Attachment B

### Office of the State Public Defender JUDICIARY COLLECTION REPORT SUMMARY - FY 2015

<u>Court</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
Alberton City Court	\$ 72
Baker City Court	1,005
Belgrade City Court	1,080
Billings Municipal Court	755
Bozeman Municipal Court	11,190
Carbon County Justice Court	1,772
Columbia Falls City Court	7,318
Columbus City Court	1,360
Dawson County Justice Court	1,480
Fallon County Justice Court	625
Fergus County Justice Court	250
Flathead County Justice Court	1,010
Forsyth City Court	170
Gallatin County Justice Court	2,993
Glendive City Court	2,280
Great Falls Municipal Court	12,879
Hamilton City Court	2,184
Havre City Court	280
Hill County Justice Court	530
Jefferson County Justice Court	940
Kalispell Municipal Court	2,087
Laurel City Court	7,444
Lewis & Clark County Justice Court	100
Lewistown City Court	700
Libby City Court	3,737
Lincoln County Justice Court, Libby	11,219
Livingston City Court	2,406
Madison County Justice Court	400
Miles City City Court	1,910
Mineral County Justice Court	917
Missoula County Justice Court	44,451
Missoula Municipal Court	4,165
Park County Justice Court	820
Ravalli County Justice Court	1,620
Red Lodge City Court	2,610
Richland County Justice Court	707
Rosebud County Justice Court, Forsyth	1,105
Sidney City Court	350
Stillwater Justice Court	365
Superior City Court	102
West Yellowstone City Court	281
White Sulphur Springs City Court	15
Whitefish City Court	735
Yellowstone County Justice Court	3,813
Beaverhead County District Court	127
Big Horn County District Court	1,097
Blaine County District Court	1,295
Broadwater County District Court	2,500

## Attachment B

<u>Court</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
Carbon County District Court	1,449
Cascade County District Court	3,000
Choteau County District Court	150
Custer County District Court	6,130
Daniels County District Court	130
Dawson County District Court	7,293
Fallon County District Court	1,015
Flathead County District Court	19,170
Gallatin County District Court	50
Glacier County District Court	900
Hill County District Court	6,068
Judith Basin County District Court	60
Lake County District Court	1
Lincoln County District Court	1,422
Meagher County District Court	800
Mineral County District Court	2,163
Missoula County District Court	41,484
Musselshell County District Court	2,108
Park County District Court	1,288
Phillips County District Court	300
Ravalli County District Court	13,871
Richland County District Court	7,104
Roosevelt County District Court	891
Rosebud County District Court	3,590
Sanders County District Court	4,113
Sheridan County District Court	1,300
Treasure County District Court	10
Valley County District Court	1,971
Wheatland County District Court	73
Yellowstone County District Court	44,336
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 319,488</b>

<b>SUMMARY</b>		
<b>Lower Courts: Number assessed and Value</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>\$ 142,230</b>
<b>Percentage of total that assessed</b>	<b>29%</b>	
<b>District Courts: Number assessed and Value</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>177,258</b>
<b>Percentage of total that assessed</b>	<b>61%</b>	
<b>All Courts: Number assessed and Value</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>319,488</b>
<b>Percentage of total that assessed</b>	<b>38%</b>	

There exists a variance between cash reported here by the courts and cash reported on OF Financial Statements due to the time lag between the courts' reporting and the actual deposit to OPD's state special revenue account by the Department of Revenue through the County Collection Process.