



**EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
FY24 APPROPRIATION REQUEST  
17 NOVEMBER 2022  
HIGHLIGHTS OF GENERAL FUND REQUEST**

**Base Budget Request**

- **\$5,936.7K** - General Fund Request for FY24
  - **\$640.4K** - requested increase from FY23 Section 4 (12.1% increase)
    - **\$80K** – recurring increase from 2022 Junior bill that now needs to be reflected as part of Section 4 appropriations – Program Manager for treatment courts in Taos
    - **\$150K** – security contract officers in rural Colfax and Union County Magistrate courts
    - **\$147.3K** – specialty court treatment contracts of \$75K and program specialist position funding of \$72.3K to help sustain our domestic violence court in Taos and behavioral health court in Raton
    - **\$70K** – IT Technician - only District without dedicated IT support – position approved in FY17, never funded
    - **\$61.7K** – recurring funding for the FY23 10% Magistrate Judges increase not funded in 2022
    - **\$60K** – Court Services Specialist position funding needed in order to support in-person and hybrid court hearings required to be on the record and monitored by staff
    - **\$38K** – to fund a fulltime Paralegal position for the Domestic Division currently a part-time contract position
    - **\$22.2K** – for scheduled premium rate increases in FY24
    - **\$10K** – to increase staff training and leadership development
    - **\$1.2K** – Workforce Improvement Plan scheduled staff increases

**FY23 Supplemental Request**

- **\$42.3K** – to provide funding for the 10% Magistrate Judges compensation increases not funded in 2022 HB2 section 4. Note: also requested full recurring funding in base request above.

**FY24 Special Requests**

- **\$75.2K** – for microfilming district court case records in Taos, Colfax, and Union counties
- **\$147.K** – for replacement of customer service windows in Taos to improve staff and public safety
- **\$141.7K** – to replace obsolete computers and printers
- **\$29.3K** – to upgrade “For-The-Record” applications in order to automate required hearing recordings
- **\$30K** – to fund Taos courthouse security station and office furniture

**FY23 Capital Requests**

- **\$979.6K** – three projects including \$509.3K to replace courtroom audio/visual equipment in four courthouses to include both district and magistrate courtrooms, \$446.8K to improve workplace conditions for employees and add office spaces in Taos and Raton courthouses, and \$23.5K to replace Taos County courthouse sixteen year old x-ray screening machine.