

Fiscal Year 2014-2015
Budget Committee Presentation

COUNTY COUNSEL

County Counsel

Who We Are

- ⦿ Attorneys
- ⦿ Law Clerks
- ⦿ Paralegals
- ⦿ Legal Assistant

What We Do

- Legal Representatives
- Legal Advisors
- Educate to reduce legal risk

FY13-14 Major Accomplishments

Goals Met

- ◉ Decreased Response time to clients
- ◉ Decreased use of outside counsel, reducing cost of litigation
- ◉ Reduced County's exposure to litigation and potential judgments

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Other Achievements

- Training County Supervisors in high-risk/high-cost employment litigation
- Created Worker's Compensation Committee
- Trained three Human Resources and County Counsel employees as state-certified Workers Compensation Adjusters
- Maintained excellent client service at reduced cost with targeted use of part-time attorneys

Efficiencies and Collaboration

- New workspace allows increased collaboration with Human Resources
 - Cross-trained Workers Compensation Adjusters can share workload and knowledge
- Law Clerks allow Attorneys to be more efficient
- Paralegal as Public Records Officer
- Contract Review Officer within County Counsel