



2023 STATE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge Brian Bowen
February 5, 2024



ANNUAL REPORT

- 2023 Summary
 - Tickets received – 7,912 (4,279 traffic)
 - Customers served
 - 4,119 (counter)
 - 8,038 (phone)
 - 11,270 (email)

Attachments:

- 2024 Court Calendar
- 2023 Court Statistics Report



COURT TRIALS, JURY TRIALS & APPEALS

➤ Court Trials

- 4 Court Trials Held in 2023

➤ Jury Trials

- 1 Jury Trial scheduled; 0 held in 2023

➤ Appeals

- 0 Appeals in 2023



FRESH START DAYS

- Event held on 10/25/23 and provided opportunity for defendants with outstanding warrants, fines, or other compliance issues to get cases back on track.
- Community Resource Fair held in conjunction in Civic Center Lobby
- To be held annually in the future



INDIGENT DEFENSE COUNSEL

- \$21,011.68 paid in 2023
- Grant funds used to pay Court Appointed Attorneys for all qualifying first appearances
 - 211 1st appearances in 2023
 - \$14,400.00 paid from 1st appearance grant funds in 2023
- Conflict free counsel pursuant to SB-203



INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

- North Metro Youth Diversion Program
 - Adams County Juvenile Assessment Center Summit and Task Force formed September 2023 due to closure of The Link
- Adams County Detention Facility
 - Video appearances of persons in custody –continued to utilize WebEx and Zoom platforms in 2023



COLORADO MUNICIPAL JUDGE'S ASSOCIATION

- Lobbyist
- Judicial Conferences –presiding and associate judge
 - Resignation of Associate Judge Michelle Kline effective 2/1/24; will post for additional relief judge(s).
- CML board approved legislation creating a task force to study allowing municipal courts to share data with state/county courts on the statewide system.



RECENT AND PENDING LEGISLATION

- **SB 23-072**
 - 1st Appearance Grant funding continued another 5 years
- **HB 23-1182**
 - Remote access for public to view all criminal proceedings conducted in open court, with some exceptions. CC Municipal Court is in compliance.
- **HB 21-1110**
 - Local governments are required to:
 - By July 1, 2024, develop an accessibility plan using the accessibility standards and be in full compliance in the creation and publication of any online content and materials; including, but not limited to text, links, images, forms, PDFs, documents, and embedded third-party applications.



Staff/Court Efficiency

- E-ticketing
- Electronic case processing-including Prosecuting Attorney
- Text Message Notifications/Reminders
- Virtual hearing options continue
- Utilization of conducting other court business electronically
- Increased convenience for case parties and reduction in FTA rate
- In-person & remote staff scheduling



Municipal Court Probation Officer

- Budget request and approval for Municipal Court Probation Officer position in 2023
- Request for position in progress with tentative start date of 3/1/2024



Questions?

