

# City Attorney Department Overview



## Mission Statement

N/A

Programs within the City Attorney's Office:

The **Administration Division** provides administrative support for the City Attorney's Office. Key responsibilities include offering legal advice to the Mayor, Council, and City management, while providing professional leadership, guidance, and support to all program areas within the department.

The **Civil Division** provides legal advice and representation to the Mayor and Council, City Manager, and all City departments. Key responsibilities include representing the City in courts and administrative proceedings related to contracts, employment, environmental and land use issues, personal injury, property damage, wrongful death, and civil rights cases. This work helps ensure the City's official business is lawful and protects the City's interests by minimizing litigation risks.

The **Criminal Division** prosecutes misdemeanor and civil code violations, supports offender rehabilitation through specialty courts, provides victim assistance, and responds to citizen inquiries about City Court cases. Key responsibilities include handling prosecution of misdemeanor criminal offenses and civil infractions of the Tucson Code, and supporting code enforcement efforts. The Criminal team works collaboratively with City Court, the Public Defender, and other justice system partners to facilitate offender rehabilitation via specialty courts and diversion programs. In addition, they provide timely support and notifications to victims of crime and respond to public inquiries regarding City Court cases.

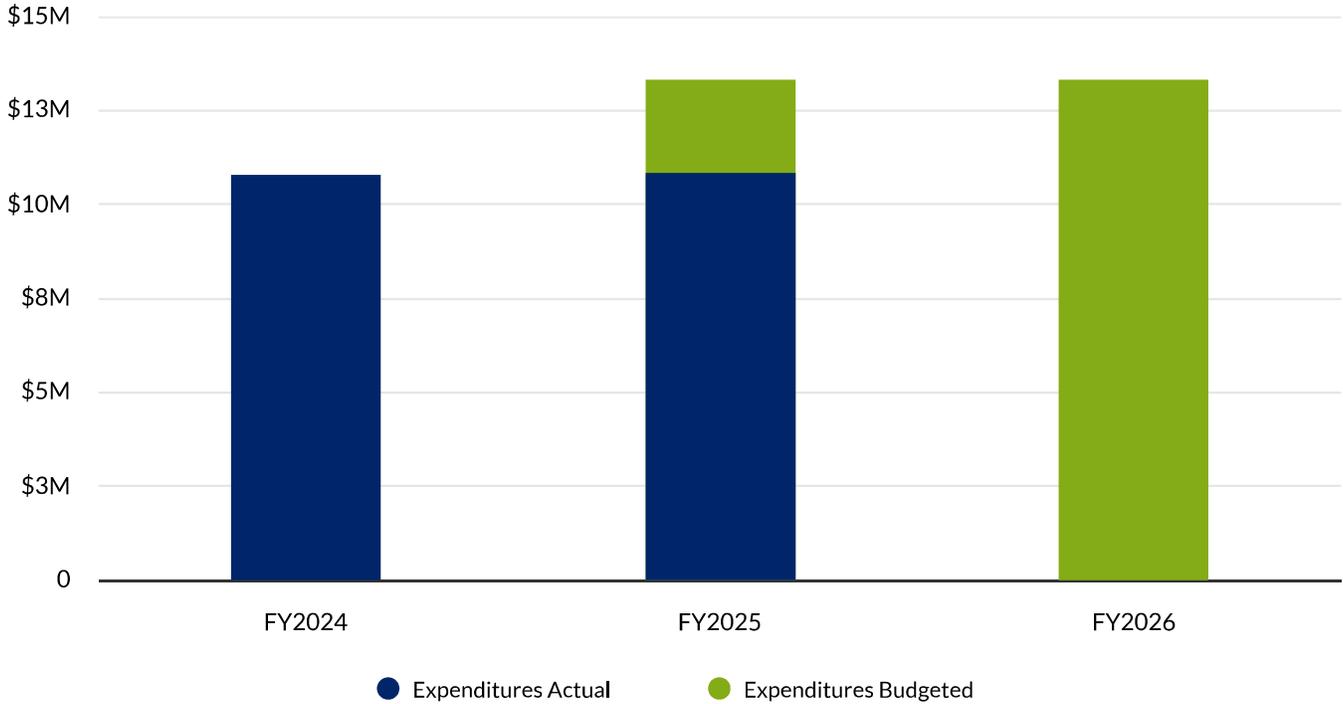
The **Internal Litigation Division** provides legal assistance to City departments and protects the City's interests in civil litigation. Key responsibilities include representing the City in state and federal civil lawsuits, including tort and civil rights claims (such as those under 42 U.S.C. §1983). The Internal Litigation team manages all phases of litigation from initial claims through trials and appeals. In addition, they coordinate with outside legal counsel when contracted to represent the City and support the City's Risk Management Division in evaluating legal claims and liaise with insurance providers.

## Expenditure Summary

\$13,331,199

\$33,171 – 0.25% Higher Than the Prior Year's Budget

### Historical Expenditures Across Department



*Note: Amounts shown in the graphs are rounded up.*

### Significant Changes

The City Attorney's total budgeted expenditures for Fiscal Year 2026 are \$13.3 million, representing a slight increase of 0.25% from the previous year's budgeted amount of \$13.3 million. This indicates a relatively stable budget allocation compared to Fiscal Year 2025.

In Fiscal Year 2025, actual expenditures were \$10.8 million, which was 81.5% of the budgeted amount and showed a modest increase of 0.42% from the prior period. The Fiscal Year 2026 budget maintains a similar level of funding, suggesting continuity in expenditure planning.

### Trends

Overall, the City Attorney's Office maintains a stable expenditure trend while reinforcing its role as a critical resource for criminal enforcement, diversion programs, and public access to legal information and community protections.

# Expenditures by Fund

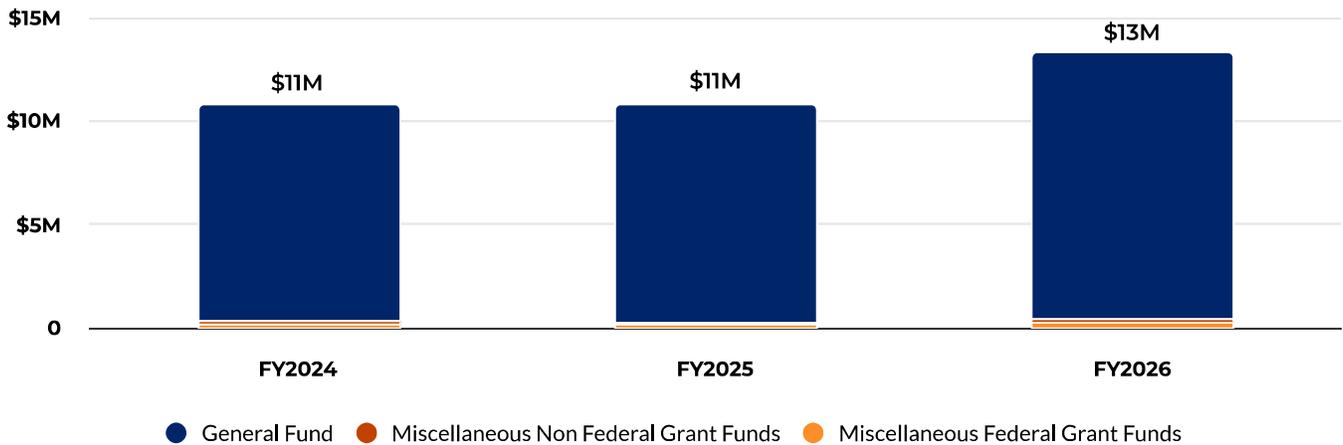
This chart illustrates the historical trend of expenditures by fund source over three fiscal years, with the General Fund serving as the primary funding source throughout.

Fiscal Year 2024: Expenditures totaled \$11 million, almost entirely funded by the General Fund.

Fiscal Year 2025: Spending increased to \$11 million, continuing to rely heavily on the General Fund.

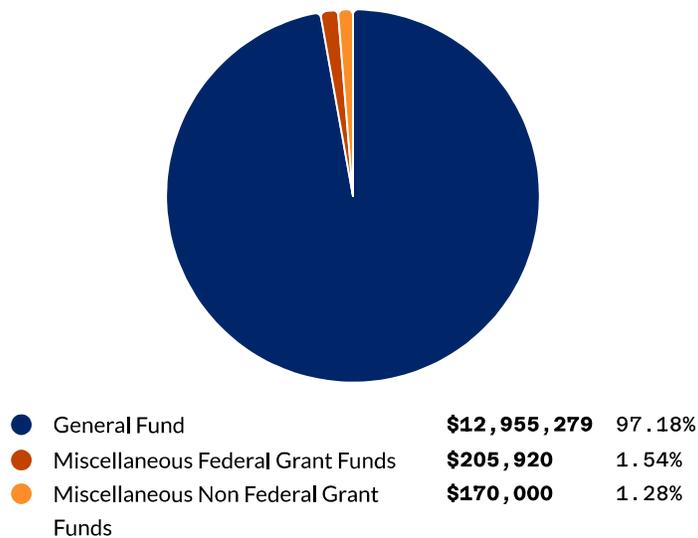
Fiscal Year 2026: Expenditures are projected to rise to \$13 million, with the General Fund still contributing the vast majority. Small but visible contributions from Miscellaneous Federal and Non-Federal Grant Funds begin to supplement core funding.

**Historical Expenditures by Fund**



Note: Amounts shown in the graphs are rounded up.

**Fiscal Year 2026 Expenditures by Fund**



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## Expenditures by Type

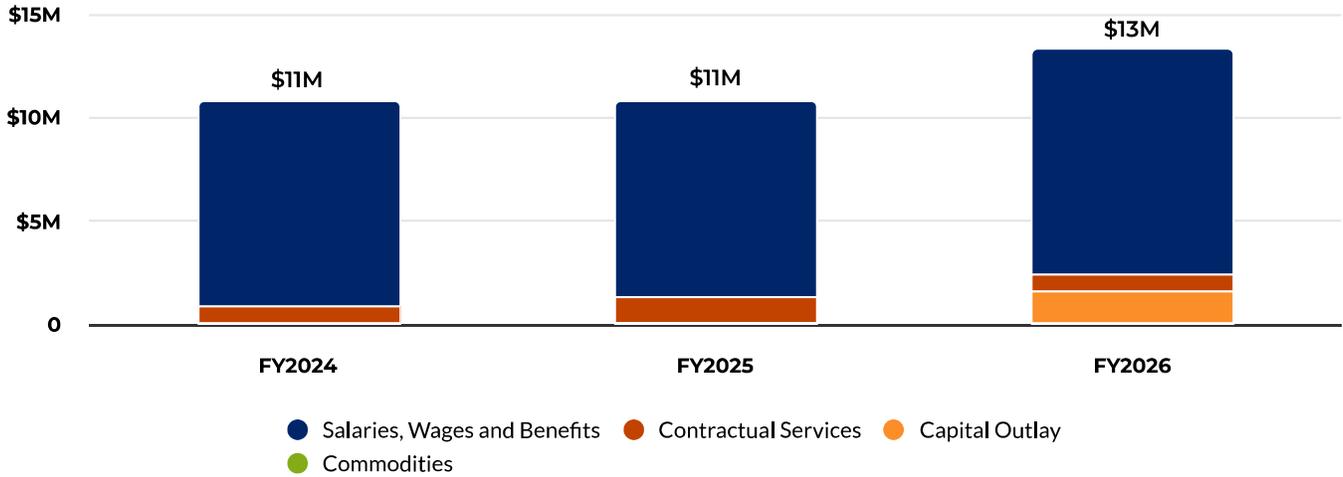
This chart shows how expenditures have changed across different spending categories over the past three fiscal years, with a strong focus on personnel costs.

In Fiscal Year 2026, the City Attorney's total expenditures increased by 23.01% to \$13.3 million compared to the previous year. The largest expenditure category remained Salaries, Wages and Benefits, which rose by 14.9% to \$10.9 million, representing 81.96% of the total budget. This category's share of the total decreased from 87.75% in the prior year despite the increase in dollar amount.

Capital Outlay saw a significant increase to \$1.6 million, accounting for 11.63% of the total budget, up from zero in the previous year. Contractual Services experienced the largest decrease, dropping by 36.8% to \$817,592 and comprising 6.13% of the total, down from 11.94%. Commodities increased modestly by 9.28% to \$36,800, making up 0.28% of the total budget.

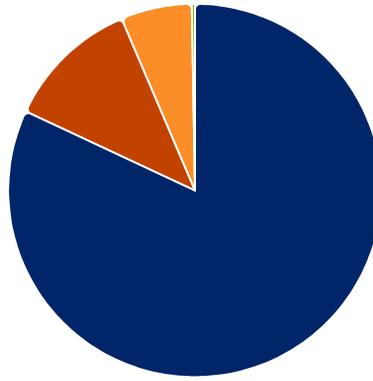
Overall, the budget growth was driven primarily by increases in Salaries, Wages and Benefits and the introduction of Capital Outlay expenditures, while Contractual Services declined notably in both dollar amount and percentage of the total budget.

Historical Expenditures by Type



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### Fiscal Year 2026 Expenditures by Type



● Salaries, Wages and Benefits	<b>\$10,926,808</b>	81.96%
● Capital Outlay	<b>\$1,550,000</b>	11.63%
● Contractual Services	<b>\$817,592</b>	6.13%
● Commodities	<b>\$36,800</b>	0.28%

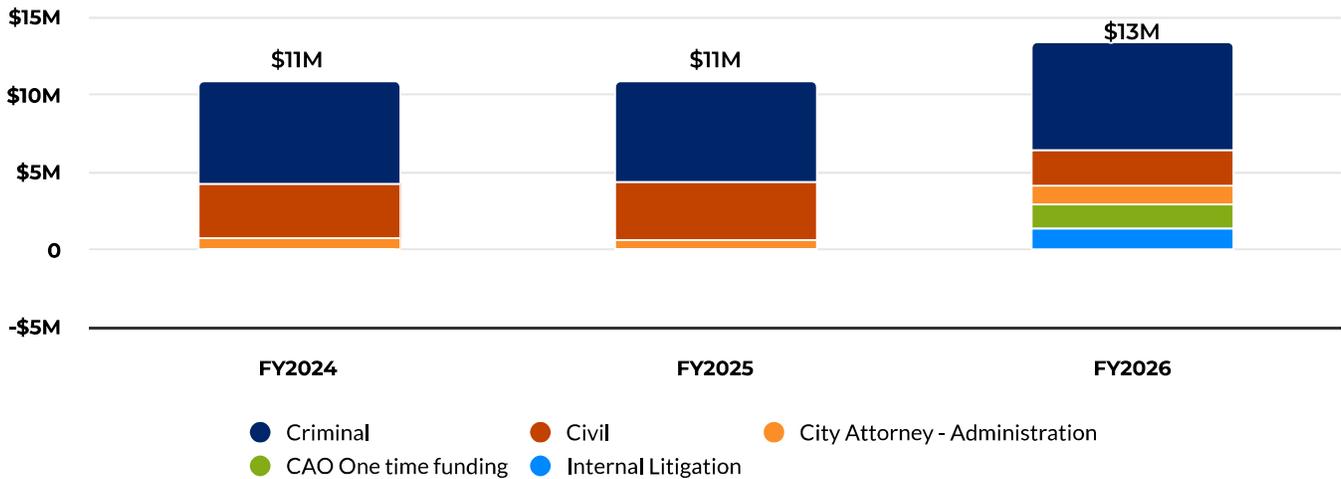
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## Expenditures by Cost Center

This chart outlines the allocation of expenditures across different divisions within the City Attorney’s Office over the past three fiscal years. In Fiscal Year 2026, the City Attorney’s Office is budgeted at \$13.3 million in comparison to Fiscal Year 2025 actuals, need comparison to budget.

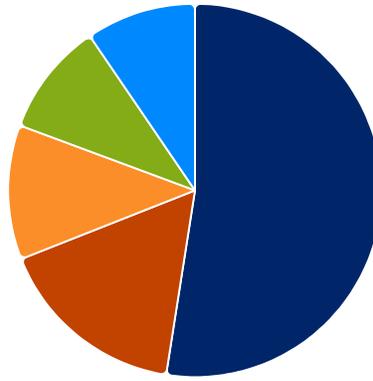
- In Fiscal Year 2026, the City Attorney's total expenditures increased by 23.01% to \$13.3 million compared to the previous year. The largest expenditure category remained Criminal, which rose by 7.37% to \$7 million, though its share of the total decreased from 60.12% to 52.48%.
- The Civil category experienced a significant decrease of 39.77%, dropping to \$2.2 million and reducing its portion of the total from 33.81% to 16.55%. This represents the largest decline among the categories.
- New to the budget were CAO One time funding and Internal Litigation, accounting for 11.63% and 9.84% of total expenditures respectively, with amounts of \$1.6 million and \$1.3 million. Internal Litigation had no prior year expenditures.
- City Attorney - Administration saw a substantial increase of 92.56%, rising to \$1.3 million and increasing its share from 6.07% to 9.5% of the total budget.

Historical Expenditures by Cost Center



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### Fiscal Year 2026 Expenditures by Cost Center



● Criminal	<b>\$6,995,747</b>	52.48%
● Civil	<b>\$2,206,735</b>	16.55%
● CAO One time funding	<b>\$1,550,000</b>	11.63%
● Internal Litigation	<b>\$1,312,282</b>	9.84%
● City Attorney - Administration	<b>\$1,266,435</b>	9.50%

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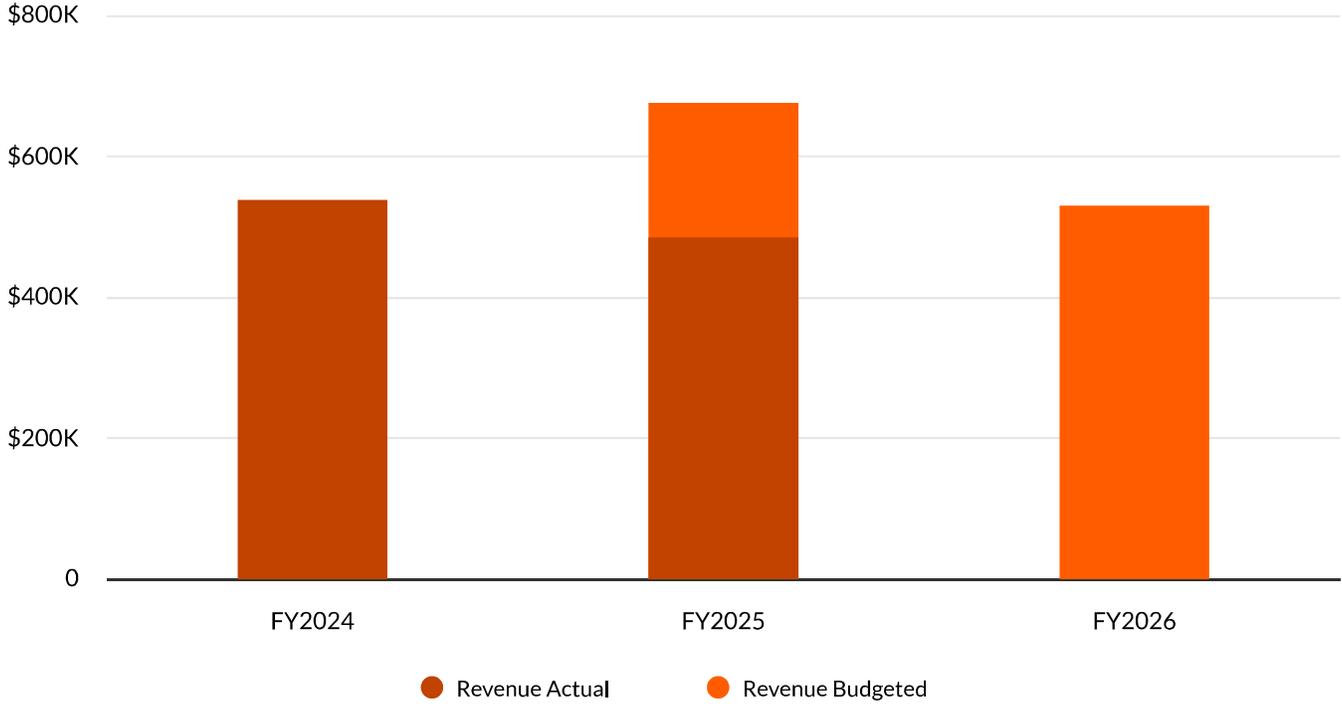
## Revenue Summary

**\$530,920**

Includes Transfers In and Out

-\$144,407 / 21.42% Lower Than the Prior Year's Budget

### Historical Revenues Across Department



In Fiscal Year 2026, the City Attorney's Office revenue budget is set at \$530,920, reflecting a 21.42% decrease compared to the prior year's budget of \$675,627. This reduction signals a more conservative outlook for departmental revenue generation.

In Fiscal Year 2025, actual revenues totaled \$484,567, representing 71.72% of the budgeted amount. While the Fiscal Year 2026 revenue budget is higher than the prior year's actuals, it remains notably lower than the previously budgeted figure.

Overall, this trend reflects a downward adjustment in revenue expectations, aligning the Fiscal Year 2026 budget more closely with historical performance and ensuring that projections better reflect recent collection patterns.

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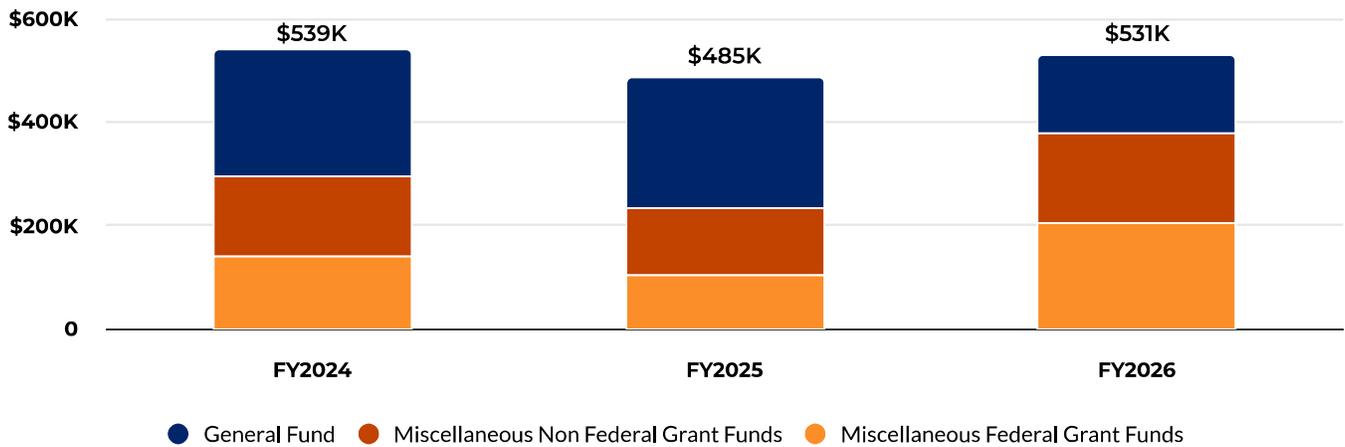
## Revenues by Fund

In Fiscal Year 2026, the City Attorney's total revenue by fund increased by 9.57% to \$530,920 compared to the previous year. The largest revenue source shifted from the General Fund to Miscellaneous Federal Grant Funds, which rose significantly by 100.63% to \$205,920, now representing 38.79% of the total revenue.

Miscellaneous Non Federal Grant Funds also saw a notable increase of 29.93%, reaching \$170,000 and accounting for 32.02% of total revenue. In contrast, the General Fund experienced a substantial decrease of 38.27%, dropping to \$155,000 and making up 29.19% of the total revenue.

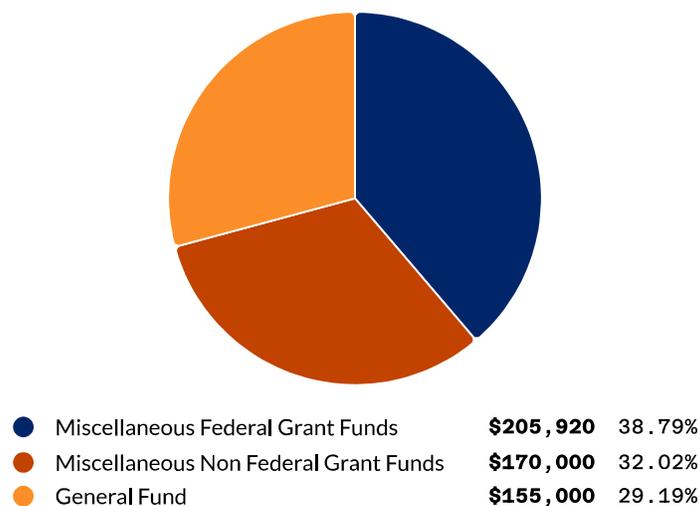
This shift highlights a major reallocation in funding sources, with grant funds collectively increasing their share of the total revenue while the General Fund's contribution declined significantly.

Historical Revenues by Fund



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Fiscal Year 2026 Revenues by Fund



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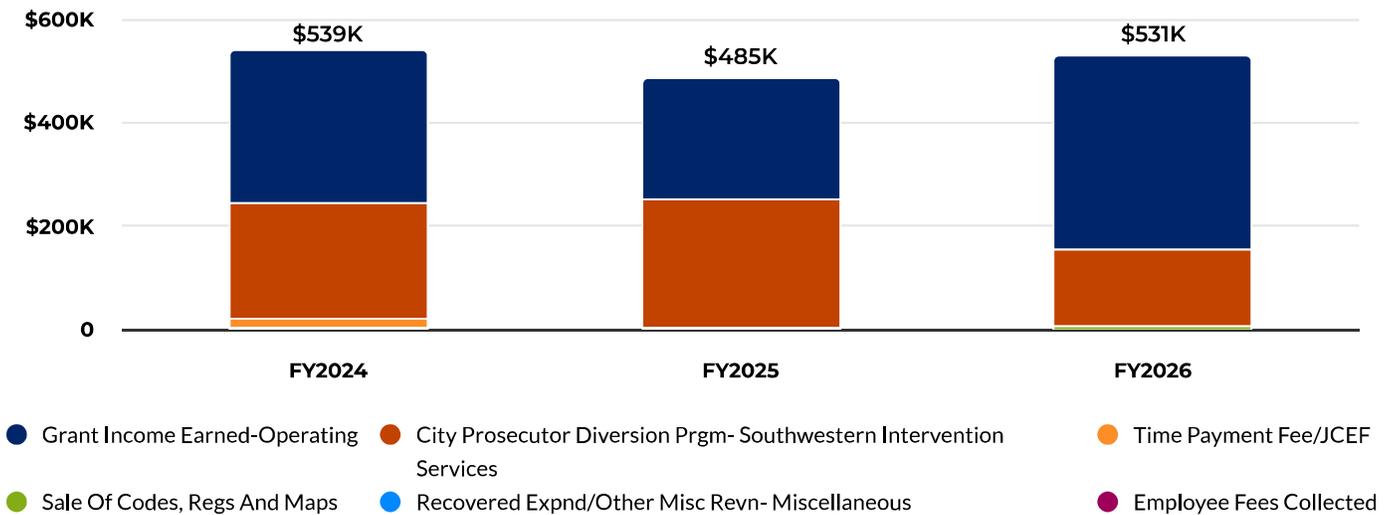
## Revenues by Funding Source

This chart illustrates how revenues for the City Attorney’s Office have been generated over the past three fiscal years, highlighting both the diversity and evolving composition of its funding sources.

In Fiscal Year 2026, the City Attorney’s total revenue increased by 9.57% to \$530,920 compared to the previous year. The largest revenue source shifted to Grant Income Earned-Operating, which rose significantly by 61.01% to \$375,920, now representing 70.81% of the total revenue.

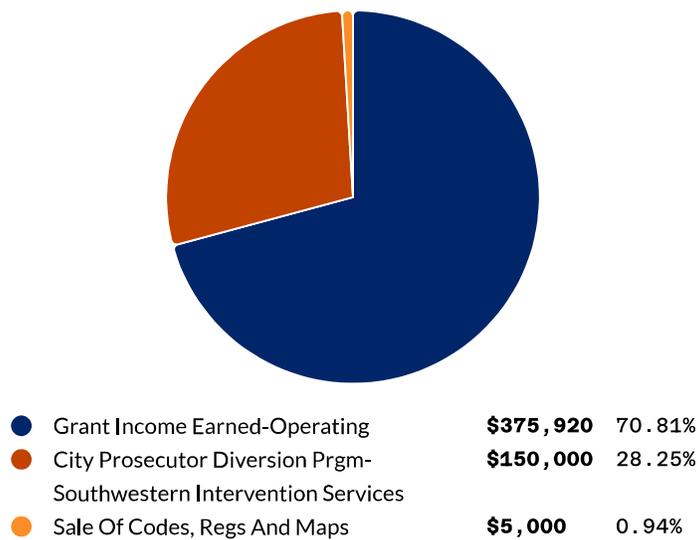
Conversely, revenue from the City Prosecutor Diversion Program — Southwestern Intervention Services decreased by 39.86% to \$150,000 for Fiscal Year 2026 compared to \$249,427 from Fiscal Year 2025.

Historical Revenues by Revenue Source



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Fiscal Year 2026 Revenues by Funding Source



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# Position Resources

