Lee County Probation & Court Services

Public Safety & Court Services Committee Monthly Update October 10, 2023

The Lee County Drug Court received a federal Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$977,696. This is the third grant the Drug Court has received since beginning in 2005. Our primary focus will be on continued recovery services & housing for participants, transportation needs and treatment. Sara Leisner from the State's Attorney's Office took the lead in preparing the grant and it is graciously appreciated. In a matter of a few years, this is the third grant the Courts Services Department has had the pleasure of working with her on.

The union matters are nearly resolved for the Court Services Department. Signatures for the contract are all that remain. The current contract expires November 30, 2023 and the new contract is set to begin December 1, 2023 for a period of 4 years.

Pretrial Bail Reform took place on September 18 and since then, the impact on my office has been manageable.

The cost of juvenile detention continues to increase. This past month, we had 3 minors who were detained for a period of time throughout the month. As stated earlier in the year, the continued use of detention has exceeded the budgeted amount.