

COST SAVINGS & COMMUNITY IMPACT ANALYSIS

CASS COUNTY COURT & PRETRIAL SERVICES

While the primary focus of Pretrial Services remains to ensure jail resources are reserved for those who truly pose a risk to public safety or flight, one cannot overlook the local monetary savings incurred and the intangible benefits to participants, such as the ability to return to their families and employment and the opportunity to participate in support services pre-disposition. In addition, the Court Services Department provides further fiscal benefit to the county in the multiple grants awarded for various areas in the Criminal Justice System. The purpose of the Cost Savings and Community Impact Analysis is to illustrate the fiscal savings and community impact of the program by analyzing local diversions, community services provided and additional grant funding awarded.

\$1,686,360

Total Cost Savings in 2025

The costs savings for 2025 is calculated by multiplying the total number of days adult clients were supervised by the daily per diem.

116

Years in Jail Bed Stays Diverted

The agency diverted 116 years in jail bed stays in 2025. *Jail Bed Stays Diverted* is calculated by dividing the total days supervised by 365 days.

\$395,680

Jail Bed Revenue Generated

Due to the reduction in the jail population caused by the pretrial release program, the Cass County Jail housed 462 inmates from the Howard County jail for a total of 9,631 days, generating \$395,680 in revenue that reverted back to the County General Fund in 2025. (IDOC billing not included.)

\$790,600

2026 Mid-Year Cost Savings

\$390,000

2026 Mid-Year Jail Bed Revenue Generated

81%

2025 Total Cost Savings Rate

The Cost Savings Rate is the percentage of the Total Cost Savings remaining after subtracting the Annual Operating Cost.

42,159

Days Supervised in 2025

In 2025, the agency supervised 381 individual clients for a total of 42,159 days. The agency saw an 8% increase in clients served.

\$948,037.00

New Grant Revenue Awarded in 2025

Court Services generated over \$948,037.00 in new funding in 2025. Court Services has written and been awarded over \$7.4 million in new grant funding/revenue for the County in the past seven years

19,765

2026 Mid-Year Days Supervised

54 Years

2026 Mid-Year Jail Bed Stays Diverted

***Local Cost Savings is calculated by multiplying the Total Days Supervised by the \$40 daily per diem cost to house an inmate in local jail. The Juvenile Detention Cost Savings is calculated using the \$200 daily average rate to house an individual in secure detention facility.

PRETRIAL SERVICES SUMMARY STATISTICS

EMPLOYMENT RATE

71%

Across all adult supervision levels.

ANNUAL PARTICIPANTS

381

2025 Unique Client Supervisions

THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM PARTICIPATION RATE

80%

Average across all supervision levels.

SAFETY RATE

90%

Across all adult supervision levels.

COMPLETION RATE

85%

Across all adult supervision levels.

VIOLATION RATE

15%

Across all adult supervision levels.

2026 GROWTH

PARTICIPANTS SERVED

236

Mid-Year 2026 Unique Client Supervisions

INPATIENT TREATMENT BEDS

50

Inpatient beds secured at no cost to clients.

INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

132

132 Participants by Mid-Year 2026

CCCPS continues to demonstrate significant growth in both the number of individuals served and the impact of its services. By the end of Q2 2026, CCCPS had already served 236 clients—58% of the total number of clients served during all of 2025. The continued growth of Pretrial Services has produced a substantial and measurable financial impact for Cass County. During the first half of 2026, CCCPS diverted an estimated 54 years of jail bed stays, representing approximately \$790,600 in incarceration expenses. The jail capacity saved via

pretrial services has also allowed the Cass County Jail to house individuals from other jurisdictions, generating an additional \$390,000 in revenue in 2025. In July, the jail also began housing federal inmates under a new agreement at an \$85 daily per diem, housing 9 federal inmates for 53 inmate days and generating an additional \$4,505 in revenue. Combined, the estimated incarceration cost savings and contract housing revenue totaled \$222,705 in July, exceeding the the departments 2027 operating budget in a single month.

INTANGIBLES & COLLABORATIONS

In addition to reducing incarceration expenses and preserving limited jail resources for individuals who present the greatest risk to public safety, the benefits of pretrial supervision extend well beyond the direct financial impact. Pretrial supervision allows appropriate defendants to remain connected to their families and employment, access necessary medical and behavioral health care, and voluntarily participate in treatment, recovery supports, and other programming while their cases are pending. These opportunities promote stability during the pretrial period while addressing underlying needs that can contribute to future justice-system involvement.

There are also significant economic benefits to the county that cannot be fully captured through traditional cost-savings calculations. Prior to the implementation of Pretrial Services, individuals experiencing serious injuries or acute medical conditions while incarcerated, including high-risk pregnancies and terminal illnesses, could be medically released on their own recognizance without supervision or bond. Pretrial Services can absorb appropriate individuals into the program, allowing defendants to access necessary medical care while maintaining structured court supervision and diverting potential medical expenses and financial liability from the county, which can reach approximately \$25,000-\$30,000 per case. In 2025, approximately 24% of the Pretrial Services population consisted of clients with emergent or significant health-related needs, including multiple high-risk pregnancies, as well as individuals with intellectual disabilities, chronic health conditions, terminal illnesses, and acute mental health needs.

Therapeutic Services & Voluntary Client Engagement

In November 2024, Cass County Court & Pretrial Services launched its Therapeutic Services Division to promote equitable access to voluntary supportive services and treatment. The division is led by Treatment Director Dr. Stan Antonelli III, PhD, LCSW, LCAC, Licensed Psychotherapist and PsyD Candidate, in partnership with the clinicians of Psychotherapy Associates of Kokomo (PAK). The division provides a comprehensive range of behavioral health services,

including individual counseling, addiction treatment, and medication management. Clinicians specialize in the treatment of co-occurring disorders, anxiety, depression, trauma, complicated grief, and substance use disorders. Through the department's partnership with 4C Health, clients also have access to three dedicated Peer Recovery Specialists who assist individuals in connecting with recovery supports and other community-based services.

The continued expansion of these services has resulted in significant measurable growth. The program secured 92 inpatient treatment beds, marking a 20% increase, and generated 111 Peer Recovery Specialist referrals, representing a 247% increase. In addition, 206 clients engaged in counseling services through the Therapeutic Services Division, representing a 62% increase. These figures demonstrate not simply an expansion in the availability of services, but a significant increase in the number of clients choosing to engage with treatment and recovery supports.

The most recent July data further demonstrates the level of ongoing voluntary engagement. In July 2026, 67 clients, representing 55% of the active caseload, voluntarily participated in individual counseling through PAK, while 41 clients were actively engaged with Peer Recovery Specialists. Through July, CCPS had facilitated 50 voluntary inpatient treatment admissions during 2026. The agency maintained an overall 76% voluntary services participation rate. These measures demonstrate that therapeutic and recovery services have become an integral component of the Pretrial Services model and that clients continue to voluntarily engage with resources intended to address underlying needs and promote stability beyond the period of supervision.

Importantly, increased service engagement has occurred alongside improved supervision outcomes. The program experienced a 20% increase in successful program completions and a 15% reduction in unsuccessful terminations. These outcomes provide meaningful validation of the agency's success-based coaching model and demonstrate the value of combining appropriate accountability with

with individualized support, treatment access, evidence-based communication, and opportunities for clients to take an active role in their own success.

The Therapeutic Services Division builds upon an investment Court Services has made in behavioral health and recovery services for several years. With grant funding from the Indiana Office of Court Services (IOCS), Court Services has supported funding for therapeutic services, expanded peer recovery opportunities, and brought an additional treatment provider into the local community supervision system, representing more than \$150,000 in therapeutic service value. The objective is not simply to provide services while an individual is under supervision, but to establish meaningful connections with treatment providers, recovery supports, and community resources that can continue long after formal court involvement ends.

Court Services also continues to support the Cass County Sheriff's Department and 4C Health Jail Therapy Program. Using risk levels and needs identified during the pretrial screening process, Court Services assists in identifying appropriate candidates for programming targeting incarcerated individuals with substance use disorders. This collaboration expands access to therapeutic programming within the jail and supports greater continuity between incarceration, treatment, recovery, and community-based services.

Court, Community & System-Level Support

As Court Services, the department's responsibilities extend well beyond the direct supervision of pretrial clients. The department collaborates with the Courts and community partners to advance evidence-based practices, grant writing and management, quality assurance, performance measurement, data analysis, and other community supervision and justice-system initiatives. The Court Services Director, who also serves as the department's Quality Assurance & Evidence-Based Practices Coordinator, facilitates staff training, internal audits, implementation of evidence-based practices, and continuous quality improvement efforts.

The department has also continued to expand the services it provides directly to the Courts. In addition to judicial conflict prescreening, case filing and processing statistics, and high-level felony abstracts,

Court Services assists the Courts in identifying new funding opportunities and managing grants. As a primary source of local jail data, court data, sentencing outcome information, and community supervision performance measures, the department provides information necessary to support system planning and evidence-informed decision-making through the Local Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC).

Additionally, the Court Services Director serves as the Financial Executive Officer for Cass County's opioid settlement funding, overseeing funded community projects and the county's Opioid Settlement Microgrant program. This role allows Court Services to contribute not only to the administration of the local justice system, but also to broader community efforts focused on prevention, treatment, recovery, and reducing the long-term impact of substance use disorders.

Evidence-Based Coaching & Professional Development

One of the department's most significant ongoing investments is the continued expansion of its evidence-based coaching model in collaboration with Justice System Partners and Dr. Brian Lovins. Through implementation of the Coach Referee Model for Change (CRMC), professional coaching frameworks are integrated into supervision practice to strengthen accountability, self-direction, and long-term client success while promoting public safety. The model recognizes that effective supervision requires more than monitoring conditions and responding when something goes wrong. Staff are trained to use supervision interactions intentionally—helping clients identify barriers, recognize progress, develop problem-solving skills, strengthen accountability, and assume greater ownership over the decisions that affect their success. The goal is not to reduce accountability, but to make accountability more meaningful by helping individuals develop the skills necessary to sustain positive behavior beyond the period of formal supervision.

The results provide measurable support for this approach. Alongside significant growth in voluntary services—including 92 inpatient treatment beds secured, 111 peer referrals, and 206 clients engaged in counseling—the program experienced a 20% increase in successful completions and a 15% decrease in unsuccessful terminations. These

outcomes reinforce the agency's continued investment in a success-based coaching model that combines accountability, evidence-based supervision, behavioral health supports, and individualized opportunities for change. This investment encompasses the entire organization, including administration, case management staff, and therapeutic clinicians, creating a consistent coaching culture across disciplines. This commitment is also reflected in the professional development and credentials of the department's staff. CCPS has deliberately invested in developing professionals with expertise extending beyond traditional supervision functions. Staff credentials and specialized training include:

- Certified Probation Officers
- Nationally Certified CRMC Practitioners and Coaches
- Nationally Certified Community Supervision Specialists through the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA)
- Certified Community Care Specialists
- Motivational Interviewing (MI) Certified
- Trauma-Informed Care (TIC) Certified
- Director Hartoin additionally holds multiple professional certifications related to AI and is a Nationally Certified Pretrial Services Professional (CPSP) through the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies.

These credentials are not incidental. They represent a deliberate and ongoing commitment to ensuring that every client interaction is grounded in evidence, professional skill, consistency, and accountability. The objective is not simply to have highly credentialed staff, but to translate that expertise into higher-quality supervision, stronger client engagement, fewer unsuccessful outcomes, and improved public safety.

Technology, Coaching & Continuous Improvement

Court Services has further supported this work through its partnership with Justice System Partners and was selected as one of the first two counties in the nation to pilot the AI Case Management Tool, Sprout. The platform integrates technology into daily supervision practice to reduce administrative demands associated with documenting contacts, transcribing interactions, and preparing structured case notes while also

providing coaching and quality-assurance supports. This allows officers to remain more fully engaged during client interactions while maintaining accurate, consistent, and timely documentation. Based on the agency's pilot data, staff have experienced an average documentation time savings of approximately 22 minutes per interaction, creating additional capacity for direct client engagement.

An Integrated Model of Pretrial Supervision

Together, these initiatives reflect the continued evolution of Cass County Court & Pretrial Services toward a comprehensive supervision model that integrates accountability, therapeutic intervention, evidence-based coaching, highly trained professionals, technology, quality assurance, and community partnerships. The department's therapeutic clinicians, Peer Recovery Specialists, case managers, administrators, community providers, and justice-system partners each contribute to this effort. Whether an individual needs behavioral health treatment, substance use recovery support, inpatient placement, assistance navigating community resources, structured accountability, or an officer with the professional skills to help identify barriers and determine the next step forward, the objective is to provide the appropriate intervention while maintaining accountability to the Court and community.

Ultimately, success should not be measured solely by the absence of negative behavior. Appearance, safety, compliance, and the prevention of new criminal activity remain fundamental responsibilities of an effective pretrial system, but they do not tell the entire story. Success can also be measured by every step forward—maintaining employment, securing stable housing, voluntarily entering treatment, improving behavioral health, developing new skills, successfully completing supervision, or remaining connected to supportive services after formal supervision ends. For us, pretrial supervision is not simply defined by the beginning or the end of the legal process; it is the line between the two. What happens during that time matters. Everything we do is intended to make that period meaningful—protecting public safety and promoting court appearance while giving individuals opportunities to develop the accountability, stability, skills, treatment connections, and self-direction necessary to thrive beyond supervision.

COST SAVINGS ANALYSIS

2021-2025 COST SAVINGS PROGRESSION

	Annual Operating Costs	Cost Savings	Percent Savings
2021	\$112,969.66	\$912,480.00	88%
2022	\$159,924.42	\$984,480.00	84%
2023	\$195,983.50	\$1,598,760.00	88%
2024	\$309,119.13	\$1,721,120.00	82%
2025	\$321,304.26	\$1,686,360.00	81%

2025 COST SAVINGS VS ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS

	Annual Operating Costs	Cost Savings	Percent Savings
Total Operating Cost (Grants Included)	\$321,304.26	\$1,686,360.00	81%
Total Operating Cost (County Funds)	\$255,554.00	\$1,686,360.00	85%

2025 COST SAVINGS BY COMPONENT

	Daily Per Diem	Days Supervised	Cost Savings	Average Savings Per Client
Cass County Jail	\$40.00	42,159	\$1,686,360.00	\$4,426.00

PROJECTED COST SAVINGS

	Percent Savings	1 Day	30 Days	90 Days	180 Days	365 Days
Juvenile Detention Per Diem	97%	\$200.00	\$6,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$73,000.00
Cass County Jail Per Diem	86%	\$40.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,600.00	\$7,200.00	\$14,600.00
Pretrial Services Per Diem	---	\$34.35	\$1,030.50	\$3,091.50	\$6,183.00	\$12,537.75

2020-2026 GRANT REVENUE REPORT

As previously mentioned, the Court Services Director is the primary grant writer and manager for the Cass County Criminal Justice System, serving not only Pretrial Services, but also Community Corrections, JRAC and the Courts. In the past 6 years, over \$7,493,911.27 in grant funding has been received, with a 90% award rate. The Court Services Director continues to seek new funding opportunities for all agencies in the local criminal

2020-2026 GRANT AWARDS

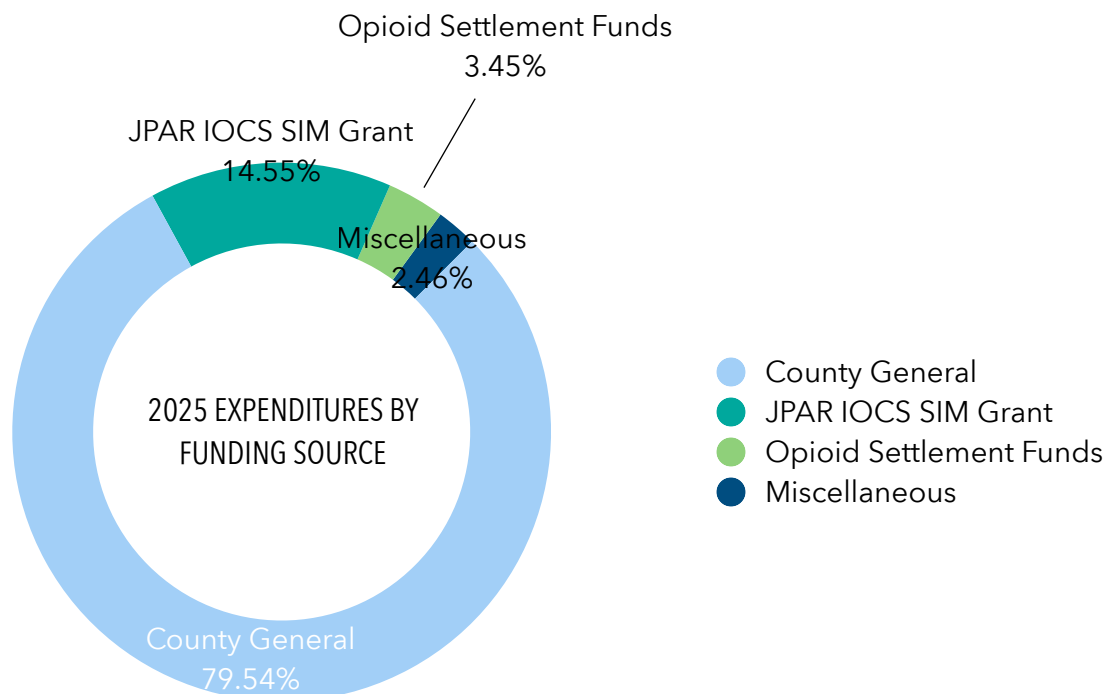
Grant Description	Year	Award Amount
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2020	\$744,064.00
IDOC Pretrial Grant	2020	\$59,715.80
ICJI CESF COVID Relief Grant	2020	\$84,137.00
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2021	\$744,064.00
IDOC Pretrial Grant	2021	\$59,716.00
CARA Narcan Grant	2021	\$15,000.00
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2022	\$814,987.00
IDOC Pretrial Grant	2022	\$59,716.00
Indiana Office of Court Services Pretrial Grant	2022	\$15,000.00
CARA Narcan Grant	2022	\$15,000.00
CY22 Court Reform Security Grant	2022	\$37,225.00
CY22 Court Reform Court Technology Grant	2022	\$42,562.47
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2023	\$814,987.00
IDOC Pretrial Grant	2023	\$77,590.00
CARA Narcan Grant	2023	\$15,000.00
CY21-22 Justice Partners Addictions Response Grant	2021-2022	\$60,000.00
CY22-23 Justice Partners Addictions Response Grant	2022-2023	\$45,000.00
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2024	\$814,987.00
IDOC Pretrial Grant	2024	\$77,590.00
CY2024 Justice Partners Addictions Response Grant	2024	\$155,000.00

Grant Description	Year	Award Amount
IOCS 2024 Court Innovation Grant	2024	\$40,000.00
CARA Narcan Grant	2024	\$15,000.00
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2025	\$814,987.00
IDOC Pretrial Grant	2025	\$77,590.00
Indiana Office of Court Services Pretrial Grant	2025	\$5,000.00
CY2025 Justice Partners Addictions Response Grant	2025	\$140,000.00
George Mason Research Study	2024	\$30,000.00
Indiana Office of Court Service Pretrial Grant	2026	\$2,500.00
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2026	\$790,537.00
CY2026 Justice Partners Addictions Response Grant	2026	\$115,000.00
Indiana Office of Court Services Pretrial Grant	2026	\$2,500.00
IOCS 2026 Court Reform Innovation Grant	2026	\$40,000.00
IDOC Community Corrections Grant	2027	\$671,956.00
Total Grant Funds Received		\$7,493,911.27

FUNDING SOURCES & EXPENSE ANALYSIS

2026 PENDING GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grant Description	Year	Award Amount
CY2027 Justice Partners Addictions Grant	2026	\$115,000.00



PROGRAM PER DIEMS

Pretrial Services used the following formula to calculate the estimated average cost to supervise a participant in 2024:

$\$321,304.26 \text{ Total Yearly Expenditure} / 365 \text{ Days Per Year} / 160 \text{ Average Participants Per Day} =$

\$5.50 Average Cost Per Participant Per Day of Supervision versus the \$40 daily per diem to house an inmate in the local jail or the \$250 daily per diem to detain a juvenile.

“The current average Pretrial Services Program Daily Per Diem is \$5.50 versus the \$40 daily per diem to house an inmate in the local jail, an 86% savings.”

PROGRAM PER DIEM SIX YEAR TREND

	CY2020	CY2021	CY2022	CY2023	CY2024	CY2025	Percent Change
Per Diem	\$2.85	\$4.29	\$5.09	\$4.47	\$5.65	\$5.50	(2.65)

2026 PROJECTED PER DIEM

$\$276,898 \text{ Total Expenditure} / 365 \text{ Days in a Yea} / 160 \text{ Average Participants Per Day} =$

\$4.74 Average Cost per Participant per Day of Supervision vs the \$40 daily per diem to house an inmate in the local jail, an 88% savings.

The 2025 Annual Cost Savings totaled \$1,686,360. While substantial, this figure represents only the measurable direct savings and does not capture the department’s full financial and community impact. Additional benefits include improved client well-being and stability, reduced county medical and liability exposure, and grant revenue secured to expand services while limiting reliance on local funds. Although annual operating costs increased in 2025 with the addition of a case manager and the continued development of the Therapeutic Services Division, increased program utilization and population growth more than offset these investments.

The continued transition toward a therapeutic, coaching model of supervision has allowed the department to maximize existing resources by promoting continuity of care across the criminal justice continuum, reducing duplication of services, and directing available funding where it can have the greatest impact. The result is a model that achieves greater fiscal efficiency while simultaneously strengthening supervision, expanding access to services, and improving the quality of client care. The tangible fiscal impact of this approach is illustrated by July’s results alone. When combined with estimated incarceration cost savings, the department produced a total fiscal impact of \$222,705 in July alone—exceeding the department’s entire proposed 2027 operating budget in a single month. This demonstrates that investments in therapeutic services and evidence-informed supervision are not simply additional expenditures; they are part of a broader strategy that produces measurable returns for the county while improving outcomes for the individuals and community we serve.

2027 BUDGET REQUEST & FORECAST

The primary request for the 2027 Budget Cycle is to maintain current funding levels. Continued funding is essential to sustain the level of supervision, staffing, and therapeutic services necessary to protect public safety, maintain positive client outcomes, preserve jail capacity, and continue generating measurable financial benefits for Cass County.

CCCPS experienced another record-breaking year in 2025, and demand continues to grow in 2026. In 2025, CCCPS served 381 clients, representing an 8% increase over 2024 and an approximately 180% increase over the past six years. This growth was accompanied by a 5% increase in evaluations and a 19% increase in new intakes. Based on current trends, the department is conservatively projecting that it will serve approximately 395 clients in 2026. The impact of this growth is particularly evident in staff caseloads. Each CCCPS case manager currently supervises an average of 75–80 clients, approximately 214% more than the Community Corrections caseload, while the Director also maintains a limited caseload in addition to the extensive administrative, fiscal, court services, and leadership responsibilities described throughout this report. Current caseload levels correspond with a 20% increase in the department's average daily population and are approximately 18% higher than 2023 caseload ratios.

Average daily population is an especially important measure because it reflects the actual day-to-day workload placed on supervision staff. Both pretrial case managers are currently supervising caseloads more than twice the national industry standard of approximately 30–35 clients per supervising officer. Moreover, CCCPS utilizes an intensive, individualized supervision model that requires frequent client contact, case planning, service coordination, treatment referrals, and ongoing assessment of risk, stability, and compliance.

The staffing comparison further illustrates the department's efficiency. CCCPS operates with only two case managers, compared with six case managers employed by Community Corrections, in addition to approximately 15 correctional/support supervision officers. Despite this significant staffing difference, CCCPS provides integrated supervision, support, and therapeutic services to individuals throughout the criminal justice continuum. Before the end of the second quarter of 2026 alone, the department had also completed more than 175 assessments and pretrial recommendations—approximately three times the number completed by Community Corrections. Each case manager carries an additional specialty responsibility beyond traditional supervision. One coordinates inpatient treatment placement, while the other focuses on housing, stability, and community resources. As a result, the loss of even one staff member would represent a 50% reduction in the department's primary case-management capacity and would critically impair its ability to maintain current levels of supervision, public safety, and service delivery.

Even these workload measures do not fully capture the department's countywide impact. CCCPS is responsible for numerous functions beyond direct client supervision, including key court services duties, grant development and management, JRAC administration, criminal justice data collection and analysis, financial oversight of local Opioid Settlement Funding, and the coordination and delivery of therapeutic services throughout the local criminal justice system.

Reducing staffing or program capacity—or eliminating pretrial services—would also have significant consequences for the Cass County Jail. During the first half of 2026, the jail averaged approximately 64% of capacity. However, even following its expansion, the jail does not have sufficient sustainable capacity to absorb the average daily population currently managed through pretrial release.

Without the diversion created by Pretrial Services, the jail could reasonably be expected to return toward conditions experienced prior to program implementation in 2018, when it operated at approximately 20% over capacity. The financial consequences would occur on both sides of the county ledger: Cass County could lose approximately \$50,000 per month in revenue currently generated by housing individuals from surrounding jurisdictions while simultaneously incurring an estimated \$20,000 per month in expenses to house its own overflow population in other counties.

The continued growth of Pretrial Services has instead produced substantial and measurable financial benefits. By the end of the second quarter of 2026, CCCPS had already served 220 clients, equivalent to approximately 58% of the total number served during all of 2025. During the first half of 2026, the department diverted an estimated 54 years of jail-bed stays, representing approximately \$790,600 in avoided local incarceration expenses.

The jail capacity preserved through pretrial diversion also creates an opportunity for Cass County to generate revenue by housing individuals from other jurisdictions. In 2025, this capacity generated approximately \$390,000 in contract housing revenue. The financial impact became even more apparent in July 2026. The jail began housing federal inmates through a new agreement with an \$85 daily per diem, housing nine federal inmates for 53 inmate days and generating an additional \$4,505 in revenue. When incarceration cost avoidance and contract housing revenue are combined, the estimated financial impact attributable to preserved jail capacity totaled approximately \$222,705 in July alone—exceeding the department's entire proposed 2027 operating budget in a single month.

The financial figures alone do not capture the consequences of reducing or eliminating the department's Therapeutic Services Division. The division has produced measurable community-safety benefits by helping reduce rearrests and returns to jail while supporting high rates of client safety and successful supervision. CCCPS also fills a critical service gap by helping ensure equitable access to inpatient treatment, individual counseling, peer support, housing resources, and other stabilization services for justice-involved individuals. These services strengthen the county's response to the opioid crisis while addressing the underlying factors that frequently contribute to repeated criminal justice involvement. This therapeutic approach is not separate from public safety—it is an integral component of it. By combining evidence-based supervision with treatment access and individualized support, CCCPS addresses immediate risk while also working to reduce the likelihood that individuals return to the criminal justice system.

The requested 2027 funding represents a comparatively small investment relative to the financial and public-safety benefits generated by the department. As illustrated in the accompanying financial projections, maintaining the requested funding level would result in less than a 1% variance in overall county cost savings, while conservatively projecting an approximately 88% diversion of incarceration expenses in 2027, even before accounting for the continued program growth documented throughout this report.

By mid-year 2026 alone, CCCPS had already diverted more than \$790,000 in local incarceration expenses. This figure does not include the additional revenue generated by preserving jail beds for contract housing, including the approximately \$390,000 generated in 2025, nor does it fully capture the expanding opportunity presented by the new federal inmate housing agreement.

Most importantly, these calculations represent only the tangible fiscal impact of Court & Pretrial Services. They do not assign a monetary value to the substantial benefits experienced by program participants, their families, victims, or the broader community. They also exclude additional grant revenue secured and administered by the department for the benefit of multiple areas of county government and the criminal justice system, reductions in future justice-system involvement, improved access to behavioral-health services, or the long-term community benefits associated with successful treatment and stabilization.

Maintaining current funding for 2027 is therefore not simply a request to preserve an existing program. It is an investment in a department that has demonstrated its ability to manage unprecedented growth with limited staffing, protect public safety, preserve critical jail capacity, expand access to treatment, generate outside revenue, and produce financial benefits that substantially exceed its operating cost. Reducing that capacity would risk reversing those gains while creating significantly greater costs elsewhere in the county system.

2027 ESTIMATED COST SAVINGS

	Annual Operating Costs	2026 Cost Savings	Percent Savings
Total Operating Cost (Grants Included)	\$276,898.00	\$1,900,000.00	2026%

2027 REQUESTED BUDGET

	JPAR SIM Grant	County General	Total
100 Series: Personnel		\$235,898.00	\$235,898.00
200 Series: Supplies		\$750.00	\$750.00
300 Series: Professional Services	\$115,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$143,000.00
400 Series: Capital		\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
Total Budget	\$115,000.00	\$270,148.00	\$385,148.00

Respectfully submitted,



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