

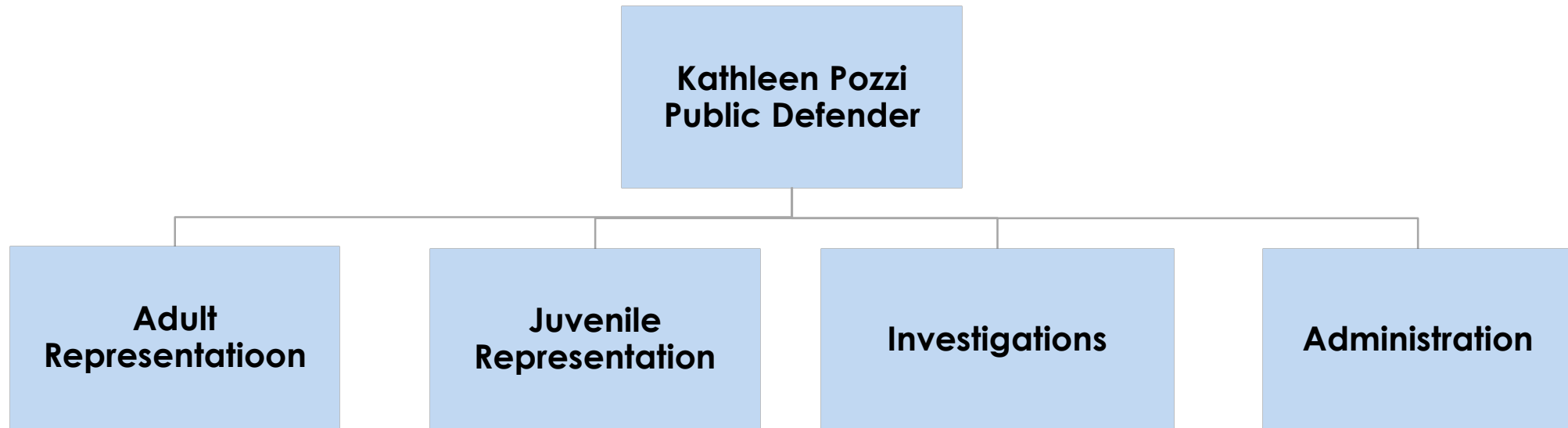


Law Office of the Public Defender FY 2021-22 Recommended Budget



Department Overview

	Budget	FTE
FY 2020-21 Adopted	\$13,284,387	52.0
FY 2021-22 Recommended	\$13,693,042	52.0
Net Change	\$408,655	0.0



Departmental Sources

FY 2021-22 Revenue Sources	
General Fund Contribution	\$12,758,095
Other Discretionary Revenue (Graton)	\$215,642
State, Federal & Other Funds	\$234,159
Fees & Charges for Services	\$0
Other Departmental Revenue	\$500
Use of Fund Balance	\$76,315
Internal Reimbursements & Transfers	\$408,331
Total Revenue Sources	\$13,693,042



Departmental Expenditures

FY 2021-22	Budget	FTE
Adult Representation	\$7,564,926	29.0
Juvenile Representation	\$695,727	3.0
Investigations	\$1,695,649	8.0
Administration	\$3,736,740	12.0
Total Expenditures	\$13,693,042	52.0



Key Operational Challenges and Opportunities

- As the Superior Court moves towards resuming jury trials and hearings, the Public Defender will need to adapt to the changing operational landscape due to COVID, including learning new and different courtroom procedures for witness examinations, cross-examination, and jury selections.
- Improve the Department's holistic, person-centric model of representation by better identifying clients in need of social services, such as housing assistance, drug and alcohol treatment, mental health, immigration consequences, or other services as recommended.
- Obtain state funding (from Fresno lawsuit) to hire a social worker and an attorney to provide post-conviction relief, including, but not limited to SB1437 petitions, expungements, Franklin/Perez hearings, Proposition 47 Petitions, etc.



State and Federal Impacts

- AB1869 eliminates collection of Public Defender Fees in California.
 - Reduces Public Defender's revenue by \$35,000.

