Fund Summary

Fund Name	:	**Local Youth Diversion Fund**
Business Area	:	**Municipal Courts Department**
Fund No./Bus. Area No.	:	**2211 / 1600**

	FY2025 Current Budget	FY2025 Estimate	FY2026 Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	1,626,940	1,626,940	**1,886,175**
Current Revenues	641,587	723,600	**706,300**
Total Available Resources	2,268,527	2,350,540	**2,592,475**
Maintenance and Operations	835,831	464,365	**785,394**
Total Expenditures	835,831	464,365	**785,394**
Planned Ending Fund Balance	1,432,696	1,886,175	**1,807,081**
Total Budget	2,268,527	2,350,540	**2,592,475**
Fund Balance Distribution			
Non-Spendable	0	0	**0**
Restricted	1,432,696	1,886,175	**1,807,081**
Committed	0	0	**0**
Assigned	0	0	**0**
Unassigned	0	0	**0**

The above summarizes the FY2025 Current Budget, the FY2025 Estimate, and the FY2026 Budget for the Municipal Courts Local Youth Diversion Fund. Also included are the beginning and ending fund balances, total revenues and total expenditures.

The mission of the City of Houston Local Youth Diversion Fund is to fund the salary/benefits and operational expenses of Juvenile Case Managers assigned to Houston, Spring Branch, and Aldine Independent School District campuses. Its goal is to reduce truancy and limit juvenile exposure to the criminal justice system through early identification, assessment and prevention services, referrals to social services, and increased student/family accountability. The Municipal Courts Department is responsible for administering the Fund at the direction of City Council and as authorized by Section 134.103 of the Texas Government Code, and Chapter 16/Section 16-9 of the City of Houston Code of Ordinances.

Legislative changes in 2019 created a Local Consolidated Fee of $14 that is collected by the City of Houston for each paid conviction of a Class "C" misdemeanor offense dated on or after January 1, 2020. A specified allocation of the Local Consolidated Fee, $5, is collected as revenue in this Fund. More recent legislative changes include the name change of this Fund to the current "Local Youth Diversion Fund."

The FY2026 Budget includes new Revenue and Expenditure accounts related to the Local Youth Diversion Administrative Fee pursuant to H.B. 3186 Texas Youth Diversion and Early Intervention Act requirements that went into effect January 1, 2025.

The City of Houston will continue to collect both the $5 Juvenile Case Manager Fee, and the $2 Truancy Prevention and Diversion Fee ($1 retained by City of Houston/$1 remitted to State) on all offenses dated on or before December 31, 2019.