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Report to the Metropolitan Council of Nashville, Tennessee

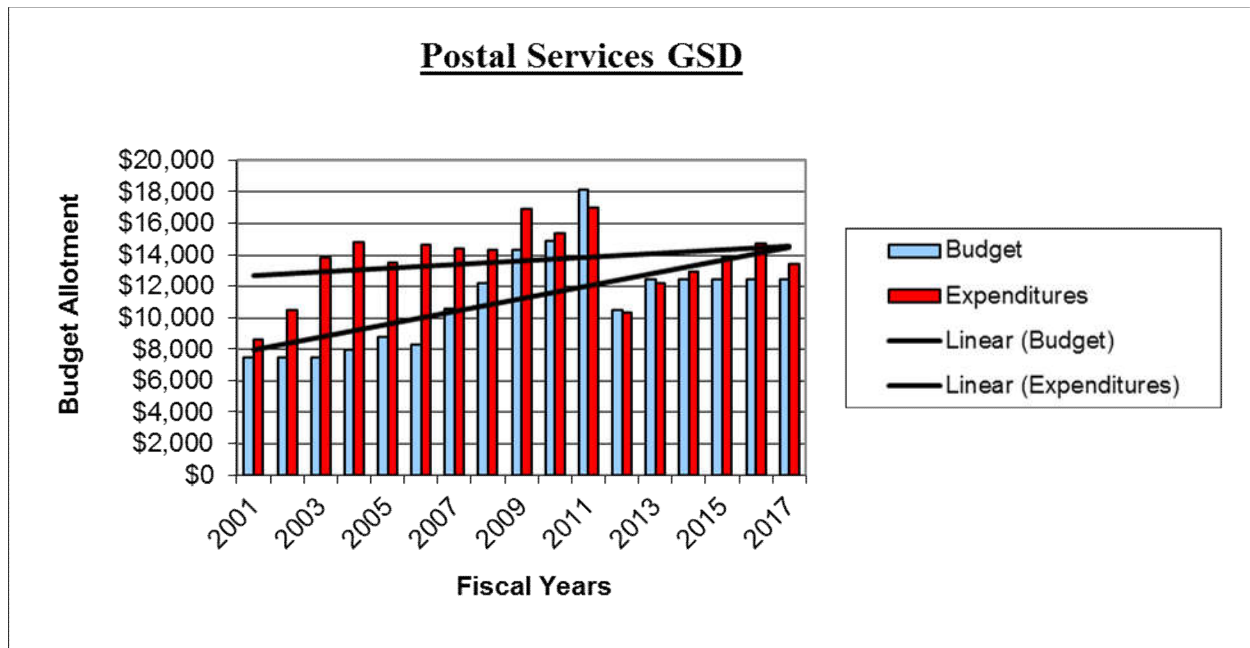
Davidson County

BL2008-248

Pursuant to BL2008-248 please find below the response from the District Attorney General:

Actions taken to reduce paper and postage consumption:

While the Office of the District Attorney General makes every effort to minimize costs for postage, the annual budget appropriations for postage expenses have not been sufficient to cover the annual expenses related to case volumes until FY2011 when the allocation was \$18,200.00. Postal expenses are directly related to case arrests by the Metropolitan Police Department and other law enforcement agencies, and cannot be impacted alone by this office. In addition this office has faced increased postal expense charges from the Federal Postal Service. Starting in FY2015 Postal Services became a General Fund department.



Paper:

While the Office of the District Attorney General makes every effort to minimize costs for paper purchases, the bulk of paper usage is related to case preparation, prosecutions, and correspondence. These expenses are non-discretionary and are directly related to case volumes.

| Paper Costs | Fiscal Year 2010 | Fiscal Year 2011 | Fiscal Year 2012 | Fiscal Year 2013 | Fiscal Year 2014 | Fiscal Year 2015 | Fiscal Year 2016 | Fiscal Year 2017 |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Copy Paper | \$12,082 | \$12,850 | \$13,356 | \$13,981 | \$14,218 | \$13,919 | \$13,215 | \$13,404 |
| Legal Pads | \$944 | \$593 | \$458 | \$732 | \$883 | \$120 | \$320 | \$592 |
| File Folders | \$1,360 | \$2,334 | \$1,320 | \$1,108 | \$1,304 | \$482 | \$1,498 | \$1,233 |
| TOTALS | \$14,386 | \$15,778 | \$15,134 | \$15,821 | \$16,405 | \$14,520 | \$15,033 | \$15,228 |

This office continues to explore ways to reduce the use of paper in the court process as allowed by the applicable local rules of court.