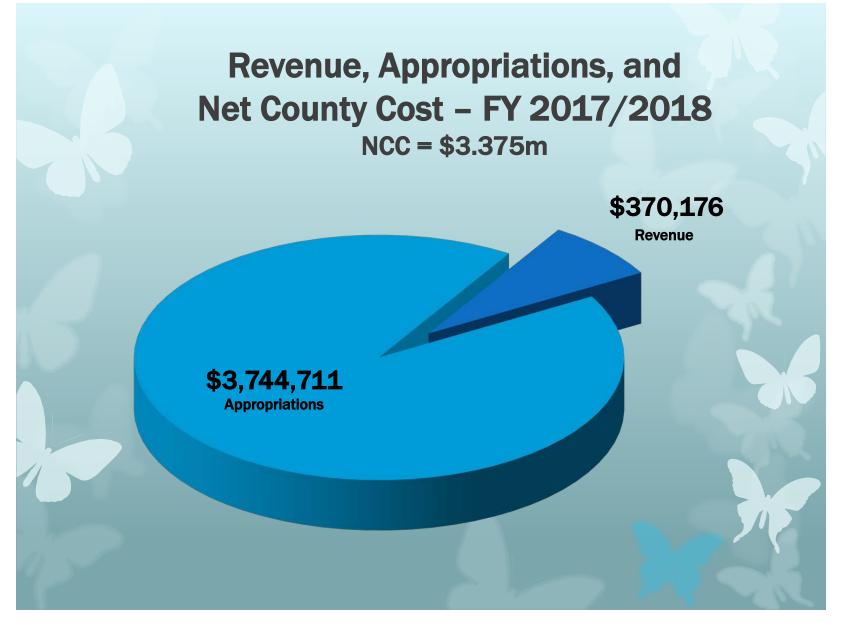
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# **Department Overview**

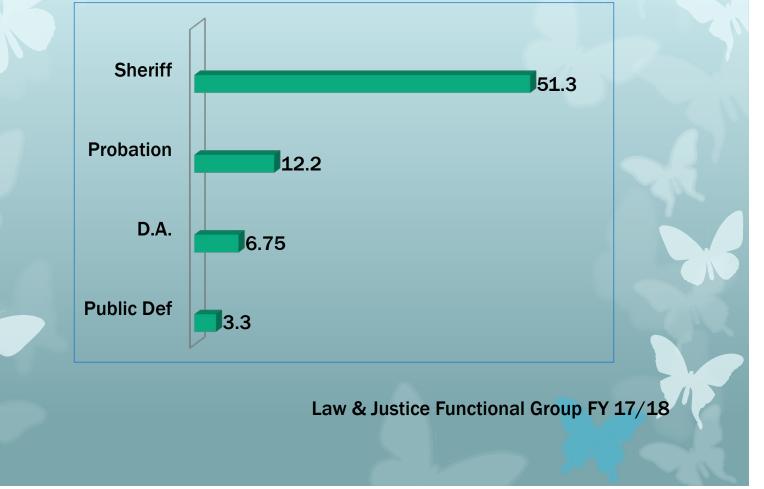
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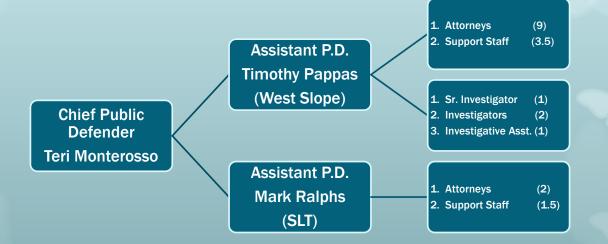
### **Net County Cost Comparisons (millions)**



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#### Total 23 FTEs (Full-time Employees)

\*14 attorneys, 249 years of experience, avg. of 17.78 years each



\*Los Angeles County, Orange County, Riverside County, Sacramento County, Imperial County, Placer County, Shasta County, San Joaquin County, Siskiyou County

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### Things we do:





"We are more than lawyers, secretaries, or investigators- we are the community"

HOT & Public Defender Homeless Gift Bags Christmas 2017

Probation & Public Defender CCC Christmas 2017

Boys & **Girls** Club Heroes Night 2018

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### **Goals:**

- ✤ 1) Provide high quality representation for each client
  - Case Management System
  - Measurement of Performance Standards
  - Provide specialized and cost-efficient staff training
- **\*** 2) Explore economic improvements
  - Public Defender fees
  - Intern Program

### **Challenges:**

 Sweeping Criminal Justice reform, leading to increased complexity of cases (mentally ill, rehabilitation, local parolees, homeless)

Remaining fiscally conservative, yet not compromising services