

## **Response to Questions on the FY 2013 Budget**

**Request By:** Supervisor Cook

**Question:** What is the cost (including salaries, gas, car maintenance, etc.) incurred by the Sheriff's Department to service process in civil cases – excluding domestic cases? How much of that cost is recovered through charges assessed to the parties to the case? Assuming not all costs associated with the activity is recovered, of the remainder, is it paid through the state, County, or both, and what is the County's share?

**Response:** The annual cost of serving civil processes is \$2,122,806. State law limits the County's share of the fee revenue collected to \$66,271, with all additional revenues collected becoming State revenue. Because the Compensation Board pays 30.8 percent of the Sheriff's budget, then \$632,886 would be the share of the Compensation Board Revenue allocated to this program, leaving a net County cost of \$1,423,649. It should be noted that the expense was not reduced to net out restraining orders served because they amounted to less than one half of one percent of all services.