County Attorney Summary

	Actual FY 17	Original Budget FY 18	Adjusted Budget FY 18	Budget FY 19	% Change From Orig. FY 18	% Change From Adj. FY 18
County Attorney	\$771,584	\$758,050	\$758,710	\$802,750	5.90%	5.80%
Total County Attorney	\$771,584	\$758,050	\$758,710	\$802,750	5.90%	5.80%
Total Without Benefits	\$558,821	\$619,170	\$619,780	\$655,340	5.84%	5.74%

Mission and Goals

The Department of the County Attorney provides legal representation and advice to the Carroll County Commissioners and their boards, commissions, officers, and employees regarding matters affecting the County. The Department also provides advice and representation to other government agencies funded by the Board of County Commissioners.

Goals include:

- Protect the legal interests of the Board of County Commissioners
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- Ensure that County laws, contracts, legal documents, and policies are of the highest legal standard

Highlights

Between FY 13 and FY 17, the County Attorney's Office collected more than \$1.5M in delinquent accounts related to unpaid taxes and fees, medical expenses for inmates, and reimbursements for accidents and bad checks.

FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17
\$270,940	\$343,960	\$317,210	\$276,580	\$300,040

Budget Changes

The overall increase is due to outside legal fees.

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Personnel	\$407,305	\$474,650	\$475,260	\$489,450	3.12%	2.99%
Benefits	212,763	138,880	138,930	147,410	6.14%	6.10%
Operating	151,515	144,520	144,520	165,890	14.79%	14.79%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
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Employees FIE	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75		

Note: Actuals include a health and fringe allocation and other operating expenditures. Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Description

This Department was created by State law to serve as in-house counsel to the Board of County Commissioners and all of the departments, bureaus, agencies, offices, quasi-judicial boards, commissions, and other organizations that receive operating funds from the County.

In addition to furnishing legal advice and representation, the office handles real estate settlements, collections of delinquent accounts, zoning and building code violations, preparation of legal documents for subdivisions, and codification of County laws. It also represents Carroll Community College, Carroll County Public Library, Humane Society, and Sheriff's Office.

The Department serves as a resource to citizens for general questions about County government and County and State laws.

Program Highlights

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Budget Changes

- A 3.0% salary increase is included in FY 19.
- Operating increases due to outside legal fees.