COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

County Counsel Performance Report

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County Counsel Mission

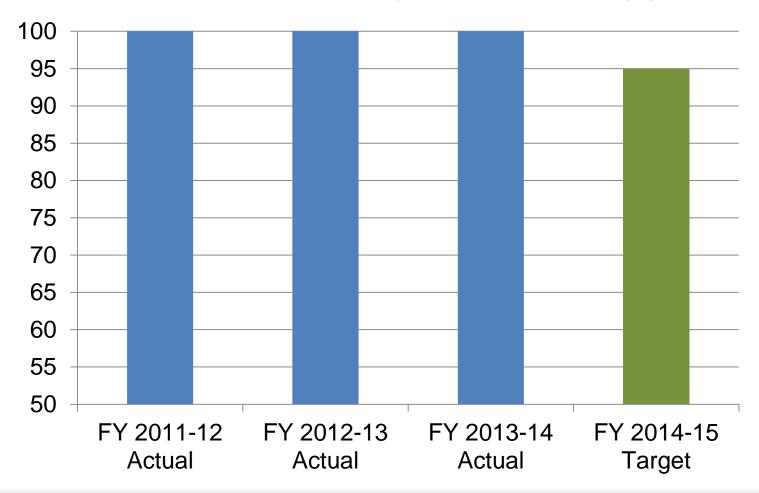


- Provide high quality legal services to the Board of Supervisors, elected officials, all County departments and agencies, boards and commissions, various school districts, special districts, and other public agencies allowing them to carry out their responsibilities in a manner fully consistent with the law.
- Provide legal representation to clients in disputes before administrative agencies and the courts with the goal of achieving the best results for our clients.

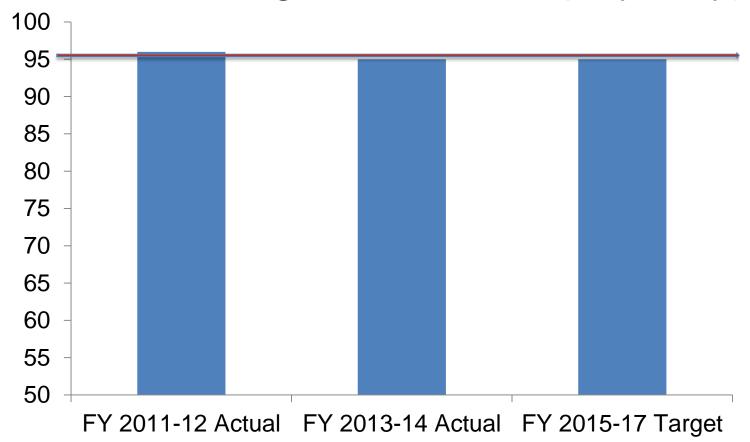
County Counsel's Commitment

 The County Counsel's Office places a high value on its collegial and collaborative atmosphere. The office's 27 attorneys and 16 support staff all share an abiding commitment to providing excellent legal services in numerous areas of law, including governance, litigation, employment and labor law, constitutional law, land use, public works, personal injury, civil rights, elections, probate, education and health and welfare.

Percent of General Litigation Cases Won or Resolved (with client approval)



Percent of survey respondents rating legal services as 'good' or better (bi-yearly)



Budget Summary

- FY 2013-14
 - Total Sources:\$5,944,639
 - Total Requirements:\$9,953,177
 - Net County Cost: \$4,153,588
 - Funded FTEs:42

- FY 2014-15
 - Total Sources:\$6,068,455
 - Total Requirements:\$10,709,685
 - Net County Cost: \$4,519,402
 - Funded FTEs:43

Fiscal Year 2013-15 HIGHLIGHTS

- Jail construction and financing
- Public Administrator post-fraud estate administration
- Financial recovery against Lehman Brothers
- County's prohibition of guns in parks
- Real property transactions
- Open government initiatives
- Lead paint case

Fiscal Year 2015-17 PRIORITIES

- Standardize litigation management processes
- Implementation of new practice management system
- Training on new laws and legal developments
- Use of technology to reduce reliance on paper
- Support emerging priorities of the Board of Supervisors and County Manager

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