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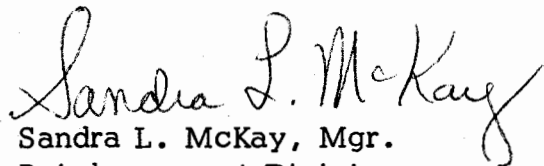
I would like to submit the following report to you for your perusal.

The year of 1977 was a very productive year in our efforts to curtail the cost to the County for Court appointed counsel.

With the cooperation of the Juvenile Court, a program was instituted whereby parents of juveniles requesting Court appointed counsel were referred to this office for our recommendation, prior to the appointment. Often parents have ability to retain counsel privately, thus enabling the County to decrease the amount of funds spent in this area.

We experienced a sixty-seven per cent increase in our collection of fees paid for attorneys appointed by the Circuit Court. Through a combination of efforts, in mid-year the Circuit Bench began including a requirement for repayment of attorney fees for defendants placed on probation. We are hopeful that this procedure will significantly increase our revenue for the year 1978.

If you have any questions concerning this report, I would be most happy to discuss it with you.


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REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION

January 1, 1977, thru December 31, 1977

Report of Activity

ACCOUNTS:

NUMBER OF PAYMENTS

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Child Care (Juvenile Maintenance)	5,847	6,290	5,526
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Juvenile)	2,083	2,148	492
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Mental Health)	260	154	
Mental Institutions & Emergency Care	1,039	1,536	3,324
State of Michigan Mental Health Reimbursement Collections	106	193	
Reimbursement of Doctors' Exams		2	53
Highway Ambulance			6
Community Mental Health - In-patient	19	38	124
Community Mental Health - Out-patient	983	589	
Oakland County Medical Care Facility	134	177	32
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Costs	9,755	8,704	
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Attorney Fees	3,970	1,510	5
Circuit Court Fines	106	111	
Paternity Blood Test Fees	<u>11</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total:	24,313	21,452	9,562

TRUST ACCOUNTS

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Boys & Girls Training Schools & Boarding Homes	742	825	768
Probate Support	257	179	151
Dependent Persons			8
Circuit Court Restitution	<u>1,523</u>	<u>932</u>	<u> </u>
Total:	2,522	1,936	927
Combined Total:	26,835	23,388	10,489

MISCELLANEOUS

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Number of Auditors Cash Receipt Transactions	2,214	1,978	1,451
Number of Welfare Client Transactions	<u>1,611</u>	<u>963</u>	<u> </u>
Total:	3,825	2,941	1,451
GRAND TOTAL:	30,660	26,329	11,940

REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION

Statement of Receipts

January 1, 1977, thru December 31, 1977

<u>ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>AMOUNT RECEIVED</u>		
	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Child Care (Juvenile Maintenance)	\$305,837.82	\$308,626.43	\$253,502.14
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Juvenile)	58,338.43	60,050.36	11,517.50
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Mental Health)	12,511.99	11,274.50	
Mental Institutions & Emergency Care State of Michigan Mental Health	44,471.38	447,297.81	618,927.30
Reimbursement Collections	178,758.25	319,694.18	
Reimbursement of Doctors' Exams		300.00	1,434.00
Highway Ambulance			137.00
Community Mental Health - In-patient	527.35	1,752.63	6,037.20
Community Mental Health - Out-patient	173,769.99	33,503.25	
Oakland County Medical Care Facility	54,795.33	67,147.82	1,546.06
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Costs	370,166.69	285,195.43	
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Attorney Fees	78,445.48	46,799.83	410.00
Circuit Court Fines	12,195.00	23,605.00	
Paternity Blood Test Fees	165.00		
TOTAL:	\$1,289,982.71	\$1,605,247.24	\$893,511.20

TRUST ACCOUNTS:

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Boys & Girls Training Schools and Group Homes	\$ 23,156.73	\$ 21,383.21	\$ 13,708.40
Probate Support	36,502.69	27,231.38	12,540.13
Dependent Persons			257.00
Circuit Court Restitution	121,501.36	58,969.13	
TOTAL:	\$181,160.78	\$107,583.72	\$ 26,505.53

COMBINED TOTAL: \$1,471,143.49 \$1,712,830.96 \$920,016.73

JUVENILE ACCOUNTS
Statement of Receipts

January 1, 1977, thru December 31, 1977

<u>ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>REIMBURSEMENT RECEIVED</u>		
	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Child Care	\$305,837.82	\$308,626.43	\$253,502.14
Trust Accounts	23,156.73*	21,383.21	13,708.40
Boys & Girls Vocational Schools, Half-Way Houses & Group Homes			
Probate Support	<u>36,502.69**</u>	<u>27,231.38</u>	<u>12,540.13</u>
COMBINED TOTAL:	\$365,497.24	\$357,241.02	\$279,750.67

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BOARD & CARE, GROUP HOMES, HALF-WAY HOUSES,
& BOYS & GIRLS TRAINING SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Cost to Oakland County	\$452,330.00	\$491,813.00	\$195,697.68
Reimbursement	\$ 23,156.73	\$ 21,383.71	\$ 13,708.40

REIMBURSEMENT FOR COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEYS (JUVENILE)

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Cost to Oakland County	\$309,379.00	\$264,711.00	\$ 72,446.33
Reimbursement	\$ 58,338.43	\$ 60,050.36	\$ 11,517.50

The Reimbursement Division is responsible for collection of all charges ordered by the Probate Judges for care supplied by the County through the Juvenile Court. Whenever a child receives this care, a financial statement is taken and an Order is entered commensurate with the parents' ability to pay.

*This amount includes \$830.90 credited to Oakland County on the State Support of Patients, and represents one-half of the Social Security benefits collected by the Department of Social Services.

**Probate Support accounts represent monies collected and paid out as received to the person caring for the child. This is as decreed by a Probate Court Order.

CIRCUIT COURT PROGRAM

January 1, 1977, thru December 31, 1977

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Court Costs	\$370,166.69	\$285,195.43	\$184,074.24
Restitution	121,501.36	58,969.13	32,048.71
Fines	12,195.00	23,605.00	7,715.00
TOTAL:	<u>\$503,863.05</u>	<u>\$367,769.56</u>	<u>\$223,837.95</u>

In October, 1973, the responsibility for collection of the above ordered payments was transferred to the Reimbursement Division from the Probation Department.

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY PROGRAM

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Cost to County	\$704,978.50	\$836,865.39	\$697,015.30
Funds Recovered	78,445.48	46,799.83	24,414.49

Upon the approval and direction of the Circuit Court Bench, and the Public Protection and Judiciary Committee, in July, 1972, the Board of Auditors, (now known as Oakland County Executive) through its Reimbursement Division, and in conjunction with the Court Administrator, began to formulate a collection procedure to recover funds expended by Oakland County for Court appointed attorneys in felony matters.

PATERNITY BLOOD TEST FEES

	<u>1977</u>
Funds Recovered	\$ 165.00

The Reimbursement Division became active in the collection of fees paid for blood tests in paternity matters in the fall of 1977.

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MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
IN-PATIENT

Accounts for patients hospitalized under Act 54 are referred to the Reimbursement Division for investigation and collection, based on findings of ability to pay of the patient and/or his responsible relatives.

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Reimbursement	\$ 527.35	\$ 1,752.63	\$ 6,037.20

OAKLAND COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1972</u>
Reimbursement	\$54,795.33	\$67,147.82	\$ 1,546.06

The above receipts cover delinquent accounts that were referred to the Reimbursement Division for collection.

REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES (PROBATE COURT- MENTAL HEALTH)

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>
Cost to County	\$53,987.90	\$45,155.33
Reimbursement	\$12,511.99	\$11,274.50

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
OUT-PATIENT

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<u>CLINIC</u>	<u>Personal Payments</u>	<u>Blue Cross</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
Child & Adolescent	\$ 24,917.30	\$ 71,578.50	\$ 203.75	\$ 96,699.55
South Oakland Program	25,799.31	8,749.00		34,548.31
West Oakland Community Mental Health	4,985.00	25,768.45	2,295.60	33,049.05
Fairlawn Center	139.00	1,339.25		1,478.25
Counseling & Evaluation	399.00	6,536.75	1,059.08	7,994.83
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TOTAL:	\$ 56,239.61	\$113,971.95	\$ 3,558.43	\$173,769.99

GRAND TOTAL: \$173,769.99

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<u>CLINIC</u>	<u>Personal Payments</u>	<u>Blue Cross</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
Child & Adolescent	\$ 3,720.50	\$ 17,804.50	\$ 67.50	\$ 21,592.50
South Oakland Program	2,034.50	1,299.50		3,334.00
West Oakland Community Mental Health	601.50	5,793.00	378.00	6,772.50
Fairlawn Center	50.00			50.00
Counseling & Evaluation	119.00	1,503.75	131.50	1,754.25
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TOTAL:	\$ 6,525.50	\$ 26,400.75	\$ 577.00	\$ 33,503.25

GRAND TOTAL: \$33,503.25*

*This program was turned over to the Reimbursement Division in November, 1976.