Roadmap to Pandemic Operations Juvenile Dependency

Public Hours



The Dependency Courthouse is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (lobby and phone).

Face coverings and social distancing required.

Drop Box & Filing Alternatives



Non-emergency filings must be placed in the drop box located at the front entrance of the building.

Courtroom Calendars



Modified calendars will continue and staggered hearings to practice social distancing. Telephonic appearances are highly encouraged and may be scheduled using Court Call or by contacting the courtroom directly. Parents appearing for their first time appearance must report at 8:00 a.m. Parents and guardians and their attorneys are the only parties allowed in the courthouse. All parties may have to wait outside until called into the courthouse using a paging system.



Restricted Access

Access to the courthouse is restricted to parties & attorneys appearing on a case, or filing the following emergency documents:

- Protective custody warrants
- Detention Petition Hearings
- JV 180-Request for Change Orders
- Psychotropic medication applications
- Emergency medical requests
- Petitions for re-entry of a non-minor dependent
- Petitions that require immediate response on health and safety
- Hearings on request for a warrant
- Electronically submitted day and nighttime warrants

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Adoption Hearings



Adoption hearings will take place telephonically at the Juvenile Dependency Courthouse until further notice. Please contact your social worker for more information.