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## Roll out the Measures

Whew! The budget process for the next fiscal year is over and new to the FY2007 Budget Binder is a list of the individual programs within each department and their supporting outcome/effectiveness measures. Bottom line: Performance Measurement is here to stay and is now officially a part of the budget process. And lucky for us, we already had our measures in place in contrast to other departments that had to begin this process for the first time.

Although SMAART has been a part of our organization since the year 2000, performance measurement is just taking hold at the County level and is more line-item focused than our program. Regardless, in support of the County Administrator's efforts, we have committed to providing and sharing our performance measurement data concerning our Adult Probation Services, Juvenile Probation/Detention Services and Judicial Operations Division starting the new fiscal year.

Specific Measures that we will be providing are: (1) Success of Probation (Adult and Juvenile); (2) Payment of Costs/Fines/Restitution (Adult and Juvenile); (3) Success of Jury Commission; (4) Impact of Compliance Unit; and (5) Success of Case Management: Clearance Rates.

Sound like more work? Well it really isn't. We already collect, distribute and use this information as a normal part of our work routine. We just simply have to add a tributary to the distribution channel.

Thanks for your time.

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*"Efficiency is doing things right.  
Effectiveness is doing the right thing."*

*Zig Ziglar*

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## Finance Update

Just a quick update to last quarter's article on Finance. A few of our revenues sources were below expected collection rates and have continued to fall just short (2%) of their annual goal. As a result, we have lowered our FY2007 projections for these funds and will continued to monitor them to determine further corrective action if necessary.