TRIAL COURT REVENUE DISTRIBUTION AND COLLECTIONS RESOURCES
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State Controller's Office (SCO) Trial Court Revenue Distribution:

- Trial Court Revenue Distribution Guidelines (Revision 35)
- Previous Revisions to Distribution Guidelines (29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34)
- Listserv Notifications (Updates and Changes to Statutes)
- Frequently Asked Questions
- TC-31 Remittance Form and Guidelines for Revised TC-31 Forms
- TC-31 Frequently Asked Questions
- TC-31 Submission Training
- Audit Reports

Judicial Council Revenue Distribution and Collections:

- Uniform Bail and Penalty Schedules (2025)
- Court-Related Legislation
- Revenue Distribution Worksheets
- Crosswalk Guide
- Audit Reports
- Collections Reporting Template 2023–24, Instructions, and Glossary
- Cost Recovery Guidelines and Standards, Distribution Template, and Report Template
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) template
- Report to Legislature: Statewide Collection of Court-Ordered Debt for 2023-24
- Intercounty Probation Case Transfer Fiscal Procedures
- Performance Measures and Benchmarks
- Collections Best Practices
- Discharge from Accountability Information Sheet
  - Discharge from Accountability Application Sample and Sample Report
- Statewide Master Agreements for Collections Services
- AB 199 Frequently Asked Questions
- Ability to Pay FAQs and MyCitations
- Trial Court Financial Policies and Procedures Manual, 13th Edition

Other Resources:

California State Assembly
California State Senate
California Legislative Information (Leg Info)
JCC Resources Network
Franchise Tax Board Court-Ordered Debt Collections Program (FTB-COD)
Franchise Tax Board Interagency Intercept Collections Program (FTB-IIC)

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Recently Enacted Legislation[1]

Assembly Bill 1186 (Stats. 2024, ch. 805) Restitution fines

Amends Penal Code section 1465.9 to make restitution fines imposed pursuant to Penal Code section 1202.4 uncollectible 10 years after the date of imposition. (Pen. Code, § 1465.9(d).) As to juvenile cases, amends Welfare and Institutions Code section 223.2 to make restitution fines imposed pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 730.6 uncollectible 10 years after the date of imposition. (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 223.2(d).) Also amends Welfare and Institutions Code section 730.6 to provide that restitution fines may no longer be imposed in juvenile cases, and that juveniles are to be held severally liable for victim restitution—with the liability apportioned by the court based on the juvenile's percentage of responsibility and not to exceed 100 percent in total.4 (*Id.*, 730.6(a)(2), (b)(3).)

Collection programs should cease collections on restitution fines that are 10 years or older and any outstanding balance should be vacated. Moving forward, programs are encouraged to establish procedures for reviewing and vacating uncollectible restitution fines to ensure collections do not occur on ineligible fines. The vacated amounts should be reported as an adjustment on the annual Collections Reporting Template.

[1] Excerpt adapted from Judicial Council Criminal Justice Services staff memos on recently enacted criminal justice legislation. Full memo available here: https://jrn.courts.ca.gov/programs/cjr/

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Collections LPA Master Agreements, Amendments and User Instructions are available here:
https://www.courts.ca.gov/procurementservices.htm#acc16722