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PRESIDENT

October 10, 2013

To the Residents of Cook County,

I am pleased to present to you the Cook County Budget for fiscal year 2014.

The 2014 budget contains no new taxes, fines, or fees and continues to emphasize structural changes to improve the County's financial outlook. The groundwork for this budget was laid over the past three years through a series of tough choices, strategic investments and better aligning the budget with the County's core functions.

The Cook County Health and Hospital System is achieving greater self-sufficiency in 2014, reducing the County's subsidy by \$76 million. This subsidy reduction is a result of the implementation of the Affordable Care Act and the transformation of the Health System, which is emphasizing managed care rather than emergency care.

The 2014 budget continues to support our criminal justice reform efforts to promote fairness and improve outcomes for individuals, while at the same time preserving public safety. This budget prepares for legislative changes that go into effect January 1 and shift 17 year olds charged with felonies from the adult criminal system to the juvenile court system. This budget also includes investments to support future national accreditation for the Medical Examiner.

Within the past three years, the County has institutionalized fiscal responsibility and sustainability for Cook County, which is evident in the FY14 Budget. The County is living within its means without increasing taxes by prioritizing the most critical expenditures, increasing grant revenues, and investing in technology to generate improvements and efficiencies in the future. For the third year in a row, the 2014 budget will be in place before the beginning of the fiscal year.

I appreciate the input and thoughtful ideas that Cook County residents contributed to this budget. Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to improve Cook County government for all residents.

Sincerely,

Toni Preckwinkle
President
Cook County Board of Commissioners



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For the Fiscal Year Beginning

December 1, 2012

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In FY 2013, the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the Department of Budget and Management Services for Cook County's annual budget for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2012.

In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, an operations guide, a financial plan and a communication device.

The award is valid for the 2013 fiscal year. Cook County believes the 2014 budget continues to conform to program requirements, and the County has submitted it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.

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COOK COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS

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In addition to presiding at county board meetings, the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, as Chief Executive of the County (Const. Art. 7 § 4 (b)), is responsible for preparing the Annual Executive Budget (submitted to the Board for final approval) and the administration of the County government, except for the responsibilities held by other elected officials. With the consent of the Board, the President appoints the heads of County departments falling under the Board’s jurisdiction.

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- Jesus G. Garcia (D)-7th District
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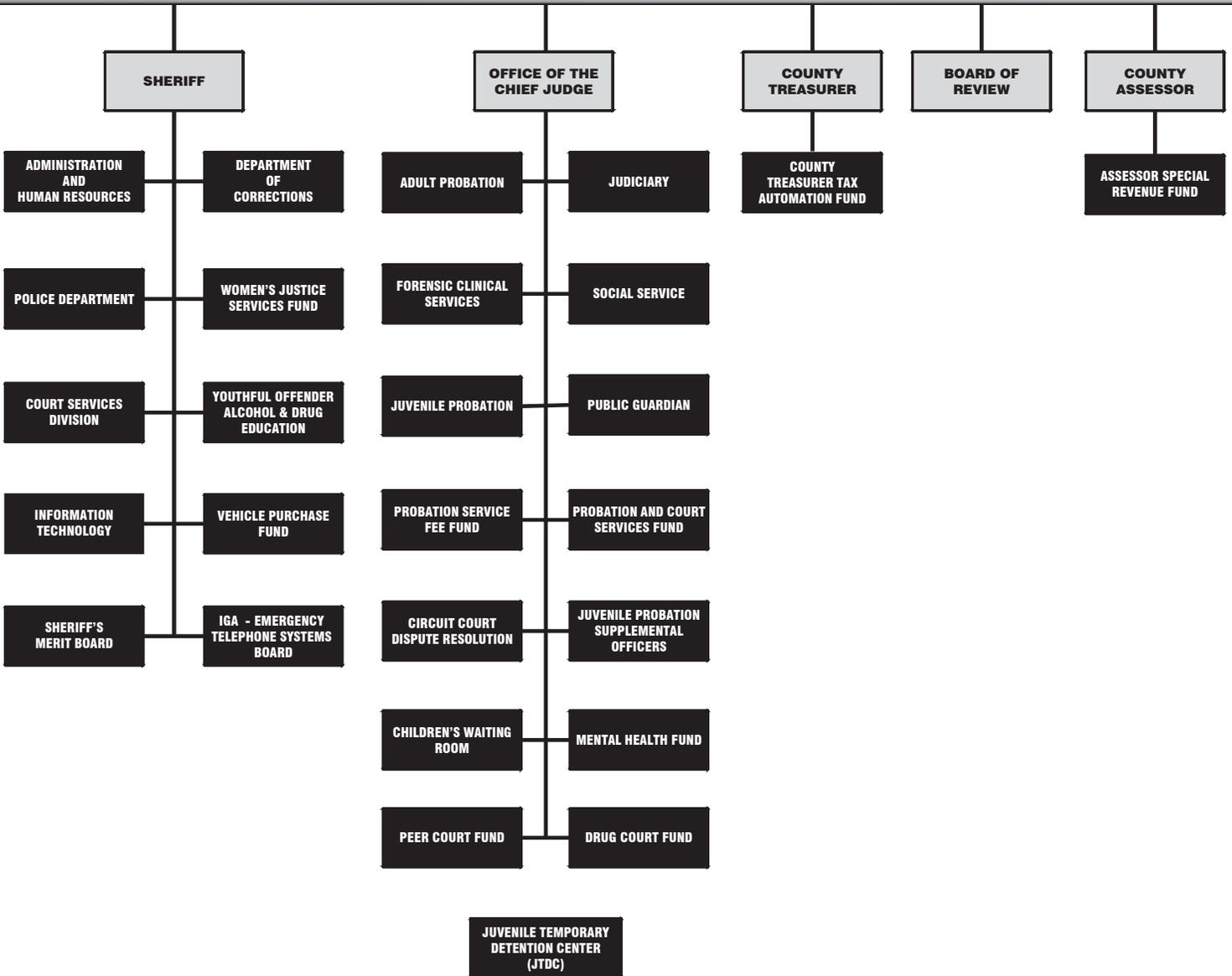




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