



Circuit Court of Cook County
Office of the Chief Judge
Information Services Department
Technology Strategic Plan
FY2025

2024 Accomplishments

- Migrated all court applications from the AS/400 mid-range server at Ensono to the court's data center.
- Substantial development work completed on the court's last remaining system on Mainframe (Jury Administration System). Anticipated go-live March 31, 2025. Once implemented, the Court will no longer need any mid-range (AS/400) or mainframe resources at Ensono.
- All courthouses (except Rolling Meadows and Daley Center) have Wireless Internet Access available to litigants, court visitors and courthouse personnel.
- The Court completed installation of approximately 500 computers and laptops to replace end of life equipment.
- The Court installed a modernized data backup and recovery system.

Key Strategies for 2025

- Decommission of Mainframe and AS/400 at Ensono
- Finalize Installation of WIFI Services at all Courthouse
- Refresh the court's technical infrastructure

Decommission of Mainframe and AS/400

- The Court has completed migration of all applications and databases from the AS/400.
- The Court expects to implement the new Jury Administration System by March 31, 2024.
- Once Jury Administration System is implemented, the Court will no longer need any hosting services at Ensono.

WIFI In The Courthouse

- All courthouses (except Rolling Meadows and Daley Center) now have Wireless Internet Access available to litigants, courthouse visitors and court personnel.
- Rolling Meadows and Daley Center are both in progress and are on target to be completed by Summer 2025.
- By Summer of 2025, all courthouses will have WIFI services available.

Ongoing Routine Technology Refresh

The Office of the Chief Judge routinely upgrades various computer equipment components such as computers, laptops, printers and servers that are beyond their useful lifecycle for all departments under its auspices, including the JTDC. This helps to ensure continuity of court operations as well as operational efficiencies while providing services to the public.

The County Board of Commissioners approved nearly \$5.3 Million in Capital funding in FY2025 for the court to upgrade it's critical line of business servers that are end of life and to replace computer and laptop equipment that have exceeded their useful life. This includes:

- New blade enclosure with 12 new blade servers.
- Approximately 2500 computer and laptops

Technology Standards and Procurement

- The Circuit Court of Cook County follows countywide technology equipment and security standards whenever possible.
- To achieve the most competitive rates for commodities and services, the court works closely with the Bureau of Technology and other county agency stakeholders in the development of RFPs for shared technology procurement opportunities for hardware, software, computer supplies and support services. The court attempts to first use a countywide technology contract before consideration is given to issuing its own bid, RFQ, or RFP.

Questions?