



# Department of Administrative Hearings

## FY2015 Budget Presentation

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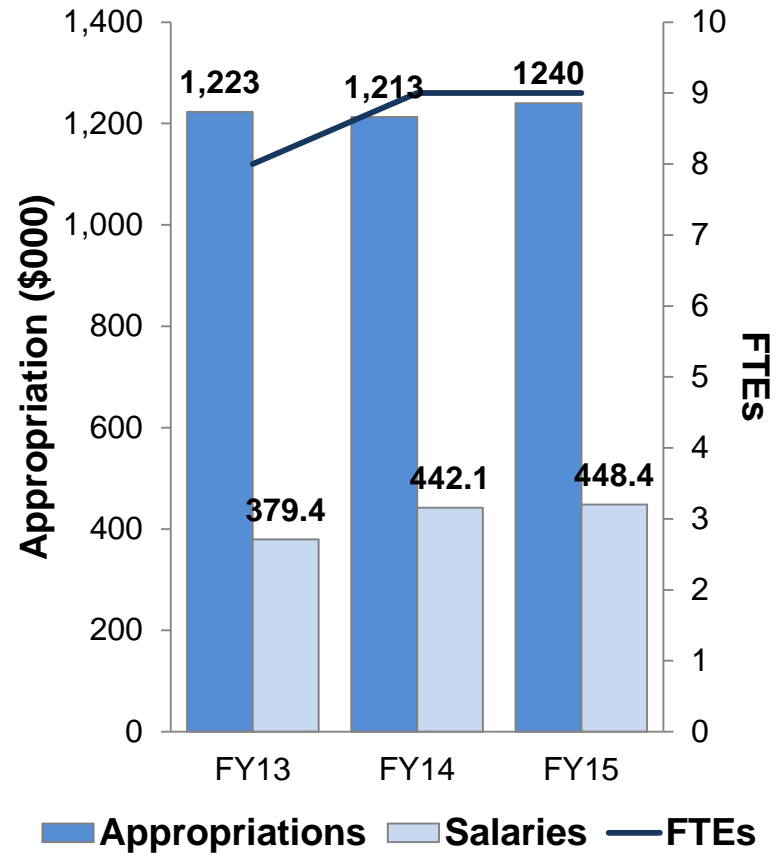
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## Mission

The Department of Administrative Hearings was created to allow fair, efficient and impartial hearings of ordinance violations issued by County departments, the Cook County Forest Preserve District, Office of the Recorder of Deeds and Office of the Sheriff.

## Budget and staffing





# Administrative Hearings – FY2014 Accomplishments

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- The Department of Administrative Hearings focused its efforts in 2014 working with the Department of Human Rights and the Recorder of Deeds developing processes and procedures for the new caseloads that each office brings.
- Human Rights worked with Administrative Hearings to develop an efficient process that sets clear timeframes so every litigant can expect a quick and fair decisions on every matter brought to hearing.
- The Recorder of Deeds is beginning the process to protect property holders from unscrupulous and fraudulent filings that jeopardize the security of real estate ownership.



# Administrative Hearings – FY2015 Budget Highlights

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- In 2015, the Department of Administrative Hearings intends to continue working with other local governments. By expanding our relationships with similarly positioned localities and enhancing our technological capability, this Department is positioned to become the central location for constituents to resolve disputes regarding citations, false filings and any other government related actions.
- Administrative Hearings will soon allow respondents to contest citations by going through an online process rather than mailing hard copy statements and receipts or through in-person appearances. This will represent the first “totally paperless judicial program” by Cook County when Implemented. It will also have a positive environmental impact.

# Administrative Hearings – 2015 STAR goals and targets

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Performance Metric	FY2013 Actual	FY2014 Projected YE	FY2015 Target
Number of cases heard	40,175	40,000	51,000
Number of hearings held at suburban locations	5738	7600	8000

