
2019 ANNUAL REPORT

An aerial photograph of a city skyline at dusk. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and purple. Numerous skyscrapers are illuminated with warm yellow and white lights. A prominent building in the center has a purple and white logo on its facade. In the foreground, a river flows, with a bridge crossing it. A boat is visible on the water. The overall scene is a vibrant urban landscape.

TRAVIS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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A NOTE FROM YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY



In this third Annual Report, you will read about some of the achievements of your DA's Office. We've come a long way!

Looking back on 2019, I note our creation of a Diversion and Community Engagement Division. The Director of this Division is assigned the specific tasks of focusing on diversity within the Office and enhancing our presence in the community. We want to ensure that this Office appropriately represents all of Travis County, and one way to do that is to actively recruit a diverse workforce. But representing the community is not enough. We also have to educate and engage the community about the DA's Office and the Travis County criminal justice system. The people of Travis County need to know that their values and safety are our mission. But we can't sit back and expect folks to learn of all our good efforts on their own. We also have to be innovative in our efforts to ensure that justice is done—we can be proactive. The first initiative I asked this Director to take on was the planning of an Expunction Expo, and as of the end of 2019, the plan was in place to hold it on February 29, 2020. This will be the first time the DA's Office has teamed up with the Travis County District Clerk and County Attorney to offer people, who meet the legal criteria for expunction, free legal services to have their criminal arrest expunged. If successful, we hope to repeat the Expo annually. Another goal of mine is for this Division to establish a Citizen's Criminal Justice Academy. The Sheriff's Office and the Austin Police Department have them, and it's a terrific opportunity to educate interested members of our community. We hope to get that started in early 2020.

I am extremely proud of the hard work that is reflected in this Annual Report. I know that Travis County is well-served by the men and women who work in the DA's Office.

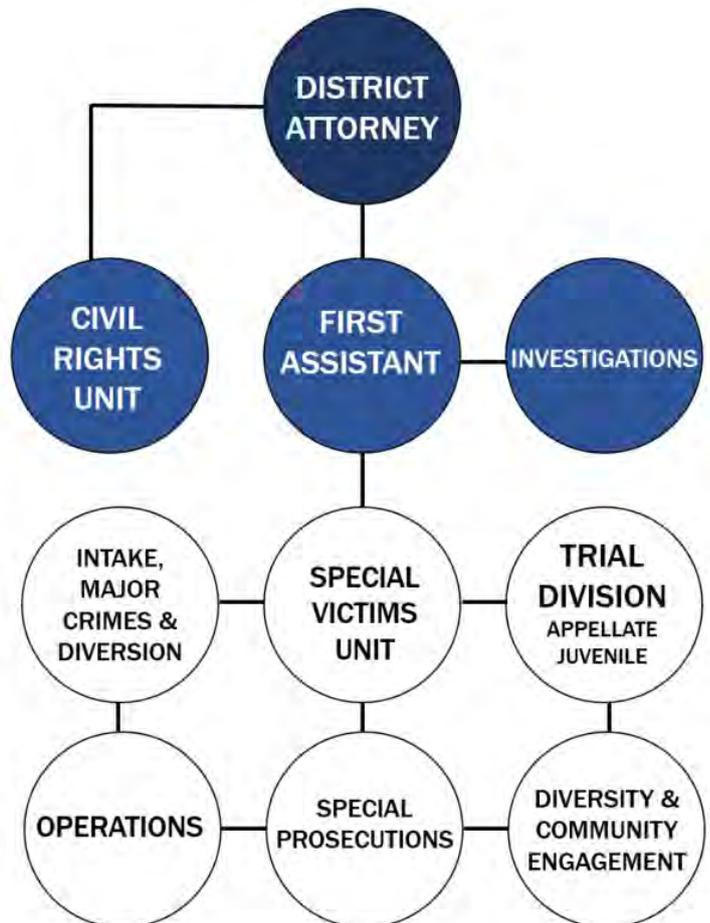
Margaret Moore



Back Row: Chief Investigator, Norris McKenzie; Director of Civil Rights Unit, Dexter Gilford; Director of Intake and Diversion, Dayna Blazey; Assistant Director of Trial Division (Appellate), Scott Taliaferro; Director of Diversity and Community Engagement, Rickey Jones; Executive Assistant, Nancy Williams; Director of Trial Division, Guillermo Gonzalez; Director of Special Prosecutions, Don Clemmer
 Front Row: Director of Operations, Gregg Cox; First Assistant, Mindy Montford; District Attorney, Margaret Moore; Assistant Director of Special Victims Unit, Efrain De La Fuente; Director of Special Victims Unit, Beverly Matthews



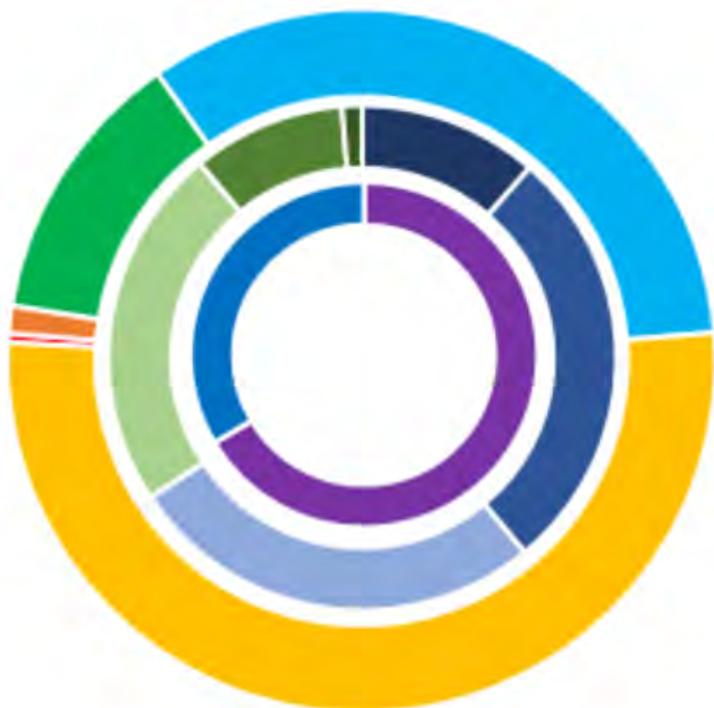
"It shall be the primary duty of all prosecuting attorneys, including any special prosecutors, not to convict, but to see that justice is done." Article 2.01, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure



FY 2019 General Fund Adopted Budget	Amount	% by Category
Personnel (Salaries & Benefits)	\$ 24,393,589	96.8%
Court & Law Enforcement Related	294,825	1.2%
Services	193,947	0.8%
Travel & Professional Development	189,622	0.8%
Supplies & Equipment	115,017	0.4%
Total FY 2019 Adopted Budget	\$ 25,187,000	100.0%
FY 2019 Revised Budget	\$ 25,309,513	100.0%
Less FY 2019 Expenditures	(24,926,584)	-98.5%
FY 2019 Budget Savings	\$ 382,929	1.5%

Employee Spotlight

TCDA has 236 employees that represent all ages, ethnicities and backgrounds. By bringing our diverse skills and experiences together under one roof, TCDA has formed a team of employees that hopes to represent the priorities of the citizens of Travis County.



Outer Ring: Ethnicity

- 33% Hispanic
- 13% Black/Not Hispanic
- 1% Asian or Pacific Islander
- <1% American Indian
- 52% White/Not Hispanic

Middle Ring: Age

- 11% - 20s
- 23% - 50s
- 28% - 30s
- 10% - 60s
- 27% - 40s
- 1% - 70s

Inner Ring: Gender

- 67% Female
- 33% Male

HOW WE WORK FOR YOU

TCDA continues to see an increase in criminal cases filed every year, with a 5-year high in 2019 of 14,377 cases received from local law enforcement. Prosecutors have disposed of more cases each year than we receive, and have been able to accomplish this with fewer indictments, which points to more dismissals, increased diversion efforts, and an effective State Jail Court docket.



Annual Dismissal Rates

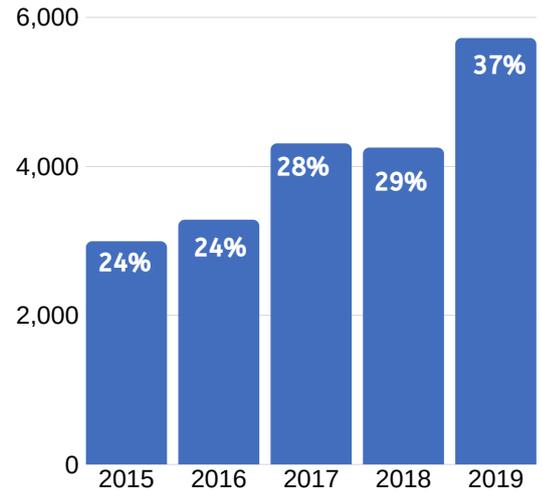
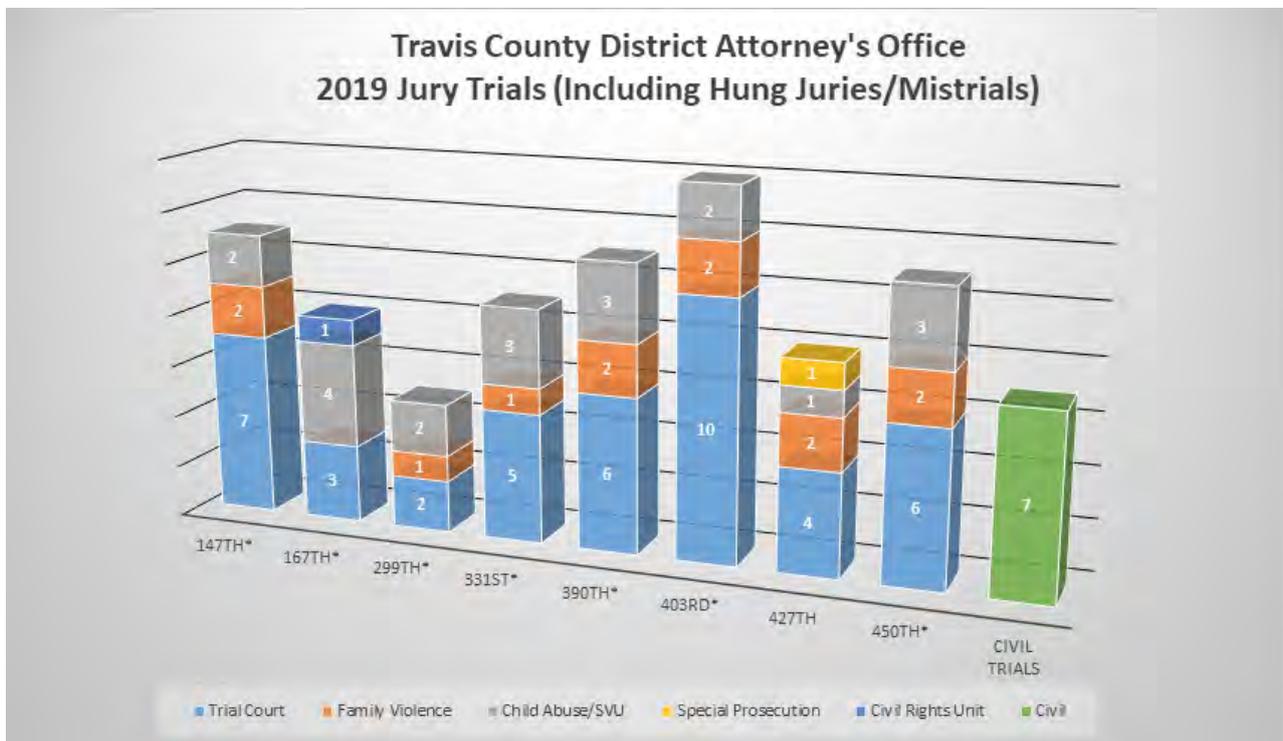


Chart depicts the percentage of dispositions each year that were dismissals.

In 2019, TCDA prosecutors tried 84 jury trials:



Additionally, 32 Bench Trials were held as follows:
 Trial Court - 5; Family Violence - 2; Child Abuse - 2; Civil - 23

*The data includes cases where a trial resulted in a hung jury or a mistrial and the case may have been subsequently retried. Both the initial trial and the retrial are reflected in these numbers. The data also includes trials where the defendant pled after the jury was sworn in.

GRAND JURY AND INTAKE

The Grand Jury and Intake division is the office's front line in screening a majority of cases that local law enforcement agencies file for prosecution. The unit consists of ten experienced prosecutors, an investigator, six legal support staff and a court reporter. These employees are critical to the impaneling of grand juries, the screening of new cases, and ensuring that charging decisions align with the Office's duty to see that justice is done.

66%

A majority of cases referred to TCDA from law enforcement funnel through the Grand Jury Intake Division (66%). In 2019, those cases totaled **8,710**. The remaining 34% funnel through other divisions, including the Special Victim Unit's intake prosecutors and vertical prosecution of homicides and adult sexual assaults.

Out of the 8,710 cases, **15%** were dismissed by Intake prosecutors after an initial case review, totaling 1,341 charges dropped.

1,341

6,708

The Grand Jury returned true bills in 6,708 cases that prosecutors prepared and presented for indictment.



Intake prosecutors Annalee McNelis and Rory Perez collaborating to ensure cases are charged appropriately for presentation to a Grand Jury.



MAJOR CRIMES

Experienced prosecutors are on-call to assist law enforcement by providing legal advice during ongoing investigations involving homicides, public officials, or any multi-victim incidents resulting in serious bodily injury.



Diversions and Specialty Courts

2019 was a great year for our Diversionary Dockets and Specialty Courts; we saw the first full year of the successful State Jail Court docket, continued to divert non-violent offenders through Pre-Trial Diversion and Drug Court, offered support to service-members through the Veteran's Court, transferred appropriate cases to the Mental Health docket, the felony DWI Diversion docket and created a Youthful Offender Diversion docket.

510 defendants served on the Mental Health Docket

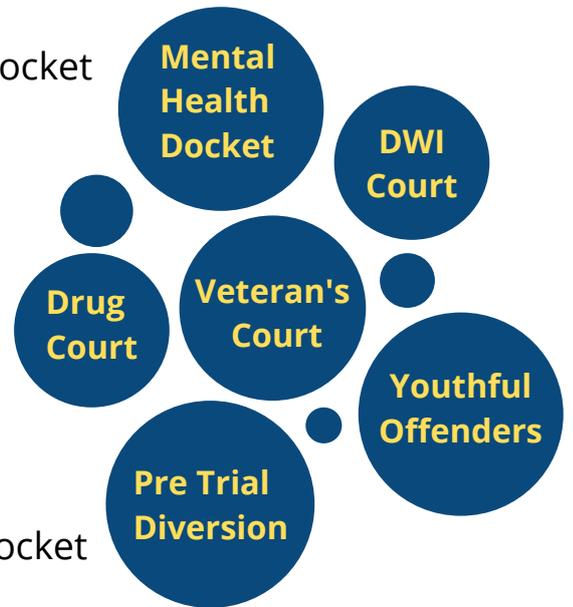
41 defendants served in Drug Court

8 defendants served in Veteran's Court

16 defendants served in DWI Court

337 defendants served in Pre-Trial Diversion

9 defendants served on the Youthful Offender Docket



State Jail Court successful in greatly reducing felony convictions for low-level drug offenders

STATE JAIL COURT YEAR IN REVIEW

On June 1, 2018, the Travis County District Attorney's Office launched its State Jail Court (SJC) program to more effectively address low-level drug and theft-3rd offender cases, offenses which tend to represent public health issues rather than public safety concerns. The program, by moving these cases to a centralized docket, was created to minimize the impact of the criminal justice system on accused individuals, alleviate caseloads in district court and allow trial court prosecutors to focus on crimes that pose a serious public safety risk.

REDUCE FELONY CONVICTIONS FOR NON-VIOLENT CRIMES

Felony convictions carry lifelong consequences. To alleviate the constraints on reentry, DA Moore has reduced 95% of SJC pleas to misdemeanors.



"When I took office, I knew we had to find a way to lessen the impact low-level drug and theft cases were having not only on those racking up those convictions but also on our whole felony court system." –Travis County District Attorney Margaret Moore

State Jail Court June 2018 – May 2019:
 17 SJ felony sentences ↓91.5%
 1 TDC/prison felony sentence ↓95.5%
 7 12.44 (a) felony convictions ↓99.1%
 16 felony pleas to supervision ↓85.5%

TRIAL COURT DIVISION

Lawyers in the Trial Court Section are divided into three-person teams, with each team assigned to handle one of the nine Criminal District Courts. The 27 prosecutors in these teams and their 17-member support staff are among the most experienced and versatile in the office, and prosecute cases from low-level theft to capital murder. In 2019 the Section disposed of approximately **7,800** cases and tried a total of **43** jury trials, including **10** sexual assault trials, **9** homicide trials and **8** aggravated assault trials.



Texas School for the Deaf forensic science students take a picture with DA Margaret Moore and First Assistant Mindy Montford after observing ADAs Josh Somers and Coulter Goodman in closing arguments.

These cases include:

State v Justin Twyne – murder of a local defense attorney by a man he met on-line. Jury imposed a **40-year** prison sentence after trial.

State v Hector Vega Gonzalez – sexual assault of a young woman by a man she had just befriended in the entertainment district. Judge imposed a **15-year** prison sentence after trial.

State v Alexander Holland – murder of a homeless woman. Jury imposed a **55-year** prison sentence after trial.

State v Corey Chandler – sexual assault of a woman who was asleep in her car. Jury imposed a **12-year** prison sentence after trial.

State v. Xavier Lewis – murder of a woman during a robbery attempt as she was leaving a family Christmas celebration. Agreed **50-year** prison sentence imposed after plea of guilty.

A 17 year old young man killed this young girl's 19-year-old brother who was selling marijuana. Jury imposed a **24-year** prison sentence after trial. The young girl drew the thank you pictures below to thank the trial team for their efforts.



APPELLATE

Our five appellate attorneys represent the State in post-conviction litigation, such as appeals from convictions, juvenile adjudications, and judgments terminating parental rights. Because of their broad knowledge of criminal law and skill in legal research and analysis, they also frequently assist other prosecutors with cases that are in the trial and pre-trial stages. In addition, these appellate attorneys sometimes serve as trial-team members in highly complex cases. Last year, one of our appellate attorneys took on the added responsibility of providing legal guidance in all cold-case investigations in Travis County. Among other things, our appellate section did the following in 2019:

- Filed **76** briefs in appellate courts throughout the state and also briefed a case at the U.S. Supreme Court, which later ruled in the State's favor
- Responded in writing to **10** motions filed by defendants seeking post-conviction DNA testing
- Handled **94** cases in which defendants sought habeas-corpus relief, which required our appellate attorneys to participate in several evidentiary hearings
- Participated in pending habeas litigation relating to a defendant who was previously convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death, and also performed various tasks relating to five other Travis County defendants currently on death row
- Provided **806** substantive responses to other prosecutors' requests for assistance



ADAs Nancy Nicolas, Scott Taliaferro, and Rosa Theofanis speak on advanced legal writing to UT Law students.



ADAs Emily Edwards, Rosa Theofanis and Angie Creasy speak to UT Law students about the profession of prosecution.



ADA Rosa Theofanis speaking to fellow lawyers at the Conference on Criminal Appeals.

JUVENILE

The Travis County District Attorney's juvenile prosecutors handle all manner of crimes from Class A & B misdemeanors up to 1st degree felony Capital Murder. These offenses are committed by juveniles between the ages of ten (10) and seventeen (17) years of age.

The Juvenile Justice System operates under the Texas Family Code which recognizes the need for the protection of the public as well as the need to provide treatment, training, and rehabilitation that emphasizes the accountability and responsibility of the juvenile for the juvenile's conduct.

1,386
petitions

8,236
hearings

In 2019, prosecutors in the juvenile division received **2,491** case referrals for juvenile offenders. During the year, prosecutors filed over 1,300 petitions and participated in over 8,000 hearings in their efforts to balance public safety with juvenile rehabilitation and offender accountability.

VEHICULAR CRIMES SPECIAL PROSECUTIONS UNIT

TCDA's VCSP Unit is growing! 2019 saw the addition of a third prosecutor to the team, which now includes ADA s Matt Foye, Allison Tisdale, and Devin Falck. These prosecutors volunteer to take on additional training and education to become specialized in vehicular crimes prosecution. As a team, these ADAs staff, investigate, and prosecute all VCSP cases in the office, in addition to their regularly assigned caseloads.

In 2019, the VCSP Unit received **147** new cases that fall under their purview. **126** cases were disposed of in 2019, and the prosecution of **25** cases resulted in prison sentences for offenders on Texas roads.



ADA Devin Falck with APD Detective Lee Knouse using drone technology to assist with crime screen reconstruction.



ADA Matt Foye attended STARflight training to speak with first responders about testifying in criminal cases.



ADAs Matt Foye and Allison Tisdale holding training for local law enforcement to strengthen investigations of VCSP related offenses.



ADA Matt Foye was the keynote speaker at MADD's 2019 Central Texas Law Enforcement Recognition Ceremony where ACA Carla Cook (also pictured) won Prosecutor of the Year.

"I have definitely seen a change in the attitude from the community about how they view these cases," explained Matthew Foye, an assistant district attorney. Foye heads up the Vehicular Crimes Special Prosecution (VCSP) unit at the Travis County District Attorney's Office. "Everyone realizes there are so many ways to prevent these cases. They're just not going to be tolerated anymore and people who continue to engage in this kind of behavior and cause these fatalities and these devastating serious injury collisions, should be prosecuted and punished under the law," Foye said.

SPECIAL PROSECUTIONS DIVISION

The mission of the Special Prosecutions Division is to investigate public corruption, white collar fraud, environmental crimes, insurance and workers' compensation fraud, and organized crime. Prosecutors and investigators assigned to this division pursue cases involving violations of specialized criminal and civil statutes targeting profit-motivated crime. The division focuses on optimizing the recovery of misappropriated private and public funds and the prosecution of public corruption cases. The division also houses a specialized Human Trafficking unit that collaborates with Central Texas Law Enforcement agencies, and both Federal and State officials in multidisciplinary groups, all targeting Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation.



During the 2019 legislative session, Margaret Moore and her staff worked with district attorneys from around the state to strengthen anti-human trafficking and sexual assault laws while preserving local control over charging decisions in accordance with the Texas Constitution.

white collar crime

In addition to the investigation and prosecution of white collar crimes, this unit also includes the Criminal Enterprise and Trafficking project. In 2019, the unit took in **163** complaints, obtained **42** felony indictments, and secured **23** convictions.

\$1,003,250.49 Restitution ordered to be repaid to victims.

public integrity unit

The Public Integrity Unit investigates public corruption cases, and also includes the Environmental Crimes project. In 2019, the unit received **146** complaints, obtained **39** felony indictments and secured **28** convictions.

\$236,296.76 Restitution ordered to be repaid to victims.

workers' compensation fraud

Working in tandem with law enforcement and using special funding from the state, this unit rights the wrongs of insurance and workers' compensation fraud. In 2019, the unit received **8** complaints, obtained **6** felony indictments and secured **7** convictions.

\$374,497.02 Restitution ordered to be repaid to victims.

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SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT

The Travis County District Attorney's Office's Special Victims Unit is made up of 31 of our most dedicated prosecutors, assisted by 5 investigators and a staff of 18 legal support personnel.



L-R: Sergeant Investigator Manny Fuentes (TCDA), former Assistant Chief Ely Reyes (APD), ADA Monica Flores (TCDA), U.S. Senator John Cornyn, Commander Brian Jones (APD), and Detective Brent Kelly (APD).

U.S. Senator John Cornyn sponsored the CyberTipline Modernization Act of 2018, and on January 23, 2019, local and federal law enforcement agencies and members of the tech industry met at FaceBook's Austin offices to address ways to work together to combat the online sexual exploitation of children.

child abuse unit

TCDA's child abuse unit is staffed with experienced prosecutors who handle cases of physical and sexual abuse against children in Travis County. In 2019, these prosecutors indicted **398** cases, disposed of **410** cases, tried **2** bench trials and **20** jury trials.

If you have cause to believe that a child's welfare has been or may be adversely affected by abuse or neglect, you MUST call the toll-free, 24-hour Texas abuse hotline at 1-800-252-5400.

civil/CPS unit

In 2019, the civil unit, staffed with prosecutors that represent Child Protective Services in cases of parental rights termination and instances wherein the removal of a child from a household is necessary, filed **676** petitions and conducted **344** mediations. Additionally, prosecutors participated in **5,182** hearings, **23** bench trials, and **7** jury trials. These prosecutors are tireless in their advocacy for the child victims of abuse and neglect.

family violence unit

TCDA's family violence unit is charged with prosecuting acts of violence against family members. In 2019, these prosecutors indicted over **900** cases, disposed of **1,244** cases, tried **2** bench trials and **12** jury trials.

If you are a victim of crime needing assistance, you may contact the victim services section directly at (512) 854-9449 or by email at

TCDAVictimServices@traviscountytexas.gov.



L-R: Victim-Witness Counselor Sr., Cynthia Jilote, DA Margaret Moore, Travis County Judge Sarah Eckhardt, and former prosecutor (now County Court 4 Judge) Dimple Malhotra stand together during the proclamation of October 2019 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

sexual assault unit

Staff resources increased in 2019 for the prosecution of adult sexual assault to two prosecutors, a paralegal, an investigator, and two counselors. The unit handles vertical prosecution of adult sexual assault charges filed by law enforcement in Travis County.

13 jury trials

16% of all criminal jury trials were adult sexual assault cases.

I can't thank you enough for all of your hard work. It is extremely difficult for me to express how grateful I am, but I want you to know that you have changed my life. You were the first lawyer where I finally felt like I had a team. You helped me see this through.

I know I'm not the first or the last person to ever have something terrible happen to them. I know I'm not your first or last client who has been raped, but what you and everyone else did has given me back my life, my sanity, and my faith that good people still exist in this world. I'm glad I didn't commit suicide. Had I done so, I would have never found peace. Thank you.

In 2019, prosecutors tried a serial rapist for a sexual assault committed in Travis County. During the investigation, a victim in Houston was identified, and both victims testified at trial. After a guilty verdict, the defendant was sentenced to 40 years in prison. The victim wrote this letter (left) thanking the trial team. After the trial, the victim finished school and has since become a nurse, helping others through her daily work.



Pflugerville Police Chief Jessica Robledo was elected chair of the ISAT Executive Committee on Jan. 11, 2019. She is pictured on the left, next to DA Margaret Moore and Travis County Sheriff Sally Hernandez.

Interagency Sexual Assault Team

The District Attorney's Office partners with local police departments, probation officials, representatives of local and state labs, as well as SAFE Alliance to increase the effectiveness of this community's systemic response to adult sexual assaults.

**512
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SAFE**

get help now

If you or anyone you know has been the victim of abuse, you can call the 24-hour SAFeline at 512-267-7233 or text 737-888-7233. You can also get help at 1515 Grove Blvd, Building A, in Austin, TX from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. <https://www.safeaustin.org/>

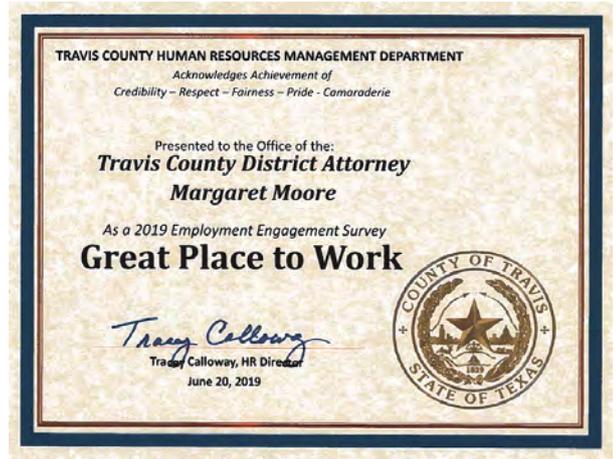
Thank you so much for the work and commitment you put into getting a great outcome on the Aguilar-Estrada case. We are so encouraged to see survivors supported through cases like this, DNA results used, and sentencing that provides both justice for the survivor and increased safety to the public.

We know your job is not easy. Thank you for doing it! And please pass on our gratitude to anyone on your team during this case, who also worked to bring this outcome.

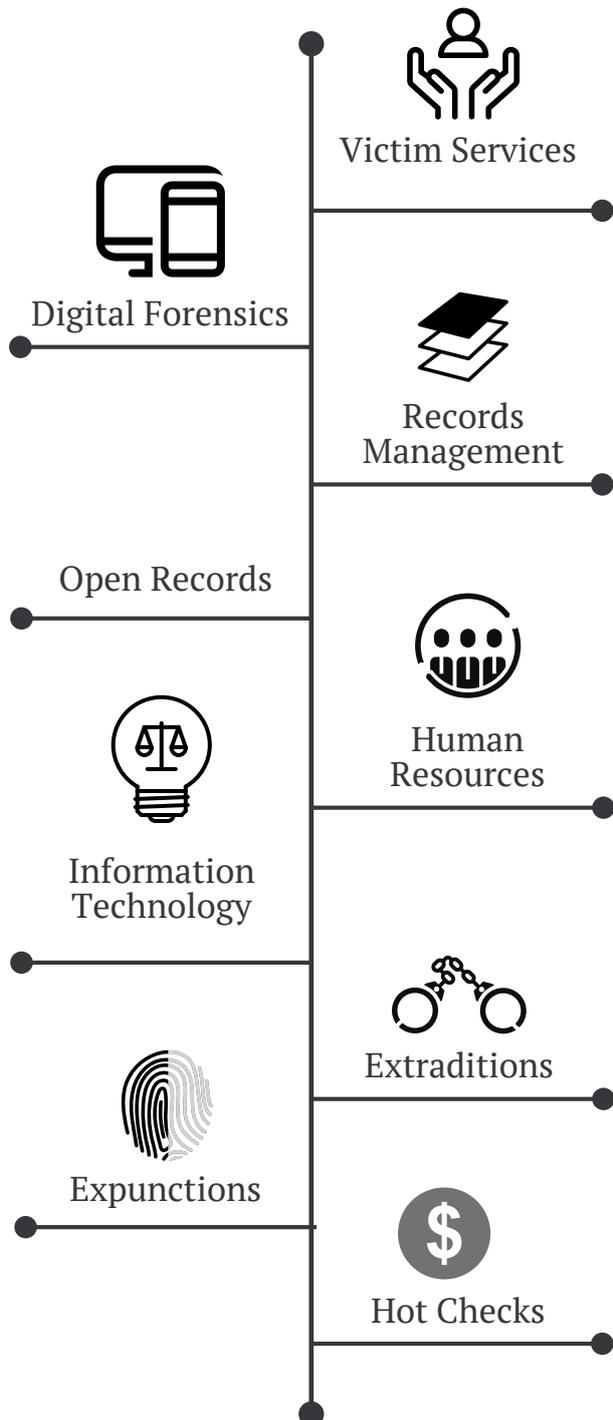
Juliana Gonzales
& SAFE Alliance

OPERATIONS

This division provides the management infrastructure to support the efficient administration of our legal responsibilities. This includes financial and administrative support, records management, information technology, and fulfilling the office's responsibilities under public information laws. The division also includes the victim services section and the digital forensics laboratory.



County employees in 2019 voted TCDA a "Great Place to Work!"



14 victim-witness counselors, supported by 2 legal secretaries and an interpreter, help victims and witnesses navigate the criminal justice system

13,091 cases referred from local law enforcement agencies across the county in 2019.

325 Open Records Requests wherein TCDA provided information to the public.

236 employees working tirelessly to seek justice for Travis County.

42 extraditions processed, bringing absconding Travis County offenders back to face justice

579 processed applications for expunction and non-disclosures.

\$376,891 restitution collected for the victims in hot check cases.

INVESTIGATIONS

In 2019 the Investigative Division assisted in gathering evidence and securing witnesses in numerous high profile cases. The Investigative Unit assisted in the investigation and later arrest of a defendant who made several threats on members of the Travis County Judicial System.

During 2019 the Investigations Division added two new positions to its team. One of the new positions is assigned to support to the Adult Sex Crimes Unit.

2019 marked the end of the two year training cycle for the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. All investigators in the Division reached a 100% compliance rate and satisfied their State of Texas Peace Officer licensing mandate.

In a constant effort to be the most professional unit in the state, the Investigative Division hosted a training known as "Beyond Google." Coordinated through the National Criminal Justice Training Center, this training was made available throughout the country. During this training investigators learned to use a variety of social media platforms to enhance investigative techniques.



Investigator Todd Bircher performing with APD Pipes & Drums in the 9/11 memorial at the Texas Capitol.



Chief Norris McKenzie (center) and Lieutenant Lori Carter (front, far right) with their unit of 23 investigators.

PLANNING

TCDA's executive team meets weekly to promote short-term planning and meets biannually to support long-term, strategic planning objectives. Two planners work closely with a business analyst to provide data, program analysis, and help guide strategy and policy within the office.

IT resources, training, and an investment in Qlik software has armed the office with more information, and helped provide transparency to the community through an updated website.

<https://www.traviscountytx.gov/district-attorney>

CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT

In 2019, the Civil Rights Unit continued its practice of responding to every officer involved shooting incident in Travis County and investigating each of these incidents to determine whether the shooting was justified under Texas

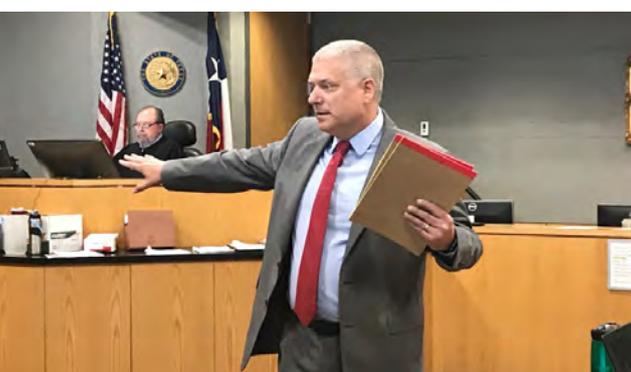
law. In keeping with its practice of publicly releasing comprehensive reports, the Civil Rights Unit released **4** declination letters involving **17** officers involved in shooting incidents in Travis County in 2019. In the single officer involved shooting that the Civil Rights Unit brought to the Grand Jury, the Grand Jury chose not to issue an indictment. Declination letters can be reviewed here: <https://www.traviscountytexas.gov/district-attorney/office-divisions/civil-rights/cru>

The Civil Rights Unit continued its commitment to the investigation and prosecution of non-shooting use of force incidents. In 2019, the Civil Rights Unit took to trial an Austin peace officer/firefighter indicted for the sexual assault of a Travis County resident while on duty and committing perjury before a Travis County grand jury.

The Civil Rights Unit also continued its commitment to its Civil Rights Advisory Council by meeting on three separate occasions in which the Civil Rights Unit reported on matters related to its scope of work and solicited input on matters related to the work the Civil Rights Unit performs on a daily basis.

CONVICTION INTEGRITY UNIT

The Conviction Integrity Unit continued its review of cases from the Austin Police Department DNA lab. The Unit reviewed **803** cases in 2019 to determine whether DNA evidence may have affected the outcome of the case and whether the case should be sent to the University of North Texas (UNT) for evaluation. The Unit will next reevaluate those cases where DNA may have played a role in order to



Prosecutor Mark Pryor during the 2019 trial of Marcus Reed, an Austin firefighter convicted of Official Oppression and Aggravated Perjury. Photo credit to KXAN, reprinted with permission.



CRU team members L-R: Legal Secretary Isabella Hernandez, ADA John Lopez, Director Dexter Gilford, ADA John Castro and Paralegal Steven Darden.

prioritize cases for review by the University of North Texas – Center for Human Identification. The Unit is working with the Forensic Project of the Capital Area Private Defenders Services to determine next steps for cases where prior analysis produced results that were favorable to the defendant. In addition to the DNA cases, the CIU received **13** new requests for actual innocence review of convictions from defendants. Of these, three were referred to other counties. The remaining cases were either resolved without further action or were still pending further investigation.

DIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Director of Diversity and Community Engagement is a liaison with community leaders, non-profit agencies, neighborhood associations, and other groups within and around Travis County. The Director also plays an active role in the recruitment of law students and attorneys for potential employment opportunities within the DA's Office with an emphasis on diverse backgrounds, ethnicities, and life experiences.



In 2019, the Travis County District Attorney partnered with the Travis County Attorney's Office and the Travis County District Clerk to collaboratively plan the first annual Travis County Expunction Expo. After months of planning, the Expunction Expo will provide free legal services to Travis County residents in a proactive effort to help qualified citizens clear their criminal histories.

<https://www.traviscountytexas.gov/district-clerk/expunction-expo>

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EXPUNCTION
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TCDA Margaret Moore with the 2019 Summer Interns from five area high schools after their mock trial presentation. Pictured from left to right are Nora Boumaraf (Austin Peace Academy), Aadesh Thirukonda (Westwood High School), Jeffrey Vancil (John B Connally High School), Lorenzo Mucci (Austin High School), and Keji Jurkin (Ann Richards School).



On October 18th, 2019, DA Moore hosted the second meeting of the State Sexual Assault Roundtable. Moore convened the Roundtable to provide prosecutors from around the state a forum to discuss legislation and prosecution efforts related to adult sexual assaults. Members attend from TDCOA, Bexar, Brazos, Collin, Dallas El Paso, Harris, McLennan, Tarrant and Travis County.



National Night Out in October 2019, TCDA Margaret Moore "riding along" with APD and Chief Manley while visiting neighbors across the city.



Senator Kirk Watson, First Assistant Mindy Montford, DA Moore and District Court Judge Julie Kocurek at the Future of Care Luncheon in April 2019.



Investigators Todd Bircher and Dawn Galindo with prosecutors Angie Creasy and Bernard Ammerman training local law enforcement in August about the prosecution of motor fuel tax fraud cases.



ADA Rosa Theofanis visits with middle schoolers about careers in prosecution.



DA Margaret Moore meeting with members of the community outside municipal court during National Night Out.



DA Margaret Moore, with First Assistant Mindy Montford, speaking with employees of NXP Semiconductors at their Women's Leadership Team luncheon in May.



District Attorney Margaret Moore had the opportunity to visit with members of the pre-law fraternity Phi Alpha Delta in April.



Prosecutor Andrew Rountree was commissioned in January of 2019 as a 1st Lieutenant in the JAG Corps of the US Army Reserves.



Prosecutors Amy Meredith, Joe O'Neill, Josh Somers and Dayna Blazey attending the May 2019 ABA and AYL A Bench Bar Conference.



APD Assistant Chief Troy Gay with DA Margaret Moore handing out prizes at Safe Horns Night Out event in October 2019.



Prosecutor John Hunt, pictured with his children, was promoted to Captain in the US Navy in November 2019. Hunt is the prosecutor assigned to the Travis County Veteran's Court.



Prosecutor Bianca Garcia was awarded the Hispanic Advocates Business Leaders of Austin from Orgullo Latina Community Award.



Travis County Clerk Dana Debeauvoir, ACC Trustee Gigi Bryant, DA Moore and Travis County Sheriff Sally Hernandez after early voting in October 2019.

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"This building is where justice is to be done. That makes it a sacred place. Justice is the highest expression of the human spirit. It calls us to be better than we are. We may all hope that we honor that call."

-Ronald Earle, former Travis County
District Attorney