

Legal Financial Obligations Survey

Court Name _____

This court aims to serve the best interests of both you and the public. Your feedback will help us do so. Please know that your responses are confidential. Nothing you say will be tied to your case. Your answers will not affect the actions of the court in your case now or in the future.

Section 1: About Your Court Hearing

	Circle the number				
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. The judge listened to my side of the story before deciding the method of satisfying my fine/fees.	1	2	3	4	5
2. I was treated the same as everyone else.	1	2	3	4	5
3. I got a chance to tell the judge about my ability to pay fines and fees.	1	2	3	4	5
4. The judge made a fair and impartial decision about fines and fees related to my case, based on the facts.	1	2	3	4	5
5. As I leave the court, I know what to do next with respect to my obligation to pay any fines and fees.	1	2	3	4	5

Section 2: About You and Your Case

What type of case brought you to court today?

- ☐ Traffic (examples: speeding, running a stop sign, driving without insurance)
☐ Non-traffic misdemeanor (examples: theft, assault)
☐ City ordinance violation (Example: excessive noise)
☐ Alcohol-related offense
☐ I don't know

The total amount in fees and fines you are required to pay as you leave today is:

- ☐ None, all fines and fees were waived
☐ Less than \$100
☐ Between \$100 and \$500
☐ Greater than \$500
☐ I am not sure

If you were not able to pay in full on the day of your hearing, please indicate which were ordered in your case:

- ☐ Installment Payment plan or extension of time to pay
☐ Community service
☐ Waiver of fines, fees and costs

Please circle your answer

- Yes No
 Yes No
 Yes No

What is your gender?

- ☐ Male
☐ Female

How often are you typically in this court?

- ☐ First time in this court
☐ Once a year or less
☐ Several times a year
☐ Regularly

How do you identify yourself?

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
☐ Asian
☐ Black or African American
☐ Hispanic or Latino
☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
☐ White
☐ Multiracial/multiethnic
☐ Other: _____

