Understanding JUVENILE Court Fees/Costs and Restitution

Misdemeanor Case (not VOP)

\$50 PD Application Fee **\$50** Court cost **\$50** Cost of Prosecution Fee (*min.*) **\$50** Cost of Representation Fee

*\$20 fine only if adjudicated (775.083(2))

VOP on Misdemeanor

\$50 PD Application Fee **\$50** Cost of Prosecution Fee **\$50** Cost of Representation Fee

*\$20 fine only if adjudicated (775.083(2))

Felony Case (not VOP)

\$50 PD Application Fee \$50 Court cost \$100 Cost of Prosecution Fee (*min.*) \$100 Cost of Representation Fee

*\$50 fine only if adjudicated (775.083(2))

VOP on Felony

\$50 PD Application Fee **\$100** Cost of Prosecution Fee **\$100** Cost of Representation Fee

*\$50 fine only if adjudicated (775.083(2))

COSTS ABOVE ARE PER EACH CASE

(minimum cost per case)

For Felony sex offenses, additional fees may be applied

Am I Indigent?

Decided by the Clerk, based on an application that you/guardian completes at Court. If the income is equal to or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines = indigent

What Happens When I Don't Pay?

*Court fees/costs remain on your case; could impact future financial situations, including buying a car/house

*Restitution remains on your case; could impact future financial situations, including buying a car or house

*You could end up with a Civil Restitution Order - monies are removed from the juvenile case but held against you in a Civil Order; could impact future financial situations

• What If I Am In Foster Care?

You are still responsible for the fees unless you parents' rights have been terminated. In that case, DCF or ChildNet is responsible for payment

What Else Can I Do If I Cannot Pav?

Speak with your attorney about the possibility of completing community service to pay down court costs/fees

For additional information, to make payments or set up a payment plan, contact the Palm Beach County Clerk - Unified Family Court Division: (561) 355-6511