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Municipal Court Fees and Fines Monthly Collection and Activities Report



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RE: Delinquent Municipal Court Fees & Fines Collection & Activities Report

Mr. Milum,

We are pleased to present this report for the month of October 2024 summarizing the delinquent municipal court fees and fines services we have provided the City of Los Fresnos. Our report includes collection results based upon monthly upload files provided by the City; along with collection activities we have initiated to maximize the City's recoveries from delinquent municipal court fees and fines. Our comprehensive collection program continues to produce positive results for the City, while serving the debtors who owe money to the City.

There is a difference between a collection company and a collection law firm. As a law firm that solely focuses on collections for governmental entities, Linebarger recognizes there is more to the court system than basic collection services. Linebarger's mailing notices and phone outreach do more than just simply demand payment—the notices seek to achieve case resolution for the Court. Each case has an ultimate disposition, whether it is monetary or non-monetary resolution.

Our team of professionals remain focused on delivering services with the high degree of excellence that you have come to expect from our firm. If at any time you, the Council, or other administrative personnel have any questions about this report or the services we provide the City, please contact us.

Kindest regards,



Jeffrey M. Garcia
Partner

Cc: City of Los Fresnos, Municipal Court

Collections & Activity Summary

Collection Disposition Summary - October 2024	
Citations Assigned	305
Amount Assigned	\$97,998
Citations Collected	88
Amount Collected	\$20,436
Citations Cancelled	43
Amount Cancelled	\$11,896
Citations Resolved	131
Amount Resolved	\$32,332

Collection Disposition Summary - Contract to Date	
Citations Assigned	53,734
Amount Assigned	\$14,292,565
Citations Adjusted	21,464
Amount Adjusted	(\$3,312,283)
Citations Collected	23,987
Amount Collected	\$5,495,093
Citations Cancelled	3,200
Amount Cancelled	\$742,499
Citations Resolved	27,187
Amount Resolved	\$6,237,592
Dollar Resolution Rate	66.8%

Collection Activity - October 2024		
Letters		657
Address/Phone Updated		642
Phone Activity	Inbound	67
	Outbound	1,184

Collection Activity - Contract to Date		
Letters		138,805
Address/Phone Updated		34,814
Phone Activity	Inbound	11,484
	Outbound	237,585

Status of Open Accounts

Status	Count	Amount
ACT - Active Account	15,179	\$4,439,099
ATT - Attorney Contact Only	8	\$2,241
DEC - Deceased. No Estate Or Beyond Claim	58	\$16,828
DIS - Dispute	4	\$889
INC - Incarcerated	68	\$19,044
PAY - Payment Plan In Effect.	2	\$508
PRM - Promise Payment	121	\$31,810
PTC - Paid To Client	1	\$121
REF - Refuse To Pay	3	\$365
SKP - Skiptracing For Phone	3	\$796
SWC - Stop Work Per Client	1,022	\$272,362
Total	16,469	\$4,784,064

Monthly Collection Activity Last 24 Months

Year	Month	Letters Mailed	Address/Phone Updated	Phone Activity		Dollars Collected
				Inbound	Outbound	
2024	October	657	642	67	1,184	\$20,436
	September	0	164	38	2,035	\$28,475
	August	3,652	229	78	933	\$17,990
	July	816	484	5	816	\$26,518
	June	592	237	23	545	\$29,690
	May	248	166	25	66	\$31,555
	April	636	80	44	647	\$42,024
	March	312	245	49	568	\$41,311
	February	3,691	177	47	333	\$27,005
	January	257	416	21	679	\$21,680
2023	December	731	60	32	1,016	\$23,516
	November	143	418	32	1,421	\$16,259
	October	1,713	190	44	657	\$48,942
	September	3,409	194	80	822	\$0
	August	1,317	586	23	1,041	\$13,857
	July	0	179	16	978	\$22,549
	June	188	234	22	956	\$28,596
	May	1,459	853	23	583	\$22,852
	April	145	189	9	855	\$53,875
	March	324	154	32	708	\$11,077
	February	5,017	139	72	297	\$8,809
	January	0	0	1	0	\$0
2022	December	0	10	2	306	\$0
	November	0	102	17	177	\$25,264
	October	4,521	141	50	178	\$26,316
Total*		29,828	6,289	852	17,801	\$588,595

***Total Amounts noted represent the last 24 months & not contract to date.**

Placement Activity Summary Contract to Date								
Year	Month	Count #	Orig Placement \$	Cancelled \$	Adjustment \$	Net Placement \$	Collected \$	Collected %
2024 Summary	October	305	\$97,998	\$0	\$0	\$97,998	\$0	0.00%
	September	158	\$50,604	\$1,032	(\$144)	\$49,427	\$751	1.52%
	August	110	\$36,261	\$0	\$0	\$36,261	\$308	0.85%
	July	157	\$49,505	\$433	(\$796)	\$48,276	\$2,886	5.98%
	June	166	\$53,877	\$2,710	(\$1,306)	\$49,861	\$1,704	3.42%
	May	238	\$75,651	\$2,669	(\$77)	\$72,905	\$8,160	11.19%
	April	166	\$53,310	\$2,981	(\$32)	\$50,297	\$6,375	12.67%
	March	796	\$194,578	\$4,254	\$132	\$190,456	\$12,199	6.41%
	February	206	\$65,718	\$2,179	\$205	\$63,744	\$15,060	23.63%
	January	68	\$22,268	\$1,086	(\$650)	\$20,531	\$2,356	11.48%
		2,370	\$699,770	\$17,345	(\$2,669)	\$679,757	\$49,799	7.33%
2023 Summary	December	104	\$32,618	\$1,122	(\$631)	\$30,866	\$4,165	13.49%
	November	292	\$90,545	\$1,534	(\$732)	\$88,279	\$6,357	7.20%
	October	100	\$29,804	\$496	(\$541)	\$28,767	\$3,443	11.97%
	September	257	\$81,608	\$2,877	(\$1,621)	\$77,109	\$9,826	12.74%
	August	64	\$20,856	\$0	(\$534)	\$20,322	\$3,599	17.71%
	July	173	\$48,598	\$1,067	(\$947)	\$46,584	\$11,143	23.92%
	June	104	\$28,274	\$308	(\$244)	\$27,722	\$3,907	14.09%
	May	101	\$29,405	\$0	(\$280)	\$29,125	\$4,350	14.93%
	April	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
	March	237	\$73,215	\$2,520	(\$501)	\$70,194	\$7,855	11.19%
	February	969	\$281,129	\$72,715	\$21,433	\$229,847	\$36,624	15.93%
January	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
		2,401	\$716,050	\$82,639	\$15,402	\$648,813	\$91,268	14.07%
2022 Summary	December	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
	November	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
	October	248	\$78,430	\$1,152	(\$1,680)	\$75,599	\$14,761	19.52%
		2,832	\$889,728	\$17,706	(\$44,289)	\$827,732	\$200,534	24.23%
2021 Summary		4,400	\$1,387,497	\$22,986	(\$58,033)	\$1,306,478	\$325,130	24.89%
2020 Summary		1,423	\$397,308	\$5,121	(\$28,719)	\$363,469	\$154,666	42.55%
2019 Summary		3,101	\$899,242	\$6,303	(\$84,082)	\$808,857	\$316,110	39.08%
Prior Years		37,207	\$9,302,970	\$590,399	(\$3,104,671)	\$5,607,900	\$4,320,593	77.04%

Delinquent Fees & Fines Cumulative Collections

