

## Post-Adjudication Real Estate Update

DCS has provided commission staff with an update on the expected completion dates for the Wilder and Woodland Hills facilities.

- Wilder facilities: expected in March 2029
- Woodland Hills facility: expected in February 2029.

These dates will be updated in the final version of the report presented at the next commission meeting.

### Pre- and Post-Adjudication Costs

Type of Facility	Description	Cost (per child, per day) rounded to the dollar
<b>Pre-Adjudication Detention</b>		
Juvenile Detention Center— Cost to Operate	The amount that local governments pay to operate the facility, including staffing, medical treatment, food, etc.	\$200–\$450
Juvenile Detention Center— Contracted Rates	The amount that local governments charge others to temporarily house pre-adjudicated youth.	\$120–\$267
<b>Post-Adjudication Detention</b>		
Privately-operated Staff Secure Facilities—Contracted Rates	The amount that DCS pays a private provider for their services at a staff secure facility.	\$393
Privately-operated Hardware Secure Facilities—Contracted Rates	The amount that DCS pays a private provider for their services at a hardware secure facility.	\$602
State-operated Staff Secure Facility	The amount that DCS spends to operate the only state-operated staff secure facility currently in the state.	\$1,409
Primary Assessment Center— Contracted Rates	The amount that DCS pays a private provider for their services at one of five primary assessment centers in the state.	\$615

Juvenile Detention Center— Post-Adjudication Placement	The amount that DCS pays local governments to temporarily house post-adjudicated youth.	\$187
<b>Alternative to Detention</b>		
Juvenile Justice Reform Grant-funded Programs	The average, estimated cost of JJR grant-funded programs throughout the state.	\$44

Source: Emails from Frank Mix, executive director, Department of Children’s Services Office of Network Development, June 12, 2025; Mark Anderson, director, Division of Quality Compliance, Department of Children’s Services Office of Child Welfare Licensing, June 5, 2025; Elizabeth Reeve, director of juvenile justice programing, Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, October 17, 2025; and Tausha Alexander, partner, MNA Government Relations, October 23, 2025; testimony at commission meeting by Sheila Calloway, juvenile court judge, Davidson County, September 18, 2025; data from the Tennessee Conference of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; and Office of Juvenile Justice 2025.