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ANNUAL LITIGATION REPORT

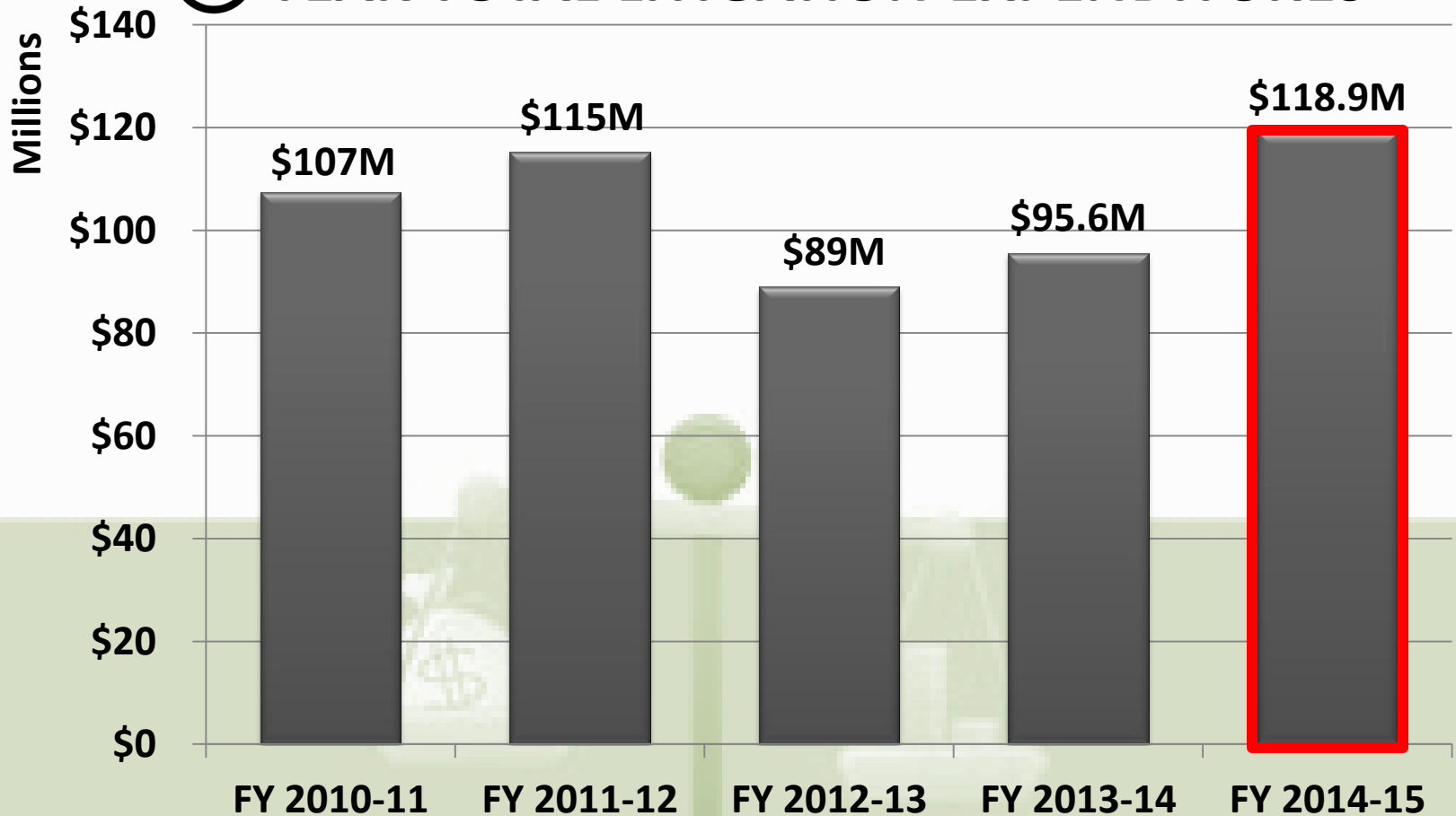
FY 2014-15

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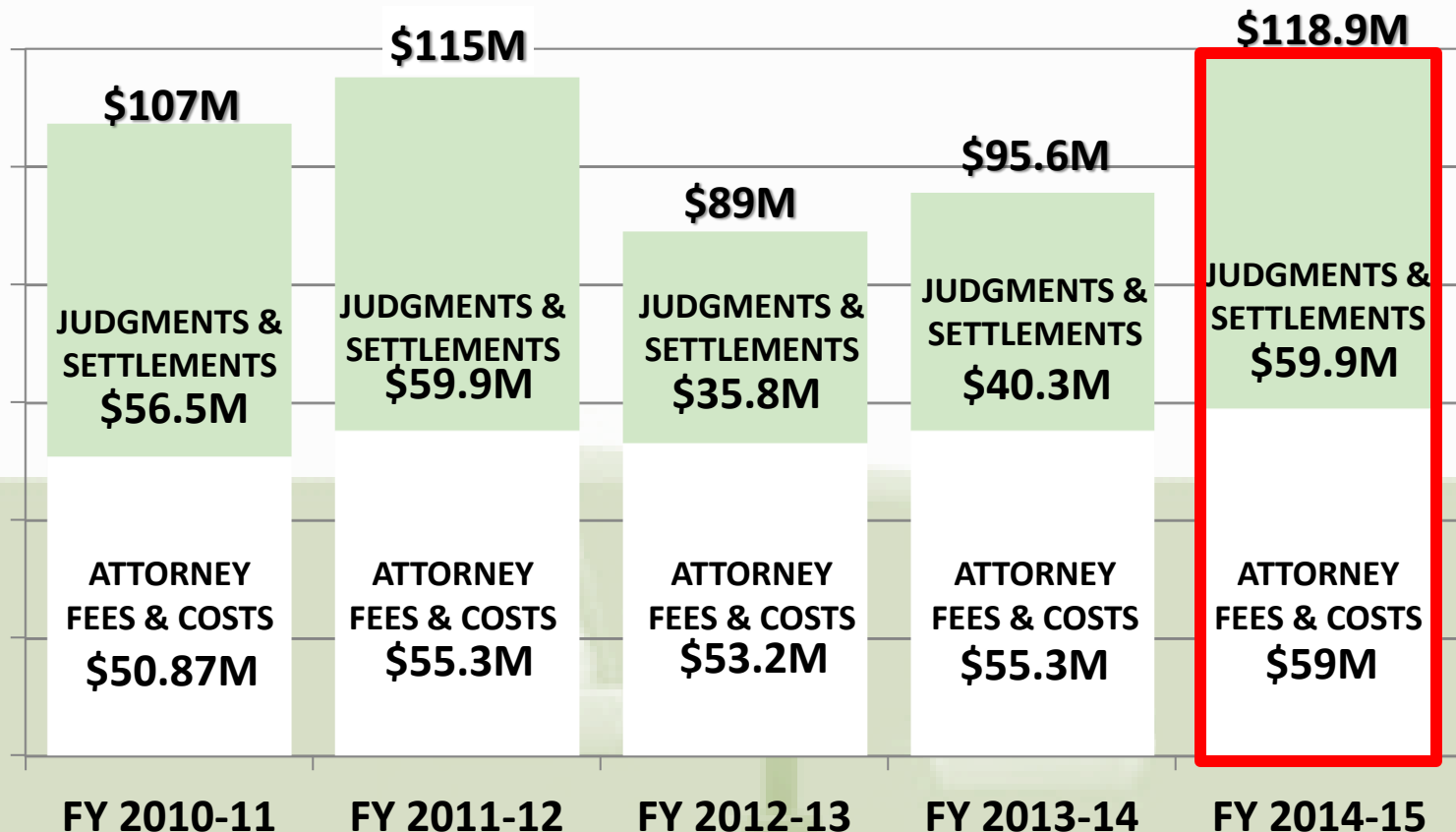
⑤ YEAR TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENDITURES



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COMPONENTS OF OVERALL LITIGATION EXPENSES

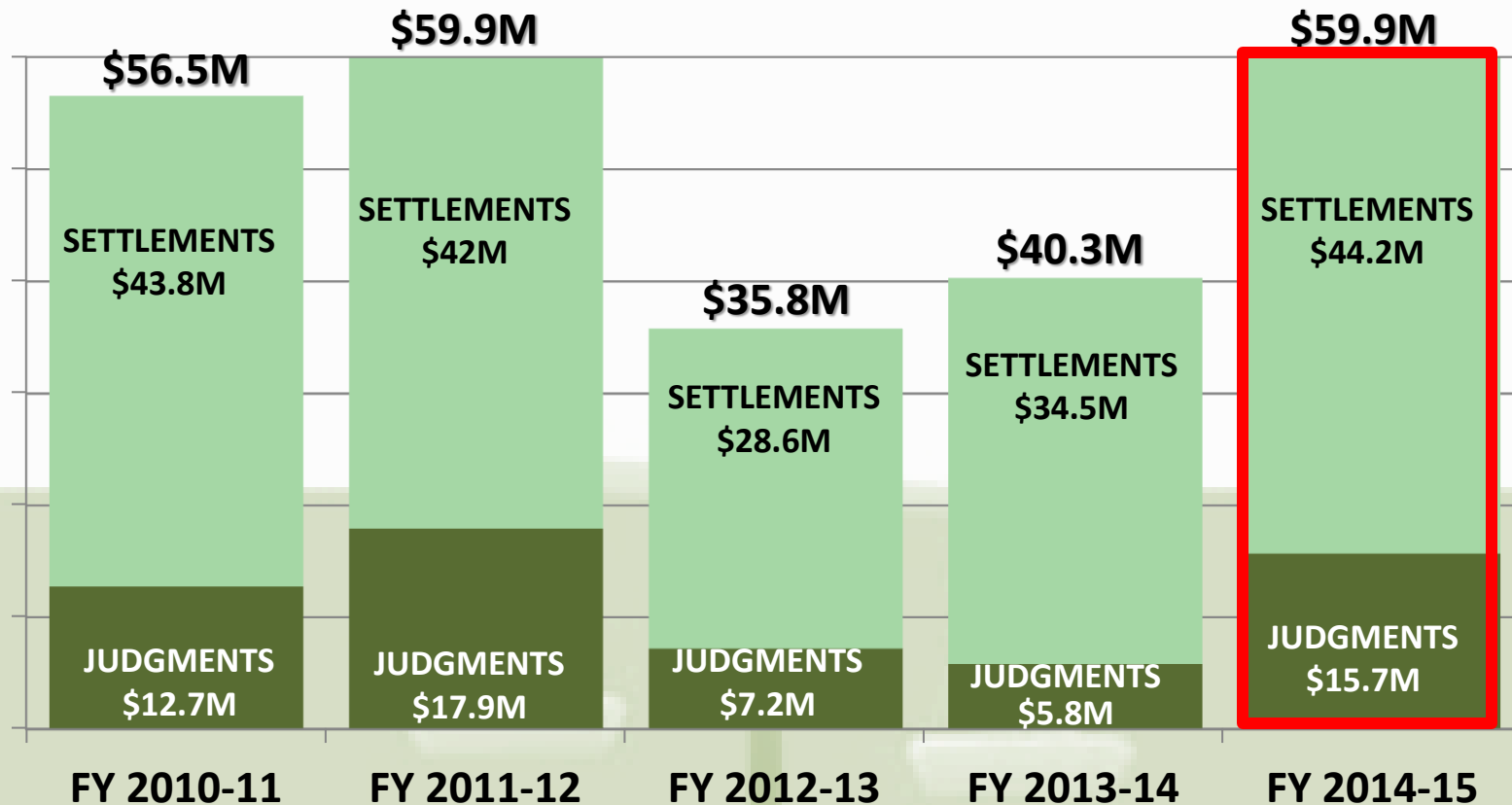
FY 2010-11 thru FY 2014-15



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JUDGMENTS & SETTLEMENTS

FY 2010-11 thru FY 2014-15



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SETTLEMENTS OVER \$1 MILLION

<div><i>De La Trinidad</i> \$5.3M Sheriff Excessive Force Shooting</div>	
<div><i>Malone</i> \$4.5M Delay/Failure to Treat Failure to Diagnose</div>	<div><i>Johnson</i> \$4M Sheriff Custody Failure to Protect</div>
<div><i>Perez</i> \$1.65M DHS-LAC+USC Delayed Treatment</div>	<div><i>Cabrales</i> \$1.5M Sheriff Excessive Force Shooting</div>
<div><i>Castillo</i> \$1.5M DHS-LAC+USC Negligent Surgery</div>	<div><i>Marshall</i> \$1.2M Probation Camp Miller Failure to Protect</div>

**FY 2014-15
SETTLEMENTS
\$44.2M**

The seven settlements
that exceeded \$1
million represent **45%**
of all settlements paid.

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JUDGMENTS OVER \$1 MILLION FY 2014-15

**FY 2014-15
JUDGMENTS
\$15.7M**

The five judgments
that exceeded
\$1 million represent
90% of all
judgments paid.

Thomas

\$6,000,000

Sheriff

Excessive Force

Shooting

Hager

\$3,098,662

Sheriff

Employment

Wrongful Termination

Tulcey

\$1,900,000

Sheriff

Excessive Force

Battery

Dugan

\$1,635,000

Sheriff

Excessive Force

Battery

Abyane

\$1,490,000

DCFS

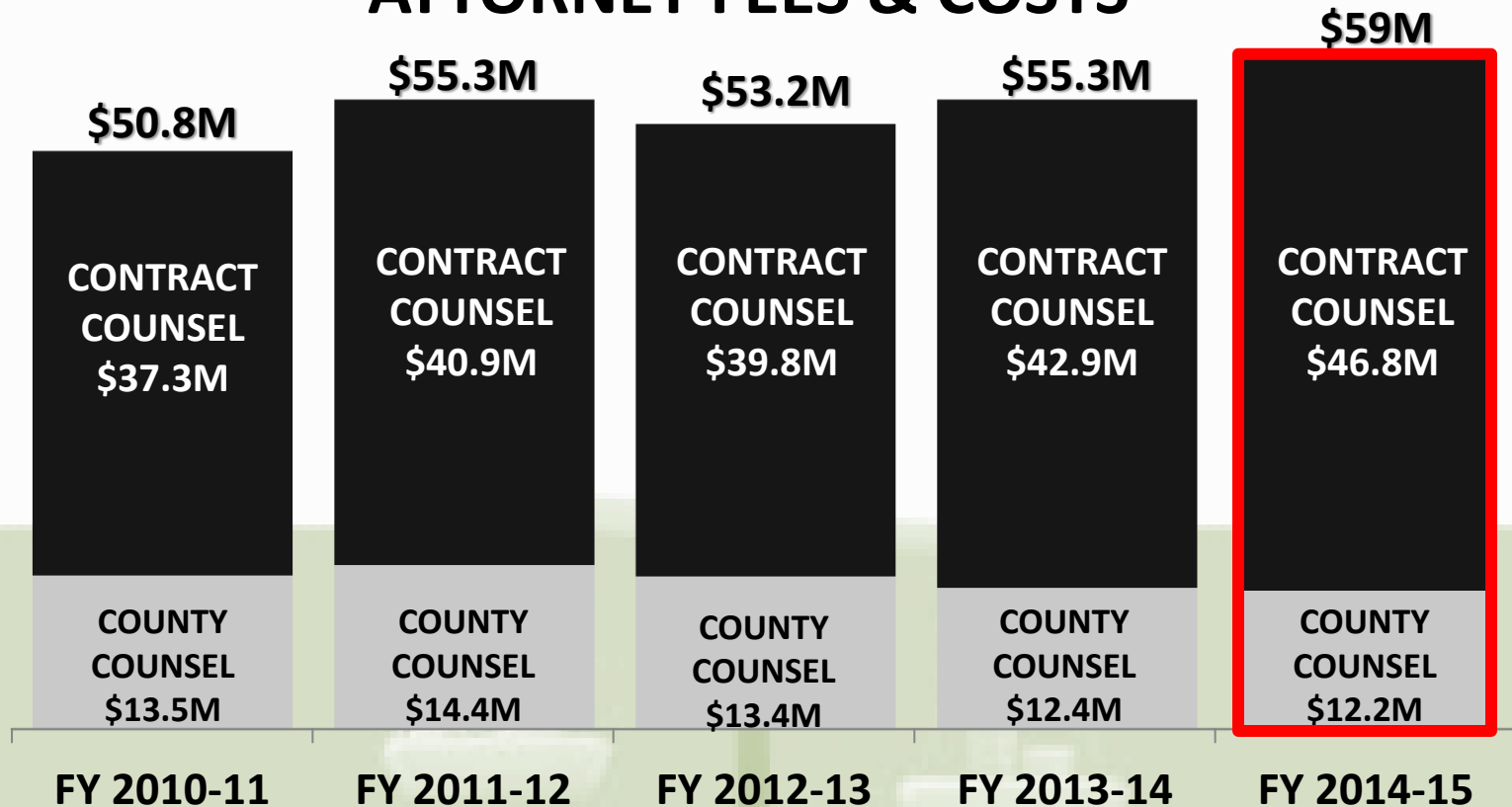
Employment

Wrongful Termination

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CONTRACT COUNSEL & COUNTY COUNSEL

ATTORNEY FEES & COSTS



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TOP ⑥ DEPARTMENTS



\$61M



Health Services
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

\$18.9M



\$7.2M



Department of Children
and Family Services

\$7.2M



\$4.2M



\$2.4M

\$100.9M

85% of the County's Total Litigation
Expenditures for FY 2014-15

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TWO-YEAR LITIGATION EXPENDITURES FOR TOP ⑥ DEPARTMENTS

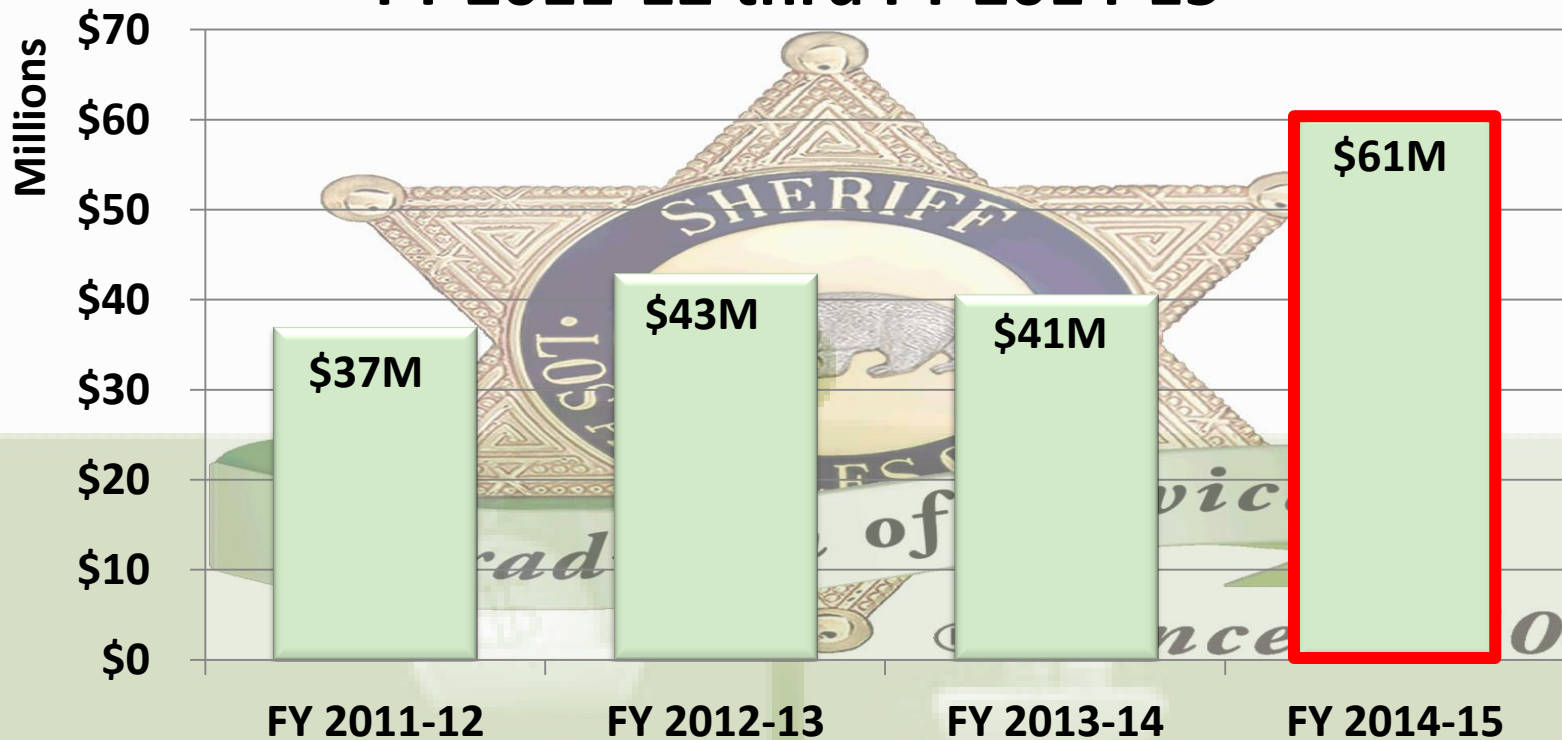
DEPARTMENTS	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	(\$) CHANGE	
Sheriff	\$41M	\$61M	↑	\$20M
Health Services	\$20.8M	\$18.9M	↓	\$(1.9)M
Public Works	\$5.8M	\$7.2M	↑	\$1.4M
Children and Family Services	\$4.2M	\$7.2M	↑	\$3M
Probation	\$2.3M	\$4.2M	↑	\$1.9M
Fire	\$4.9M	\$2.4M	↓	\$(2.5)M

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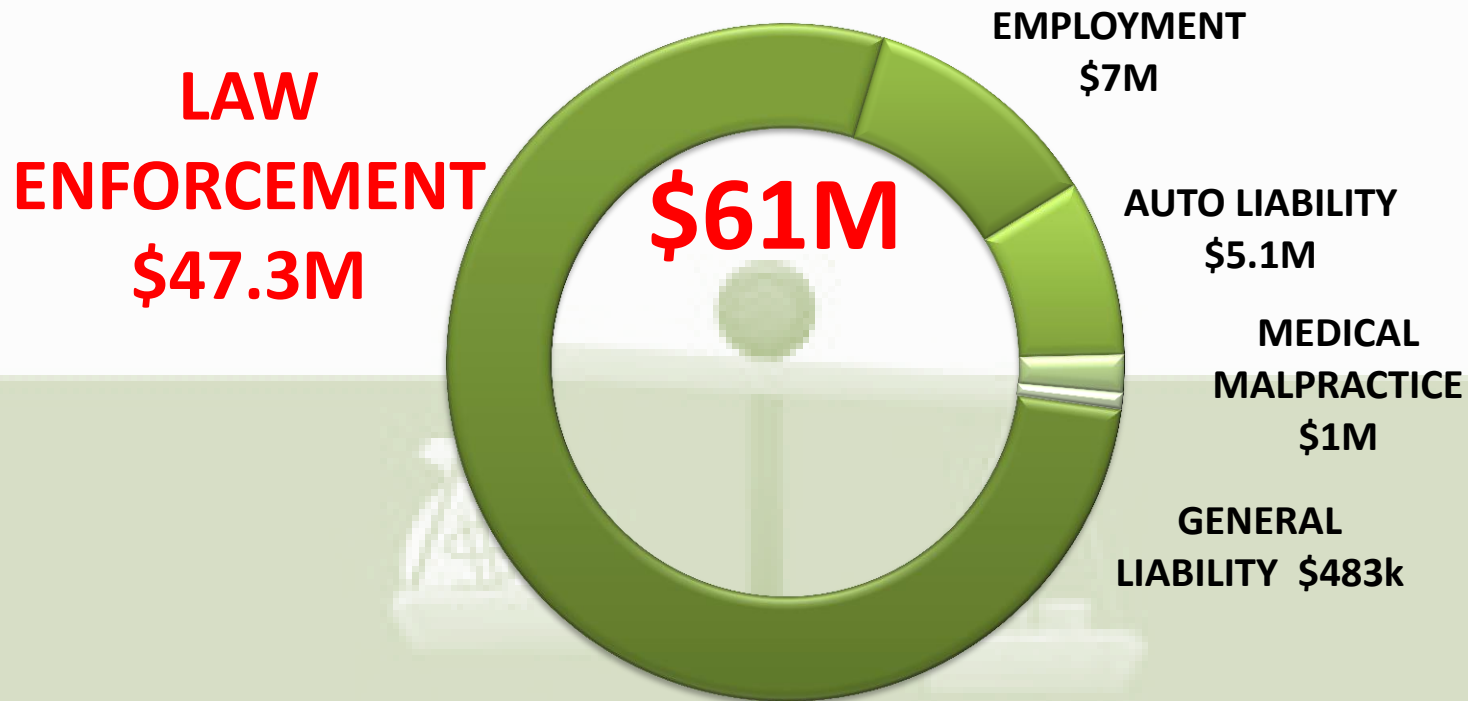
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LITIGATION EXPENSES

BY CASE TYPE FY 2014-15

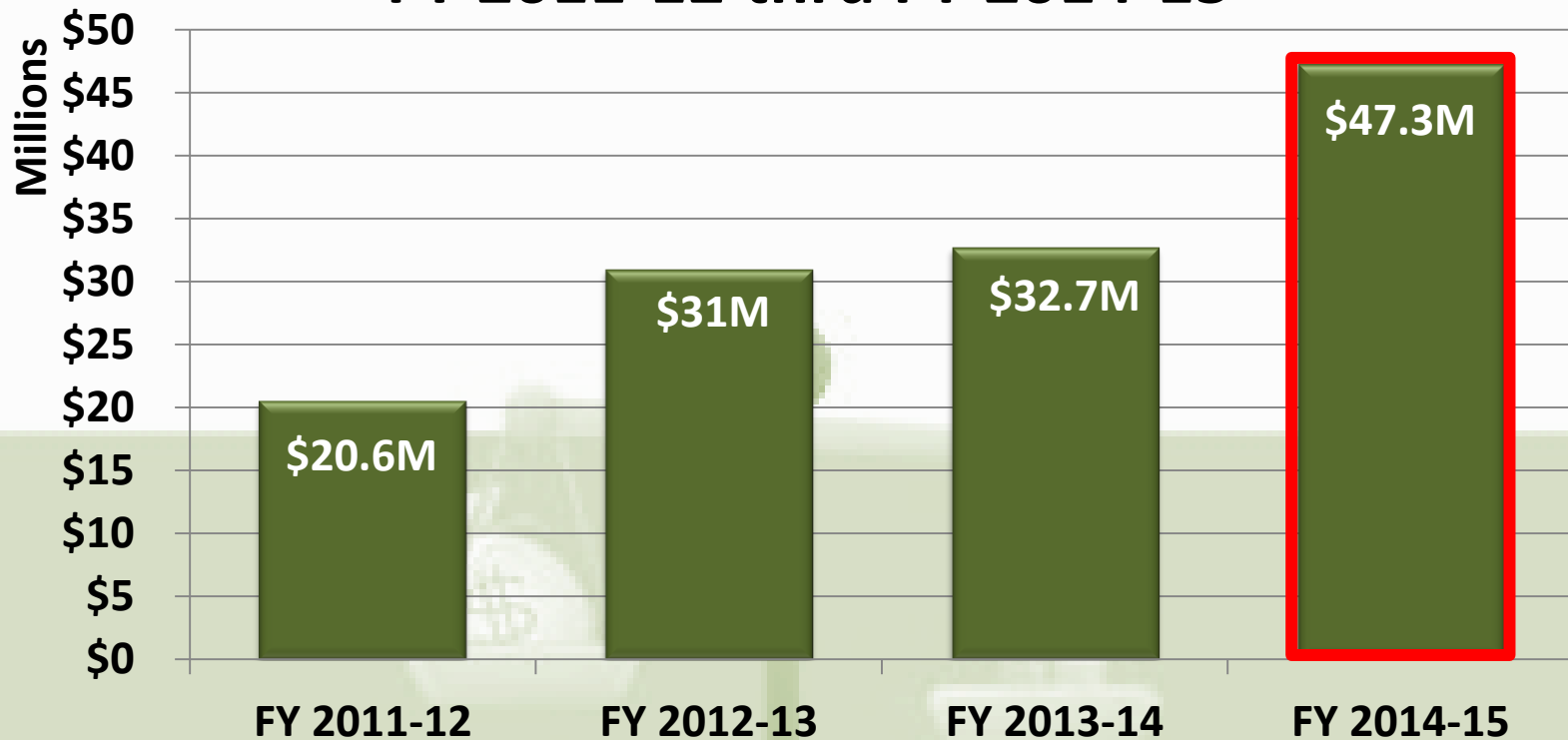


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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT **LAW ENFORCEMENT**

LITIGATION EXPENSES

FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15

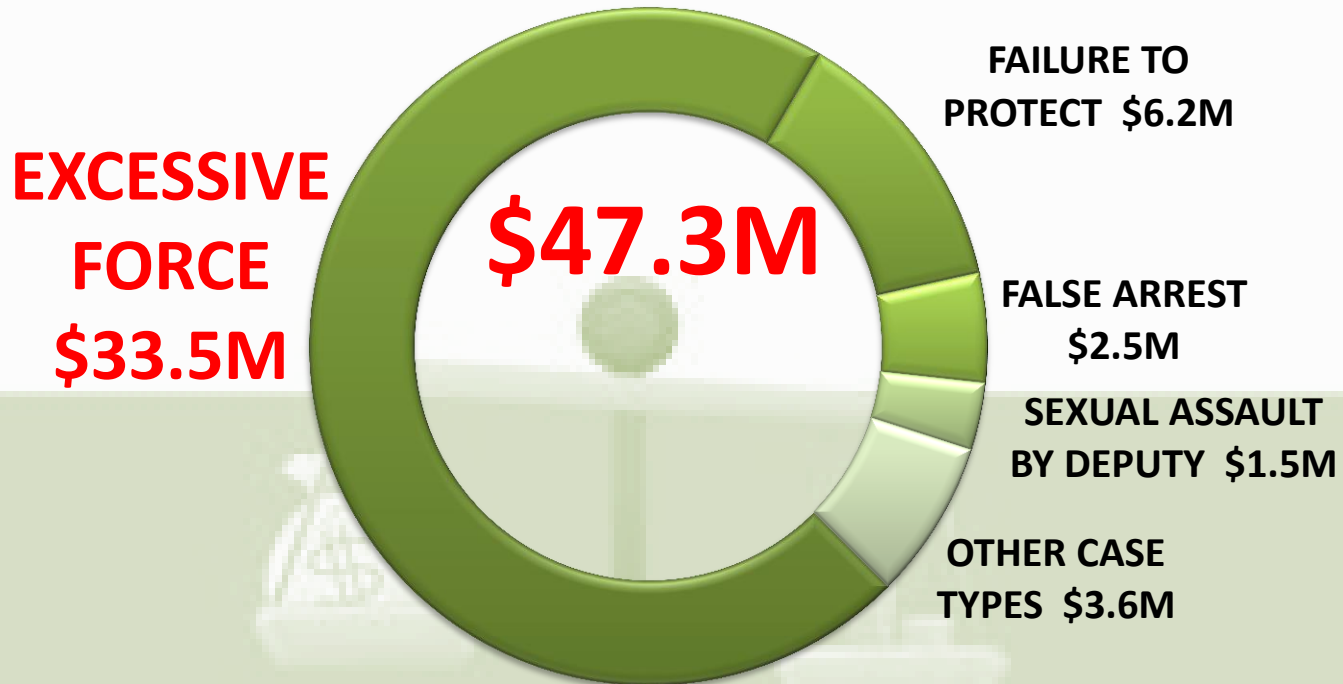


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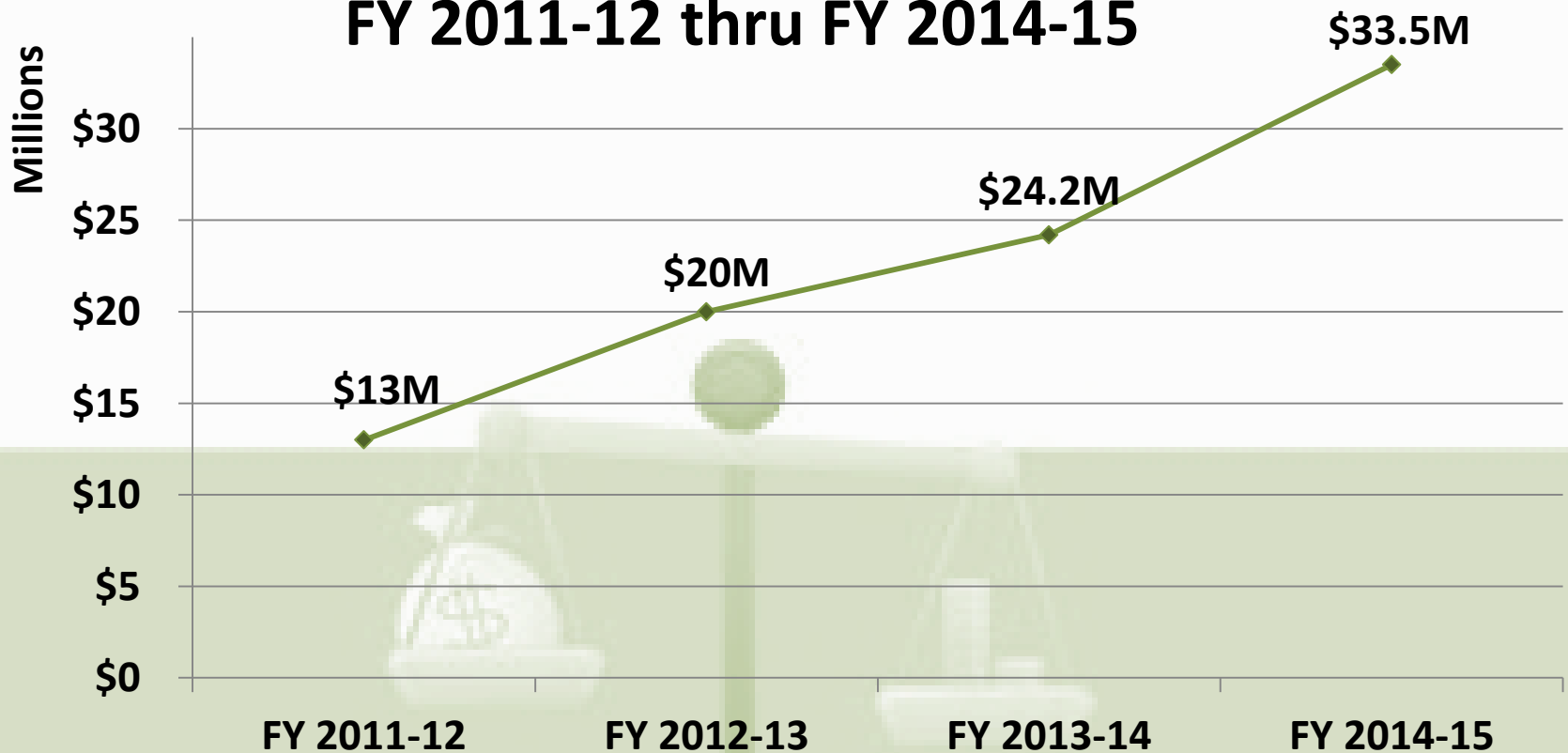


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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

EXCESSIVE FORCE LITIGATION EXPENSES

FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT **EXCESSIVE FORCE**

LITIGATION EXPENSES

BY CASE TYPE FY 2014-15



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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

LITIGATION LIFE SPAN OF **EXCESSIVE FORCE** CASES

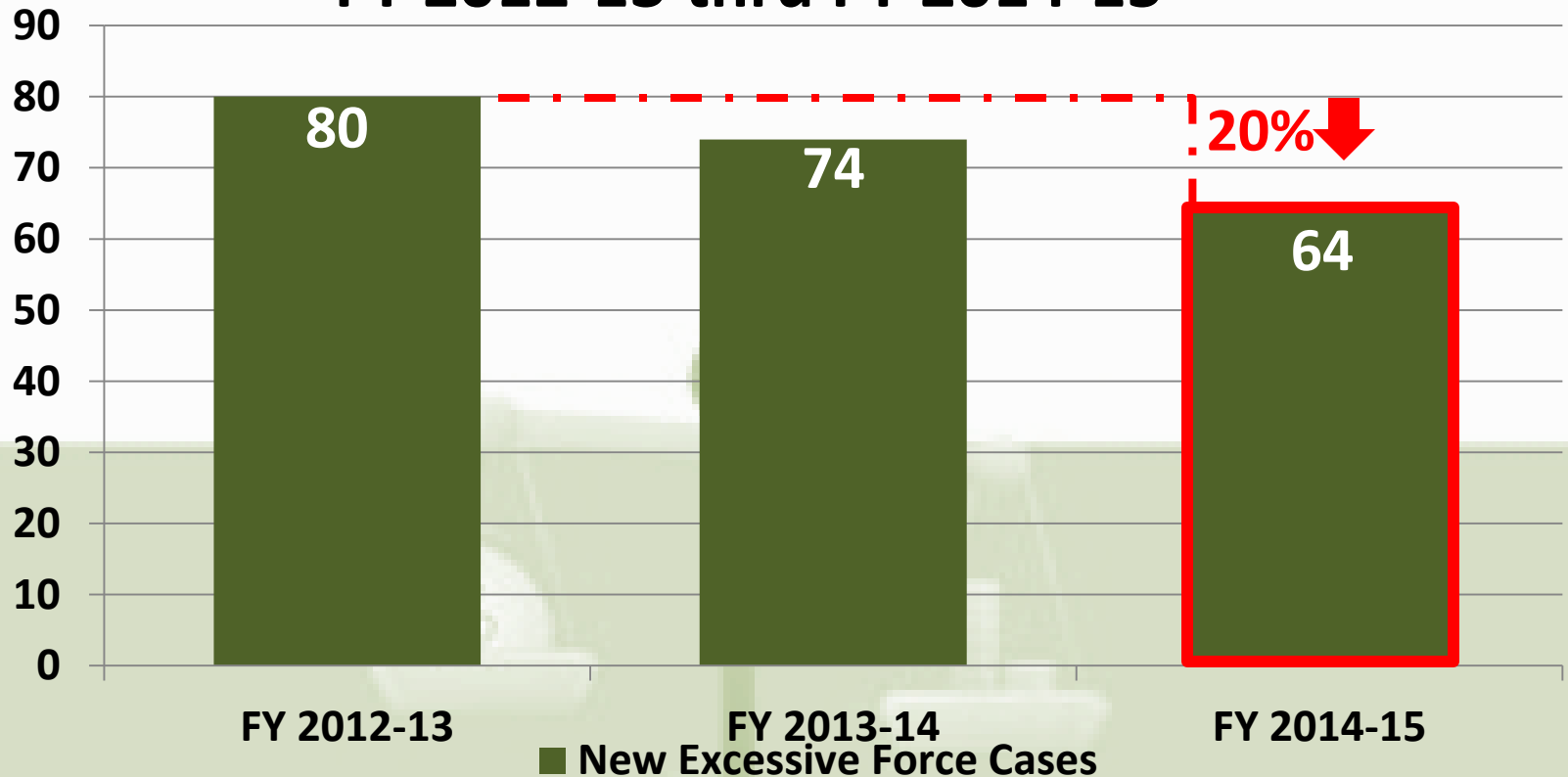


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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DECLINE IN NEW EXCESSIVE FORCE CASES

FY 2012-13 thru FY 2014-15



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Health Services
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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HEALTH SERVICES

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES

FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



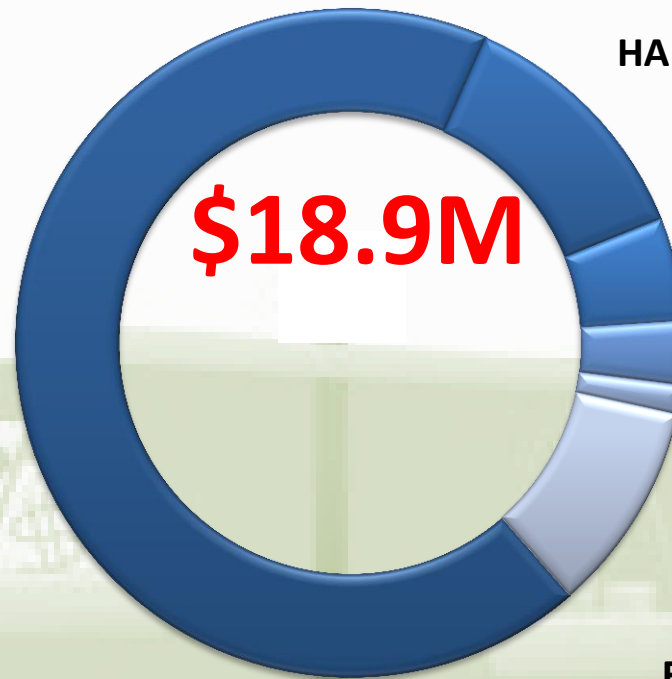
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HEALTH SERVICES

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES **BY FACILITY**

FY 2014-15

LAC+USC
\$12.9M



HARBOR UCLA
\$2.3M

OLIVE VIEW
\$948k

MARTIN LUTHER
KING \$581k

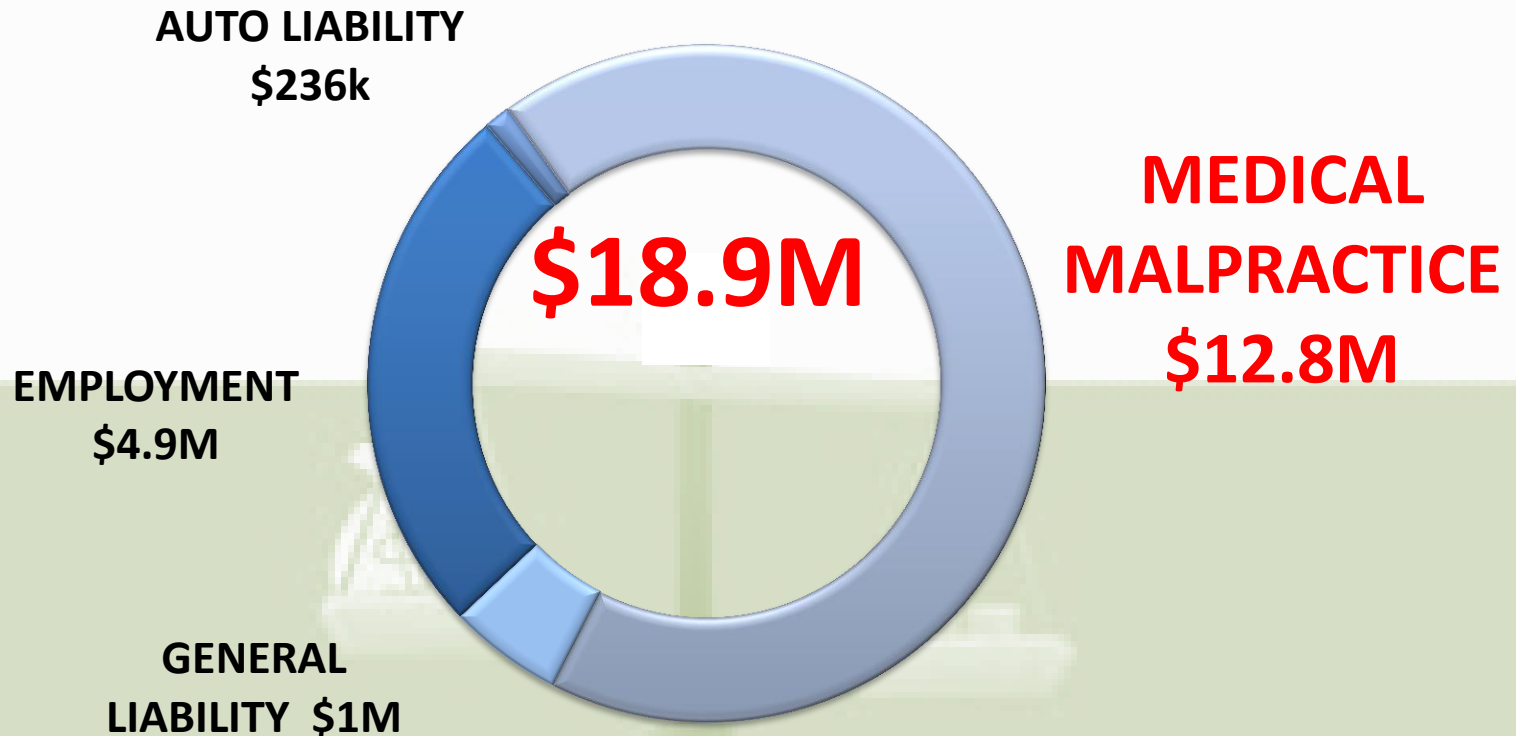
RANCHO LOS
AMIGOS \$265k

ALL OTHER
DHS/CUSTODY
FACILITIES \$1.9M

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HEALTH SERVICES TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES

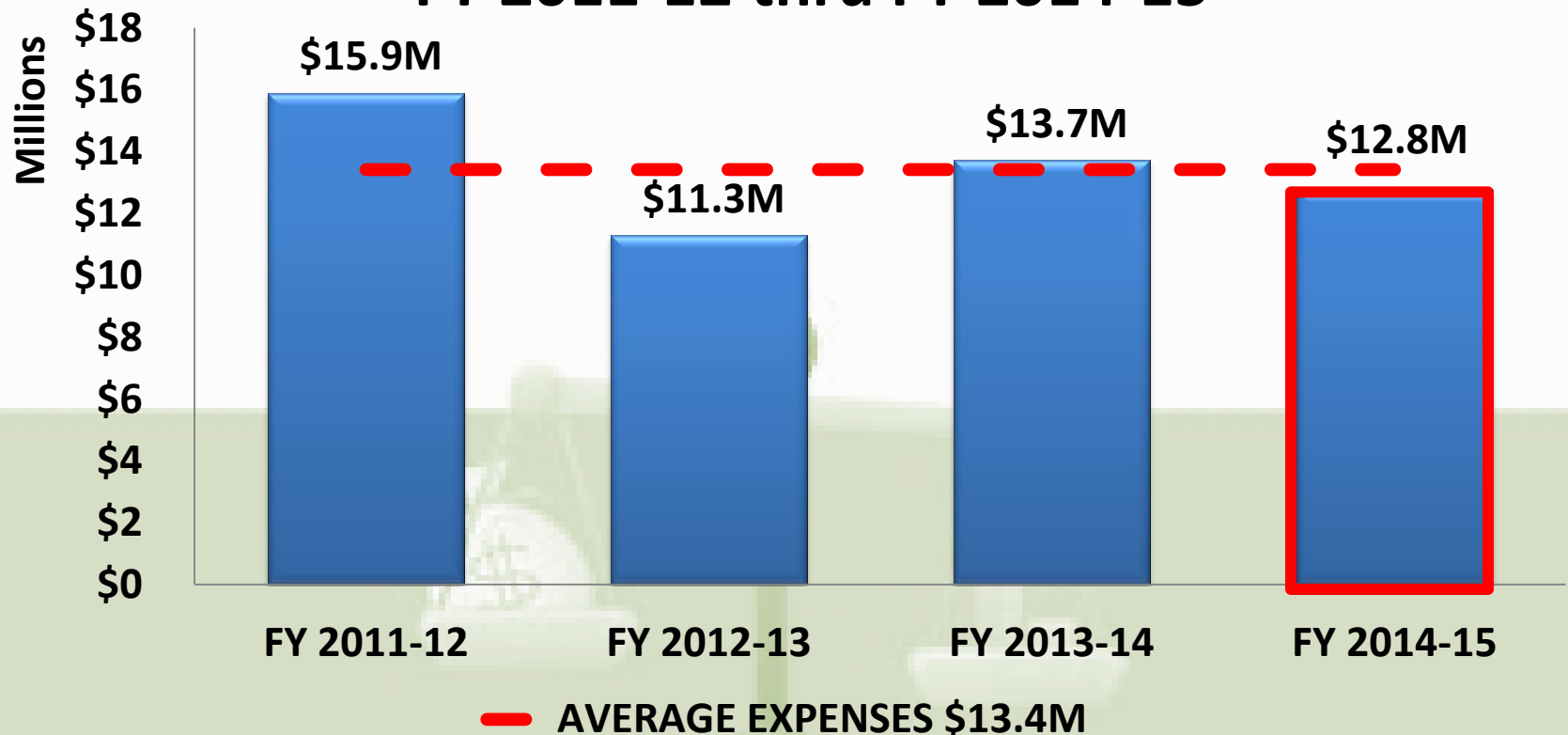
BY CASE TYPE FY 2014-15



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HEALTH SERVICES **MEDICAL MALPRACTICE**

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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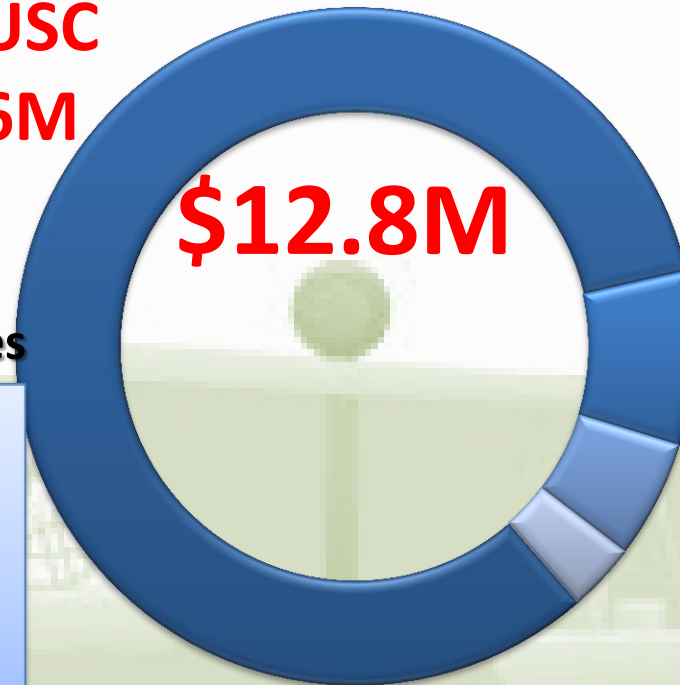
LITIGATION EXPENSES **BY FACILITY**

FY 2014-15

LAC+USC
\$10.6M

LAC+USC spent
\$6.4 million on
Failure to Treat Cases

Malone
LAC+USC
Failure to Treat
\$4.5 million
(Settlement)



HARBOR-UCLA
\$1M

OLIVE VIEW
\$721k

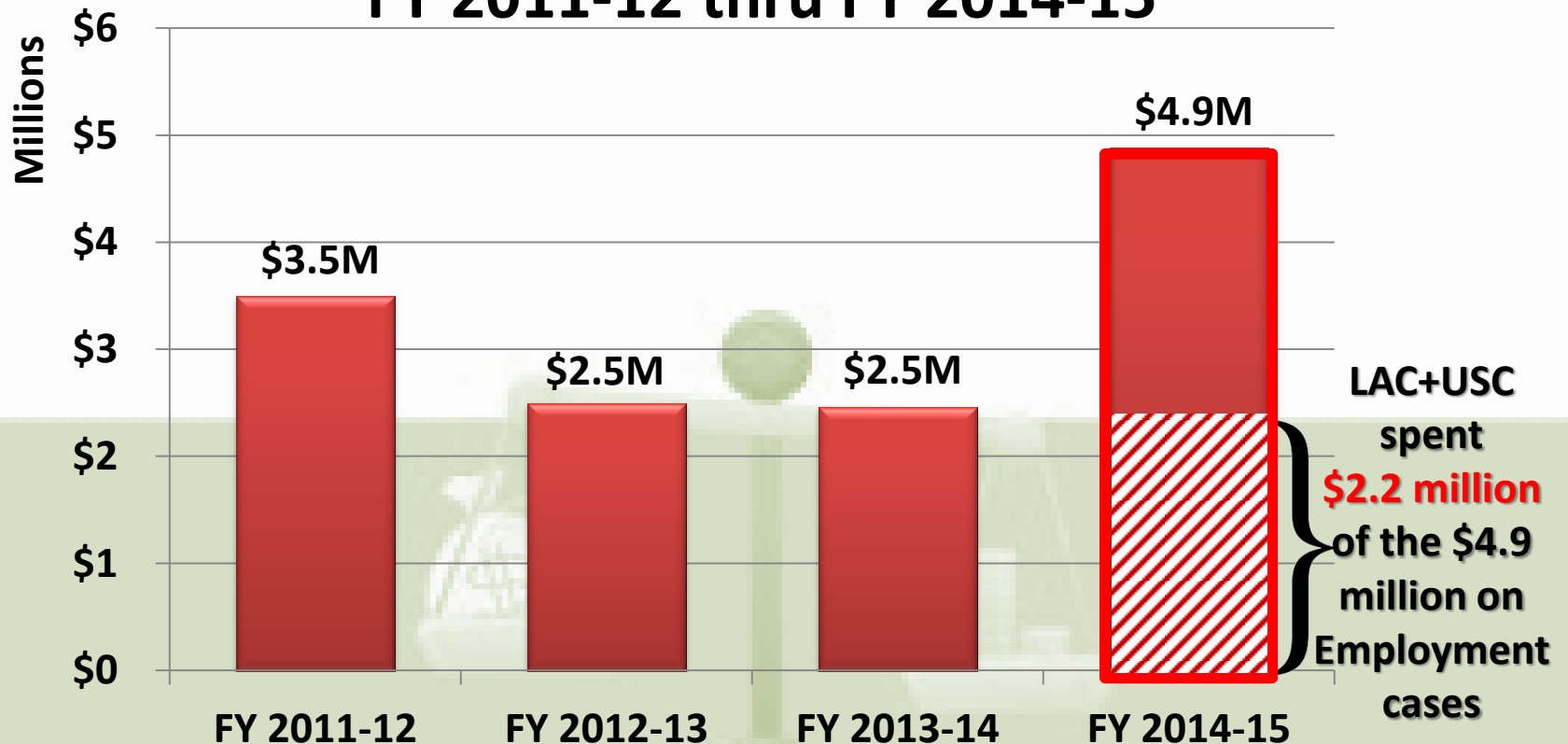
ALL OTHER
DHS/CUSTODY
FACILITIES \$416k

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HEALTH SERVICES **EMPLOYMENT**

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES

FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15

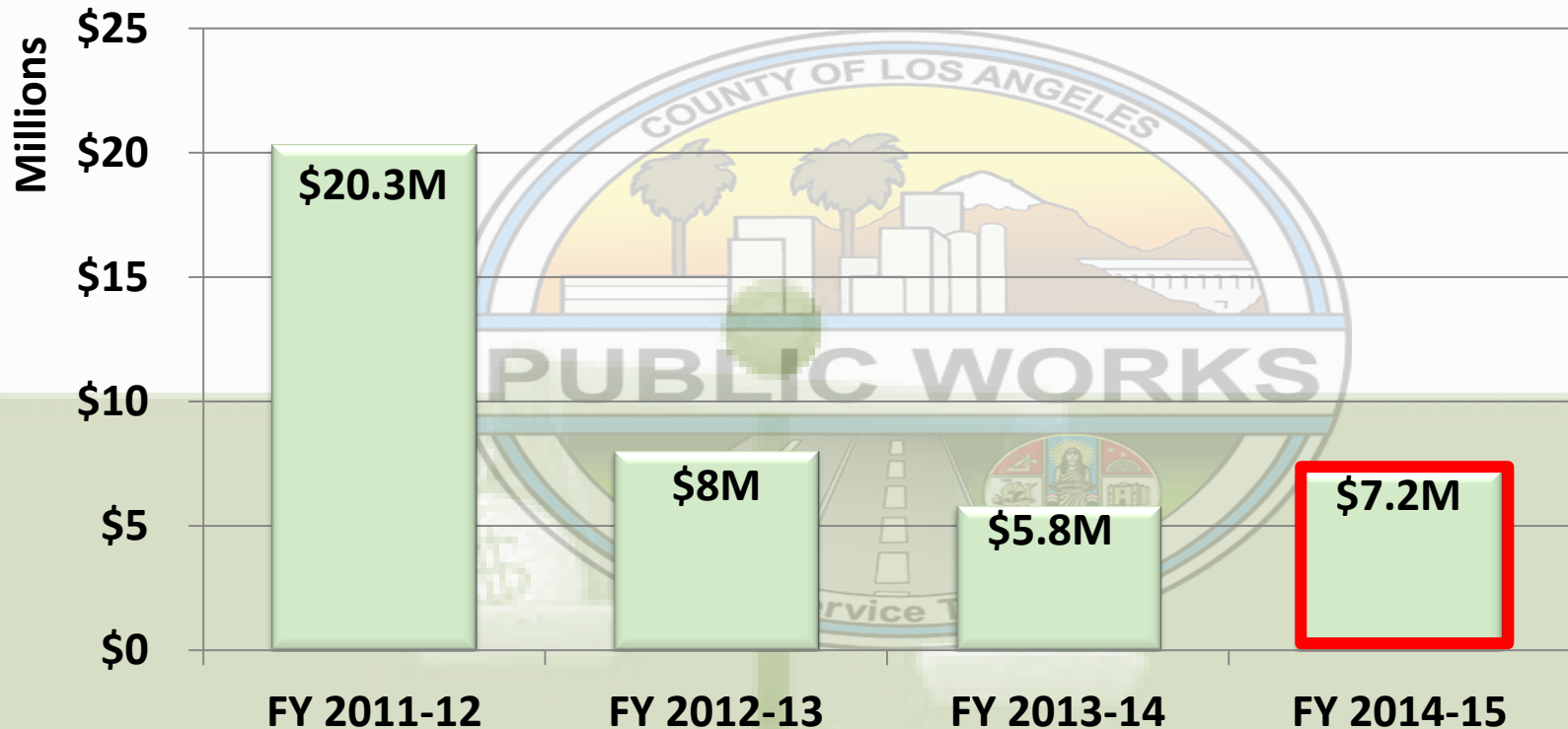


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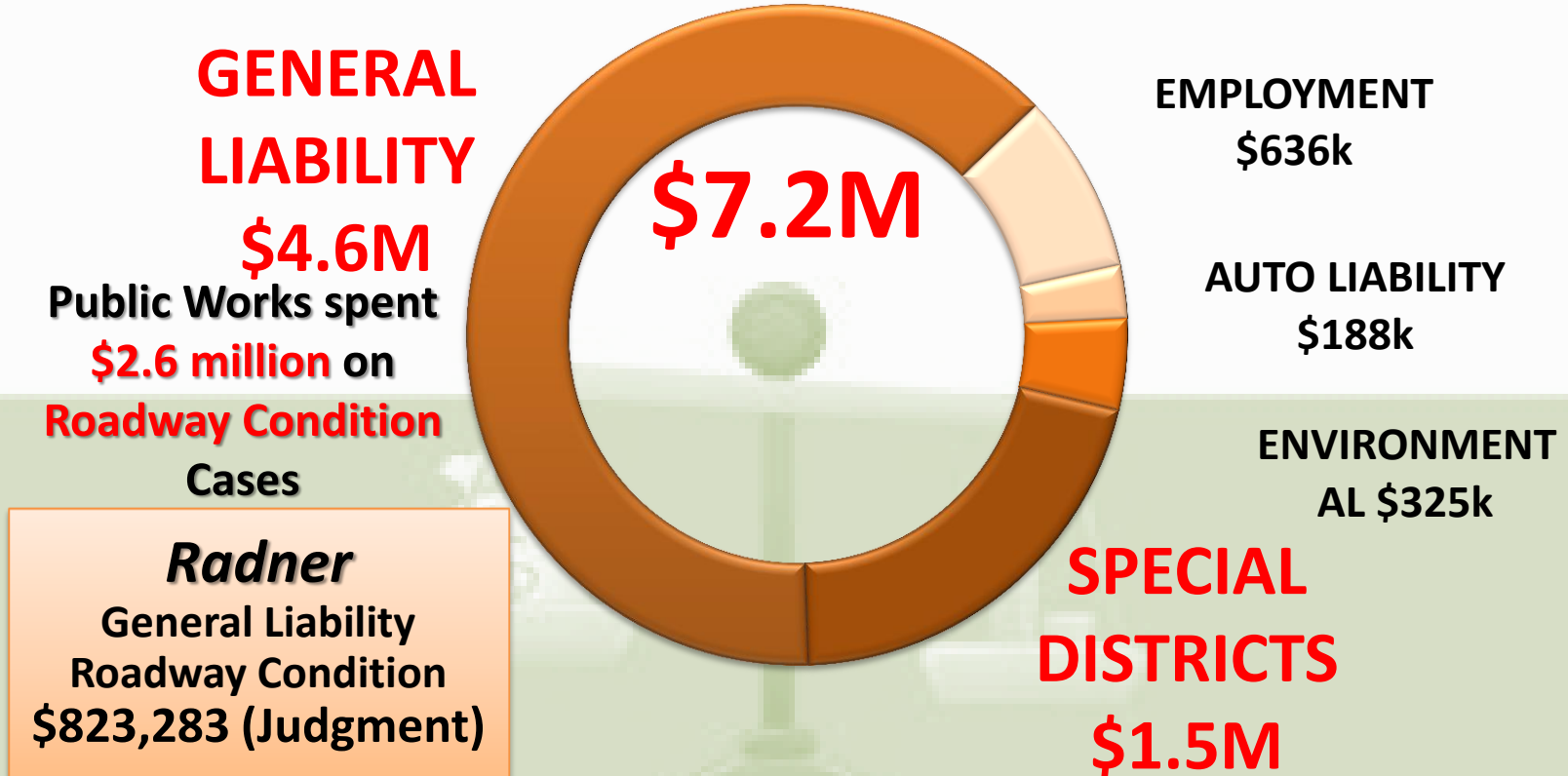
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PUBLIC WORKS TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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PUBLIC WORKS **TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES** **BY CASE TYPE** FY 2014-15

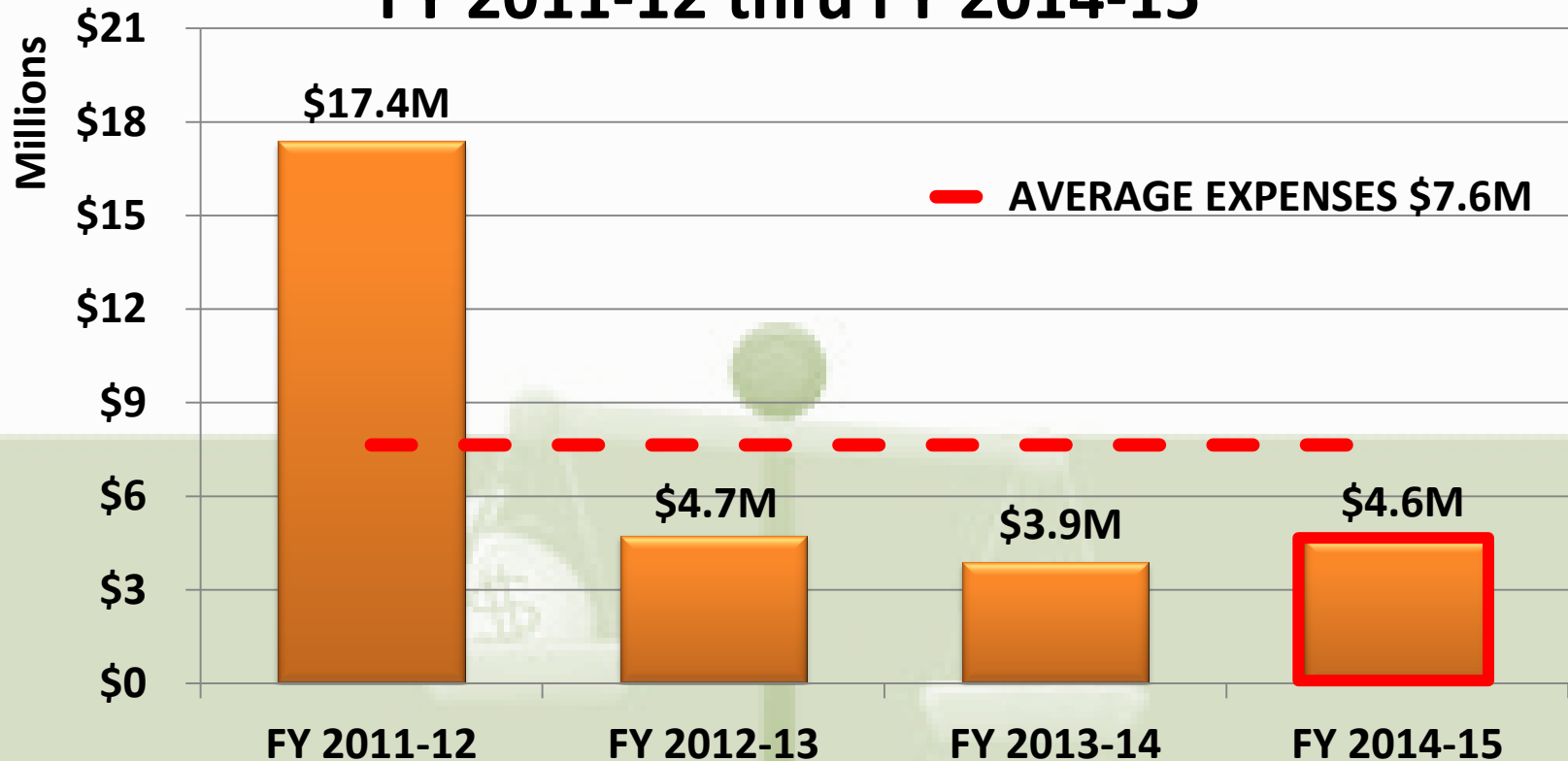


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PUBLIC WORKS **GENERAL LIABILITY**

TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES

FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15

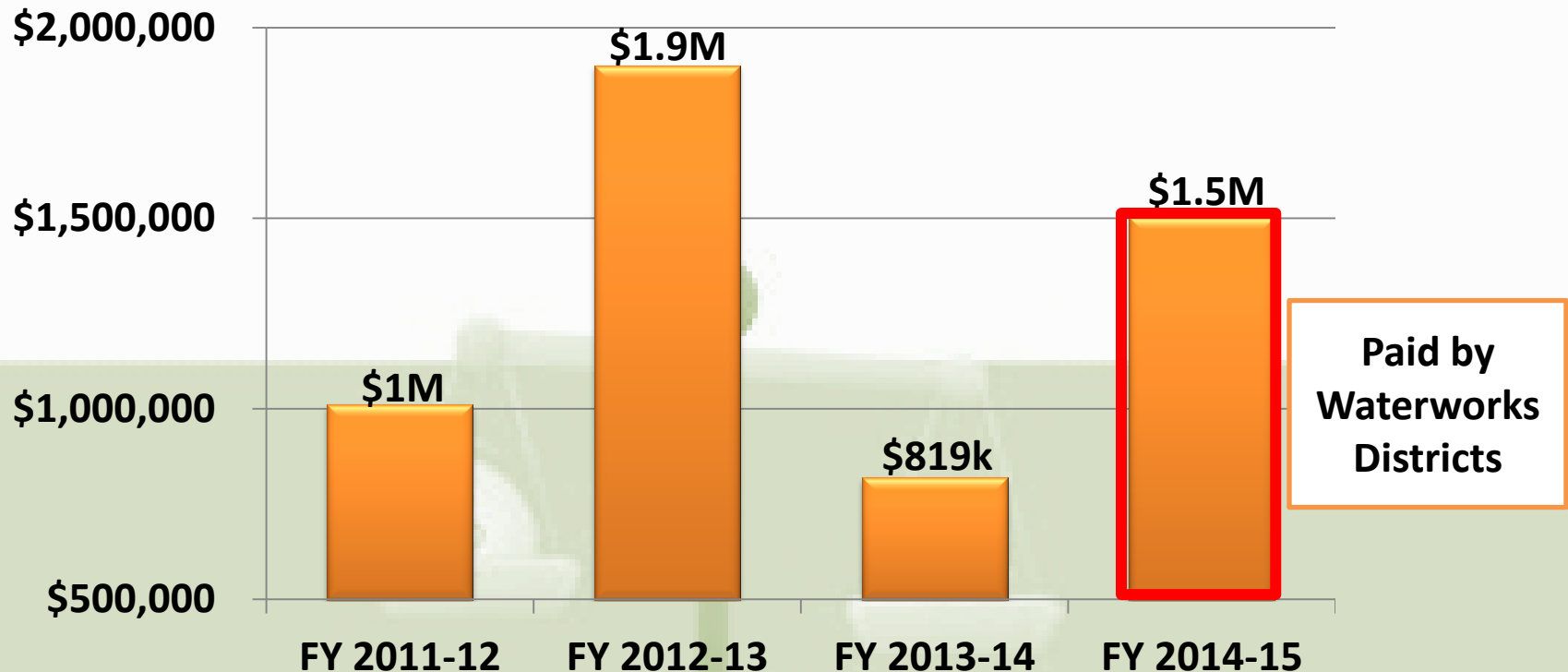


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PUBLIC WORKS

GROUNDWATER ADJUDICATION

LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2014-15

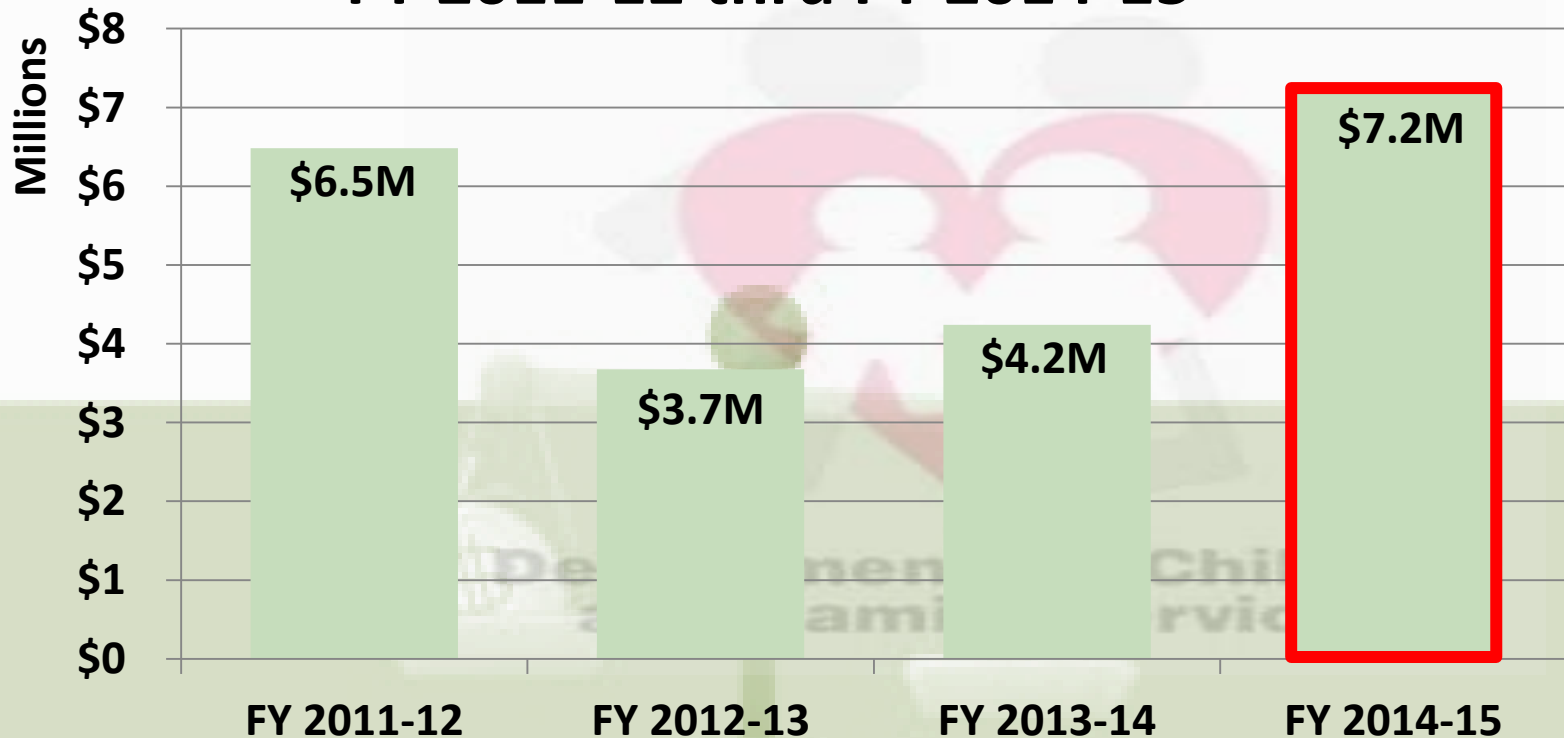


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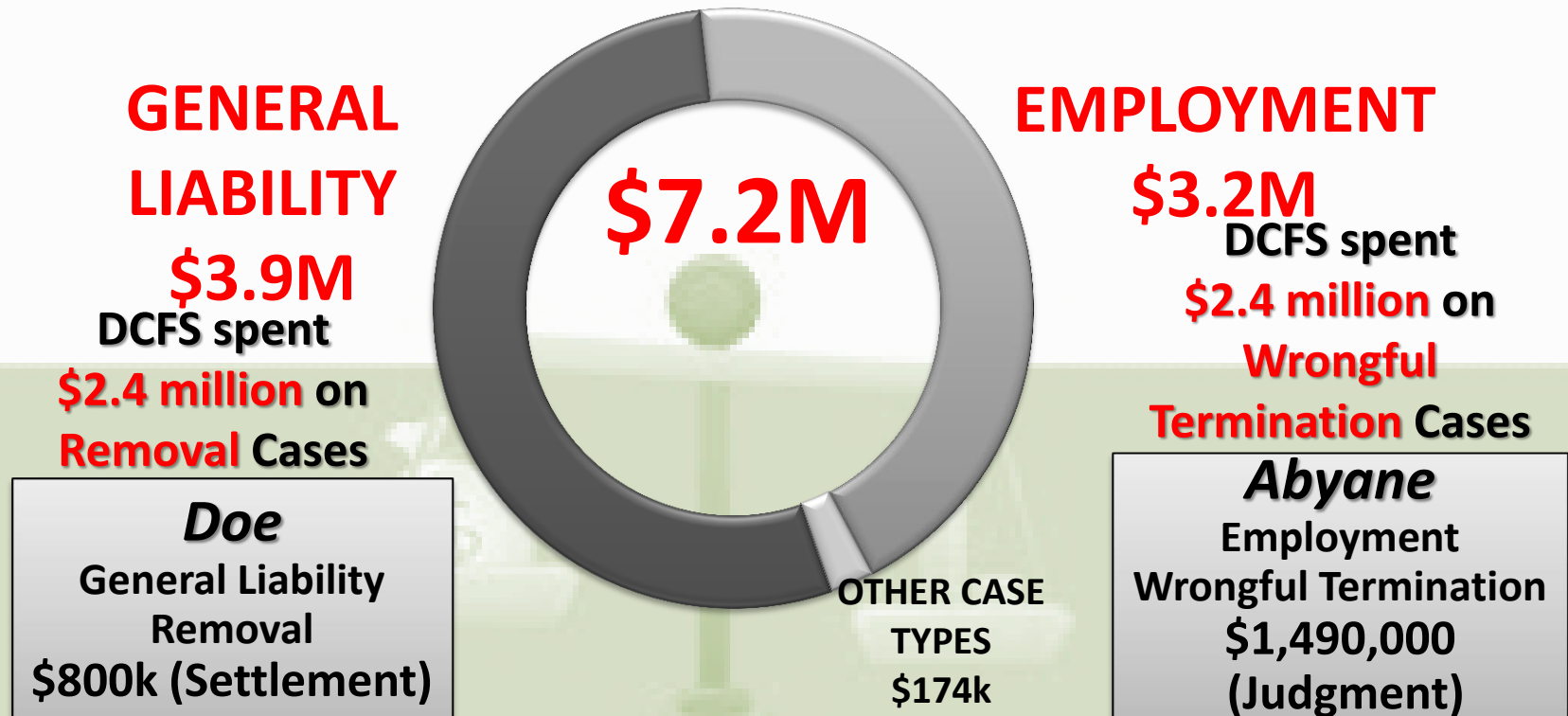
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CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE FY 2014-15

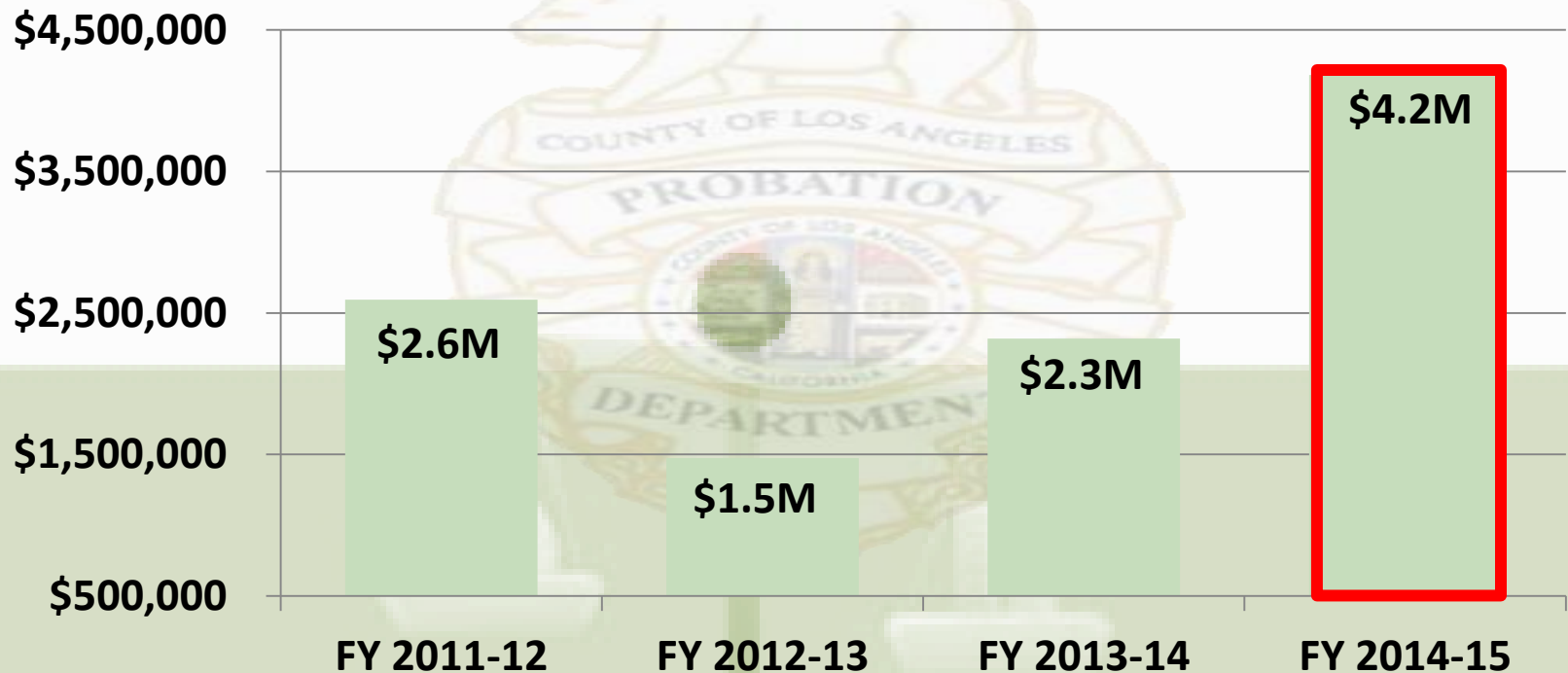


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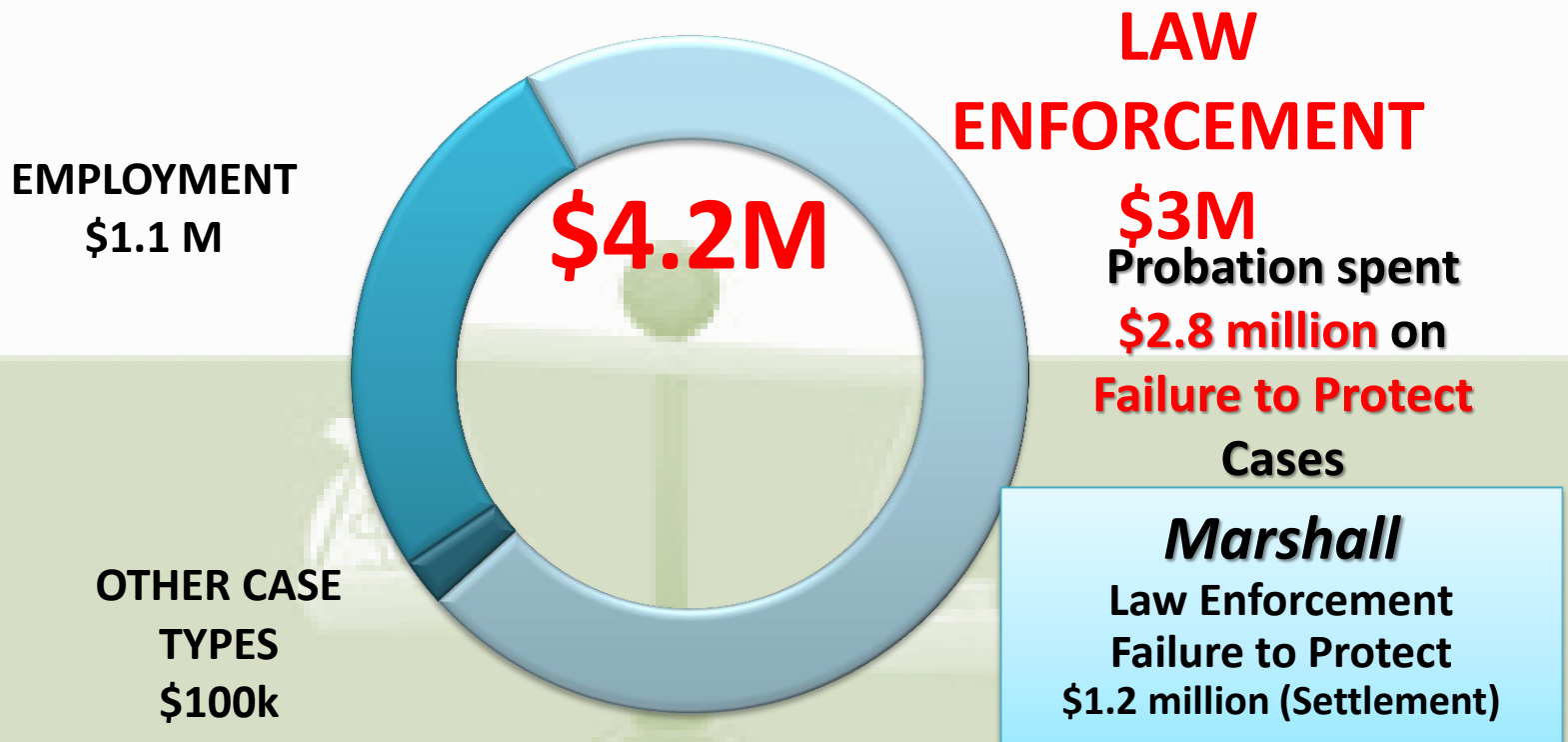
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PROBATION TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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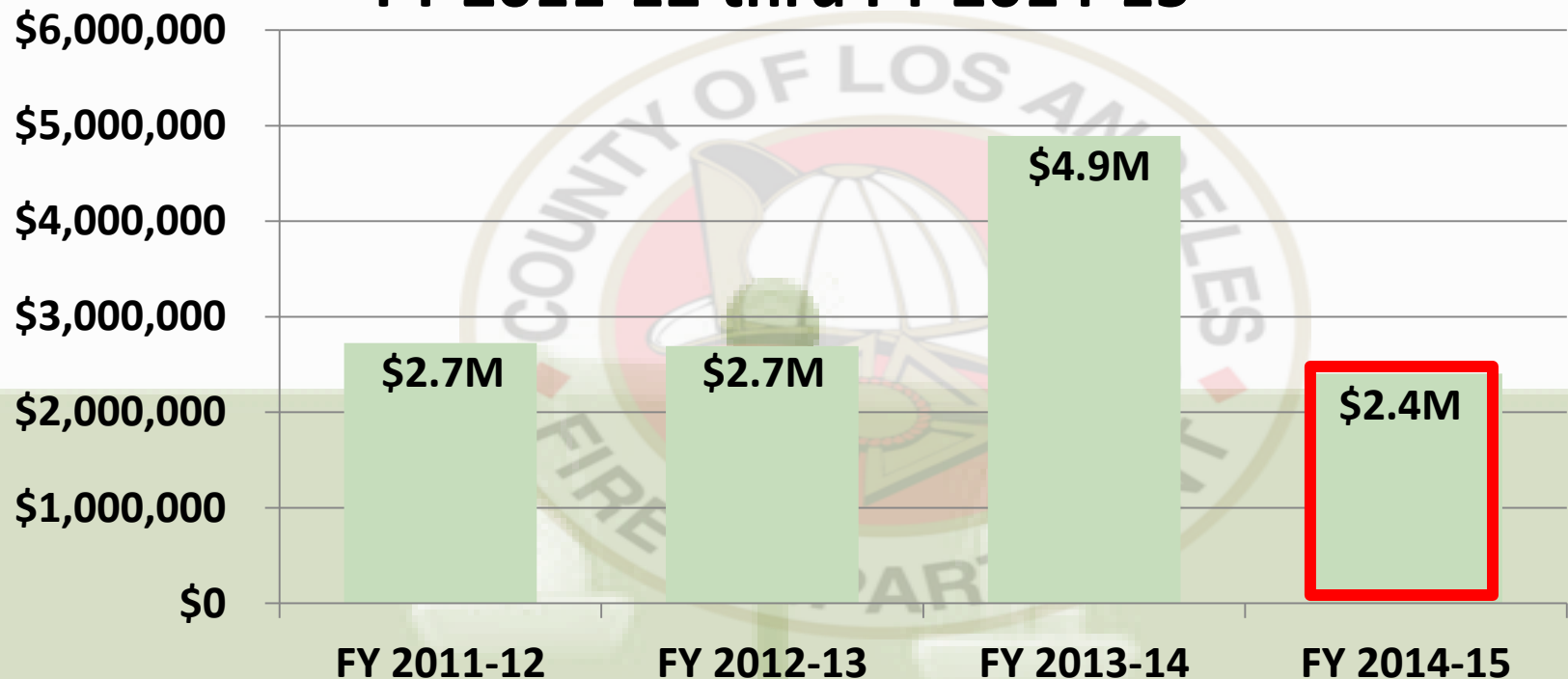


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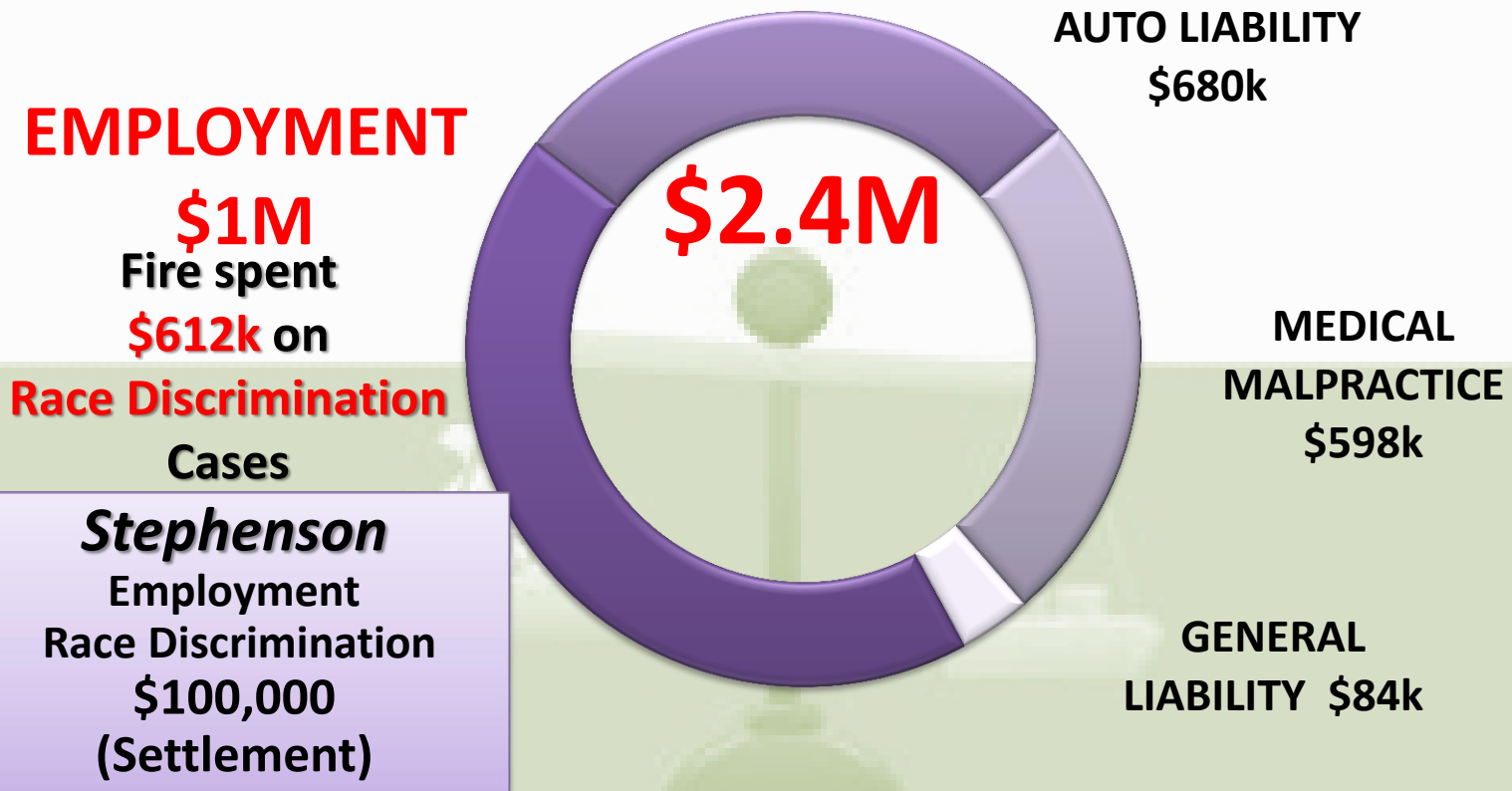
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FIRE TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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FIRE TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES BY CASE TYPE FY 2014-15



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FIRE **EMPLOYMENT** TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES FY 2011-12 thru FY 2014-15



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FY 2014-15 OVERALL BOTTOM LINE LITIGATION EXPENSES

OVERALL EXPENSES		\$118,900,000
{ Contract Cities	(\$8,800,000)	
{ Water District	(\$1,500,000)	
{ Flood Control District	(\$300,000)	
Recoveries	(\$4,600,000)	(\$15,200,000)

EXPENSES NOT
PAID FROM
COUNTY
GENERAL FUND

NET BOTTOM LINE
EXPENDITURES \$103,700,000



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