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### **TUCSON CITY COURT REVISES IMPROVED COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The Tucson City Court is now offering an Improved Compliance Assistance Program (ICAP). The new ICAP makes it easier for defendants to participate in the program, as it no longer requires a judge's approval to be in the program.

The ICAP will consolidate all fines, fees, and restitution ordered in a defendant's adjudicated and sentenced cases into a single payment contract with reasonable, affordable payments. Defendants entering the ICAP will need to make a good faith down payment based on a formula, and the monthly payment contract amount will be based on the remaining balance. Tucson City court will also recall the case(s) from collections which may have an additional benefit of eliminating hundreds of dollars in collection fees.

The main focus of the ICAP is to get defendants back on track in complying with court sanctions. The good faith down payment will be 10 percent of the amount due, or \$500, whichever is less. Based on the average payment plans issued by Tucson City Court, most defendants can expect to have a good faith down payment of around \$40 to \$60. Monthly payments will be based on what the defendant indicates they can afford to pay.

The ICAP will particularly benefit those defendants with a suspended Driver License. Once the good faith down payment has been paid and the monthly payment contract signed, the Tucson City Court will report the defendant's compliance to the Motor Vehicle Division, releasing Tucson City Court's hold on their Driver License. Defendants may then contact the Motor Vehicle Division regarding reinstatement of their license.

Additional information on the ICAP may be found on the Tucson City Court website at:  
[www.tucsonaz.gov/files/courts/ICAP.pdf](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/courts/ICAP.pdf).

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