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County's Criminal Justice System Computer Gets Major Upgrade

Shelby County's computer program that stores arrest files, court documents and other criminal justice system information will be transformed next week. An almost \$10 million system upgrade will allow judges, attorneys, the media and others to more easily access information, even on their cell phones and tablets.

"Our Information Technology Division has coordinated this massive project. Since 2012 when bids first went out for a new system, technicians have worked alongside of various elected officials and representatives of county divisions and criminal justice agencies to ensure the Shelby County has a more efficient and effective criminal justice data network," said Shelby County Mayor Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.

Merging millions of records will take several days. Just after 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 1st, current databases that store criminal court history, jail inmate information and other criminal justice programs will be temporarily unavailable until the new system goes online November 7th. During the conversion, staff will use alternative ways to record and access information.

"Our current computer systems are more than 20 years old. The upgrade will improve daily operations across Shelby County's entire criminal justice system. Judges will be able to access electronic case files from the bench, rather than referencing paper files," said Ed Raper, project director with Shelby County's Information Technology Services Division.

The new system allows more agencies, both inside and outside the county computer network, to access information. For more information, contact Ed Raper at ed.raper@shelbycountyttn.gov or (901) 222-2619.

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