



Operation Rio Grande  
Expungement Day Fact Sheet  
February 14, 2018

**What is expungement?**

Expungement is a way for eligible individuals to remove past criminal history from their personal records. When a person’s criminal records are expunged, they legally start with a clean slate.

**Expungement Day – April 5, 2018**

*Helping former offenders clear their criminal records, making it easier to obtain housing, employment, and access to education – moving towards self-sufficiency.*

- Streamlines expungement process
- Helps clients to (1) determine eligibility for expungement and, if eligible, submit application; or (2) for those with certificates of eligibility, help them fill out court petition paperwork to obtain a legal expungement
- Eligible individuals will meet with an attorney who has volunteered legal aid
- Clients unable to pay expungement costs may have the fees waived. Attorneys will help clients fill out the necessary paperwork to obtain waiver of court fees.

**Individuals are not eligible for expungement if they have any of the following (exceptions apply for drug offenses):**

- Open/pending criminal cases
- 2 or more felony convictions, stemming from separate criminal episodes
- 3 or more class A convictions, stemming from separate criminal episodes
- 4 or more class B convictions, stemming from separate criminal episodes
- 5 or more convictions of any type (infractions excluded), stemming from separate criminal episodes
- Has outstanding fines, fees, interest or restitution owing to the court or to a victim

**Waiting period from time of conviction to expungement eligibility (exceptions apply for drug offenses):**

Felony	7 years
Class A Misdemeanor	5 Years
Class B Misdemeanor	4 Years
Class C Misdemeanor or Infraction	3 Years
Misdemeanor DUI	10 Years

**Basic Expungement Process:**



**For information on how to participate, contact:**

Tucker Samuelson | (385) 468-7095 | [tsamuelsen@slco.org](mailto:tsamuelsen@slco.org)