

PROBATION NEWS



Monthly District Newsletter brought to you by the Sacramento County Probation Department

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Supporting Positive Change

The mission of the district newsletter is to provide information, news, upcoming events, and program accomplishments to our County Supervisors and their constituents. Our department remains dedicated to building strong partnerships with the goal of providing the best possible services to our community.

In this issue, we cover October 2020:

- ◆ Keeping our Community Safe
- ◆ Officers & Programs Making a Positive Impact
- ◆ Legislative Changes Impacting Probation

KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

District 1

**October 5, 2020: 3100 Block of 3rd Avenue
(Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale)**

Officers conducted a probation home visit in the Oak Park area of Sacramento. During a search of the client's residence, officers located security surveillance equipment, narcotic paraphernalia, and digital scales. As a result of the officers' due diligence, they located several secret stash cans and bottles throughout the residence disguised as normal household items, such as a Pringle container, a coffee can, and all-purpose cleaners. Officers located several individually wrapped bags of methamphetamine and over \$6,000 in cash in the disguised cans and bottles. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento County Main Jail and is pending a charge of Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale.



**October 21, 2020: 4000 Block of 2nd Avenue
(Felony Warrants and Possession of Firearms)**



Officers from the Gang Suppression Unit conducted a compliance check of an area known for heavy gang activity. Officers gained knowledge of a large gathering of people for a video shoot with subjects identified as being on parole and probation. A search of multiple subjects was conducted resulting in the recovery of five handguns, one rifle, one semi-automatic rifle, ammunition, and gang paraphernalia. Two adults and six juveniles were arrested for charges ranging from felony warrants to Possession of Firearms.

**October 7, 2020: 200 Block of Bay Drive
(Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Felon in Possession of Ammunition,
Possession of Controlled Substance)**

Officers from the North Adult Day Reporting Center Unit conducted a compliance check on a client who is currently on Formal Probation. Officers located a loaded shotgun underneath the subject's mattress along with two additional live rounds and methamphetamine. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Felon in Possession of Ammunition. A second subject was cited for Possession of Controlled Substance.



District 2

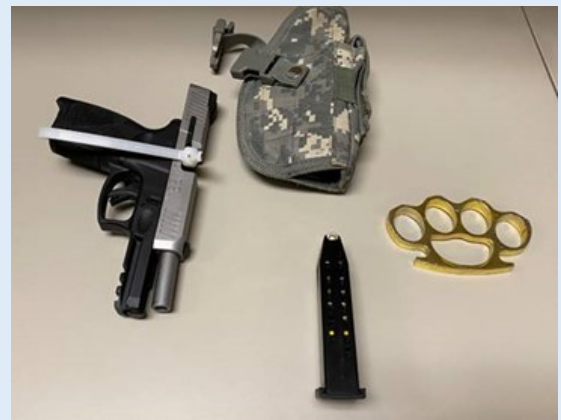
**October 6, 2020: 37th Avenue and Stockton Boulevard
Loaded Revolver Seized**

Officers contacted a known subject on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) in the area of Stockton Blvd in South Sacramento. The subject was in his vehicle in a store parking lot with a passenger, who was also found to be on formal probation with active warrants. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded Revolver. Both subjects were arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail.



**October 16, 2020: 7300 Block of Lincolnshire Drive
(Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Possession of Metal Knuckles)**

Officers from the Home Supervision Electronic Monitoring Unit conducted a vehicle search of a subject on Formal Probation at the Probation South office. Officers recovered a handgun and a pair of brass knuckles. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Possession of Metal Knuckles.



District 3

**October 20 2020: 1400 Block of Inge Court
(Possession of a Controlled Substance,
Possession of a Controlled Substance with a Loaded Firearm, Child Endangerment)**



Officers from the Central Adult Day Reporting Center Unit conducted a home and vehicle search of two subjects on Formal Searchable Probation. The officers recovered live ammunition and cocaine from the vehicle and a loaded handgun and additional cocaine in the residence. Due to the location of the drugs, the handgun, and the condition of the home, two children were placed into Child Protective Service (CPS) protective custody. The subjects were arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and are pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of a Controlled Substance with a Loaded Firearm, and Child Endangerment.

**October 21 2020: 1300 Block of Oak Terrace Court
(Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale, Making, Possessing Counterfeiting Plates,
Identity Theft, Felon in Possession of a Firearm)**

Officers from the Central Adult Day Reporting Center and Adult Field Services, conducted a probation search at the home of three subjects on Formal Probation. Officers recovered a large volume of identity theft, and check fraud materials along with methamphetamine and a loaded pistol converted to fire fully automatic. Two subjects were arrested and booked into the Sacramento County Main Jail and are pending charges of Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale, Making/Possessing Counterfeiting Plates, Identity Theft and Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

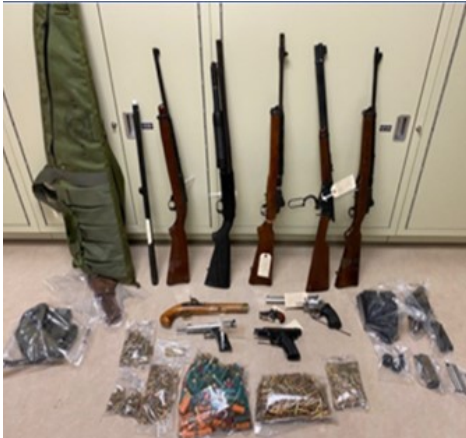


District 5

October 20, 2020: 5700 Block of Excelsior Road

(Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person)

Officers assigned to the California Office of Traffic Safety/Driving Under the Influence (OTS/DUI) Unit conducted a search of a subject's residence on formal probation. Officers recovered four long rifles, one shotgun, five handguns, high capacity magazines, and over 1,000 rounds of ammunition. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person.



October 23, 2020: 7100 Block of Bari Court

(Possession of a Firearm by a Prohibited Person, Possession of Controlled Substance, Possession of a Controlled Substance Without a Prescription)

While conducting a home visit, probation officers with the Juvenile Field Community Based Supervision unit discovered a Glock 9mm handgun (ghost gun) containing a magazine with 18 rounds in plain view. Officers further recovered marijuana, and prescription drugs from one of the subject's bedroom. Three juveniles and one adult were arrested. The adult subject is pending charges of Possession of a Firearm by a Prohibited Person, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of a Controlled Substance Without a Prescription.



Sweeps in All Districts

October 8, 2020: Office of Traffic Safety Driving Under the Influence (OTS/DUI) Sweep

On October 8, 2020, the Probation Department conducted a special enforcement operation focused on compliance for subjects on probation for Driving Under the Influence (DUI). The operation is supported by federal grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. By performing vital checks on DUI offenders these operations support our goal of protecting the community by ensuring the safety of motorists and pedestrians. The operation resulted in:





- Three (3) home visits
- One (1) sanction given for possession of alcohol
- Three (3) home visits attempted
- Two (2) Violation of Probation arrests
- Five (5) Probation searches
- Four (4) Preliminary Alcohol- Screening (PAS) tests administered (one (1) positive)
- One (1) Fresh felony arrest for possession of ammunition (over 125 live rounds)

October 28, 2020: Domestic Violence Sweep



In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Probation Department conducted a countywide probation compliance sweep with the assistance of Sacramento County Sheriff's Office, Rancho Cordova Police Department, Elk Grove Police Department, and CA Department of Justice. The focus of the sweep was to conduct compliance searches, serve warrants, and attempt arrests of individuals in violation of their terms and conditions of probation related to family violence. The one-day operation produced 22 violations of probation and nine arrests for new crimes. In addition, officers seized one assault pistol, one "12 gauge" shotgun, one stolen 9mm semi-automatic pistol, over 80 rounds of ammunition, three high capacity pistol magazines, two regular capacity pistol magazines, approximately five pounds of methamphetamine, two digital scales, and drug paraphernalia.

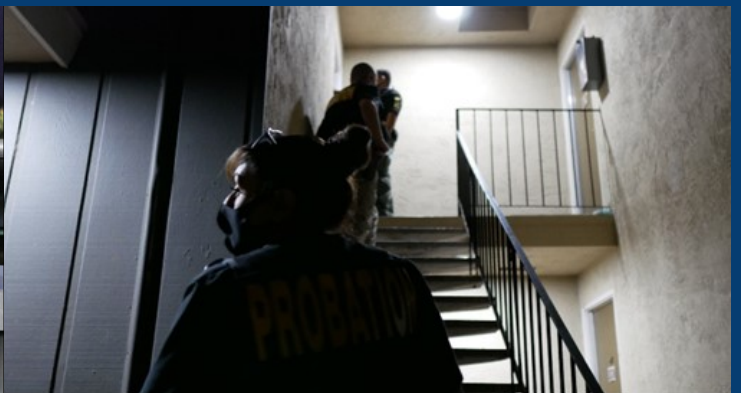


October 31, 2020: Operation Night Watch

Probation conducted a county-wide "Operation Night Watch" sweep on Halloween night with the Sacramento Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (S.A.F.E.) Team comprised of officers from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office, Sacramento County Probation Department, Sacramento Police Department, and Parole. The focus of the sweep was to conduct compliance searches of sex offenders who are ordered by the court not to associate with minors. The sweep resulted in the following:

- 38 Home Visits Conducted
- 3 Fresh Arrests
- 3 Violations of Probation
- 1 Warrant Arrest

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OFFICERS AND PROGRAMS MAKING A POSITIVE IMPACT

Adult Day Reporting Centers



Graduates!



October 27, 2020: Four ADRC clients graduated from the program.

Click on the photos to view client testimonials:



Building Community Partnerships



Probation Partners with Vitalant to Encourage Blood Donations

Vitalant and the [Sacramento County Probation Department](#) are teaming up to save lives, and we are encouraging our employees to schedule an appointment to donate blood. When individuals register to donate at any Vitalant Donation Center and provide the Sacramento County Probation Department Association code (SMFG608), Probation can track the generous donations as part of our partnership in saving lives with Vitalant. To find a Vitalant Donation Center near you, please visit vitalant.org/locations or call 877.25.VITAL

Trauma 101 Training for Community Providers

Probation and the Department of Child Family and Adult Services are leading countywide implementation of a grant from Health Net, LLC that has supported development of a Trauma 101 curriculum for training staff and community-based providers across the county. Championed by Supervisor Phil Serna, the project will use a train-the-trainer model and begin rollout in November 2020.



Collaborative Courts



Collaborative Courts held a total of 168 hearings via Zoom in October, to include 13 graduates. WellSpace Health: Case Managers (CMs) assigned to Recovery Court continue to hold in person groups Tuesdays-Thursdays and Zoom groups on Fridays. CMs communicate with Collaborative Court officers daily regarding client contact and participation. CMs meet with clients at the jail and the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center to complete Level of Service/Case Management Inventory (LS/CMI) assessments for potential entry into the program. CMs remain in contact with Recovery Court officers daily regarding client progress and participation.

Juvenile Operations

Collaboration with Stanford Forever Families and Behavioral Health

Probation and Stanford Forever Families and County Behavioral Health are collaborating to provide interactive programming presentations for the Juvenile Court Bench to further build upon their knowledge in community based services and evidence based practices being utilized in the Juvenile Field and Placement Services Division.

Pilot Project with the Honorable Paul Seave

Juvenile Court is conducting a pilot project with the goal of creating a seamless process for the delivery and exchange of information to the Bench and to further support the work being conducted by case managing officers. This innovative project to better support our youth and families is currently under way with the Honorable Paul Seave, Juvenile Field Managers, and senior deputy probation officers.

Jail Diversion Treatment and Resource Center

California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) confirmed the project is on track to meet our goal of being ready, feasible, and sustainable by June 2021.

The JDTRC Workgroup met several times in October:

- Discussed next steps, positions, facility, furnishing, staffing needs, media announcements, and community meetings.
- Met with Department of General Services (DGS) Alarm Services, Department of Technology (DTech), and Architectural Services several times regarding the project scope estimate, alarms, cameras, network, panic buttons, and the County's door key security system (CCure).
- Agreed to appoint sub-teams for Data Collection, IT Coordination, and Treatment.

General Services Update:

- DGS provided the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) declaration of negative impact evaluation, and Probation submitted it to the (CHFFA).
- DGS selected Outback as the Job Order Contracting (JOC) general contractor. Outback will subcontract out some of the work to other vendors via a competitive bidding process.

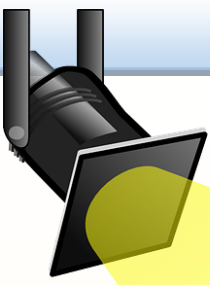


Pretrial Pilot Program

- In October, Probation monitored 522 active cases.
- Since the beginning of the Pretrial Pilot in September 2019, Probation has monitored 1138 cases on pretrial release.
- High-level monitoring caseloads are on pre-trial for approximately 200 days.
- Judicial Council extended the Pre-trial program into Year 3 (FY 2021-22)



Peer Support Team



Probation's 15 volunteer member Peer Support Team is working hard during these challenging times to help Probation staff stay focused and positive. Peer Support Team Members are available 24/7 to assist staff with concerns or issues they want to discuss with a caring peer.

THE PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

- The Peer Support program, in partnership with Sacramento Law Enforcement Chaplaincy, is a voluntary, confidential program intended to provide support and referrals to employees in times of personal and professional difficulty.
- The Peer Support Advisory Committee selects Peer Supporters with varied ethnic, cultural, gender, and life experiences.
- Peer Support members are volunteer co-workers trained to understand stressors associated with the job and to be effective listeners.
- A Peer Supporter can help clarify perception, bolster self-esteem, modify behavior, develop new skills, and find alternatives.

Youth Detention Facility

Pumpkin Carving Contest



The Youth Detention Facility held its annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest to get in the Halloween spirit. Residents selected a movie theme and used their creativity and ingenuity to create artistic masterpieces. Congratulations to Housing Unit 16 for placing 1st with their theme of "A Bug's Life". Placing 2nd was Housing Unit 10 with their theme of "Up." Coming in 3rd was Housing Unit 17 with their "Toy Story" theme. All of the entries were fantastic.



Legislative Changes

Impacting Probation

Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Realignment

- The Legislature passed, and the Governor signed Senate Bill (SB) 823 on September 30, 2020 to begin realignment of the Division of Juvenile Justice youthful offender population, up to age 25, to county probation departments effective July 1, 2021.
- Probation is planning how best to meet the needs of this most serious population given that any periods of incarceration will be served at the Youth Detention Facility.
- On October 14, 2020 Probation managers provided an overview of Senate Bill 823 and data regarding local trends to the Court, District Attorney, Public Defender, Behavioral Health Services, Sacramento County Office of Education and others at the Juvenile Institutions, Programs, and Court Committee (JIPCC). The legislation requires establishment of a subcommittee of this body to assist with local planning efforts.
- Meanwhile, commitments to DJJ continue to be ordered through Juvenile Court and accepted.

State Prison Early Releases

- October 1, 2020: The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) started applying Positive Programming Credits (PPC) to eligible inmates housed in the county jails due to CDCR slowing down their Intake process. Inmates who have release dates in the next two years are eligible.
- On October 5, 2020, the Folsom Boulevard office opened for the Screening, Intake and Assessment (SIA) unit to conduct scheduled in-person office interviews with COVID-19 precautions in place. Officers continue to conduct remote interviews in addition to the in person interviews. SIA is working on a 2.0 computer program which enables a higher level of efficiency with tracking cases once the initial intake is completed. Officers and Administrative Professional staff are currently being trained to use the program and anticipate going "live" in the next few weeks.

SB 1290 - Juveniles Costs

- Vacates certain county-assessed or court-ordered costs imposed before January 1, 2018, for the parents or guardians of wards in specified circumstances, minors who were ordered to participate in drug and substance abuse testing, and adults who were 21 years of age and under at the time of their home detention.

AB 1869 - Criminal Fees

- Repeals the authority to collect many fees contingent upon a criminal arrest, prosecution, or conviction for the cost of administering the criminal justice system, including administering probation and mandatory supervision, processing arrests and citations, and administering home detention programs, continuous electronic monitoring programs, work furlough programs, and work release programs. This bill makes the unpaid balance of these court-imposed costs unenforceable and uncollectible and ~~would~~ requires any portion of a judgment imposing those costs to be vacated.

AB 1950 – Probation terms

- Shortens probation terms to two years (felony) and one year (misdemeanor) with some exceptions
- The District Attorney's Office will be offering reduced periods of probation terms now, although the bill does not go into effect until January 1, 2021.