

Probation News

Supporting Positive Change



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“The mission of this newsletter is to inform our County Supervisors and their constituents of events and program accomplishments. Probation is dedicated to Supporting Positive Change by building strong partnerships and providing the best possible services to our community.”

Marlon Yarber
Chief Probation Officer

WELCOME CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER MARLON YARBER

We are excited and happy the Sacramento Superior Court appointed Marlon Yarber as our new Chief Probation Officer of Sacramento County on October 22, 2021.



Chief Yarber’s leadership abilities, extensive knowledge, and compassion make him the perfect fit to continue our mission of supporting positive change both in the department and in the community.

Marlon Yarber holds certificates in leadership and a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from the University of California, Davis. He was also a 2016 Annie E. Casey Foundation nominee.

Chief Yarber started his community corrections career as a volunteer youth mentor in the Del Paso Heights neighborhood of Sacramento. He served as



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Welcome Chief Yarber

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a Youth Service Project Director for a community-based organization overseeing mentoring and after school programs. For four years, he worked for the Stanislaus County Probation Department with gangs and high-risk offenders.

Marlon Yarber transferred to the state to work for California's Criminal Justice Planning Office overseeing the landmark Juvenile Accountability Grant and then served as Deputy Director for the Corrections Standards authority for five years. He was involved in several state and federal initiatives including Juvenile Justice Realignment.



Chief Yarber with Dr. Edward Latessa, and former Probation Chief Lee Seale.

Marlon Yarber returned to community corrections and served as the Assistant Chief and Interim Chief Probation Officer for Yolo County Probation before transferring to Sacramento County Probation in 2013. As Assistant Chief Probation Officer, he had oversight of Adult Operations for Sacramento County Probation from 2013 through 2018 and then transitioned to Juvenile Operations with responsibilities in community supervision and institutional services for over 1,300 youth. Mr. Yarber has been the Interim Chief Probation Officer since May 2021.

Chief Yarber's extensive history with Sacramento County Probation, his diplomatic and personable leadership style, demonstrated expertise in leading a large department during challenging times, flexibility and honesty, and his first-hand knowledge of Probation and County processes will enable Chief Yarber to lead the Probation Department into a new era of increased collaborative partnerships with County departments and community stakeholders.

Chief Yarber told the Court, *"I am both honored and humbled by the support and trust placed upon me by the Sacramento Superior Court to serve as Chief Probation Officer for the County. Having played a significant role in the transformation of the department over the past seven plus years, I am proud to lead our highly skilled workforce in addressing the myriad of challenges we face. I look forward to partnering further with all of our stakeholders, including community, in pursuit of shared public safety goals."*



Chief Yarber on the job at the Sacramento County Juvenile Corrections facilities on Kiefer Boulevard and Branch Center Road.



Keeping Our Community Safe

ALL DISTRICTS

Department of Justice Bureau of Firearms Sweep

On October 13, 2021, Probation officers assigned to the Adult Field and Adult Community Corrections divisions assisted Department of Justice agents with conducting home visits on adult clients assigned to the Domestic Violence caseload who have at least one firearm registered in their name. Probation focused on approximately 140 individuals and 70 addresses in Sacramento County for this sweep.

Firearms Sweep Results:



Citations:	2
Clients Contacted:	32
Drugs Seized:	Methamphetamine > 10 grams)
Fresh Crimes:	9
Parolees Contacted:	2
Violations of Probation:	11
Firearms Seized:	2
Ammunition Seized:	60 Rounds
Victims Referred to Services:	3
Warrant Arrests:	4

Gang Sweep - Operation "United as One"

On October 14, 2021, the Probation Gang Suppression Unit (GSU) and the Sheriff Office GSU conducted an after-hours operation in the City and County of Sacramento. The purpose of this operation was to contact known gang members/associates and conduct probation searches, with the intent of helping suppress and prevent future gang related violence. Officers contacted probation clients and conducted several probation searches.

GSU Sweep Results:

Ammunition Seized:	> 50 Rounds 3 Magazines 4 High Capacity Magazines
Arrests:	2 Fresh Crimes 2 Felony Warrants
Clients Contacted:	32
Drugs Seized:	Methamphetamine > 10 grams
Firearms Seized:	3
Ammunition Seized:	> 50 Rounds 3 Magazines 4 High Capacity Magazines
Miscellaneous Items:	Gang Indicia





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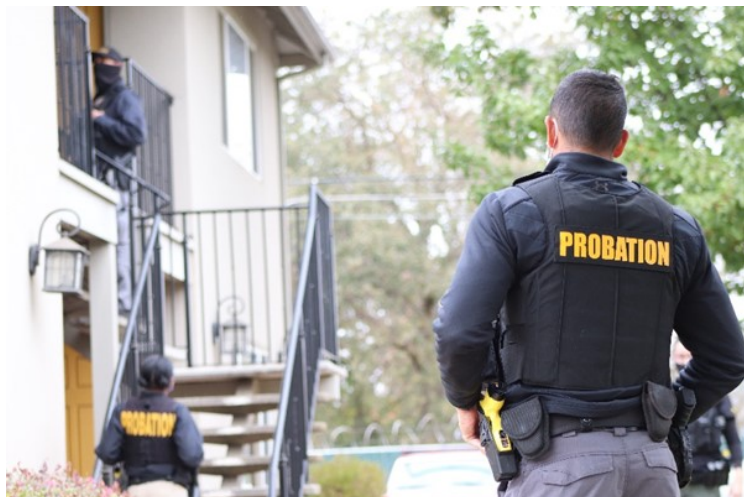
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Family Violence Sweep

In recognition of National Domestic Violence Awareness month, Sacramento County Probation Department conducted a countywide sweep on October 20, 2021 to perform compliance searches, serve warrants, attempt arrests of individuals in violation of their terms and conditions of probation related to family violence, and refer victims to services. Officers provided victims with a Domestic Violence 24-hour Crisis Hotline and Resources card, Sacramento Regional Family Justice Center cards and brochures, and referral material from the Sacramento County District Attorney’s Office Domestic Violence Victim Witness Program.

Results from the Family Violence Sweep:

Probation Clients Contacted:	32
Probation Searches Conducted:	40
Ammunition Seized:	Approximately 60 Rounds
Drugs Seized:	Methamphetamine > 10 grams Miscellaneous drug paraphernalia
Firearms Seized:	2 pistols
Citations:	2
Fresh Crimes:	9
Victims Referred to Services:	3
Violations of Probation:	11
Warrant Arrests:	4
Total Arrests:	11



“The impact of domestic violence is devastating. By monitoring and ensuring compliance with court orders, we have the ability to intervene and prevent further victimization. I am proud of our officers and the work they do supporting those affected by domestic violence, and helping individuals under their supervision make positive changes to their lives.”

Marc Marquez, Chief Deputy of Adult Field Services

DISTRICT 3

October 21, 2021

5700 Block of San Marcos, North Highlands

Officers assigned to the North Adult Day Reporting Center conducted a probation search at the residence of two adults, one of whom is prohibited from possessing firearms

Both adults were arrested for Possession of Controlled Substance While Armed; Possession of Methamphetamine for Sale; Felon in Possession of a Firearm; Prohibited Person in Possession of a Firearm; and Criminal Conspiracy to Commit a Crime.

Search Results:

Currency:	US: \$5,671 Foreign: Approx. \$1,000
Drugs:	Methamphetamine > 187 grams
Firearms:	4 Rifles 2 Shotguns 1 Pistol
Other Weapons:	1 Smoke Grenade



October 26, 2021

5400 Block of Silver Strand Way, Sacramento

After conducting an extensive investigation, a probation officer assigned to Adult Field served a search warrant with assistance from Sacramento Sheriff's Office Special Enforcement Detail on a residence involved in narcotic sales and firearms. The adult was arrested for Felon in Possession of a Firearm; Receiving Stolen Property; Unlawful Possession of Ammunition; Possession of a Controlled Substance for Sale; Possession of Methamphetamine for Sale; and Possession of Controlled Substance While Possessing a Firearm.



Search Results:

Ammunition:	Numerous Rounds
Drugs:	Cocaine > 7 ounces Heroin > 30 grams
Firearms:	3

DISTRICT 4

October 13, 2021

9000 Block of Greenback Lane, Orangevale

The Sacramento County Cal-MMET/HIDTA team* executed a search warrant at the residence of an adult suspected of operating a psilocybin mushroom cultivation operation. During the search, detectives located evidence of psilocybin manufacturing/sales, over 200 grams of processed mushrooms, a 9mm caliber handgun, a .223 caliber rifle, numerous rounds of ammunition and over 170 grams of suspected narcotics counterfeit pills. The adult was arrested and is pending charges for Possession of Controlled including Substance for Sale and Assault upon the Person of Another with a Semiautomatic Firearm.

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CAL-MMET/HIDTA: The California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team is a partnership between the Sacramento Sheriff's Office and Probation. Cal-MMET's goal is to identify, disrupt, and dismantle methamphetamine and other drug trafficking organizations in the Sacramento region. The probation officer assigned to Cal-MMET maintains and monitors a caseload of clients placed on supervision for drug offences.

HIDTA: High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program, created by Congress with the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, provides assistance to federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies operating in areas determined to be critical drug-trafficking regions of the United States.



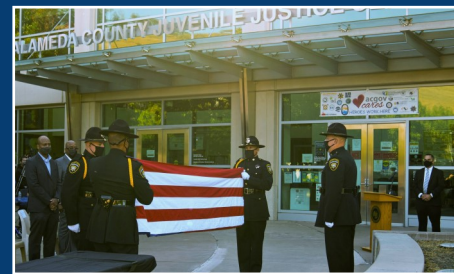
Officers and Programs Making a Positive Impact

Officer Hope joined probation officers in raising awareness during Pinktober: Breast Cancer Awareness Month 2021



Honor Guard Assists Alameda County Probation in Tribute to Fallen Officer

Sacramento County Probation's Honor Guard was grateful to assist our Alameda County Probation brothers and sisters as they honored their fellow officer.



Established in 2019, Probation's Honor Guard is comprised of officers with varying duties and responsibilities who, in addition to their regular duties, are selected to train and be available for Honor Guard/Color Guard details.

First Responders Relay

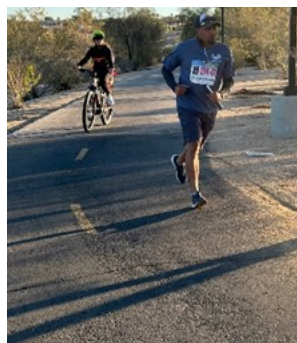
On October 16, 2021, officers from the Sacramento County Probation Department and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department participated together in the inaugural First Responder Relay hosted by the California Police Athletic Federation. Thirty teams consisting of Law Enforcement, Fire, and retired personnel participated in the 48-mile relay in Henderson, Nevada. Nine officers (seven Sacramento County Probation officers and two

Sheriff Deputies) made up the Sacramento County team competing. Two additional probation officers supported the team: one rode the mandatory follow-bike and the other provided mandatory assistance services during the relay.

The Sacramento County team finished in 3rd place in the Open Division.



Probation officers honored fallen officer, Edith Arceo, by running with her photo on their race bibs.



[View Probation's video of the event.](#)

Probation Officer Welcomed at the Rancho Cordova City Council

On October 18, 2021, the Rancho Cordova City Council welcomed Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) Sanchez to the Neighborhood Services Team. Senior DPO Marcel Bernard gave a presentation that provided the City Council with a brief description of Probation’s contributions and responsibilities in the partnership.

I’m proud to be here representing our department. Not many officers have the opportunity to be part of a collaborative program where you interact with Animal Services and Code Enforcement. I’m very happy to be here.

DPO Sanchez

View the [Rancho Cordova City Council meeting](#) online at approximately 3:50 on the video.



Firearms Training

Seventeen probation officers completed a mandatory four-day Firearms Familiarization Training course to meet Penal Code 832 training requirements. Officers completed an eight-hour classroom portion followed by 24 hours of range time and capped off the week with an eight-hour Taser certification course.



All officers passed the course; many in the class had no prior firearms experience, which is a testament to their ability and the quality of the training.





Community Collaborations

Jail Diversion Treatment and Resource Center (JDTRC) Update

- October 19, 2021: Probation hosted a public Zoom webinar event announcing the JDTRC and fielding questions via the Q & A function.
- October 18-22, 2021: Probation, Behavioral Health Services and Public Defender staff met to finalize the handoff process between agencies for JDTRC participants.
- November 2, 2021: Probation updated the [JDTRC website](#).
- November 4, 2021: Beneficial Occupancy granted. The building is now being prepared for occupancy.
- December 9, 2021: Small ribbon cutting ceremony and open house.
- December 13, 2021: Public opening planned date.



Praise for Officers Connecting with Clients

- ⌚ On October 26, 2021, a Central Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) client reported to the probation office for ADRC. After class, he joined a casual conversation about football with several officers. He later told his probation officer how beneficial and happy he was to be having this positive relationship with law enforcement officers. He said he had never been around officers when he wasn't in trouble, and he was actually getting a lot out of his classes.
- ⌚ Officers assigned to the Black Child Legacy Foothill Farms/North Highlands unit operated a drive through Trick or Treat event, delivered clothing to youth, and delivered 10 meals to families.
- ⌚ A Senior Deputy Probation Officer in Juvenile Field Services secured spots for 60 families for this year's holiday food and toy giveaway. The officer is seeking assistance from officers assigned to Juvenile Field, Adult Field, and Adult Community Corrections to identify families in need.
- ⌚ A Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) in the Juvenile Field Services Age of Majority unit is supervising approximately 40 individuals. Of those, 22 currently have gainful, legitimate jobs. The DPO was commended for his efforts in being a resource and providing motivation and guidance to youth.



Juvenile Field Officers on the Scene in District One

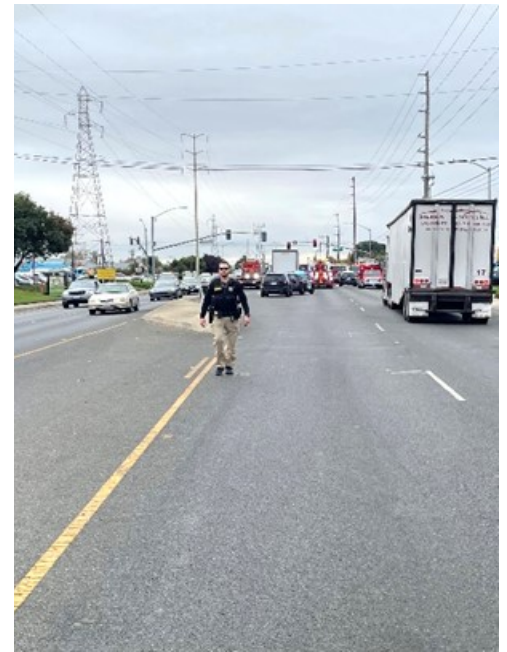
October 1, 2021 - Officers Help Prevent House Fire Near Kiefer Boulevard and Mayhew Road

Juvenile Field Services officers noticed what appeared to be smoke coming from a house near Kiefer Boulevard and Mayhew Road. The officers entered the backyard and called out to anyone who may have been inside the home. Two construction workers inside reported they had attempted to extinguish an electrical fire in the attic, but officers noticed large amounts of smoke were still coming from the attic vents outside the house and on the roof. Officers contacted Sacramento Metro Fire, which responded with three fire trucks in a matter of minutes. The quick action by probation officers saved the home from more fire damage.



October 20, 2021 - Officers Protect Safety at Accident Scene at Fruitridge and Power Inn Roads

While working in the field, Juvenile Field officers responded to the scene of a nearby accident to assist Sacramento City Police (SPD) and Fire Departments. Probation officers directed traffic and inbound emergency vehicles while SPD and Metro Fire officers tended to the victim who was trapped in the vehicle. Their quick actions protected the safety of community members and City personnel.





Success Happens

Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) South Celebrated Eleven Graduates



ADRC Central Celebrated the Graduation of Eight Clients



Juvenile Client Successes

Congratulations to recent [El Centro JR. Sr. High School](#) graduates. Nine graduates celebrated a very important milestone in their life with family members, SCOE and YDF staff in the visiting center. Education can be a gateway to social and economic mobility and can give people a voice, open up doors to a better future, and restore individuals' self-esteem and social competence. This is a big step in the right direction for these youth.



Probation Units and Community Partners Helped Youth Clients Achieve Success in October

Youth Client Successes	Juvenile Field Services Unit/Program	# Clients
Counseling Completed	Black Child Legacy Campaign (BCLC) North	1
	Community Supervision BCLC South	4
	Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) /Juvenile Justice Diversion and Treatment Program (JJJTP)	2
	Community Based Services – Juvenile Justice Intervention Services	3
	CSEC – JJJTP	1
	Total	11
High School Basketball Team	Community Based Services	2
	Total	2
School/GED Completed	Community Supervision BCLC South	1
	Total	1
Youth Fire Setter Academy Completed	Juveniles Who Sexually Offend / Arson Unit	1
	Total	1
Employment	Community Supervision/BCLC South	2
	CSEC – JJJTP	1
	Community Based Services	3
	Electronic Monitoring – Home Supervision	1
	CSEC – JJJTP	1
	Total	8
Permanent Housing	CSEC – JJJTP	1
	Total	1



Youth Detention Facility (YDF) News

YDF Competitions Keep Kids Moving, Creating, and Learning

Burn Out Competition

YDF held a weight lifting competition for youth to test their strength and endurance. The winning competitor for the heaviest bench press lifted 235 pounds. The winning competitor for the "Burn out Competition" lifted 115 pounds for 37 repetitions.



Movie Poster Art Contest Winners



Youth Detention Facility Pumpkin Decorating Contest – Halloween Around the World



The Special Day Class Unit: China - 1st Place

The Special Day Class combined their pumpkins to make a display of a Chinese Dragon, the Flag of China, a Yin Yang symbol, buildings, a cherry blossom tree, and a bridge.



Housing Unit 5: Taj Majal - 2nd Place

This Taj Majal replica is adorned with pumpkin towers, and the water feature is made of Ziploc bags filled with real water.



Housing Unit 12: Disneyland - 3rd Place

Residents painted these pumpkins as characters you might see when walking the streets of Disneyland.

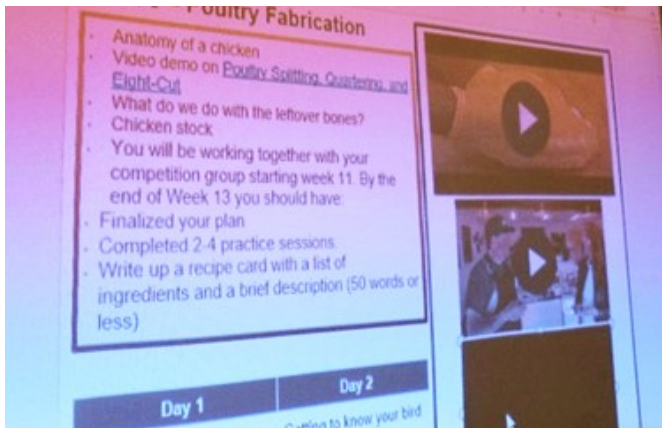


5 on 5 Basketball Tournament

YDF Staff organized a 5 on 5 bracket style (mixed group of residents from different units) elimination tournament. The games were held over two days. The tournament gave the residents an opportunity to work on teamwork and good sportsmanship while still being competitive.



Program Instructors Engage Youth While Teaching Practical Life Skills and Creative Arts



Youth in the **Culinary Arts Program** are currently working on their Poultry Fabrication Unit. On October 15, 2021, they learned how to break down, roast, and boil chickens to make stock, chicken and dumplings, and chicken potpie.

Youth enrolled in the **Scholars Obtaining Academic Responsibility Program** took a break from their busy day of college coursework to paint pumpkins for YDF's annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest.



The Northern California Construction Training (NCCT) Program Helps Youth Learn Woodworking and Construction Math



Youth in the **NCCT Program** worked hard on fabricating wood pumpkins for Halloween.



Youth enrolled at **NCCT** have also made the "Little Libraries" you see in the community.



NCCT youth learned how to find the area of a room and how much material they would need to complete tasks including flooring, paint, and drywall, given the measurements of the walls.

In the **Milton Bowens Art Program**, youth practiced art skills through drawing self-portrait caricatures.



Probation's October Community Partners



River Oak Center for Children



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