

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
Interim Chief Probation Officer

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PROBATION WELCOMES OFFICIAL K9 OFFICER, HOPE



Probation is excited to welcome the newest member of our Probation Family, K9 Officer Hope. Hope is a 13-month-old American Labrador Retriever who will partner with newly appointed K9 Handler Senior Deputy Probation Officer Ron Parker.

Hope will begin her training in both narcotics and firearms detection next month with Defensive Tactics - K9. After training, Hope will be available to assist our officers during field operations and probation searches.



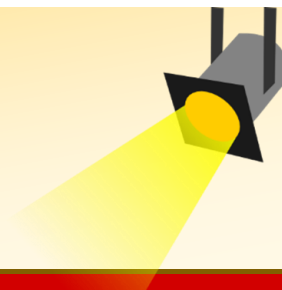
K9 Officer Hope has already endeared herself to Interim Chief Yarber. Who will be next?

We haven't had a K9 partner since 2011, and we are thrilled Hope is joining the team.

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Pretrial Release Program

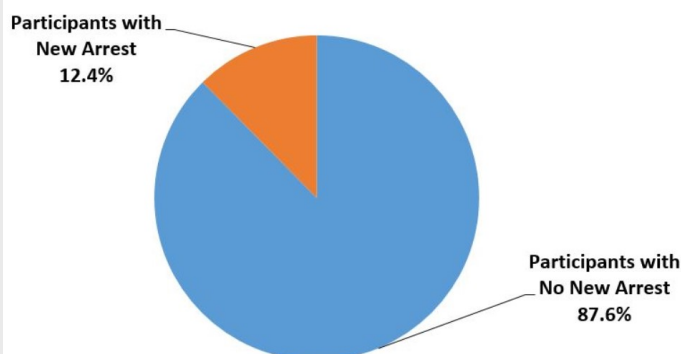


Probation's Pretrial Unit was created in October 2019 to operate the Pretrial Release Monitoring Pilot Program. Since the beginning of the Pretrial Pilot, Probation has monitored 2,278 cases of individuals on Pretrial Release. During the County Budget Hearing on June 10, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved continued funding of the successful program.

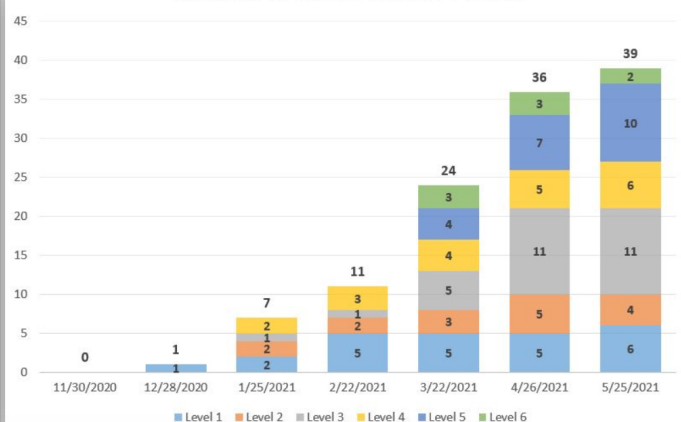
Probation conducts assessments on individuals booked into custody and monitors individuals released to Pretrial by the Superior Court at no cost to the client.

Individuals who bail out of custody are also being ordered to Pretrial monitoring. Monitoring may include court reminder telephone calls, office visits, community visits or GPS monitoring.

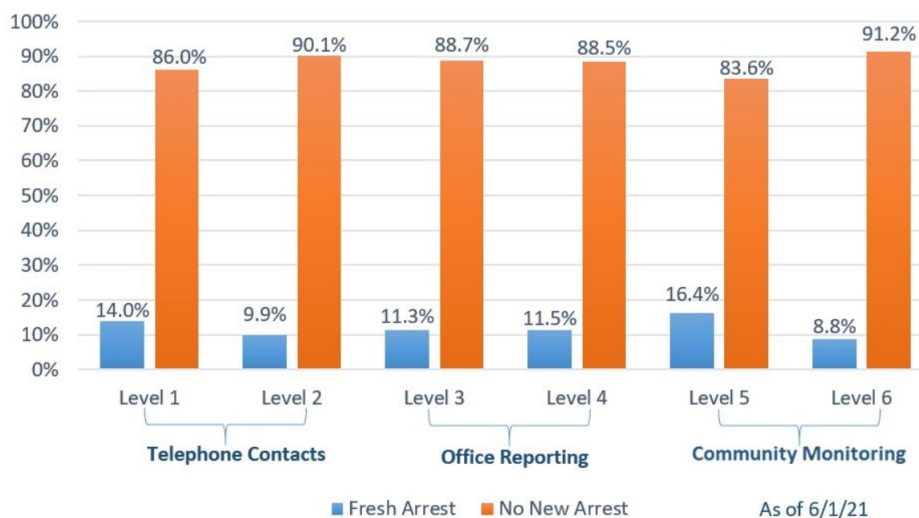
Pretrial Participant New Arrest Rate as of 6/1/21



PRETRIAL CASES OVER 1 YEAR



Fresh Arrests while on Pretrial



For more information, visit [Pretrial Monitoring](#) and [Pretrial Demographics](#)



Keeping Our Community Safe

ALL DISTRICTS SACRAMENTO SAFE TEAM SEX OFFENDER SWEEP

On May 27, 2021, the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (S.A.F.E.) Team comprised of the Sacramento Sheriff's Department, Sacramento County Probation Department, Parole, and U.S. Marshals, conducted compliance checks on registered sex offenders to ensure compliance with

their Terms and Conditions of Probation and their requirement to register as sex offenders.

The Team contacted seven (7) subjects and made two (2) arrests after conducting home visits. The subjects were booked in the Sacramento Main Jail pending new charges and Violations of Probation.



DISTRICT 2

May 6, 2021

1100 Block of Lancaster Way

Officers assigned to the South Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) Unit conducted a search of a subject on PRCS and Formal Searchable Probation. Officers recovered two handguns, two shotguns, a rifle, multiple rounds of live ammunition, methamphetamine, cocaine, heroin, and Xanax pills. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges for Felon in Possession of Firearm, Possession of Controlled Substance and Loaded Firearm, and Possession of Ammunition by Prohibited Person.



DISTRICT 2 Cont'd.

May 21, 2021

900 Block of 43rd Avenue

Officers assigned to Juvenile Field conducted a residential search of a juvenile on Searchable Probation and recovered a loaded firearm with an extended magazine. The juvenile was arrested and booked into the Sacramento County Youth Detention Facility for Possession of a Firearm by a Minor.



DISTRICT 3

May 4, 2021

6000 Block of Springhaven Circle

North Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) officers conducted a compliance check of a subject on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and Formal Searchable Probation. With the assistance of the North PRCS unit, a residential search was conducted recovering methamphetamine, heroin, two digital scales, and a large quantity of cash and silver bars. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges for Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale and Possession of Marijuana for Sale with a Prior Conviction.



May 4, 2021

6800 Block of Harlequin Way

Officers assigned to Post Release Community Supervision South (PRCS), in conjunction with the California Department of Justice K9 Unit, conducted a search of a subject on Formal Searchable Probation. Officers recovered four firearms, various calibers of ammunition, a magazine, and a revolver speed loader. The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges for Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person and a Violation of Probation.



May 13, 2021

4600 Block Madison Avenue

Officers assigned to the Central Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) Unit and Adult Field Investigations and Supervision Unit (ISU) made contact with a subject on Formal Searchable Probation.

After receiving prior intelligence the subject was potentially making pipe bombs, a cursory search of the subject's vehicle revealed what appeared to be pipe bombs in the glove compartment.

Officers secured the area and contacted the Sacramento County Sheriff's Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team. After EOD arrived, they recovered previously live pipe bombs and smokeless powder.

The subject was arrested and booked into the Sacramento Main Jail and is pending charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of a Destructive Device, and Possession of Ingredients to Make a Destructive Device.

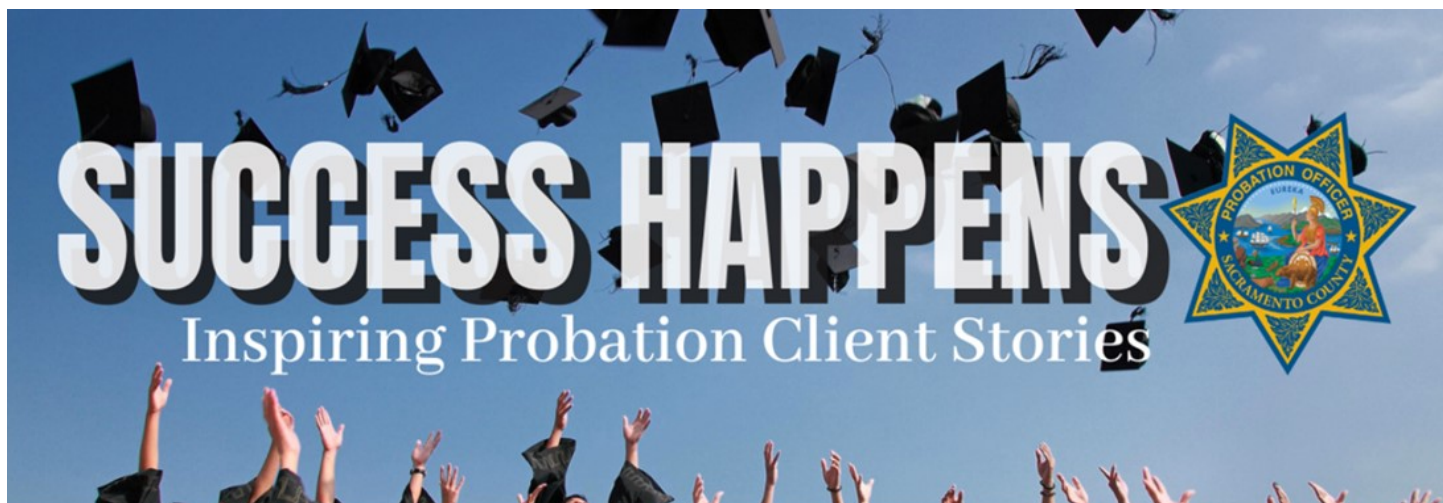


DISTRICT 5

May 20, 2021

4000 block of Excelsior Road

Officers assigned to the Adult Field Investigations and Supervision Unit (ISU), with the assistance of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, conducted a residential search of a subject on Formal Searchable Probation. Officers recovered 14 firearms, including several Assault Rifle weapons, over nine pounds of methamphetamine, over 80 pounds of marijuana, over 15 grams of cocaine, a large quantity of ammunition, and a ballistic vest. The subject was arrested and is pending charges for Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale, four counts of Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, and Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person.



Employment News

Five clients started new jobs at [Target](#), [Burger King](#), [Smash Burger](#), [Quick Quack](#), and [Land Ocean Restaurant](#). We are grateful to these businesses for giving our clients a new start.



Graduations

An officer in the Age of Majority Unit received a graduation announcement from a former probation client who graduated from Sacramento State University with a degree in [Mechanical Engineering](#).



SACRAMENTO STATE



Adult Day Reporting Center Central celebrated five (5) client graduations on May 19. Two graduates agreed to provide testimonials of their experience.



Anthony: "A lot of things are going good for me . . . I'm trying to be a better person than I was yesterday or a year ago. . . I enjoyed myself here . . . It was cool to be here."



Holly: "I'm grateful and thankful for the opportunity. . . It [the program] helped me organize my way of communication. . . Just being direct and communicating."



Officers & Programs Making a Positive Impact

System Improvement Plan (SIP) Approved and Praised

On May 24, 2021, the California Department of Social Services approved The County's System Improvement Plan (SIP) Year 4 Progress Report.

"Congratulations! We concur with the direction, and the county's prioritization of activities and your final System Improvement Plan Progress Report (SIP PR) has been approved. Great Job! Overall, the report revealed that you all really put effort to make substantial progress for the children and families you serve in Sacramento County!!!!"

Venus Esparza-Whitted, MSW, MA, Associate Governmental Program Analyst/Consultant

ADULT OPERATIONS

Recovery Treatment Center Expansion

The Sacramento County Probation Department's Recovery Court Unit has opened its doors to allow for the expansion and implementation of the Recovery Treatment Center (RTC).

The RTC is an 8 to 12 month outpatient treatment program designed to provide substance abuse treatment to facilitate the rehabilitation of clients who qualify. The goal of the RTC is to eliminate illegal and controlled substance use and abuse and eradicate all problems associated with chemical dependency, including future contact with the criminal justice system.

To guide them in their journey toward recovery, clients have an assigned case manager, a probation officer to supervise them, and Recovery Court probation officers to provide assistance as needed.

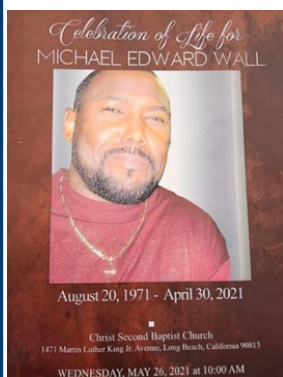


Clients participate in:
 Evidence-based classes
 Drug tests
 Pro-social events
 Health and wellness classes
 Mental health services

Sacramento County Probation Honor Guard Assists Los Angeles County Probation with Services for Fallen Officer

The County of Los Angeles Probation Department requested Sacramento County Probation's Honor Guard to assist during the funeral services and flag ceremony in honor of Detention Officer Michael Wall on May 26.

The beautiful service paid homage to Officer Wall, one of Los Angeles County's most dedicated probation officers, who died while in the line of duty on April 30. Colleagues from the multiple Probation departments attended. Sacramento and San Bernardino County Probation Department's Honor Guards stood watch during the service.



Our deepest condolences go out to Officer Wall's family and the Los Angeles Probation Department.

[#LosAngelesCounty](#) [#DSOMichaelWall](#)



THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT of JUSTICE

Senior Deputy Probation Officer Joseph Lozano Recognized by the FBI for Special Achievement in Notable Arrest

The [United States Attorney's Office—Eastern District of California](#) featured a case that was the product of an investigation by the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office and the Sacramento County Probation Department with the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Safe Streets Task Force.

Senior Deputy Probation Officer Joseph Lozano received an FBI Citation for Special Achievement for his work on the case that resulted in a 10-year prison sentence for the subject.

"Great job Joe. My understanding is you took the lead on this case and wrote a ping warrant that was funded by the task force. Your efforts led to a 10-year sentence and a Citation of Achievement from the FBI. Good work!"

Chief Deputy Marc Marquez

Read the Department of Justice article, [Sacramento Man Sentenced 10-Years Prison](#)


Training the Trainers

Defensive Tactics Instructor Training

Three Probation Officers received 80 hours of Defensive Tactics Instructor Training at [the Sacramento Regional Public Safety Training Center](#) located at [American River College](#). The course trains instructors to teach weaponless defense tactics including techniques in control holds, takedowns, handcuffing, and blocking. In the coming months, these officers will train new officers in Probation's Juvenile Corrections Officer Core Academy and will update the skills of unarmed officers throughout the department. The Sacramento County Probation Department is thankful to these officers for their commitment to keeping our officers safe.



Training Effective Youth Leaders

- May 14, 2021: Juvenile Managers attended an "Inform, Engage, Unite" collective action forum hosted by [Unite Us](#). Community leaders and partners discussed more effective evidence-based methods to reduce recidivism and support justice-involved individuals. 
- May 17-18 and May 24-25, 2021: Two officers attended a four-day virtual [Child and Family Team Meeting \(CFT\) – Facilitation Training](#). Participants received basic knowledge and skills to facilitate CFT meetings utilizing the Integrated Core Practice Model (ICPM).
- May 26, 2021: Probation managers attended the second session of the Sacramento County Child, Youth & Family System of Care Leadership/Management Training focused on exploring how department leaders can use their experience to help design and implement the system and how the System of Care supports each department and their efforts toward integrated practice.

National Drug Court Month

[National Drug Court Month](#) is dedicated to shedding light on the high success rate of adult drug courts.

Probation's Adult Community Corrections Recovery Court Unit (formerly known as Drug Court) provides on-site treatment and counseling, nutrition, yoga, mental health services, frequent drug testing, probation supervision in the community, and regular Court progress appearances

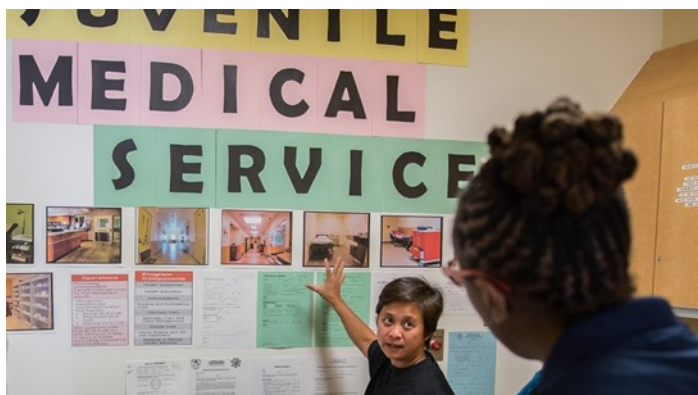
Drug courts are six times more likely to keep participants in treatment long enough for them to recover.

Despite their effectiveness, many people are still not aware of drug courts or their purpose.



In recognition of Drug Court Month, Recovery Court clients spent the day cleaning debris along the American River. The river cleanup is an annual event that affords clients the opportunity to give back to their community.

Youth Detention Facility (YDF) Clinic Receives “Outstanding” National Accreditation



The [National Commission on Correctional Healthcare](#) (NCCHC) performed a two-day review of the YDF Clinic and all medical policies and practices for the purpose of accreditation. NCCHC staff interviewed various YDF staff and residents.

During the exit interview, the NCCHC reviewing doctor gave the YDF Clinic an outstanding review and praised YDF staff for being so accommodating and friendly and for providing excellent information.



The overall consensus was that the YDF clinic and staff take their roles very seriously, and when it comes to the medical treatment of residents, collaboration is paramount.

Officer Secures Residential Treatment Bed for Juvenile Client

Deputy Probation Officer Novak, with assistance from probation managers and Juvenile Court, expedited the process of securing a residential treatment bed at [River City Recovery](#) for a juvenile client who was in desperate need of residential treatment. The youth resided at the Youth Detention Facility until the move to River City Recovery.



Officer Commendations

One of the most rewarding parts of a probation officer's job is assisting clients in making positive changes in their lives, and it means the world when they reach out to acknowledge our officers for doing an exceptional job. In May, Probation officers received numerous thank you messages.

Senior Deputy Probation Officer Luciana Tovar

Juvenile Field's Senior Deputy Probation Officer Luciana Tovar received a message of thanks from a client's parent. The client participated in a program provided by Probation and [Stanford Sierra Youth & Families](#) that provides comprehensive care to help keep youth safe and at home, in school, and out of trouble.

The message praised Officer Tovar for being *"straightforward and so helpful and nice."* The client's parent further stated, *"I love this Wraparound team; they get gold stars all around."*

Officer Tovar and the Wraparound team did a great job supporting a client with making positive changes.



Deputy Probation Officer Andrea Hastie

Juvenile Field's Deputy Probation Officer Andrea Hastie received praise from a client's parent who stated, *"I want to take this time and thank you for all your help...you offered great support ... he's officially off Probation today."* Great job Officer Hastie in assisting our client to make positive changes and successfully complete probation.



Senior Deputy Probation Officer Ron Tam

Senior Deputy Probation Officer Ron Tam received messages from a client acknowledging his hard work and support. The client stated, *"You saved me at my lowest I appreciate you more than you'll ever know. I'm going to be a police officer because I want to be like you and save people."*





May ~ A Month to Honor our Hard Working Partners



Mental Health Awareness Month

In honor of Mental Health Awareness Month, the Sacramento County Probation Department recognized our Adult Community Corrections Collaborative Courts team and Juvenile Justice Diversion and Treatment Program (JJDTDP) for their dedication to serving our clients on their road to recovery.

[#MentalHealthAwareness](#)



Teacher Appreciation Week

May 2nd - May 8th was Teacher Appreciation Week. The Sacramento County Probation Department appreciates our teachers and all of their hard work! [#TeacherAppreciationDay](#)



National Foster Care Month

The [California Office of Foster Care and Ombudsperson](#) and California Department of Social Services celebrated the 20th Anniversary of the [Foster Youth Bill of Rights](#). Probation continues to seek Resource and Foster families to place youth removed from their homes and served by probation. Resource Families play an important part in the rehabilitation and healing of these youth. **To learn about becoming a Resource/Foster Family**, email probationresourcefamily@sacounty.net or visit www.FosterAYouth.net.



National Nurse's Week

In recognition of National Nurses Week, the Sacramento County Probation Department thanked all of our nurses for their selfless dedication and service to our community.

[#NationalNursesWeek](#)

May is Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Awareness Month



Thank you for your dedication and commitment
to helping youth in Sacramento.

Adverse Childhood Experiences Awareness Month

In recognition of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Awareness Month, the Sacramento County Probation Department thanked our Trauma Informed Care (TIC) trainers for their hard work, dedication, and continued efforts in training Probation staff on the effects of ACEs. This training is essential as it teaches employees how to recognize ACE's, apply safe and supportive trauma-informed practices, and foster resilience in families, neighborhoods, communities, and the juvenile justice system.

This newsletter is also available online: <https://saccoprobatation.saccounty.net/Pages/DistrictNewsletters.aspx>

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