

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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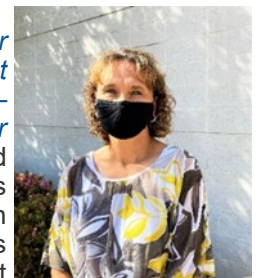
OFFICERS & PROGRAMS MAKING
A POSITIVE IMPACT

POSITIVE AND ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (PACEs) CONNECTION

Sacramento County Probation Chief Deputy Shaunda Cruz spoke at the [Positive and Adverse Childhood Experiences \(PACEs\) Connection](#) Virtual Creative Community Partnerships Conference for Central and Northern California.

Cruz spoke about the ways Sacramento County Probation has mitigated childhood adversity caused by the underlying problem of childhood trauma and its effects.

Cruz stated, “Ninety percent of our system-involved youth—those that are on probation or in detention—have experienced trauma or traumatic events.” She discussed two key changes Probation has made to the Youth Detention Facility’s environment and practices to bring a trauma informed mindset to the forefront.



- Probation created the Multi-Sensory De-Escalation Room where youth who are on the verge of an emotional meltdown can go to decompress. A staff member interacts with the youth to build on their strengths and determine their triggers.
- Probation assesses each young person who enters detention using the [Child and Adolescent Trauma screening tool](#). Those with especially high scores can participate in classes to learn how to recognize their trauma triggers and the roots of their trauma. Staff create treatment plans and build supports around the youth.



“It’s really about sharing resources and being transparent, and letting down your guard and being vulnerable. We challenge anyone that wants to work with our youth and families to have that trauma-informed lens. We build our contracts around (the requirement) that it can’t be an afterthought; it has to be something you bring to the forefront.”

Shaunda Cruz, Chief Deputy Probation Officer

To learn more about trauma-informed work at the Youth Detention Facility, see [this story](#).



Beyond the Badge



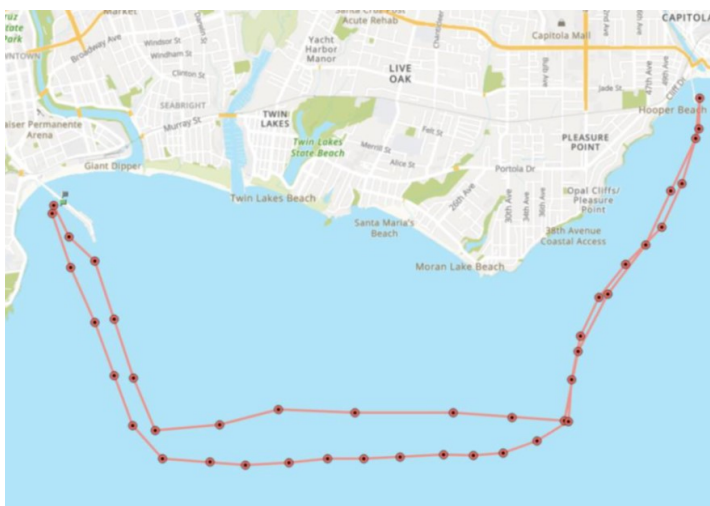
Deputy Probation Officer Brad Schindler Qualified for the Monterey Bay Solo Marathon Swim

Deputy Probation Officer Brad Schindler of the Juvenile Field Division recently qualified for the Monterey Bay Solo Marathon Swim by completing a 20K swim from Santa Cruz Harbor to Capitola Beach and back.



It was beautiful out in the open ocean with Risso's dolphins greeting Brad, and a bright purple striped jellyfish hitching a ride.

Brad is looking forward to the Monterey Bay Solo Marathon Swim, a 25-mile swim from Seabright Beach to San Carlos Beach, scheduled for August 2021. He hopes to join an elite group of swimmers by becoming the 8th person in history to successfully complete the journey.



The swim track. Brad's route deviated to avoid a fleet of fishing vessels off Pleasure.

Brad does most of his training at Lake Natoma in Sacramento year round where the water dips into the low 40's.



Keeping Our Community Safe

ALL DISTRICTS GANG VIOLENCE SUPPRESSION SWEEP



Officers in the Juvenile Field Age of Majority Unit worked a youth Gang Violence Suppression sweep throughout the City of Sacramento on Saturday, June 12, 2021. Officers made multiple contacts with juvenile probation clients with gang involvement to ensure compliance with their terms of probation. The team arrested one youth who had a no bail warrant.

OFFICERS SEIZE TWENTY-ONE CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

A probation officer who is assigned to the Adult Court Services Pretrial Unit, was contacted by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) North Sacramento Special Investigations Unit regarding an individual on Pretrial who was caught on video surveillance removing catalytic converters from vehicles belonging to Cal Fire and the California Department of Real Estate.

On June 24, 2021, probation officers made contact with the individual who was found to be in possession of 21 catalytic converters. The individual was arrested and booked into the main jail for Burglary, Grand Theft, and Tampering, Breaking, or Removing Vehicle Parts.

CHP Safety Services Program Investigator White expressed his gratitude, stating the individual, *“was arrested today thanks to [the officers’ hard work finding him.]”*



DISTRICT 1

June 3, 2021

700 Block of Eleanor Avenue

Officers from the Gang Suppression Unit conducted a compliance check at a residence of an adult on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS). Two individuals were present in the home. During a probation search of the home, officers located and seized a handgun, over 50 grams of heroin, over 20 grams of methamphetamine, and over \$30,000 dollars. Both individuals were arrested and are pending charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance With a Loaded Firearm, Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of a Controlled Substance for Sale.



June 16, 2021

4000 Block of San Jose Way

Probation officers assigned to the Juvenile Field Community Based Supervision Unit contacted an individual on probation walking down the street carrying a fanny pack. Officers witnessed the individual attempt to conceal the fanny pack. Officers located a stolen loaded revolver firearm inside the fanny pack. The individual was arrested and is pending charges of Having a Concealed Firearm on One's Person and Carrying a Loaded Firearm on One's Person.

**DISTRICT 2**

June 10, 2021

Fountain Oaks Circle

On June 10, 2021, officers assigned to the Gang Suppression Unit worked with the [Sacramento County Sheriff's Office](#) Gang Suppression Unit to serve a search warrant relative to a reported felon in possession of a firearm. When officers served the warrant, they recovered a loaded handgun on the individual. The individual was arrested and is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person.



June 16, 2021

Park City Drive

Officers assigned to the PRCS South Unit conducted a compliance check on an individual on PRCS. While at the residence, officers contacted a second individual who was also on probation. Officers located a gun case containing a handgun, fully loaded magazine, and several rounds of live ammunition. The individual was arrested and is pending firearms related charges.



DISTRICT 2 Cont'd.

On June 30, deputy probation officers saw smoke on the side of the freeway while travelling eastbound on Highway 50 (passing the 65th Street exit). The officers determined it was a quickly growing grass fire, so they exited the freeway and activated their vehicle emergency lights. They positioned their vehicle at the entrance of the onramp, broadcast the call, and requested the fire department be dispatched. Sacramento County Fire Fighters quickly responded to the location and were able to contain the fire. The officers assisted with traffic control until the scene was safe.



DISTRICT 3

June 23, 2021

4000 Block of Palm Avenue

Officers with the Investigations and Supervision Unit conducted a residential search. During the search, officers recovered a loaded shotgun in the bedroom. The individual was arrested and is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person.



DISTRICT 5

June 4, 2021

Elk Grove DUI Checkpoint

Officers assigned to the Office of Traffic Safety/Driving Under the Influence (OTS/DUI) Unit assisted Elk Grove Police Department with a DUI checkpoint to maintain the safety of streets and highways. During the checkpoint, officers contacted 32 drivers, conducted 26 Field Sobriety Tests, and towed two vehicles.



June 15, 2021

8700 Block of Delta Shores Circle

With the assistance from the Sacramento Area Apprehension Team (SAAT), probation officers contacted an individual on Post Release Community Supervision in a vehicle who had an outstanding no bail felony warrant. Officers conducted a search of the vehicle, which revealed a handgun with a magazine and ammunition, a 30 round magazine with ammunition, a Taser, and a light with a laser used for mounting onto a handgun. The individual is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person.



DISTRICT 5 Continued

June 16, 2021

200 Block of 6th Street, Galt

Officers from the Juvenile Field Home Supervision – Electronic Monitoring Unit conducted a home visit of a juvenile. A probation search of the bedroom recovered a stolen loaded handgun, ammunition, a replica Beretta airsoft style gun, marijuana in plastic baggies and glass jars, THC wax, plastic baggies for packaging, and a digital scale. The minor was arrested for Minor in Possession of Firearm, Minor in Possession of Ammunition, and Possession of Marijuana for Sale.



June 28, 2021

2000 Block of Morales Court

Officers assigned to the Investigations & Supervision Unit conducted a residential search of an individual on Formal Searchable Probation. Officers recovered a loaded handgun, alprazolam and oxycodone tablets, and a digital scale. The individual was arrested and is pending charges of Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person, and Possession of Controlled Substance.



Age of Majority Unit (AOM) Client Achievements

Dylan was placed on juvenile probation in October 2019. Under the guidance of his probation officer and his counselor, he completed his counseling and program requirements. Dylan maintained employment at an auto dealership throughout his probationary period. **Dylan successfully terminated juvenile probation on June 14, 2021, and his record was sealed.** He received a gift card from his probation officer to congratulate him on his achievement.

Mackenzie was placed on juvenile probation in June 2020. Over the past year, she made tremendous strides. **She obtained her Driver's License, graduated from MTI College with a degree in the field of medical office assistance and obtained full time employment at Sherwood Healthcare.** She has future plans to become a Phlebotomist. Her hard work and dedication resulted in a successful termination of Probation in June 2021. She received a gift card from her probation officer through the AOM incentive program.

Age of Majority Unit Officer Secures Housing for Youth

On June 2, an AOM officer secured residential housing for a client at [River City Recovery Center](#). Juvenile Field also collaborated with Adult Community Corrections Recovery Court to secure rehabilitative services for the client. The AOM officer transported the client from the Youth Detention Facility to the River City Recovery Center.



TransitionalHousing.org

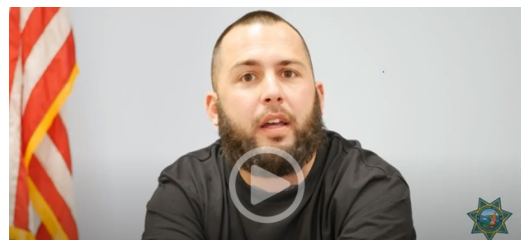


Graduations

On June 22, 2021, nine clients graduated from the Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) North program.



On June 30, 2021, five clients graduated from the ADRC South program



"They don't treat it like a job. They treat it like a passion. [My probation officer] would literally call me almost every day. Don't be scared of your probation officer. Don't be scared to reach out and take part in these programs because they could change your life."

Probation Units Helped Clients Achieve Success in June

Client Success Category	Unit	No. Clients
Diploma/GED Earned	North Area Community Supervision/Black Child Legacy Campaign (BCLC)	2
Total		2
College Degree	Age of Majority	1
Total		1
Counseling Completed	North Area Community Supervision/BCLC	8
	Age of Majority Unit	1
	South Area Community Supervision/BCLC:	2
Total		11
Probation Completed	Age of Majority	1
	North Area Community Supervision/BCLC	1
Total		2
Services Continued with BCLC	North Area Community Supervision/BCLC	1
Total		1
Obtained Employment	North Area Community Supervision/BCLC	6
	Age of Majority	2
	South Area Community Supervision/BCLC:	3
	Juvenile Justice Diversion & Treatment Program/ Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (JJTDP/ CSEC)	2
Total		13
Obtained Driver's License	Age of Majority	1
	JJTDP/CSEC	1
Total		2

Employment News

Thirteen clients started new jobs in June. We are grateful to local businesses for giving our clients a new start.





Officers & Programs

Making a Positive Impact

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Northern California

Probation officers participated in the 2021 Law Enforcement Torch Run for [Special Olympics Northern California](#) alongside law enforcement personnel from agencies across Northern California who participate to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics.

Officers look forward to the Special Olympics each year as they support inclusion, opportunity, equality, and respect.



The Torch Run has raised more than \$275,000 for Special Olympic athletes this year.

Kops-n-Kids is Back

Deputy probation officers assisted in the [Kops-n-Kids](#) summer camp where boys and girls have the opportunity to interact with positive role models, experience sports clinics, and participate in pro-social activities with law enforcement officers from local departments including Sacramento County Probation.



Client Thanks Officer for Support


Senior Deputy Probation Officer Denise Harper received a message from a prior client thanking her for her support. The client wrote,

"Court went well, I paid my restitution in full, still clean and sober, going to my classes and seeing my Probation Officer. I just want to say thank you for all of your help and understanding. Without your help, I probably wouldn't be where I am today. Thank you once again. You're the best!"



Working to make a difference.

Chief Probation Officers of California recently recognized Senior Deputy Probation Officer John Brock for his contributions to the LGBTQI youth and community in honor of Pride Month, which is celebrated every June. . Learn more about how probation is the connector by clicking [here](#).




Chief Probation Officers of
California Recognize

**SENIOR DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER
JOHN BROCK**

of Sacramento County Probation

"LGBTQI staff, clients, and outside stakeholders are heard and respected. John shows his commitment to ensuring equality daily through his work as a trainer in Juvenile Court, assisting LGBTQI youth by volunteering his time as a member of the Peer Support Team. On behalf of Sacramento County Probation, I would like to thank Officer Brock for his dedication to Probation and the LGBTQI community."
-Interim Chief Probation Officer Marlon Yarber



Accountability and Opportunity

On June 11, 2021, Probation officers contacted a client at her address of residence after she missed her scheduled office visit.

A search of the client's bedroom revealed Psilocybin mushrooms, methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia. Officers cited the client for drug possession and determined she was in need of additional services. Officers transferred the client to the Adult Day Reporting Center North to participate in counseling.

These officers demonstrated outstanding performance. The client was held accountable for her non-compliance, and she will be provided the services she needs to succeed.

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