

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

Sacramento County Employee Recognition Ceremony for the Core Value of “Innovation”

On May 17, 2024, Sacramento County held the Employee Recognition Ceremony for the Core Value of “Innovation”. The ceremony was held in the board chambers of the County’s Administration building. Those that exemplify the core value of “Innovation”, support a creative environment and solutions, embrace different perspectives, and identify challenges while finding solutions and collaborating with others. Two officers were recognized for receiving this award. Congratulations to Assistant Chief Deputy Robyn Howland and Deputy Probation Officer Benjamin Scharlach. Chief Yarber was in attendance to support and congratulate them on their award.

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Celebrating Success

Adult Day Reporting Center Graduates

Seven clients graduated from the North Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC). The ADRC programs are designed to address the individual needs of participants through the utilization of intensive on-site therapeutic interventions. The nine to twelve month program includes a combination of cognitive behavioral treatment interventions, substance misuse treatment, self-help courses, educational programming, connections to housing, and vocational assistance. Clients also receive family support services, participate in pro-social activities, and pay victim restitution through the Community Outreach Program.

CONGRATULATIONS graduates





Officers & Programs Making a Positive Impact

American River Parkway Cleanup

On May 7, 2024, probation staff and clients from the Sacramento County Recovery Treatment Center participated in the semi-annual clean-up of the 15th mile of the American River Parkway. The Recovery Treatment Center Program adopted this one-mile section, adjacent to Hagan Park, approximately 20 years ago. Through this ongoing effort, clients and probation staff give back to the community.



Making a Difference in our client's lives

A client sent an email expressing how Deputy Probation Officer Arceneaux-Smith had encouraging words, effective suggestions for life and that her hard work and dedication changed his life. In addition, the client mentioned she was the perfect example of what correctional development should look like. The client went on to further state that this type of engagement between probation and clients matter because it's very impactful and encourages our clients to work harder.





Officers & Programs Making a Positive Impact

Tip-A-Cop

On May 2, 2024, Sacramento County Probation Department joined forces with Elk Grove Police Department, and Sacramento County Sheriff's Department to host the annual "Tip a Cop" event at Texas Roadhouse in Elk Grove, sponsoring the Special Olympics of Northern California. There was an amazing turnout of community members who came to donate and show their support for the Special Olympics athletes throughout Northern California.



Folsom Spring Games

On Saturday May 18, 2024, our officers joined other local law enforcement agencies at the Special Olympics of Northern California Folsom Spring Games located at Vista Del Lago High School. Together, they placed medals on the incredible Special Olympics athletes that triumphed in track and field, tennis and swimming.





Keeping Our Community Safe

DISTRICT 1

May 9, 2024

Gang Suppression

4500 Block of Natomas Centra Dr, Sacramento

During a search of the residence of an individual under supervision, officers located one unloaded 18 round magazine, one unloaded high-capacity drum magazine, and one extended magazine loaded with 16 live rounds of ammunition. The individual was prohibited from owning or possessing firearms and ammunition and was subsequently arrested and booked into the Sacramento County Jail for Possession of Ammunition.



May 13, 2024

Investigation & Supervision Unit

800 Block of 17th street, Sacramento

A youth under supervision was detained while a probation search was conducted at his home. In his bedroom, officers located an unregistered firearm with an extended magazine containing live rounds and an attached laser. The youth was subsequently transported to the Youth Detention Facility on firearm related charges.



DISTRICT 3

May 1, 2024

Investigation & Supervision Unit

8700 Block of Folsom Blvd, Sacramento

A records check of an individual under supervision revealed he had a firearm registered to him. Through further investigation, officers learned the individual's mother had secured the firearm in a safety deposit box at a bank. The individual's mother met with officers and relinquished the firearm.



Check out Probation social media to stay up-to-date on efforts to support and keep our community safe!



Youth Detention Facility (YDF) News

Teacher Appreciation Week (SCOE)

During the week of May 6 through May 10, the Youth Detention Facility (YDF) recognized the educators at the Sacramento County Office of Education El Centro Jr/Sr High School during Teacher Appreciation Week! We are fortunate to have our very own school with a dedicated team of teachers.

In the unique setting of single-room classrooms, students from grades 7 through 12 learn together, allowing teachers to demonstrate skill and adaptability.

Beyond traditional subjects, our teachers also provide vocational training in fields like computers, construction, and culinary arts, as well as specialized support for students with disabilities.

YDF is very grateful for these dedicated educators and their commitment to empowering the next generation. We not only recognize their efforts in nurturing academic growth, but also fostering positive change.



Northern California Construction Training (NCCT): Greenhouse Builds

On May 8th and 9th, NCCT students participated in the 2024 Sacramento Regional Builders Exchange Build competition. Nineteen NCCT students teamed up for the two-day build to complete the greenhouse. The greenhouse will be utilized for the YDF Culinary future "Farm to Fork" program.

At the conclusion of the build, students and staff enjoyed a barbecue lunch prepared by Mr. Doolittle, SCOE's Culinary instructor. This year's build turned out to be a great success. The NCCT team cannot wait for the next build competition to take place in 2025!



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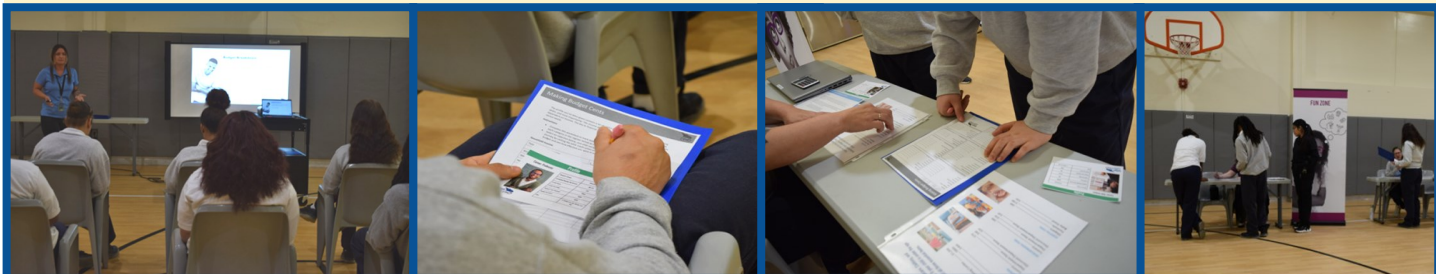


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SCOE Budget Cents Educational Event

Over the course of several days in the month of May, the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) partnered with SAFE Credit Union to conclude the Budget Cents educational event on Financial Literacy at the Youth Detention Facility (YDF).

The Budget Cents event consisted of a brief power point introduction followed by an interactive exercise on financial budgeting. During the exercise, residents were given a mock career, monthly income, debts to pay, and the responsibility of caring for a family. Sessions ended with a brief question and answer period. Several residents from various housing units participated in the event.



Youth Community Outreach Unit (YCOU)

For the month of May, the Youth Community Outreach Unit (YCOU) participated in community outreach with the Sacramento County Department of Animal Care Services, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) at the Cosumnes River Preserve, and the Sacramento County Department of Regional Parks. They also assisted in clean up at the Youth Detention Facility (YDF).

Participating youth worked on field fire reduction, making the trails and walkways safe from any potential fires in local area parks and on BLM land. They aided in fire reduction on access roads, utilizing weed eaters and blowers in assigned work areas. Participating youth received a certification on the use of weed eaters and instruction on the importance of not being complacent in working with field equipment.

In a local park, the youth set up “do not park” metal posts and cemented them in. The youth had to dig up dirt, measure, and correctly set the posts to exactly 6 feet tall.

The youth also worked with animals in the animal shelter. They assisted shelter staff by cleaning the cat and dog kennels, feeding the animals, sanitizing the kennels, and walking the dogs.

In the Youth Detention Facility, the youth cleaned the courtyard of the staff break room and washed the transportation vehicles, inside and out.

YCOU officers hosted Tuolumne County Probation Officers who will be piloting their version of YCOU in Tuolumne County.





Youth Detention Facility (YDF) News

Leadership Enrichment Achievement Program (LEAP)

Youth Advocate Bill Collins and the Leadership Enrichment Achievement Program (LEAP) organized All-Star basketball and football games in the gym. Ten residents were selected from last month's basketball and football tournaments. The teams consisted of the same residents for both basketball and football, and the same team won both games.



Mentor Academy Graduation

Throughout the course of the Mentor Academy, youth participated in classwork and exercises to teach them the importance of having integrity, accountability, and building trust.

From May 22 through May 24, the Mentor Academy youth participated in a variety of tests and activities in preparation for the Mentor Academy Graduation.

On day one, the youth participated in a public speaking exercise in which they chose to recite their life story, a monologue, or the Mentor Creed. They were scored in a variety of categories including their ability to maintain eye contact and confidence.

On day two, the youth participated in a panel interview. Lastly, the youth completed a physical challenge in the YDF gym. At the completion of the Mentor Academy, of the seven enrolled youth, two were selected to be official YDF Mentors.

These selected mentors will utilize the skills they learned throughout the Mentor Academy to assist youth in the general population housing units.





Youth Detention Facility (YDF) News

Culinary: Chili Cook-Off

On May 6th, seven winners from the previous chili-cook off BROUGHT THE HEAT in a next level competition to determine who would earn the title of YDF Chili Champion! Competitors prepped and incorporated their favorite ingredients to add a little flare and uniqueness to their individual chili recipes. At the conclusion of the cook-off, judges determined three competitors were deserving of the title of best chili.



Culinary: Pizza

During the month of May, culinary residents also prepared fresh dough to make their own pizzas. They learned the key to a good pizza is its toppings.



Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

The Advancement VIA Individual Determination (AVID) program is led by probation staff and was specifically created for YDF's graduated youth. The program focuses on numerous activities designed to encourage and strengthen confidence and social skills with the goal of increasing problem solving and decision-making abilities. Participants engage in a variety of activities which include athletic training, performing arts, life skills, educational guidance, and mentorship opportunities. Youth also participate in special events which incorporate guest speakers and seminars offering educational and job readiness information. Graduates from Housing Unit 6 participated in decorating courtyard walls during their AVID program. They used different colored chalk to create artwork for the Boys and Girls Club.



Baptism (Chaplaincy)

The Juvenile Justice Chaplaincy program currently conducts monthly baptisms at the Youth Detention Facility. For the month of May, Chaplain Tara Benning baptized four youth who elected to make a public declaration of their confession of faith.

Participants received certificates of baptism as well as photos to share of their baptism with their families.





Probation's May 2024 Community Partners



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