

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

New K9 Unit in the Youth Detention Facility

The Youth Detention Facility (YDF) has two new K9 officers! Sr. DPO Anthony Nunez and his K9 partner, Duke, have successfully completed their 4-week training and are now certified to serve YDF and the community.

Please join us in welcoming Sr. DPO Nunez and K9 Duke to the K9 team!

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Probation Mission Statement

“The Sacramento County Probation Department provides clients with the assessment, treatment, supervision and support necessary to prevent re-offending, resulting in a safer community. Our highly skilled, multi-disciplinary workforce uses innovative strategies to support positive change.”

County Valued Behavior Campaign: Diversity & Inclusion

Administrative Services Officer II Tara Lopez and Deputy Probation Officer Rachel Degelos were recently nominated for recognition of their behaviors that align with the County’s “Diversity & Inclusion” value in its Valued Behaviors Campaign. Diversity and Inclusion means being committed to having a diverse workforce reflective of our community; embracing differences in people, skills, knowledge, experiences and opinions; and practicing inclusive decision-making, collaboration and teamwork. On August 28th, the nominees were recognized in a ceremony within the Board Chambers where Deputy County Executive Eric Jones presented them with a gift of appreciation. Congratulations Tara and Rachel!





Celebrating Success

Veterans Treatment Court Graduates

On August 16, 2024, the Sacramento County Veteran’s Treatment Court (VTC) celebrated the graduation of two clients. VTC clients participate in a 12-month comprehensive treatment and rehabilitation program that links veterans with benefits and services they need to break the cycle of substance abuse and criminal behavior.



Client Community Service day at ADRC - South

On Wednesday, August 7, client community service day unfolded as 16 clients came together to clean up the surrounding neighborhood around the Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) South office. Following their hard work, the Leaders in Community Alternatives (LCA) staff organized a barbecue lunch with music and games.





Officers & Programs Making a Positive Impact

Adult Community Corrections and Recovery Court on Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC) YouTube Channel

The Sacramento County Probation Recovery Court has had a positive impact on the lives of participants. Probation officers connect participants to employment, recovery, and community programs to help them lead safer and healthier lives. Watch the video [here](#).



Fentanyl Awareness and Action Summit 2024

The Probation Department participated in the Sacramento County Fentanyl Awareness and Action Summit on August 15, 2024. This significant event was organized by the Sacramento County Department of Health Services and brought together various law enforcement agencies, health services providers and community members. The summit served as a platform for sharing knowledge, strategies and resources to combat the fentanyl crisis. Watch the video [here](#).





Keeping Our Community Safe

DISTRICT 3

August 24, 2024

Rancho Cordova Probation Partnership
11000 Block of Point East Drive, Rancho Cordova

On August 24, 2024, officers contacted an individual under supervision in his hotel room. During a search of his person, officers located Fentanyl. During a search of his room, officers located burglary tools, a loaded unregistered revolver, a machete, a large scale and narcotic paraphernalia. The individual was arrested and transported to the Sacramento County Jail relative to firearms and narcotics charges as well as possession of burglary tools.



DISTRICT 5

August 6, 2024

Rancho Cordova Probation Partnership
11100 Block of Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova

On August 6, 2024, an individual under supervision in both Sacramento and Sutter Counties was located by probation officers in a local hotel room. During a search of the hotel room, officers found a loaded unregistered semi-automatic handgun, a digital scale, and methamphetamine. The individual was subsequently arrested and booked into the Sacramento County Jail for narcotics and firearm related charges.



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



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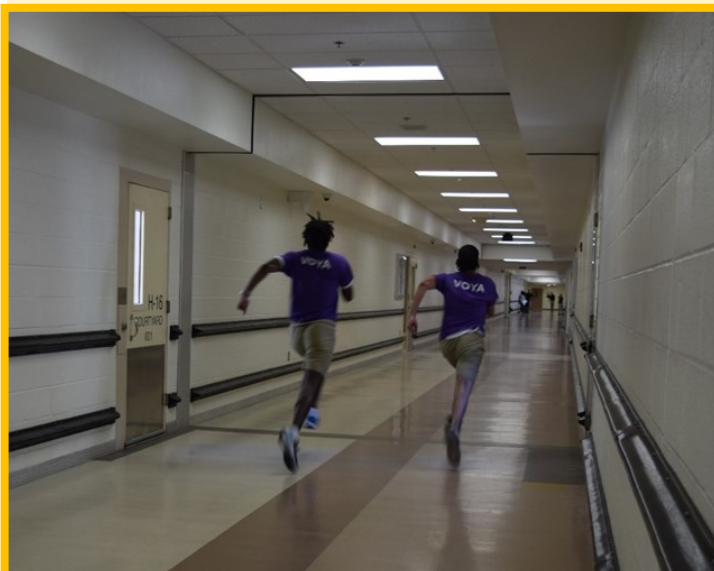
Culinary Arts Program

This month the Culinary Arts Program welcomed four new students to begin a new 8-week certification program. The students will learn the basics of cooking and safety sanitation, while getting the opportunity to taste and create dishes of their own. Chef/Instructor Jason Doolittle demonstrated how to make popcorn over a stove top. The students were given the opportunity to participate in a tasting lab which allowed them to learn about each of their five senses. As they dive further into the importance of kitchen tools and food safety, they will have the opportunity to prepare a variety of raw meat and dairy products to showcase their understanding of proper food temperature and preparation. Overall, the new cohorts had an amazing first class, and are excited about participating over the next eight weeks.



Leadership Education and Athletic Program (LEAP)

LEAP, along with Youth Advocate Bill Collins, organized a 100-yard distance indoor track race. The race took place in the main hallway inside the Youth Detention Facility. A total of 20 residents, from different housing units, participated in the event to compete against each other with the winner completing the race in the shortest amount of time. A resident from Housing Unit 12 won first place with 10.55 seconds and a resident from Housing Unit 1 took second place with 11.56 seconds. The participating residents selected sneakers, donated during the Sneakers and Cleats drive organized last month, to wear for the race.





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Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)



On August 21, 2024, a YDF resident was presented with a \$500.00 scholarship from the JJC. This scholarship will assist him with his transition into the community to begin his college career.



Chaplaincy Summer Camp

On August 22-24, 2024, the Chaplaincy hosted a summer camp at the Youth Detention Facility. The summer camp consisted of fifteen Midtown Church volunteers who gathered to bring a series of activities and workshops for the residents at the Youth Detention Facility. The residents were assigned a color group consisting of either green, teal, purple, orange or yellow. Each group started in the field area with a puzzle relay followed by a 4-challenge relay race which consisted of mini golf, soccer ball dart, ping pong basketball, and bucket basketball. The residents also participated in a rock paper scissors art relay and a paper airplane challenge. The second half of the camp was conducted in the gymnasium and began with testimonies from different guest speakers, and additional competitive games and workshops. These activities had the participants think outside the box and identify what qualities in a person they value the most.





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Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE)

On August 14, 2024, the Sacramento County Office of Education graduation consisted of four residents who are now ready to embark on their next educational goals. Family and friends came to support their loved ones along with Youth Detention Facility and SCOE staff and board members. Diplomas were passed out and memorable speeches were given by both staff and residents. It was a special moment for the YDF community and all those supporting the youth. Education is vital for the future growth and success of our youth.



Jury Appreciation Week Poster Contest Celebration



A few months ago, residents from Housing Units 3, 6, and 10 participated in the Jury Appreciation Week Poster Contest. The contest encouraged the residents to use their artistic abilities by having them create original, hand-crafted posters that visually expressed the importance of jury service, and the role jurors play in the justice system. A resident from Housing Unit 6 was chosen as the winner of the contest.

She was rewarded with a pizza party luncheon that was held in the Youth Detention Facility's Visitor's Center. Judicial Officers, Jury Commissioners, as well as the resident's mother were in attendance of the celebration. During the luncheon, the resident shared her newfound passion for art and explained the concept she used for her artwork and creating the winning poster. The resident expressed her gratitude and thanked them for their time.



Youth Community Outreach Unit (YCOU)

For the month of August, the Youth Community Outreach Unit (YCOU) provided services to Sacramento Parks and Recreation at Ancil Hoffman Golf Course, assisting in park property clean up and for the Bureau of Land Management, assisting in fire risk reduction near the visiting center and public walkways. The team also assisted in general clean up inside the Youth Detention Facility by sweeping and mopping all the floors, cleaning housing unit courtyards and shower areas.





Probation's August 2024 Community Partners



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