

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

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PROBATION'S AUGUST COMMUNITY PARTNERS

PROBATION OFFICERS HELP FAMILY ESCAPE FROM BURNING HOME IN DISTRICT 2

On August 3, 2022, two Juvenile Field Officers from Probation's Community Based Supervision Unit observed a large cloud of black smoke emanating from a residential area while driving in South Sacramento. As they entered the neighborhood, officers observed the Northwest side of a home engulfed in flames and heavy smoke pouring from attic vents. A [Code Enforcement](#) Officer on scene had already radioed for assistance from [Sacramento Metro Fire](#).



See the [CBS News Sacramento](#) article and the video on [KCRA 3](#)

Officers could hear children yelling in the home, but the front door was obstructed by a locked iron fence. A Probation Officer helped his partner and the Code Enforcement Officer over the fence, and the officers worked together to help a female occupant and multiple children out through the front door. The smaller children were able to squeeze through the iron fence, and officers lifted another child over the fence to safety.

Officers remained in the front yard with the female occupant until fire crews arrived. Once the fire crew arrived, they cut the fencing down allowing the woman to be escorted to safety.

As fire crews worked to put out the flames, our Probation Officers remained on scene to help direct traffic.



Probation Firearms Instructors Focus on Safety

Probation's firearms instructors bring a wealth of knowledge, discipline, and dedication to the Training Division. This year, several firearms instructors attended a two week Probation Officer Safety Training certified tactical medicine course where they learned the skills necessary to teach fellow officers.



Upon the completion of the training, the Range Unit created and implemented a Tactical Medicine Training curriculum for field officers. The curriculum is taught during Probation's Advanced Officer Training (AOT), over a three day time period with class time and hands on scenarios. Every armed officer will now receive this training.



With the tactical medicine training provided by the Range Unit, our field officers can provide initial emergency medical care to persons in the community who have suffered a traumatic injury while awaiting the arrival of Fire/EMS. Probation managers are thankful to our Range Unit staff for their dedication and hard work in helping to make community safety a focal point for our department.



Probation in the Community

Probation Officers Teed Up to Help National Latino Peace Officer Association Raise Scholarship Funds

Probation staff volunteered and participated in the National Latino Peace Officer Association's 13th Annual Charity Golf Tournament to help raise money for college scholarships. The four person shotgun scramble included cash prizes for 1st and 2nd place teams, hole-in-one prizes, and a raffle. Lunch and gift bags were provided for all participants.



Probation Officers Joined National Night Out at South Land Park

On August 3, Chief Probation Officer Marlon Yarber and officers were honored to join our law enforcement partners and the community at [South Land Park Neighborhood Association's](#) National Night Out event. National Night Out is an annual community building campaign that promotes police/community partnerships and neighborhood spirit to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.





Keeping Our Community Safe

SACCATS OFFICERS RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLES

August 29, 2022
Roseville Road and Longview Drive

A Probation Officer awoke to find his vehicle had been stolen. He filed a report with the California Highway Patrol and contacted the Senior Deputy Probation Officer assigned to the Sacramento County Auto Theft Suppression Task Force (SACCATS)*. Our SACCATS officer located the vehicle next to another stolen vehicle. Both vehicles were recovered and returned to their owners. The individual was arrested for one



count of Auto Theft and two counts of Receiving a Known Stolen Vehicle.



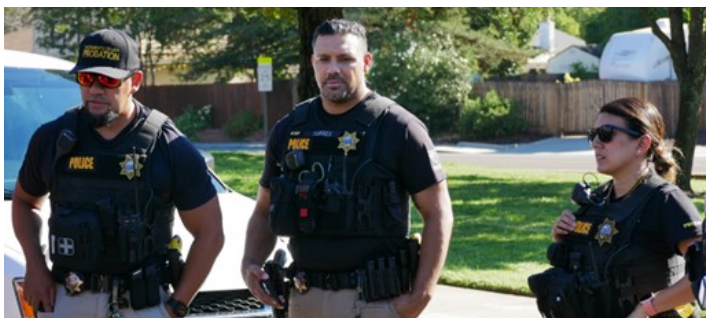
* SACCATS: Funded partially by Department of Motor Vehicles registration fees, the Sacramento County SACCATS team is a partnership involving Probation, California Highway Patrol, and other local law enforcement agencies. The SACCATS team conducts surveillance, suppression, and investigation of crimes associated with vehicle theft. The Probation officer assigned to SACCATS intensively supervises a high-risk caseload of vehicle theft offenders.

OTS/DUI SWEEP DISTRICTS 1-4

August 27, 2022

In collaboration with [Saturation Saturday](#), the Sacramento County Probation Department OTS/DUI unit conducted a DUI Warrant Sweep in Sacramento County. This was the second warrant sweep for the fiscal year funded through a grant from the [California Office of Traffic Safety](#). Officers made contact with several individuals and conducted multiple probation searches resulting in four arrests.

Total Targets	9
Home Visit Attempts	8
Home Visits Conducted	4
Probation Searches	5
PAS Conducted	1
Warrant Arrests	3
Fresh Case	1
Seizures:	
Cocaine	Over 4 Grams
Methamphetamine	Over 2 Grams
Cocaine (Crack)	Over 4 Grams
Knife	1
Paraphernalia	Glass Pipe



DISTRICT 1

Probation's North Area Team Assisted Apprehension of Wanted Felony Suspect

Roseville Road near Haggin Oaks Golf Course

In mid-August, officers from Probation's North Area Team assisted the [US Marshals Service](#), the [CDCRs Fugitive Apprehension Team \(FAT\)](#), and the [Sacramento County Sheriff's Office](#) in locating an adult on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) who had active warrants out of Mendocino County. The adult was located and apprehended after a search.



[KCRA 3 covered the story](#)

August 8, 2022

9000 Block of Williamette Way, Sacramento

Officers from the High Risk Probation Unit conducted compliance checks in the community. During a home visit of an adult on formal searchable probation, officers located a loaded revolver, ammunition, and narcotics paraphernalia. The subject was arrested and charged with Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Felon in Possession of Ammunition, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.



August 27, 2022

1500 Block of Strader Avenue, Sacramento

During the OTS/DUI sweep, officers conducted a records check on an adult individual. A records check revealed the individual was on active supervised parole. During the search, officers located methamphetamine, cocaine, crack cocaine, a narcotics pipe, and a machete.



Officers contacted the individual's parole officer who authorized a parole hold. The individual was booked for Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and a parole hold.

DISTRICT 4

August 4, 2022

3900 Block of Renick Way, North Highlands

Officers from Adult Field conducted a probation home visit of an adult on formal searchable probation. During a probation search, a gun safe was located containing a Walther .380 firearm, loaded magazine and ammunition. The adult was arrested on charges of Possession of a Firearm by a Felon and Person Prohibited from Owning/Possessing Ammunition/Firearm.



DISTRICT 5

Operation in Galt Results in Arrests and Seizures of Weapons and Drugs

August 31, 2022

Probation's Investigations and Supervision Unit (ISU) served a search warrant on a residence in Galt with the assistance of officers from numerous probation units, [Sacramento Sheriff's Special Enforcement Detail \(SED\)](#) team, and the [Galt Police Department](#). The following is a summary of the operation:

Results	
Adults Contacted	12
Arrests	4
Citations	2
Seizures	
Firearms (2)	1 Glock Pistol
	1 Kaur Pistol
Methamphetamine	~ 2.5 lbs
Heroin	~ 20 grams
Fentanyl	~ 2 grams
Cash	\$1,891



Read the article on [FOX 40 News](#)



Youth Detention Facility (YDF) News

SOAR Scholars Excelled in College

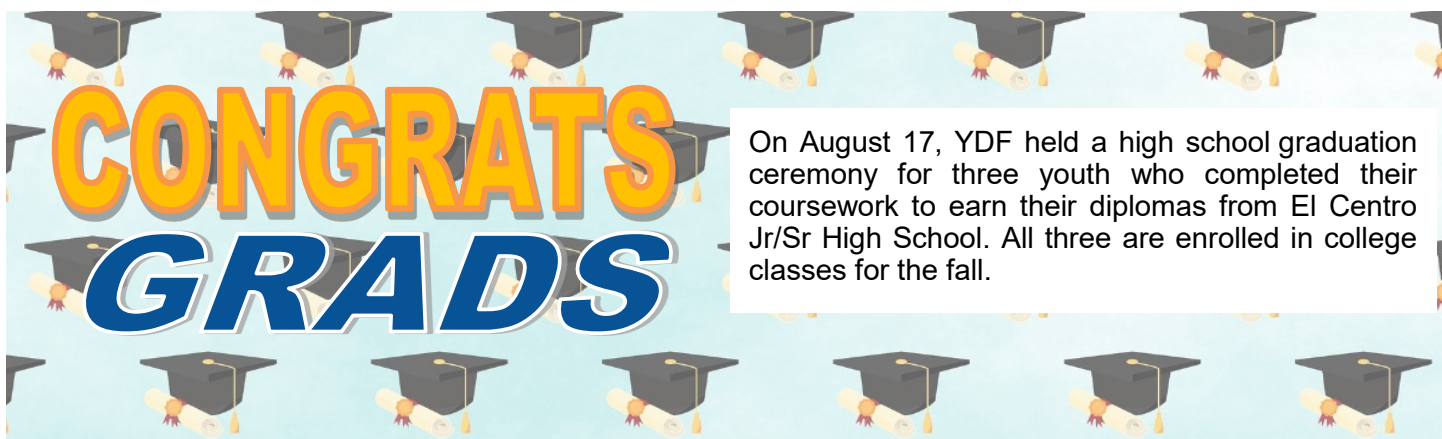
On August 24, the YDF Scholars Obtaining Academic Responsibility (SOAR)* College Program held its end of the semester celebration for youth who excelled in their college courses during the summer semester. Three students received 4.0 GPA's and four received a GPA of 3.5 or above.

One SOAR scholar was the first to make the President's Honor Roll at [Lake Tahoe Community College](#). This is an outstanding achievement as this recognition is for students who achieve a perfect 4.0 grade point average.



*SOAR is an educational program designed to introduce YDF residents to higher education. Residents who have completed their high school diploma or High School Equivalency Test (HiSET) may participate in correspondence courses through local community colleges. In addition, the Sacramento County Office of Education's (SCOE) staff help students develop their skills and prepare them for job readiness.

Three Scholars Graduated from El Centro Jr/Sr High School



Athletes Hit the Hoops

YDF units participated in a Basketball Tournament officiated by Leadership Education and Athletic Program (LEAP) staff on August 10. VOYA youth took 1st place.



2nd Annual YDF Swimming Olympics

YDF held its 2nd Annual YDF Swimming Olympics in August. The fastest youth in the facility competed against each other in a two-week long competition to determine the top three Olympians.



Youth Prepared for Employment with Mock Interviews

On August 24, the YDF Skills Training Enrichment Program (STEP) held mock Walmart interviews for youth to practice skills they obtained in the STEP program. A panel of Supervising and Senior Deputy Probation Officers conducted the interviews.



Youth Confirmed their Faith with Baptisms in the Pool

Juvenile Justice Chaplaincy Chaplain Tara Benning baptized participating youth in the YDF pool in August. Youth received certificates of baptism as well as photos of their baptism to share with their families.



Culinary Arts Teachers Showcase Skills at YDF

Prospective Culinary Arts teachers showcased their teaching skills on August 17-18 by presenting a hands on demonstration for students. Students were asked to give their feedback on which teacher they felt would fit best at YDF.



Valley Oak Youth Academy (VOYA) Unit News

Office of Youth and Community Restoration

Developed in conjunction with Division of Juvenile Justice realignment, the new [Office of Youth and Community Restoration \(OYCR\)](#) operates within the [California Health & Human Services \(CalHHS\)](#) Agency. OYCR supports the transition of justice-involved youth being served in local communities and promotes a continuum of services that are trauma responsive and culturally informed.

The OYCR supports evidence-based practices to help reduce the number of youth that transfer to the adult criminal justice system, reduce racial and ethnic disparities, and increase community-based interventions. The OYCR will also assess the efficacy of local programs, provide technical assistance and support, review local Juvenile Justice Realignment Grants, fulfill statutory obligations of an Ombudsperson and develop policy recommendations.

How will the OYCR support the Sacramento County Probation Department?

The OYCR will conduct informational site visits around the state, prioritizing counties that have Secure Youth Treatment Facilities, such as VOYA. While touring VOYA, they will observe programming and meet with staff and youth. They will learn about the programs offered and find out how they can support our needs. Additionally, the OYCR is preparing to launch its Ombudsperson Division Hotline. As a first step, OYCR will mail each juvenile facility posters and brochures with the toll-free number for posting and distribution.



Step Down Program Presentation

Assistant Chief Probation Officer Julie Wherry, Chief Deputy Maria Gonzalez, and Community Outreach Unit (COU) staff presented the COU Step Down program to VOYA youth.

As VOYA residents get close to their release date, they will have an opportunity to work within the community. The Step Down program will allow these youth the opportunity to reintegrate back into the community while learning skills that might assist them in getting a job upon their release. Participation in the Step Down Program will also allow youth to potentially earn some money to have once they are released.



Basketball Skills Clinic with Sr. DPO Tad Hoogenbosch

On August 10, Senior Deputy Probation Officer Tad Hoogenbosch, former collegiate basketball player, mentored VOYA youth and conducted a Basketball Skills Clinic. He met with both VOYA units and taught the youth the basics of proper form and technique when shooting a basketball.



NCCT Construction Safety Job Training

VOYA residents enrolled in the [Northern California Construction Training \(NCCT\)](#) program received training to prepare them for the hazards associated with working in a confined space to maintain safety on the job site. This training was held to prepare the residents for taking the [OSHA Confined Space Awareness Test](#).



Probation's August Community Partners



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