

MONTEREY COUNTY PROBATION FACT SHEET



About Probation

The Monterey County Probation Department provides protection to the citizens of Monterey County by preventing and reducing the frequency, severity, and impact of criminal and delinquent behavior among adults and juveniles who come within the jurisdiction of the Probation Department.

Reentry Services

The Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) at Juvenile Hall offers long-term care for youth committed by the Juvenile Court. Youth who reach milestones can join the **Furlough Program** for temporary release to attend school, work, or volunteer, and then return to the facility. This program aids in finding employment, pursuing education, and developing life skills for a successful community transition.

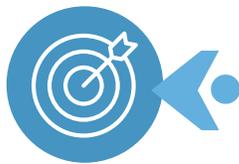
Community Involvement

The Probation Department engages in community outreach through Career Days at local middle schools, job fairs at community colleges, and National Night Out events. The department also supports the Special Olympics through annual events like the Polar Plunge, Law Enforcement Torch Run, and Tip a Cop, with notable fundraising efforts.

Community Impact

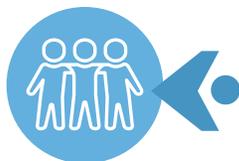


The Probation Department makes approximately **1,000 juvenile referrals** to diversion and prevention programs, as well as substance abuse and mental health services per year. It also provides supervision, diversion, and treatment to over **4,500 adults** and more than **1,300 juveniles**, showing a significant community impact.



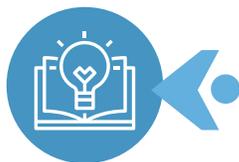
Structure & Goals

The department consists of the Chief's Office, Adult Division, Juvenile Division, and Juvenile Institutions (Juvenile Hall and Youth Center). Its main goal is to provide high-quality probation services by protecting the community, upholding victims' rights, deterring crime, and helping clients stay law-abiding while using community programs for crime prevention and rehabilitation.



Youth Programs & Services

Probation oversees youth programs like the **Silver Star Resource Center**, a "one-stop" hub for at-risk youth and families, and the **Silver Star Youth Program** at Rancho Cielo, which offers supervision and counseling for probation juveniles aged 14 to 18. It also runs the **Juvenile Drug Court Treatment Program** for substance abuse with family support and the **Truancy Mediation Program**, in collaboration with the District Attorney, to tackle school absenteeism through education and court supervision.



Juvenile Institutions & Education

The department's juvenile institutions provide educational and reentry services for incarcerated youth. **Hartnell College's Rising Scholars and Prison Education Program (PEP)** offer post-secondary classes and tutoring to prepare students for college. Other programs include Success Stories, CSUMB's Project Rebound, Work Furlough, Robotics, Horticulture, and the Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) Program.

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