



# Chief Probation Officers of California

The Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC) represents the chiefs in all 58 counties in the State of California. Chief Probation Officers administer juvenile and adult probation programs for offenders placed on probation. In addition to traditional felony probation, we supervise offenders sentenced to mandatory supervision or released from prison onto post-release community supervision under Public Safety Realignment. Probation makes recommendations to the courts and enforces their orders in communities by providing supervision and treatment programs for both juvenile and adult offenders. Chief Probation Officers are also responsible for overseeing the management, operation, programming, and administration of juvenile detention and rehabilitation facilities.

## **2017 CPOC PLATFORM**

### **Encourage Policies and Funding that Support a Strong Adult Community Corrections System**

- Protect probation's ability to successfully implement the Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011.
- Support legislation and funding for cost-effective supervision strategies and Evidence Based Practices (EBP) that consider the treatment and service needs of offenders under probation supervision with mental illness and substance use disorder in order to improve outcomes for these populations and incentivize successful completion of programs for all offenders under probation supervision.
- Encourage justice reinvestment at the state and local levels.
- Support proposals to provide resources and flexibility for mental health services for populations served by the criminal justice system.

### **Encourage Policies that Support a Strong Juvenile Services System**

- Promote the application of EBP within juvenile halls and camps as well as throughout community supervision of youth within and outside the family home.
- Support proposals that would improve, and provide funding for, the juvenile competency processes.
- Support proposals to eliminate the fee paid by counties to house a juvenile at the Division of Juvenile Facilities.
- Explore and promote opportunities to build local capacity for placement options for probation youth.
- Expand family finding activities for probation foster youth and look for opportunities to further support probation foster youth and their families through the implementation and funding of the Continuum of Care Reform.

### **Investing in Programs and Resources for Community Corrections**

- Advocate to adequately fund and improve community corrections.
- Advocate to fully fund the implementation of the Continuum of Care Reform for Foster Youth.
- Oppose new unfunded mandates and seek funding for existing unfunded mandates.
- Maximize and protect federal revenue resources such as Title IV-E, Medi-Cal Administrative Activity (MAA) and Targeted Case Management (TCM).
- Protect critical funding sources to juvenile probation services.
- Support and examine opportunities to streamline probation activities to avoid duplication and ensure program integrity.
- Advocate for continued investment for community corrections training.

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