



# Chief Probation Officers of California

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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 sentenced to probation in our communities and must provide for the supervision and treatment programs as ordered by the courts.

## **2012 CPOC PLATFORM**

### **Stabilize Funding**

- Secure a constitutional amendment to protect existing revenues that are currently dedicated to fund public safety and other local services that were shifted to counties and local governments as part of the 2011 realignment legislation (AB 109).
- Protect funding currently dedicated from Vehicle License Fees (VLF) for local public safety programs, including Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA)/Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) and Juvenile Probation and Camps Funding (JPCF).
- Ensure sufficient funding for realigned responsibilities such as Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG).
- Maintain funding for adult probation services under SB 678 funding streams.
- Protect funding for juvenile probation services under Title IV-E.
- Oppose unfunded mandates.

### **Encourage the Use of Evidence-Based Practices**

- Support the increase of state funding for evidence-based practices (EBP) and seek to reinvest the cost savings from EBP implementation back into these programs and services.
- Evidence-based practices are research based proven practices in probation that effectively reduce recidivism through offender accountability, incentives to promote positive change, and supervision intensity and interventions.
- Evidence-based practices in community corrections may include, but are not limited to, risk and needs assessments, targeted interventions and intermediate sanctions, cognitive behavioral treatment methods, skill training with directed practice, increasing positive reinforcement and measuring practices and feedback.

### **Support Increased Funding to Support Correctional Interventions**

- Support legislation and funding for supervision strategies and evidence-based practices that consider the treatment and service needs of probationers with mental illness in order to improve outcomes for this population.
- Support programs that provide mental health, alcohol and drug, and related services for offenders.

### **Federal Issues**

- Support legislation to provide a federal offset for state and local agencies to recover outstanding restitution ordered to the victims of crimes and other delinquent court ordered fines, penalty assessments, and fees associated with criminal or juvenile justice proceedings.
- Maximize federal funding opportunities such as Title IV-E and Medi-Cal Administrative Activity (MAA)/Targeted Case Management (TCM).
- Authorize federal reimbursement for the services, supervision, and detention of illegal immigrants.

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