



VENTURA COUNTY
PROBATION
AGENCY
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Chief Probation Officer's Message

Gina Johnson

Dear Stakeholders,

At the Ventura County Probation Agency, our mission guides everything we do: promoting effective interventions, supporting individual accountability, and strengthening community well-being. In 2024, our 378 team members brought this mission to life — protecting the

public, supporting the courts, assisting victims, and helping individuals rebuild their lives.

Our officers, civilian staff, and partners worked side by side, supervising clients in the community or in our Juvenile Facilities while ensuring our operations run smoothly behind the scenes. We are proud of our strong partnerships with law enforcement, justice partners, other stakeholders and local organizations, all united by a shared commitment to public safety and positive change.

This year, we continued the important work of implementing our 2021–2025 Strategic Plan — a collaborative effort driven by the energy and ideas of our entire Agency and community stakeholders. Through this work, we are building a stronger, more responsive Agency for the future.

We sincerely believe that opportunity plus accountability, results in community safety. Thank you for trusting us to serve Ventura County. We are honored by the opportunity and inspired by the road ahead.

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Leadership Team



Candice Modica
Asst. Chief Probation Officer



Tim Dowler
Chief Deputy



Sandra Solorzano
Chief Deputy



Carrie Vredenburg
Chief Deputy



Andy Souza
Division Manager



Teresa Jimenez
Division Manager



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Division Manager



Rosa Padilla
Division Manager



Chris Modica
Division Manager



Theresa Hart
Division Manager



Crystal Davis
Division Manager



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Division Manager



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Division Manager



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Agency Overview



Mission

To promote effective interventions, individual accountability, and community well-being.

Vision

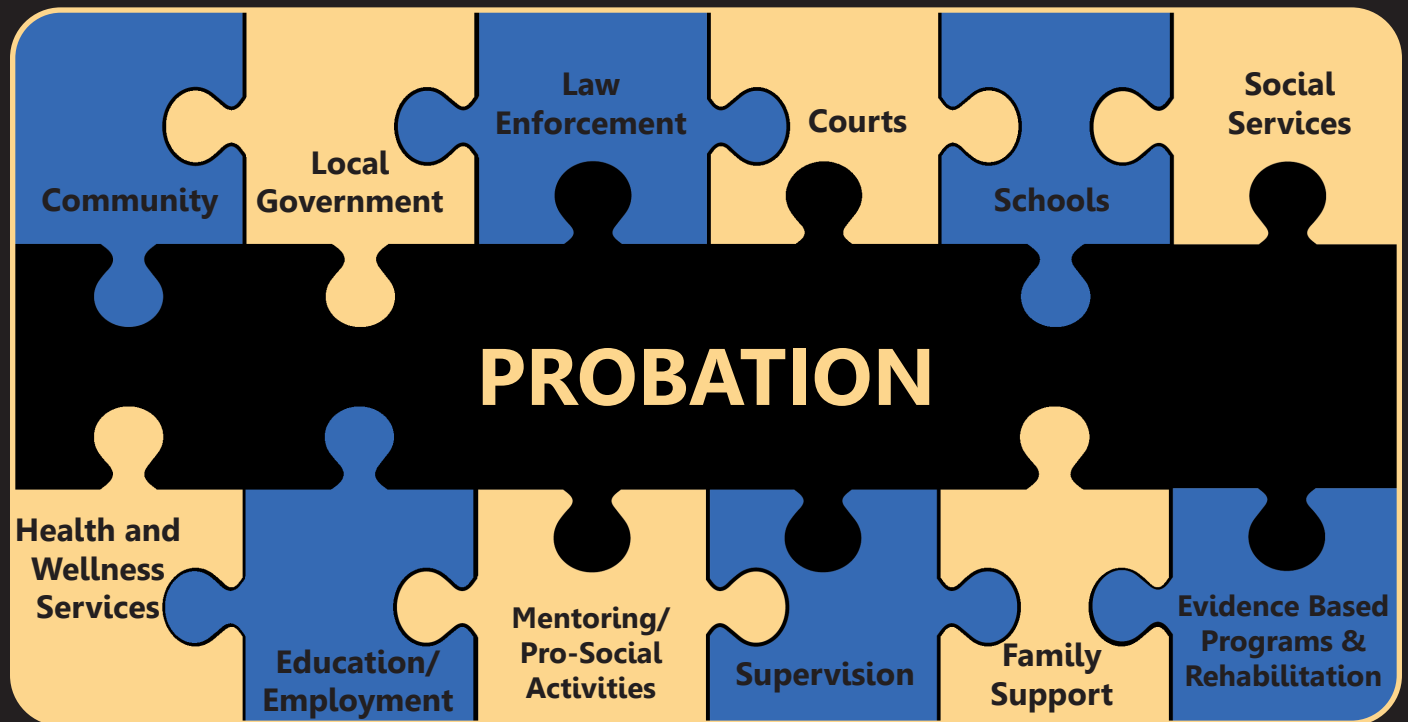
Transforming and empowering lives to build a strong community.

Values

- Collaboration
- Dedication
- Empowerment
- Excellence
- Respect
- Support

Probation **Overview**

Probation is trained to safely connect justice involved individuals to the supports they need



Why Probation Works

Probation is the alternative to incarceration

Probation is made up of trained experts, prepared to manage trauma successfully and other needs of the adults and youth we serve

Probation connects service and need to enhance safety and restoration

Probation delivers sustainable, collaborative community safety

Court Services



Overview

When a youth or adult is arrested and found to have committed a crime, our Juvenile and Adult Court Services Divisions conduct an investigation and provide a report to the judge for sentencing consideration which includes: a risk and needs assessment, summarization of the crime with mitigating and aggravating circumstances, victim's impact and needs considerations, a comprehensive profile of the offender's history, risk to reoffend, treatment needs, and an offender statement.

BY THE NUMBERS 2024

TOTAL NUMBER OF
JUVENILE COURT FILINGS

3,341

TOTAL NUMBER OF
ADULT COURT FILINGS

12,192

TOTAL NUMBER OF WORK RELEASE
PROGRAM WORK DAYS

5,676

PRE-TRIAL
SCREENINGS

2,819

Community **Supervision**



Overview

If the Court places a juvenile or adult on a grant of probation supervision at sentencing, Probation enforces the terms and conditions ordered by the Court while they are in the community. To reduce the likelihood of recidivism, Probation works with clients by administering validated risk and needs assessments, creating comprehensive and individualized case plans, working to remove barriers for participation in targeted education, programming, and treatment, collecting drug and alcohol tests, applying enhanced methods of monitoring, and conducting searches.

BY THE NUMBERS 2024

JUVENILE SUPERVISION MONTHLY AVERAGE 517.2		ADULT SUPERVISION MONTHLY AVERAGE 3,599.2	
SEARCHES 5,109	DRUG TESTS ADMINISTERED 26,627	FIREARMS SEIZED 27	OTHER WEAPONS SEIZED 103

Juvenile Facilities



Overview

The Ventura County Juvenile Facilities serves as a secure environment for youth involved in the juvenile justice system. Its primary purpose is to provide rehabilitation and support for youth, focusing on education, life skills development, and mental health services. The facility aims to address the underlying issues that contribute to delinquent behavior, with programs designed to promote positive change and reintegration into the community. Through a structured and supportive environment, the Ventura County Juvenile Facilities seeks to guide young people toward making better choices and developing the skills necessary for successful futures.

BY THE NUMBERS 2024

AVERAGE MONTHLY
BOOKINGS

32.1

AVERAGE DAILY
POPULATION

64.8

HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATES

14

ENROLLED IN
COLLEGE

27

Client Success



Mr. Herrera's Journey

We are honored to share the incredible story of Mr. Herrera, a former Mandatory Supervision client, who was recently recognized as the Bus Driver of the Year by the Ventura County Transportation Commission on December 6th 2024.

Mr. Herrera was acknowledged for his outstanding safety on the job, as well as his leadership and mentorship to new employees. His journey is a powerful reminder of strength and the transformative impact of support and second chances.

When Mr. Herrera came to us, he was facing significant personal challenges, including a past struggle with substance use. With the compassionate guidance of DPO Alejandro Campos and Employment Specialist Dayana Cervantes, he was connected with substance abuse treatment and provided with employment opportunities through the STEPS program.

Through dedication, hard work, and support, Mr. Herrera achieved sobriety and completed his On-the-Job Training. He was quickly promoted, earned multiple certifications, and successfully completed his Mandatory Supervision in June 2024. His success is a testament to the power of resilience and the importance of community support.

We are incredibly proud of Mr. Herrera's journey and continued growth. His story shows that, no matter where we start, change is possible with determination and the right support.





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