



**IMPERIAL
COUNTY**

**COMMUNITY
CORRECTIONS
PARTNERSHIP
PLAN**

2023 - 2024

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CALIFORNIA PUBLIC SAFETY REALIGNMENT

CA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES ACT (SB 678)

In 2009, California passed Senate Bill (SB) 678 and implemented the California Community Corrections Performance Incentives Act, which introduced the concept of a local community corrections advisory board known as the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP). The legislative intent was twofold; to alleviate prison overcrowding and to reduce the budgetary impact of long-term incarceration. The effect of the legislation is to reduce the number of individuals on felony who are sent to state prison. The act was also designed to encourage county probation departments to use evidence-based supervision practices to accomplish this goal.

In addition, the Community Corrections Partnerships created by this bill are to develop, implement, and sustain various approaches in addressing local criminal justice needs. Counties across California are expected to invest in various programs and services that focus on caring for people with complex behavioral, medical, socioeconomic, and housing needs in a coordinated approach among county agencies. The CCP is also expected to invest in strategies that provide for an evaluation to determine a program's effectiveness by measuring results based on clearly defined objectives.

ASSEMBLY BILL 109 & ASSEMBLY BILL 117

In 2011, Governor Brown signed into law Assembly Bill (AB) 109 and AB 117, known as California Public Safety Realignment, to create "fundamental changes to California's correctional system to stop the costly, ineffective, and unsafe "revolving door" of lower-level offenders and parole violators through our state prisons" (Governor's Press Release, April 5, 2011). The California Public Safety Realignment bills:

- ❖ Shifted responsibility for all sentenced non-violent, non-serious, non-sex offenders from state to local jurisdictions.
- ❖ Established Post-Release Community Supervision (PRCS)
- ❖ Changed the parole revocation process.
- ❖ Tasked Community Corrections Partnerships (CCPs) with planning for the change and implementing the local plans; and
- ❖ Gave local law enforcement the right and the ability to manage offenders in smarter and cost-effective ways.

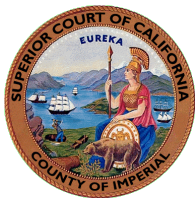
The legislation also reassigned three groups of offenders previously processed through the State Prison and Parole System to California counties:

- ❖ The first group included convicted offenders receiving sentences for new non-violent, non-serious, non-sex offender crimes that served locally for one year or more. Offenders in this category do not have prior violent or serious convictions.
- ❖ The second group involved individuals released from state prison and coming under Probation Department supervision; offenders in this category may have had prior convictions for violent or serious crimes.
- ❖ The third group included State Parole violators that were revoked into custody. Except for offenders sentenced to life with parole, this group was revoked to local County Jail instead of State Prison.

As part of the legislation, AB 109 tasked each CCP with developing and recommending a strategic local plan to the county Board of Supervisors for the implementation of Realignment. This plan could provide recommendations that would maximize the effective investment of criminal justice resources in evidence-based correctional services and programs. Plans also had to be developed consistently with local needs in mind and with available resources.

IMPERIAL COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

The Community Corrections Partnership was established by the California Community Corrections Performance Incentives Act (SB 678). Its purpose is to develop, implement, and sustain productive approaches in addressing local criminal justice needs.



MISSION

"The Community Corrections Partnership is committed to working together in order to promote a safer community through effective strategies."

VISION

The Community Corrections Partnership provides leadership through the partnering agencies and partnerships within the community to encourage, support, and network effectively for a safer community by doing the following:

- ❖ Decrease criminal recidivism through data-driven decision making which addresses substance abuse, criminogenic factors, and mental health issues.
- ❖ Increase offenders' successful reintegration into the community using research-based strategies and interventions.
- ❖ Encourage and support effective prevention strategies for members in the community.
- ❖ Create opportunities for self-sufficiency among offenders.

VALUES

Community Safety: The CCP is committed to decisions which prioritize a safe and secure community, which increases the quality of life for all people in Imperial County.

Accountability: The CCP holds itself and its partners to all established standards, agreements, and policies.

Fiscally Responsible: The CCP believes in being good fiscal stewards of the public funds entrusted to the Partnership.

Transparency: The CCP meetings are open to the public, all reports and agendas are available for review, and public input is welcomed.

Change: The CCP acknowledges people can change when they are willing and provided the opportunity and resources to succeed.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & SUBCOMMITTEES

CCP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The CCP Executive Committee reviews programs and services for their potential success, considers the fiscal impact and votes to move forward with implementation of the new program or service. The Executive Committee also keeps all agencies informed on updates regarding criminal justice brought on by local, state, or federal government changes.

CCP Executive Committee Members	Seat filled by:
Chief Probation Officer (Chair)	Dan Prince
Sheriff	Fred Miramontes
District Attorney	George Marquez
Public Defender	Ben Salorio
Superior Court Executive Officer	Maria Rhinehart
Director of Behavioral Health Services	Leticia Plancarte-Garcia
City of Calipatria Chief of Police	Anthony Mara

PROGRAM AND DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

The CCP Program and Development Subcommittee reviews and reports on current and potential AB 109–related programs and services. This committee is comprised of agencies that provide a wide range of services to the AB109 population ranging from mental health services, anger management/domestic violence courses, sex offender counseling, child support services, and drug/alcohol counseling. Updates are received monthly from local agencies and reported to the CCP Executive Committee at the end of the month.

TRAINING SUBCOMMITTEE

This committee researches relevant training opportunities for CCP Partners and reviews training requests. These training opportunities allow local staff to bring in new ideas regarding programs and services outside of Imperial County that would positively impact the AB 109 community.

BUDGET AND FISCAL SUBCOMMITTEE

This committee reviews all CCP–related funding requests that are brought from the Program and Development or Training Subcommittee. In addition, this committee reviews and manages the CCP Budget on an ongoing basis and shares that information as needed by CCP Executive members.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP GOALS 2023-2024

For the upcoming fiscal year, the CCP is looking to expand upon its current goals and continue assisting the AB 109 population with their reintegration into our community.

GOAL 1 CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARDS DECREASING CRIMINAL RECIDIVISM RATES THROUGH CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

GOAL OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Increase referrals to services offered at the Day Reporting Center or other local agency.
- ❖ Increase the number of services being offered at the Day Reporting Center.
- ❖ Ensure that probation clients are successfully completing program requirements.

MEASURED OUTCOMES:

- ❖ AB 109 Probationers are being referred & enrolled into one or more programs.
- ❖ AB109 Probationer are successfully completing their programs.

PROGRESS:

Programming continues to be a focus of the CCP to assist AB109 probationers with reintegrating into our community. One of the previous objectives was to increase the number of programs and services at the Day Reporting Center and through collaborative effort between local agencies; the DRC now hosts additional programs to meet the increasing needs of the AB 109 population. The DRC has reinstated a library literacy program and now hosts a representative from Child Support Services to better help clients stay in compliance with their child support payments. In addition, Geo Group has continued to update their curriculum and is now able to provide community service opportunities for DRC clients that need to fulfill their community work service hours as ordered by the court.

From 2022 to 2023, the Probation Department tracked 482 enrollments for programs and services within Imperial County for 358 probationers, with 226 so far successfully completing their program requirements and 266 probationers still in the process of completing their programs. In comparison to the previous fiscal year, total enrollments were down from the 538 enrolled in 2021, however the total number of successful completions were up from the 175 that successfully completed a program last year.

Probation Officers also continue to be key drivers of accountability for these clients. Officers receive regular updates from program facilitators and are made aware when clients are not going to classes or on the verge of being dropped and are able to follow up with their assigned probationers to ensure that they are completing their programs as ordered by the court. For the upcoming year, the CCP will continue to work towards expanding program offerings and ensuring that clients can successfully complete their programming.

GOAL 2 UTILIZE THE NEWLY DEVELOPED PROBATION PRETRIAL SERVICES UNIT TO MAINTAIN AND/OR INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY WHILE DEFENDANTS ARE AWAITING TRIAL

GOAL OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Ensure that pretrial clients are reporting as directed to their Probation Officers.
- ❖ Ensure that pretrial clients are enrolled into Programs and Services as ordered.
- ❖ Ensure that pretrial clients are successfully completing/complying with their ordered programming.

MEASURED OUTCOMES:

- ❖ Pretrial Service Unit clients will have one or more contact events with a Probation Officer in a single month.
- ❖ Pretrial Service Unit clients will be referred and enrolled into one or more Program and/or Service if ordered.
- ❖ Pretrial Service Unit clients will successfully complete their monitoring.

PROGRESS:

The Pretrial Services Unit continues to expand and grow as the court refers more individuals to be monitored by the Probation Department. One of the goals from the previous year was to ensure that contact was made regularly with pretrial clients to ensure compliance with court orders, and from 2022-2023 there have been over 4,000 contact events made by Probation Officers to pretrial clients through in person meetings, phone calls, and emails and 633 Pretrial Progress Reports created for the courts.

The Probation Department utilized the Pretrial Services Unit to provide comprehensive pretrial services that are ordered by the court and are offered at the Day Reporting Center or other local organizations. Currently, the Probation Department is providing these services to 248 cases and from 2022-2023, the Probation Department has provided 513 Humphrey Bail Review Assessments for the courts. In addition, over the previous fiscal year, the Probation Department has closed 218 Pretrial Monitoring cases.

The Department has succeeded in meeting these goals and will continue with ensuring that individuals released on pretrial follow their court orders and complete the required programming. Over the coming year, the Probation Department is looking to continue providing support to the Pretrial Services Unit with additional staffing and equipment to assist them in attending court appointments and conducting home visits.

GOAL 3 REDUCE VIOLATIONS OF PROBATIONS AND RECIDIVISM AMONG THE AB109 POPULATION WITHIN IMPERIAL COUNTY

GOAL OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Reduce the number of Revocations of Probation among AB109 population.
- ❖ Reduce the number of Violations of Probations among AB109 population.
- ❖ Reduce the number of Probations unsuccessfully completing probation among the AB 109 population.

MEASURED OUTCOMES:

- ❖ Utilize identified data elements to continue to study program data among Imperial County AB109 population.
- ❖ Determine if data trends in a positive direction as COVID-19 restrictions ease up among local agencies.
- ❖ Ensure that probation clients are successfully completing program requirements.

PROGRESS:

For the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the Probation Department reported one revocation of probation for mandatory supervision cases within the AB109 program, which was a significant decrease in comparison to the six that were reported last year. Regarding violations of probation, the Probation Department reported 44 new crime violations of probation in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and 59 violations of probation for 2021-2022 fiscal year, which demonstrates a decrease among violations filed for AB109 cases.

For program completions, the Probation Department successfully closed 29 AB109 cases in the 2022-23 fiscal year, in comparison to the 28 successfully closed in the previous year. Currently the Department seems to be trending in a positive direction regarding its AB109 population due to an increased focus on programming and more involvement of its Probation Officers to increase regular reporting.

The Community Corrections Partnership will continue with this goal from the previous fiscal year to gain additional insight into information related to its AB109 population and to ensure that the CCP focuses on its vision for creating a safer community.

IMPERIAL COUNTY PROBATION

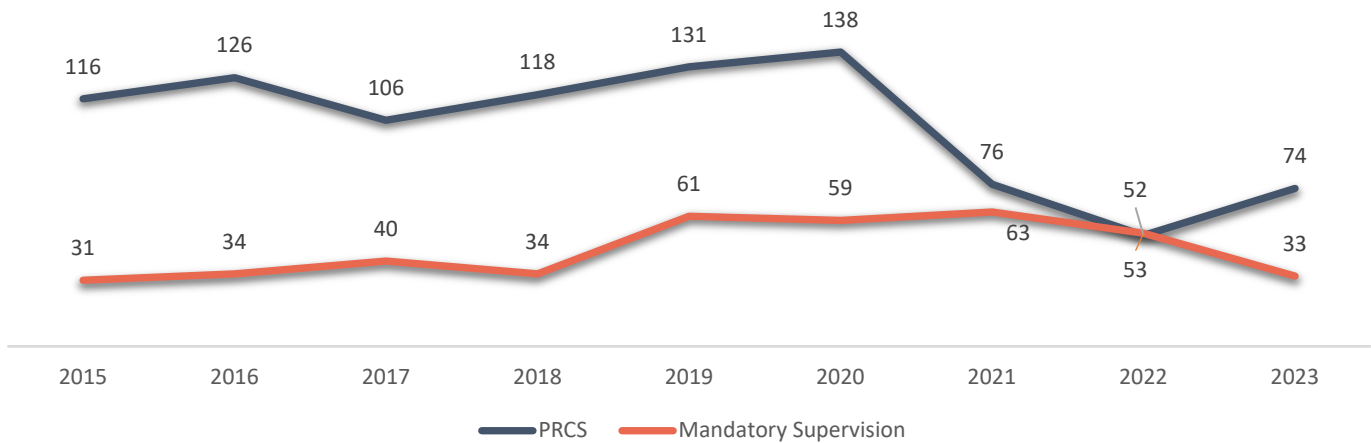


The Imperial County Probation Department has taken great strides in its commitment to California’s Public Safety Realignment. Since Realignment, the Imperial County Probation Department has provided supervision to over 1000 Post-Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and Mandatory Supervision (MS) offenders. As of December 2023, there are currently 101 active PRCS and 54 active MS offenders being supervised by the department. Based on current caseload, most individuals under supervision are Hispanic Males between the ages of 26 and 44.

The Probation Department is committed to continuing local implementation of Evidence-Based Practices (EBP) to reduce the number of probation failures resulting in prison commitments. These practices imply that there are definable outcomes; are measurable and evaluated based on recidivism, victim satisfaction, and other relevant factors. These approaches and interventions have been scientifically tested in controlled studies and proven effective.

To date, SB 678 funds have been used to purchase the Noble Assessment Tool (an evidence-based actuarial risk and needs assessment), train staff to implement the assessment, provide for intensive supervision caseloads, and build capacity within the Department to implement various CBT courses such as “Thinking for a Change”, “JobTEC”, “Adult Parenting”, and “Anger Management” for those under supervision. These programs incorporate evidence-based principles, including the use of validated assessments and matching services to individuals risk levels. They also provide foundational data-driven systemic interventions that safely reduce jail reliance and assist with the successful transition of oversight for non-serious prisoners to the county.

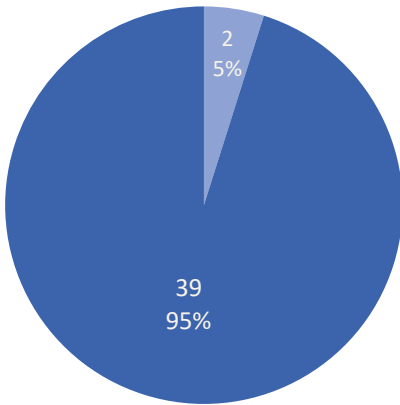
**AB 109 Probation Population
as of June 30 2015-2023**



Realignment in Imperial County

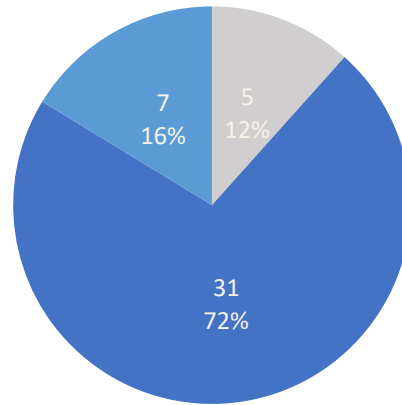
PRCS Exits 2022-2023

■ Transfer Out ■ Case Terminated



Mandatory Supervision Exits 2022-2023

■ Revocations ■ Case Terminated ■ Transfer Out



COMMUNITY SUPERVISION & PROGRAM INTERVENTIONS

Depending on the Noble Assessment Risk and Needs Tool, the probationer will be assessed utilizing a case plan addressing their top three criminogenic needs. Utilizing Motivational Interviewing (MI) skills, Probation Officers gather as much information necessary to make proper referrals. Services offered include cognitive-behavioral treatment classes, drug testing, referrals to community-based organizations, and access to job training, GED preparation and testing, participation in work crews, mental health referrals and Day Reporting Center programming offered by the GEO Group.

INTENSIVE POST RELEASE COMMUNITY SUPERVISION UNIT

If AB 109 offenders do not meet the criteria for the Day Reporting Center, they will be assigned to the high-risk AB109 supervision unit. This PRCS unit is staffed with armed officers that provide direct contact by monitoring an offender’s home, work, and community throughout all phases of the program to ensure they are enrolled in treatment and comply with established conditions. The officers track an individual’s progress during the program, along with conducting searches, administering drug tests, and working with offenders to change their criminal behavior patterns to reduce recidivism. Technical violations, which occur among the PRCS offender group, are handled at the community level without compromising public safety. High/Moderate-risk offenders who present a threat are returned to jail when they commit a serious violation or new crime.

USE OF INCENTIVES/REWARDS AND PROGRESSIVE SANCTIONS

Research indicates that positive reinforcement, incentives, and rewards are powerful tools in the supervision process. By employing them for progress, along with sanctions for violations, PRCS Officers can enhance offender motivation, support positive behavior change, and reduce recidivism. Examples of incentives and rewards staff are utilizing include awarding certificates of achievement, reducing reporting requirements, removing conditions such as home detention or curfew, and asking the offender to be a “mentor” to others. If an offender demonstrates successful behavior for six months (no new arrests, violations, revocations, noncompliance, or sanctions) they may be eligible for early release from supervision. If an AB 109 offender completes the necessary programs or treatment and/or is demonstrating progress during supervision, the case can be evaluated for a lower level of supervision.

FLASH INCARCERATION

Pursuant to Penal Code Section 3450, a PRCS offender who is violating the supervision conditions or treatment plan may be placed in county jail for a maximum of ten days.

GPS TRACKING

Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking has been used to track the precise location of an offender and sets boundaries of confinement to assure that the offender is complying with conditions of supervision. The use of GPS is also a method of graduated sanctions in lieu of incarceration. As of November 1, 2020, the Probation Department also provides SCRAM and STOP GPS Monitoring services.

SEX OFFENDER POLYGRAPHING

Pursuant to Penal Code Section 209.023, all registered sex offenders on formal probation are required to undergo polygraph examinations for purposes of supervision. Sex Offenders also undergo the STATIC 99R, which is a risk assessment tool for sexual offenders that fall within the classification of 290 PC. This tool scores the offender as to their risk to re-offend (low, moderate, or high). Based on their score, the level of supervision during the term of probation will be determined. AB109 Managers and Probation Officers have also started to meet with facilitators of sex offender programming and polygraphing to provide information and discuss updates regarding sex offender offenders to ensure proper monitoring is being provided to individuals within the sex offender monitoring program.

IRAN MARTINEZ PROBATION SERVICES BUILDING

DRC PHILOSOPHY

To treat participants with respect and dignity while modeling positive social behaviors. The DRC strives to provide a high degree of discipline combined with intensive treatment programs to prevent criminal behavior and encourage positive social attitudes.

DRC GOAL

To protect the public by providing criminal offenders a combination of maximum supervision, immediate reporting, and intensive treatment at one location.

The Iran Martinez Probation Services Building, also known as the Day Reporting Center (DRC), is administered by the Geo Group to service participants aiming to affect positive change by modeling pro-social attitudes and providing a structured environment by linking clients with the resources and services they need to be successful.

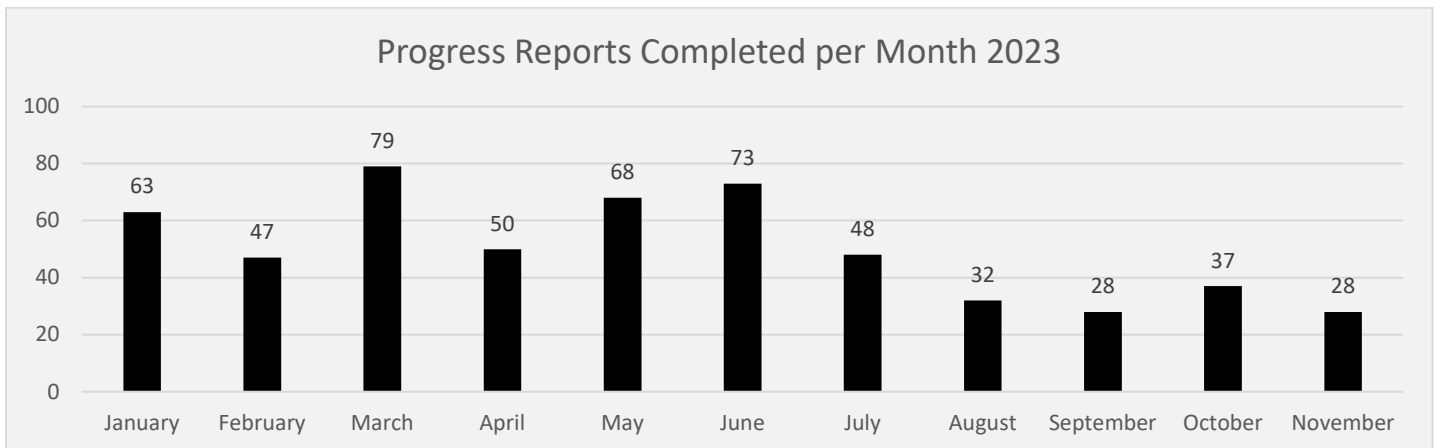
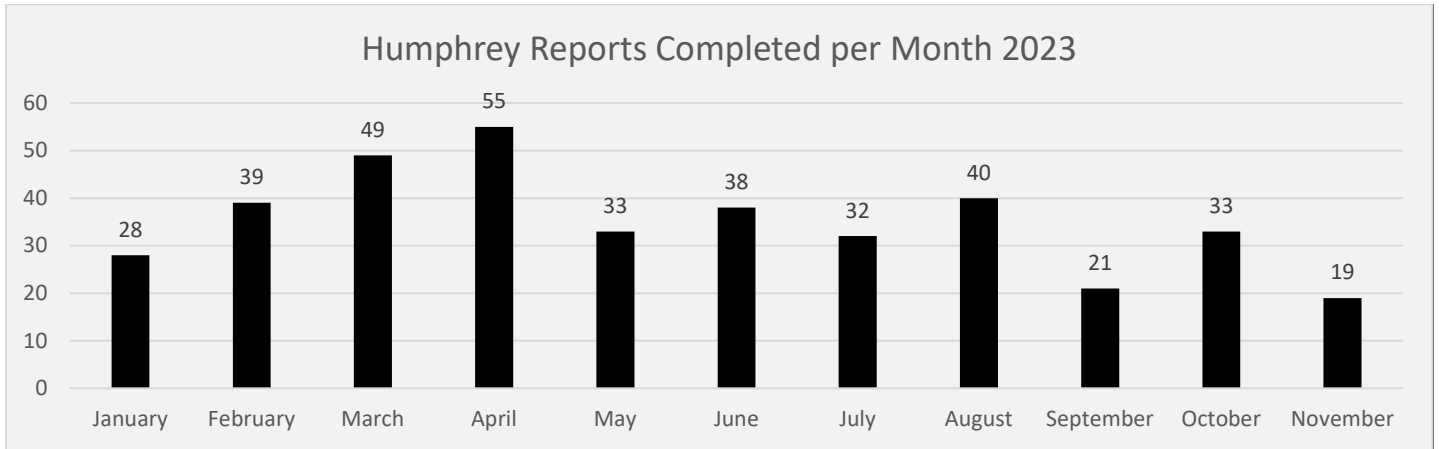
The Day Reporting Center assists the Probation Department and Imperial County Sheriff's Office in managing the population they serve by promoting behavioral change, increasing linkages to addiction treatment, promoting participation in education and employment programs, and holding probationers accountable for their behavior in the community. A growing number of other formal probation cases also receive supervision and services through the Day Reporting Center, administered by the Probation Department in partnership with GEO Re-Entry Services.

Participants at the Day Reporting Center are encouraged to practice pro-social behaviors and are provided with a structured environment that matches them with resources and services they need to be successful. Ten of these participants are California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation parolees that are served through a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Offenders participate in daily programming, which includes Cognitive and Behavioral Change, Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT), Behavioral and Criminogenic Assessments, Case Management, Outpatient Substance Abuse Education, Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment, Anger Management, Parenting, Life Skills and Random Drug and Alcohol Testing.



PRETRIAL SERVICES UNIT

The Probation Department’s Pretrial Services Unit was created in response to the California Supreme Court’s Humphrey’s case where it was established that “common practice of conditioning freedom solely on whether an arrestee can afford bail is unconstitutional.” The Probation Department utilizes this unit to provide additional, comprehensive, pretrial services that are ordered by the court and are offered at the Day Reporting Center or other local organizations. Currently, the Probation Department is providing pretrial monitoring services to 248 cases and has provided 387 Humphrey Bail Review Assessments for pretrial cases in 2023.



IMPERIAL COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION - CHARTER SCHOOL



The DRC in collaboration with the Imperial County Office of Education also continues to implement a Charter School Program. The Charter School serves as a dropout recovery program that assists probationers, parolees, and inmate clients in obtaining their High School Diploma or GED.

The goal of this program is to focus on long-term success for students and pave the way for post-secondary education, vocational education, and other career-oriented job paths.

COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL THERAPY COURSES (CBT)

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) is a problem-focused, therapeutic approach that attempts to help people identify and change dysfunctional beliefs, thoughts, and patterns of behavior that contribute to their problem behaviors. The courses taught by Probation Officers follow the National Curriculum & Training Institute (NCTI) Crossroads Program guidelines and include:



❖ **Felony Offenses**

The Adult Felony Offenses curriculum addresses the needs of medium to high-risk offenders who have entered the court system for a wide variety of felony offenses. This curriculum uses activity-enhanced components to provide an in-depth process for gaining and practicing new behavioral skills that can help participants achieve constructive life changes.

❖ **Thinking for a Change (T4C)**

Thinking for a Change stresses interpersonal communication skills development and confronts thought patterns that can lead to problematic behaviors. The program has three components: cognitive self-change, social skills, and problem-solving skills.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ON-SITE CARE AND REFERRAL SERVICES

The on-site Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist provided by Imperial County Behavioral Health Services can refer higher-need probation clients to the Substance Use Disorder Program in Imperial County and to out of county residential facilities.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Employment is a key factor in a person’s road to successful reintegration, and the DRC partners with the local Workforce Development Office to assist our clients in obtaining training and employment opportunities. Representatives from the Department of Workforce Development work with GEO to provide probationers vocational education and assist clients

with job placement. Probation Officers are provided with a Job List and encourage clients to visit Workforce Development locations to obtain assistance with resume building, interview preparedness, and further prepare them for employment success. The Workforce Development Office currently offers two programs for adults looking to obtain employment:

❖ **ADULT WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (WEX)**

The Adult Work Experience Program (WEX) is a program where businesses host and train an eligible WEX participant at a position within the company, while all wages are paid through the Imperial County Workforce and Economic Development Office. The program allows businesses to receive new labor at no cost and allows participants the opportunity to learn new skills, gain valuable work experience and showcase their abilities in order to be hired long term.

❖ **ON-THE-JOB TRAINING (OJT) PROGRAM**

On-the-Job Training (OJT) is one strategy for individuals to receive training funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. OJT provides reimbursements to employers to help compensate for the costs

associated with skills upgrade training. OJT training assists employers who are looking to expand their businesses and who need additional staff trained with specialized skills.

SMART (SELF-MANAGEMENT AND RECOVERY TRAINING)

SMART Recovery is an international non-profit organization that assists individuals seeking abstinence from addiction. The SMART approach is secular and science-based, using cognitive behavioral therapy and non-confrontational motivational methods, using a four-point program Building and Maintaining Motivation, Coping with Urges and Cravings, Problem Solving and Lifestyle Balance. Currently SMART Recovery operates group sessions in the cities of El Centro and Brawley and provides additional groups in the underserved area of Imperial County such as Salton City and Niland.

CERTIFIED ANGER MANAGEMENT – NEW CREATIONS

The Day Reporting Center hosts a Certified Anger Management Program that is provided by the New Creations Organization. The program utilizes activity-enhanced components, where individuals learn to successfully control their emotions and channel their energies in a positive direction. Through this course, participants can meet their 52-week certified anger management requirement.

ADULT REENTRY SUMMIT 2023



The Adult Re-entry Summit is an event hosted at the Day Reporting Center where the Probation Department, in collaboration with the Sheriff’s Office and GEO, brings together agencies from across Imperial County to provide information, workshops, and resources to justice involved individuals that are on probation, parole, or currently in-custody. The event also provides invited guests speakers an opportunity to share their inspirational stories about past experiences in their lives which can connect with participants of the event. The goal of the event is to connect justice involved individuals with key community resources so that

they can be more informed about and sign up for programs and services available to them in the hopes of reducing recidivism among attendees.

This year’s event had a very strong turnout which resulted in over 40 local community agencies coming together to pass out information and talking with 271 of our justice involved population including those still in custody. Among participating staff, vendors, and justice clients the event saw nearly 500 people in attendance.

Educational workshops were also provided by the Imperial County Probation Department who provided information regarding the expungement process, Imperial County Behavioral Health Services who provided information regarding their Substance Use Disorder program, and the Imperial County Workforce Development office who provided information regarding their Adult Work Experience Program and On-The-Job Training Program. The Imperial County Probation Department believes that events like this can make significant impacts within our community and is planning to host a similar event for justice-involved youth in 2024.





GEO GROUP



Located within the Day Reporting Center, the GEO Group is a primary point of contact for clients who participate in Cognitive Behavioral Programs. GEO aims to promote positive change by modeling pro-social attitudes and providing a structured environment by linking offenders with the resources and services they need to be successful. GEO orients new clients to program requirements and uses assessment tools to determine an individual’s risk and needs in developing a comprehensive behavior change plan.

The Day Reporting Center provides information and referrals to other services that participants need to complete their reintegration into their communities. These referrals include Behavioral Health Services, CPS, Department of Social Services, Catholic Charities, Imperial Valley Food Bank, IVROP, the One Stop Employment Services, the Employment Development Department, Imperial Valley College Adult Education, New Creations, Calexico Neighborhood House, and the Salvation Army.

The GEO Group currently provides the following services to participants at the Day Reporting Center:




- ❖ Cognitive and Behavioral Change through Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT)
- ❖ Behavioral and Criminogenic Assessments
- ❖ Behavioral Change Plan
- ❖ Weekly Individual Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- ❖ Case Management
- ❖ Outpatient Substance Abuse Education (OSAE) & Treatment (OSAT)
- ❖ Anger Management
- ❖ Parenting
- ❖ Employment Readiness and Job Search
- ❖ Life Skills and Cognitive Restructuring Lab
- ❖ Random Urine Analysis Testing, Daily Alcohol Breathalyzer Testing, and Daily Check-Ins
- ❖ Community Services & Community Connections

These services are provided through a four-level reporting and supervision program at the Day Reporting Center and initially provided services to 50 participants. The program has since been expanded to provide services to a maximum of 75 participants consisting of 65 clients of the Imperial County Probation Department or Imperial County Sheriff’s Office, and 10 Parolees from CDCR.

Each participant starts at the most intensive level and progressively moves through the program to the less structured levels. As of November 15, 2023, there are currently 73 Probation Clients in the program. Of the current participants, 20 are in Phase 1 of program, 39 are in Phase 2, 8 are in Phase 3, and 6 are participating in the After Care Phase.

Realignment in Imperial County

The following list indicates how progress through the Day Reporting Center Program is measured:

 <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Phase 1 to Phase 2</p>	<p>Consistent Reporting (90% minimum) Assessments completed Behavioral Change Plan completed</p> <p><u>Progress in Programming:</u> Completion of: Orientation, Community Connections, and Employment Readiness Completion of MRT group through Step 3 Group Attendance (90% minimum) Group Participation (8 or higher on a scale of 1-10) Progress or completion in group (8 or higher on a scale of 1-10)</p>	 <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Phase 2 to Phase 3</p>	<p>Consistent Reporting (90% minimum) Clean Breathalyzer (no less than 60 days) Clean Urine Analysis (no less than 60 days)</p> <p><u>Progress in Programming:</u> Group Attendance (90% minimum) Completion of MRT group through Step 8 Group Attendance (90% minimum) Group Participation (8 or higher on a scale of 1-10) Progress or completion in group (8 or higher on a scale of 1-10)</p>	 <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Phase 3 to Aftercare</p>	<p>Consistent Reporting (90% minimum) Clean Breathalyzer (no less than 90 days) Clean Urine Analysis (no less than 90 days)</p> <p><u>Progress in Programming:</u> Attendance (90% minimum) Completion of MRT group through Step 12 Completion of Groups not included in Aftercare Group Participation (8 or higher on a scale of 1-10)</p>
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The following is a breakdown of program outcomes from January 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, based on 220 Probation Department referrals to the program:

194	Probationers who were provided with an intake service	3	Dropped due to re-arrest or probation violation
26	Probation referrals who never attended the DRC	3	Dropped due to termination of probation
73	Currently Active Participants	1	Dropped due to medical condition
13	Absconded after 2 months or less	93	Successful Program Completions
6	Absconded after 4 months or less		

Of the 93 Participants that have completed the GEO Reentry Services program at the Imperial Day Reporting Center, the following is their status:

21	Attending various educational programs	5	Self Employed
12	Enrolled at Imperial Valley Community College	6	Employed at Home Health Aid Services
9	Enrolled in a High School / General Education Program	16	Employed part time (25 hours or less)
0	Enrolled in IVROP	19	Employed full time
8	Medical condition that prevents employment	18	Currently unemployed

Realignment in Imperial County

In August 2015, The Imperial County Probation Department entered into an agreement to provide services to CDCR Parole participants, creating 10 available slots for Parolees to participate in the GEO Reentry Program at the Imperial County Day Reporting Center.

Of the parole participants, the following information has been collected:

13	Parole participants were referred to the DRC	0	Currently active Parole participants
4	Parole participants never attended first appointment	3	Immediate Abscond after intake
9	Provided with intake services	2	Participants are currently employed
6	Participants completed program		

From January 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, the following percentages reflect the activities of the participants in the program:

5%	Of participants continue to test positive for substance abuse and are currently receiving counseling to get them to stop using substances
84%	Of participants attend their check-in as required per week
85%	Of participants attend all their group/class sessions
2%	Of participants have had a relapse and had to begin their sobriety again while in the program
41%	Of participants entered the program and had already been sober before being enrolled
86%	Of participants maintained a sober living lifestyle
10%	Of participants enrolled during this quarter have absconded and were dropped from the program
1%	Of participants were dropped from the program because they completed probation

Through Community Connections, GEO will continue to provide additional services that participants need to complete their integration into our community. The GEO program also partners with local Imperial County agencies to provide a wider range of services which include Behavioral Health Services, CPS, Department of Social Services, Catholic Charities, the Imperial County Food Bank, Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program (IVROP), One Stop Employment Services, Employment Development Department, Imperial Valley College, Adult Education, New Creations, Calexico Neighborhood House, and the Salvation Army.

The Imperial County Office of Education Charter School program has also provided additional services to GEO participants that did not have a High School Diploma when they enrolled into the program. The Reentry Services at the DRC will continue to look at deficiencies as an effort to improve the available services to DRC participants and increase the levels of positive outcomes. This allows all of us to increase communication and improve services as well as to modify the way in which services are provided.

IMPERIAL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



The Imperial County Sheriff's Office, Corrections Division currently operates three jail facilities with combined bed space of 876 beds; housing male and female, sentenced and non-sentenced county and federal within the Imperial County.

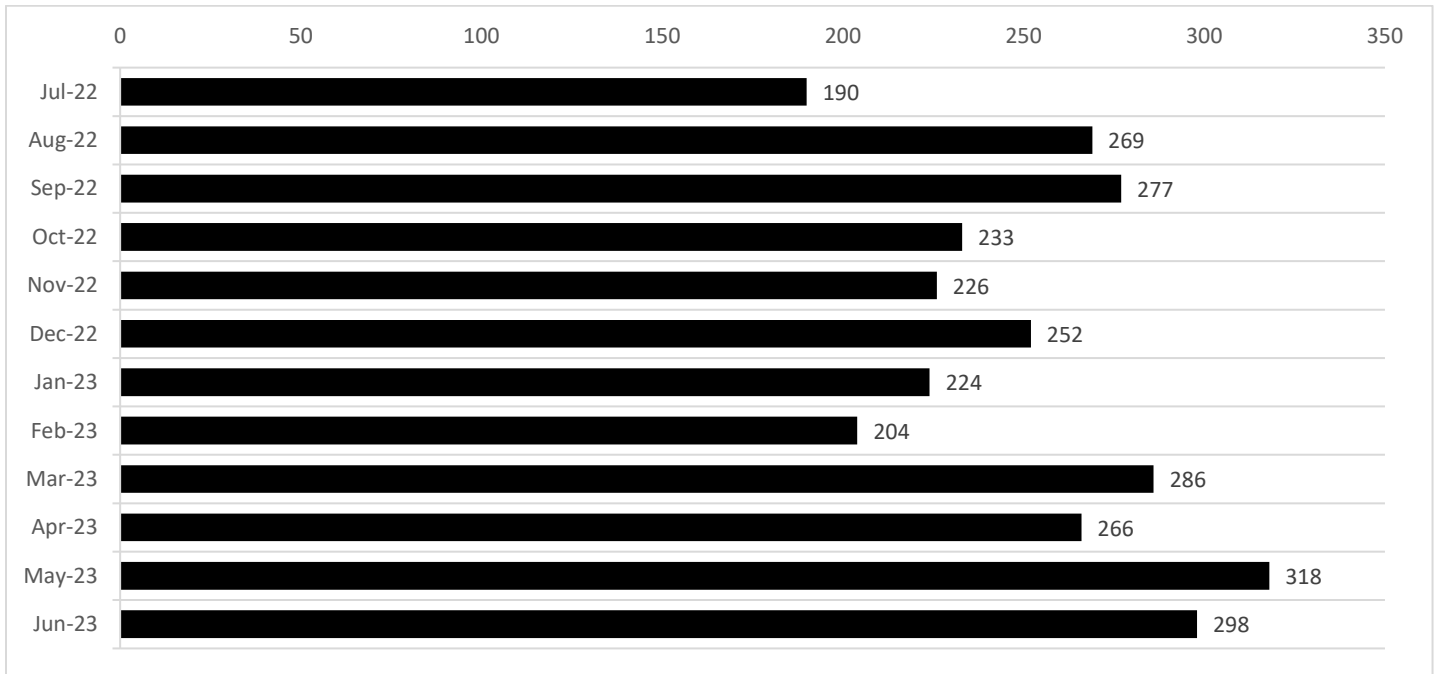
The Herbert Hughes Correctional Center (HHCC) consists of six dormitory style-housing areas referred to as dorms with a total bed space of 314 beds. HHCC houses a full working kitchen where prescreened inmate workers receive valuable vocational training and work experience preparing three meals a day and run a hot food services line that provides meals to all three jail facilities. HHCC boasts a large multipurpose room, which is centrally located within the housing units and is used as educational programming space, which has allowed a multitude of inmates to receive their GED or High School Diploma. Having programming space for the multipurpose room is imperative to restorative justice of offender reentry and recidivism reduction programs. Many of the inmates housed at HHCC are actively working and participating in inmate programs provided to them both in and out of the housing areas.

The Oren R. Fox Medium Security Detention Facility (OFDF) features six two-tiered housing areas referred to as units, each unit can house 45 inmates in addition to having a state-of-the-art Medical Center that can house an additional four inmates creating a total of 274 beds. During the construction of the facility, ensuring that the design featured ample programming space was vital. Having this new facility has created many opportunities to provide additional staff trainings, as well as increase access to inmate programs.

The Regional Adult Detention Facility (RADF) is a linear style facility with twelve two-tier housing areas referred to as modules, each module is made up of cells in which up to two inmates can be housed per cell with a total bed space of 288 beds. RADF house the jails main medical center, which includes one male and one female medical housing unit each with five beds available. In 2017, through grant funding, RADF received its first educational and vocational programming space, the Second Chance Classroom.



IMPERIAL COUNTY BOOKINGS 2022 - 2023



IVC INSIDE/OUT PROGRAM



Educational and vocational training have been shown to make offenders more marketable to employers after release, which in turn reduces their chances of reoffending. As such, the Imperial County Sheriff’s Office and Imperial Valley College (IVC) have collaborated to provide Inside/Out college classes for up to fifteen incarcerated individuals and up to fifteen college students since August 2014.

The Inside/Out College Program is designed to provide higher educational opportunities for "inside" (incarcerated) and "outside" (campus) students which explore critical sociological issues through individual and group activities, assignments, and projects. Participants are encouraged to see crime and justice issues from new perspectives that otherwise might not be considered. Students are assisted in seeing themselves as potential agents of social change and encouraged to build new ideas about public service and meaningful citizenship.

Students participating in the Imperial County Inside/Out College Program take college-credit courses in the IVC Addiction Disorder Studies (ADS) Program, leading to certification in chemical and behavioral addiction counseling. The IVC CAADE-accredited 36-unit college program provides the opportunity for individuals to earn a certificate and enter the workforce, including ex-offenders who meet all the criteria. The Addiction Disorder Studies pathway continues to provide educational knowledge to incarcerated students while encouraging them to learn and understand their own battles with addiction.

June 2023 marked the completion of the eighteenth semester of the Inside/Out Program. During the pandemic, strict statewide mandates were set in place for correctional facilities and schools began to halt the progress of these types of programs, however, with the commitment and determination of the Inside/Out staff, the Sheriff’s Office and IVC were able to continue the Inside/Out program by utilizing Zoom-based classes to ensure that not a single semester of education was missed for the incarcerated students.

IMPERIAL PATHWAYS CHARTER SCHOOL

Imperial Pathways Charter School and ICSO work in partnership to provide a High School Diploma program to the incarcerated population. This program operates primarily as a correspondence-based course, which allows students from all three facilities to participate. ICSO maintains anywhere from five to fifteen students enrolled at a given time. This program has contributed to several incarcerated students receiving their diplomas while in custody and remains largely successful due to the continuous effort put forth by ICSO and ICOE staff in engaging and encouraging the students to work hard and achieve their goals. Many of these individuals would not otherwise have an opportunity to complete the academic work to receive their diploma.

THE SHERIFF’S COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM (SCSP)

Designed for nonviolent offenders sentenced to county jail. As an incentive, incarcerated individuals who participate in the Sheriff’s Community Service become eligible to receive additional early release credits. Sheriff’s Community Services is designed to grant those who have shown responsibility, maturity, and stability the privilege of working in the community. These participants are supervised by Imperial County Sheriff’s personnel to perform meaningful community service projects. All Community Service participants are carefully selected, medically screened, and interviewed for consideration into the program. Participants are expected to obey all rules and regulations set forth by the Sheriff’s Office.

The SCSP continues to be a popular program among county offices and non-profit organizations such as the Imperial County Parks and Recreation Department, the Imperial County Fire Department, Cal-Trans, Imperial County Public Works, Imperial County Airport, Brawley Cattle Call, and Local Governments.

ICBHS COLLABORATION

Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) and the Imperial County Sheriff’s Office have been working to better serve the individuals in need of mental health treatment while incarcerated. Staff from ICBHS have integrated within the operations at the Imperial County Jail to provide Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) and Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT), as well as coordinate post-release services within the community to newly released inmates.

2023-2024 DEPARTMENT GOALS

With the success and implementation of incarcerated person work crews for the purposes of community service, Imperial County Sheriff’s Community Services and Re-entry is committed to its support of the community and plans to expand its existing work crew utilization as resources become available. In addition, many of the vocational training programs that were previously in place were halted due to the pandemic restrictions on in-person learning. As those restrictions have been removed or loosened, ICSO plans to re-introduce vocational programs such as construction and welding.

The Imperial County Sheriff’s Office has also been awarded funding through the CalAIM initiative, which is a multiyear reform of the Medi-Cal program to ensure that Californians are afforded the care that they need. Through the CalAIM Justice Involved Initiative, ICSO will solidify the medication-assisted treatment (MAT) program for incarcerated individuals suffering from a substance use disorder. Additionally, the initiative will allow ICSO to accomplish Medi-Cal enrollment and the coordination of care and services for sentenced incarcerated persons within 90 days of release and a post release linkage to community-based services. ICSO is committed to working with community partners and services to assist people as they reenter the community to give them the best opportunity for success and to lower the instances of recidivism.

IMPERIAL COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES



IMPERIAL COUNTY
Behavioral Health Services
MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE USE RECOVERY

Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Programs provide quality professional services in an outpatient setting for individuals who use and misuse substances.

The outpatient clinics offer a variety of services to individuals to assist in the improvement of their daily functioning, achieve independence, and community integration. The aim of ICBHS programs is to provide services that promote well-being, recovery, and self-help to prevent the long-term negative impact of severe substance use, mental illness, and reduce stigma.

ICBHS delivers quality services to improve the well-being of every individual in the community accessing SUD services. In addition, ICBHS provides individualized treatment and use the full continuum of services available to ensure clients receive the most appropriate care. The program provides quality professional services in an outpatient setting for individuals living with substance use and mental health illness. On-site outpatient and intensive outpatient treatment services are based on the individual’s assessment and needs.

ICBHS is the direct provider of all SUD outpatient treatment services, with the exception of the Narcotic Treatment Program. The service modalities provided includes: Outpatient services (Level of Care 1.0), Intensive Outpatient services (Level of Care 2.1), Recovery services, Care Coordination Services, Clinician Consultation, Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT) and Ambulatory Withdrawal Management (Levels of Care 1.0 and 2.0). In addition to the provision of these services, ICBHS is strongly driven by the use of Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs).

The following practices are applied into the individuals’ treatment including but not limited to: Motivational Interviewing (MI), Matrix Model, Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT), and Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT). Furthermore, ICBHS has mechanisms in place to coordinate care for if individuals who require higher levels of care with contracted residential treatment providers.

Individuals who receive SUD Outpatient and Intensive Outpatient treatment have access to the following services:

- ❖ Intake Assessment
- ❖ Group Counseling
- ❖ Family Therapy
- ❖ Collateral Services
- ❖ Treatment Planning
- ❖ Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- ❖ Clinician Consultation
- ❖ Individual Counseling
- ❖ Patient Education
- ❖ Medication Services
- ❖ Crisis Intervention Services
- ❖ Discharge Services
- ❖ Withdrawal Management
- ❖ Recovery Services

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Additionally, Adults SUD Treatment Program offers Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) treatment, residential, & recovery residences services. With the support of the CCP, the Imperial County Behavioral Health Department provides drug and alcohol services at the DRC to enhance recovery and reduce recidivism for low and medium risk offenders.

The program consists of individual and group counseling with goals that include:

- ❖ Decreasing consumption of alcohol and other drugs
- ❖ Increasing in abstinence rates
- ❖ Increasing in social adjustment
- ❖ Increasing in successful referrals to treatment
- ❖ Creating and sustaining positive attitudes toward change & recovery
- ❖ Committing to change
- ❖ Engaging and retaining clients
- ❖ Improving treatment options

The on-site Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist provided by Imperial County Behavioral Health Services located at the Day Reporting Center can refer higher-need probation clients to the Substance Use Disorder Program in Imperial County and to out of county residential facilities. These facilities include:

ABC RECOVERY CENTER



ABC provides sub-acute detoxification and residential services to adult men and women. These services are provided in a home-like atmosphere. During the stabilization process, clients are under 24-hour monitoring and supervision. Individualized short-term treatment plans are developed to address the

client's psychological, social, substance abuse and rehabilitation needs. Individuals receive one-on-one counseling and may attend educational group sessions if medically appropriate. Provisions are made for clients in need of dual diagnosis services. Community resources are also available. Family services and aftercare are available to clients as follow up to primary treatment. These services are also available in Spanish. Admission to this program is available six days a week, from 8am to 7pm.

TARZANA TREATMENT CENTERS INC.

Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc. provides high quality, substance use and mental health treatment to adults and youth. A non-profit, community-based organization that operates a psychiatric hospital, residential and outpatient alcohol and drug treatment centers, and adolescent drug treatment centers. All facilities are licensed and certified by the State of California and the County of Los Angeles.



Tarzana Treatment Centers offers Withdrawal Management and Residential Rehabilitation services to eligible men, women, young adults, and teens. The services are aimed at helping clients to develop the psychological, behavioral and life skills needed to build a satisfying, drug-free lifestyle. Both long-term and short-term stays are available to individuals, based on medical necessity.

CLARE | MATRIX



Clare Matrix utilizes a comprehensive treatment service that provides an array of outpatient, residential and behavioral health treatment programs tailored to each person's individual needs that are rooted in

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evidence-based practices. This program offers Residential, Detoxification, and Outpatient services for individuals in need of care. In addition, the program utilizes a multi-disciplinary team comprised of medical professionals, psychologists and nursing staff who supervise the detoxification process and administer clinical support as needed.

With the support of the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), ICBHS has provided a Mental Health Rehabilitation Technician (MHRT) assigned at the Day Reporting Center (DRC) to provide care coordination for mental health and/or substance use treatment services to enhance recovery and reduce recidivism for low and medium risk offenders.

FOUNDATIONS IN RECOVERY INC.

Foundations in Recovery (FIR) is a Recovery Residence to help individuals who are struggling to change their lives due to a history of trauma, mental illness and/or drug and alcohol use. FIR functions as a bridge between active addiction, treatment and/or incarceration and independence in the community. FIR works with clients to help them gain life skills and a foundation for their future that will allow them to remain clean and sober, remain in the community, become employed or attend school, and become successful. FIR has a fully structured schedule at an off-site Center, with clinicians who utilize evidence-based assessments. In addition, FIR has on-site urine analysis, breathalyzer testing for illegal substances, and designated curfews, although they work with individuals' schedules for employment purposes.

2023-2024 DEPARTMENT GOALS

SUD Treatment Program remains committed in providing the best care for individuals with a substance use disorder. For the upcoming fiscal year, the SUD Treatment Program will be utilizing awarded grant funding for county-based projects that support behavioral health infrastructure, giving the county new opportunities to address gaps in care and create sustainable improvements that better serve Imperial County residents. Funds will be used for the establishment and development of a 16 bed Residential SUD treatment facility in Imperial County that will provide American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Level 3.2 Withdrawal Management and Level 3.5 High Intensity Residential Treatment. The SUD treatment facility construction is set to begin in Summer 2024.

Furthermore, SUD will continue to explore opportunities to expand recovery housing for individuals in need of assistance in gaining life skills and a foundation for their future that will allow them to remain clean and sober, remain in the community, become employed or attend school, and become successful. SUD will continue to explore other evidence-based practices to increase engagement and retention for all individuals, especially those involved in the justice system, to decrease recidivism and increase recovery rates to improve daily functioning.

The Substance Use Disorder program is in the process of implementing a Recovery Incentives Program formerly known as Contingency Management (CM) Pilot Program. This program is an effective evidence-based treatment that provides motivational incentives to treat individuals living with Stimulant Use Disorder (StimUD) and support their path to recovery. It recognizes and reinforces individual positive behavioral change, as evidenced by drug tests for stimulants. Contingency Management has been shown to improve treatment outcomes, including the decrease or cessation of substance use, and longer participation in treatment than any other treatment options.

IMPERIAL COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE



The Imperial County District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation is dedicated to the protection of the community and serving the victims of crime in Imperial County. The agency's main goal is to create a sense of security for Imperial County citizens through vigorous enforcement of criminal and civil laws in a just, honest, efficient, and ethical manner. Since the inception of California's Public Safety Realignment and the creation of the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), the District Attorney's Office has played an intricate role in fulfilling the objectives of the California Legislature. Through the funding resources provided by the CCP, the District Attorney's Office has been able to employ a Deputy District Attorney, Victim/Witness Program Supervisor, Criminal

Research Specialist, and Investigative Assistant assigned to reach the realignment objectives.

The Imperial County District Attorney is responsible for prosecuting state parole violations as well as violations of Post Release Community Supervision. One CCP funded deputy district attorney is assigned to prosecute 1170(h) offenses, however, the volume of cases requires that every Deputy District Attorney in the office contribute to the prosecution of these realignment offenses. The office of the District Attorney understands the importance of tracking data to get a full picture of the successes and/or failures under Realignment. Although the process of addressing participant's violations is important, the District Attorney's office places equal if not more emphasis on Victim's rights and restitution.

VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VWAP)

The Imperial County District Attorney's Office Victim Witness Assistance Program's mission is to make the criminal justice system more understandable, accessible, and responsive to crime victims and witnesses.

Each day program staff review criminal complaints and assign advocates cases so that they may initiate contact with individuals who are identified as possible victims. Advocates notify victims of their rights under Marsy's Law and detail services available through the program. The primary role of an advocate is to offer crime victims support and guidance while navigating the often-unfamiliar territory of the criminal justice system. Assigning an advocate from the onset of a case increases victim participation in criminal proceedings that aids in fostering a sense of victim empowerment.



The District Attorney's office has also assigned a CCP funded Investigative Assistant who is responsible in collaborating with the Probation and Sheriff Departments to develop a process that will facilitate the collection of restitution fines due to Victims.

CRIMINAL RESEARCH SPECIALIST

The Criminal Research Specialist assigned to the District Attorney’s Office is responsible for researching and analyzing AB109 crime data. Their duties are to provide support and information by:

- ❖ Reviewing daily criminal, civil, and family law court orders to identify individuals who are prohibited from possessing firearms.
- ❖ Conducting a comprehensive assessment of individuals who are prohibited from possessing firearms to assess if they currently remained in possession of firearms in manner that would violate Penal Code sections 25400 and 25850, which are crimes punishable by terms set forth in AB109 Realignment. Part of this assessment would include intelligence-gathering about whether they are individuals likely to have firearms that are not recorded in the California Department of Justice’s Automated Firearms System.
- ❖ Creating target packets to assist joint law enforcement operations in seizing firearms and confirming relinquishment of firearms by prohibited individuals. The target packets would include a threat assessment to advise about threats levels and the probability of violence that may be encountered in operations, to better assist sworn law enforcement in determining the manner of how each operation should be executed.
- ❖ Creating and maintaining statistical reports about gun violence and implemented gun violence reduction strategies that would be reported to the courts and law enforcement agencies.
- ❖ Providing analytical support for any local law enforcement and ad hoc requests.

IMPERIAL COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE



The Imperial County Public Defender's Office provides the highest quality criminal defense by vigorously advocating for the rights of individuals facing criminal charges in adult and juvenile court. The Public Defender also effectively represents the legal rights of children in dependency court and individuals involved in conservatorship proceedings. The mission of the Imperial County Public Defender's Office is to protect and defend the rights of our clients through zealous legal representation of the highest quality, in pursuit of a fair and impartial system of justice for all.

Since Realignment, the Public Defender has become responsible for representing individuals charged with violations of Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS), Mandatory Supervision, and parole.

Since 2015, the Public Defender's Office began representing every person at arraignment. This ensures that defendants no longer appear alone when initially facing a judicial officer on criminal charges. Instead, they are represented by trained attorneys who can make informed arguments on behalf of the client. This is critical since studies have shown that when counsel represents a typical defendant charged with a nonviolent crime, the chance of a judge ordering pretrial release, or an affordable bail, increases significantly. The Public Defender will continue to work in a coordinated and collaborative manner with our justice partners.

2023-2024 DEPARTMENT GOALS

The Public Defender's Office is continuing to work towards implementation of two important goals with respect to Imperial County's AB 109 population for the upcoming fiscal year. The first main goal includes promoting, supporting, and referring clients to the Substance Use Disorder (SUDs) program offered through Behavioral Health to reduce recidivism due to drug addiction.

Through the SUD Program, clients will receive services such as Narcotics Treatment, Medication Assisted Treatment, Case Management, Recovery Services, Individual Counseling, and Physician Consultations, which will assist them in their recovery and allow them to better integrate into our community.

The Public Defender's Office will continue to work with our Realignment partners to improve the lives of our clients, while simultaneously enhancing public safety.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES



The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the second largest County agency comprised of 512 staff members across the Imperial Valley. ICDSS operates under the policy direction of the Imperial County Board of Supervisors, the California Department of Social Services, and California Department of Health Care Services. ICDSS is responsible for planning, implementing, operating, and monitoring social services programs that protect children and adults from abuse or neglect, enable the frail and disabled to remain in their homes, move eligible individuals and families from dependency to self-sufficiency and provide public assistance benefits for eligible recipients. Funding for programs comes from Federal, State and County sources.

The Imperial County Department of Social Services is committed to being an innovative leader in providing quality social services to those individuals and families in Imperial County needing assistance. Through a collaborative effort with other agencies and organizations, the department maximizes effective delivery of services in the most cost effective and efficient manner possible. The Imperial County Department of Social Services provides essential basic need assistance to individuals by connecting them to critical benefits including General Relief, referrals to Medi-Cal, CalFresh, CalWORKs, and other social service programs. ICDSS services are geared to assist individuals in their reintegration back into society and in the path to self-sufficiency thereby reducing recidivism.

The services provided by the Department such as Medi-Cal assistance, gives many people within our community access to important medical care and gives the AB109 population the opportunity to remain healthy so that they can continue to work and attend court mandated programs and services.

HEALTHCARE AND NUTRITION

Medi-Cal and CalFresh make up the largest entitlement programs in Imperial County. Medi-Cal is a public health insurance program that provides health care services for low-income individuals including families with children, seniors, persons with disabilities, foster care, pregnant women, and others with special medical needs. CalFresh assists low-income households by adding to their food budget to help put healthy and nutritious food on the table. Through the administration of Medi-Cal, eligible community members receive comprehensive medical services. The numbers reflect how Medi-Cal is an essential foundation of the County's healthcare delivery system. The CalFresh program is Imperial County's best defense in the fight against hunger because benefits are long-term and provided directly to the recipient.



EMPLOYMENT AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



One of the Department's most important tasks is to provide clients with an income safety net through the CalWORKs program. Through CalWORKs, clients are exposed to employment and educational opportunities and prepares them to capitalize on these chances. Clients in the CalWORKs, CalFresh, and General Assistance programs receive access to ICDSS core employment resources:

training and mentorship, job readiness and career enhancement workshops, and work opportunities in a variety of fields.

WELFARE-TO-WORK

Welfare-to-Work (WTW) is an employment services program for all adults receiving CalWORKs. The objective of Welfare-to-Work is to help participants become ready for work and maintain work through multiple different programs, which leads to economic self-sufficiency. CalWORKs WTW program includes the following services:

- ❖ Childcare
- ❖ Training and education
- ❖ Unsubsidized/subsidized employment
- ❖ Housing Support Program
- ❖ Supportive services: Behavioral Health, Alcohol/Drug Treatment, Domestic Violence, Counseling, and Family Stabilization

GENERAL RELIEF

The General Relief (GR) program is a stronghold of support for many of whom are homeless and seeking assistance with the basics of daily living. Through the GR program, eligible clients may receive a monthly cash grant for housing, utilities, food, clothing, and their personal needs. Just as importantly as providing a cash grant, the GR program helps clients get back on their feet by offering Vocational Services for those who can work and SSI Advocacy referrals for the disabled.



HOMELESS CONTINUUM OF CARE

Imperial County's Continuum of Care (CoC) engages organizations in a community-based process that works to end homelessness for all individuals and families throughout the region, to address the underlying causes of homelessness and to lessen the negative impact of homelessness on individuals, families, and communities. The goal is for homelessness in Imperial County to be rare, brief, and non-recurring. ICDSS contribution includes operating the Homeless Taskforce, Building Staffing Support for the Administrative Entity and Providing Housing Support for Imperial Valley Community.

CLOSING REMARKS

The Community Corrections Partnership continues to remain committed to its mission working alongside its community partners to promote a safer community through its vision of decreasing criminal recidivism through data-driven decision making to address substance abuse, criminogenic factors, and mental health issues, and by increasing offenders' successful reintegration into the community using research-based strategies and interventions. The Community Corrections Partnership will continue to encourage and support effective prevention strategies for members in the community and help create opportunities for self-sufficiency among its offender population.

The size of Imperial County remains a significant challenge in meeting programming and service needs, particularly in the northern areas of Imperial County, which are underserved due to their remote location. Many clients rely on public buses to get around and depending on their schedule or location, which can make attending programs or services much harder. Another challenge that has been recently discussed is the lack of residential treatment center within Imperial County. Currently all residential treatment options require clients to be sent out of the county and contracts have been made with organizations such as Tarzana and Clare Matrix to meet those needs. In addition, the County's unique population when it comes to its closeness to the border also presents a challenge, as many residents will live across the border where County services cannot always reach.

However, due to these challenges, the CCP agencies have continued to make changes this year related to making programs and services more accessible to residents within the community. One of the local drug/alcohol counseling services, SMART Recovery has expanded its group availability within Imperial County by opening groups in the City of Calexico and by keeping its zoom courses available to residents that live across the border in Mexicali. ICBHS has also established a Crisis Care Mobile Unit (CCMU), which consist of three mobile response teams intended to make mental health and other supportive services more accessible to individuals experiencing psychiatric emergencies by providing outreach, engagement, and connections to resource services and supports. In addition, ICBHS is currently in the process of establishing a residential treatment center within Imperial County to meet the needs of residents that do not wish to leave Imperial County to obtain treatment. The Probation Department is also working to establish a mobile unit that will allow Probation Officers to travel to outlying areas of the County to make it easier for clients to report and pay restitution. The Imperial County Sheriff's Office is also continuing to work alongside the Public Health Department to create initiatives and strategies through the CalAIM program.

APPENDIX

2023-2024 SPENDING PLAN AGENCY ALLOCATIONS

Agency	Amount (Dollars)
Behavioral Health	\$565,542
District Attorney	\$572,952
Day Reporting Center	\$907,945
Probation	\$1,770,610
Public Defender	\$330,429
Sheriff	\$2,570,732
Library	\$15,000
Carry Over (Reserves)	\$3,393,790
Professional / Special Service	\$89,582
Total	\$10,216,582

2023-2024 PUBLIC AGENCY ALLOCATIONS (BREAKDOWN)

Program	Amount (Dollars)
Sheriff's Inmate Housing/Welfare/Supplies	\$1,857,197
Sheriffs Operational	\$713,535
Probation Field Supervision/PCRS	\$1,706,922
Probation Operational	\$63,688
Day Reporting Center Programs/Services	\$938,584
DRC Operational	\$77,861
CDCR Parole Reimbursements	\$(108,500)
Behavioral Health-Counselor	\$435,752
BH Program/Services	\$137,200
District Attorney-Investigator, Victim Witness Supervisor, Deputy	\$435,752
DA Professional/Special Services	\$137,200
Public Defender - Deputy	\$360,429
Library Literary Services	\$15,000
CCP Professional/Special Services	\$89,582
Pre-Trial Reimbursement Courts	-
Reserves	\$3,356,380
Total	\$10,216,582

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP FISCAL YEAR 2023 – 2024 BUDGET

FY 2023 – 2024 Estimated Allocations	\$	6,871,244
Community Correction Growth Estimate	\$	3,345,338
Total Available	\$	10,216,582

Department / Program	Estimated 6/30/23	Requested 23-24	Augmentation
Professional & Special Services	\$ 260,115	\$ 89,582	
1847001-525010 Total	\$ 260,115	\$ 89,582	
Sheriff's Correctional Department			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 586,026	\$ 713,535	
Inmate Housing	\$ 1,794,722	\$ 1,794,722	
Clothing & Personal	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
Inmate Welfare & Supplies	\$ 38,475	\$ 28,475	
Cell Phones	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
Office Expense	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
Drug Testing	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
IVECA	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
Small Tool & Instruments	\$ 0	\$ 5,000	
Travel-In County Car	\$ 15,500	\$ 15,500	
1847001 – 552250 Total	\$ 2,448,223	\$ 2,570,732	\$ -
Probation Department			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 1,679,053	\$ 1,706,922	
Professional & Special Services	\$ 9,989	\$ 9,989	\$ (9,989)
IVEAC & Radio Maintenance	\$ 7,785	\$ 7,785	
Travel-In County Car	\$ 17,001	\$ 17,001	\$ 6,219
Drug Testing	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	
Cell Phones (x15)	\$ 3,913	\$ 3,913	\$ 4,335
1847001-552085 Total	\$ 1,742,741	\$ 1,770,610	\$ 565
Day Reporting Center Operational			
Communications - Phones	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,400	
Communications - Services	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	
Maintenance – Equipment	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200	
Maintenance – Info Hardware	\$ -	\$ 1,700	
Maintenance – Struct, Improve, Grounds	\$ 37,000	\$ 37,000	
Office Expenses	\$ 7,200	\$ 8,061	
Professional & Special Services	\$ 938,584	\$ 938,584	
Special Department Expenses	\$ 1,300	\$ 3,000	
Utilities	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	
CDCR – Parole Reimbursements	\$ (36,900)	\$ (108,500)	
1847001-552247 Total	\$ 975,284	\$ 907,945	\$ -
Behavioral Health Services			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 199,757	\$ 211,962	\$
Professional & Special Services	\$ 365,785	\$ 353,580	\$
1847001-552245 Total	\$ 565,542	\$ 565,542	\$ -

Department / Program	Estimated 6/30/23	Requested 23-24	Augmentation
District Attorney's Office			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 432,032	\$ 435,752	
Professional & Special Services	\$ 53,334	\$ 137,200	
184700-552246 Total	\$ 485,366	\$ 572,952	\$ -
Public Defender's Office			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 269,082	\$ 360,429	
1847001-552249 Total	\$ 269,082	\$ 360,429	\$ -
Library			
Salary & Benefits	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -
1847001-552265 Total	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -
Total	\$ 6,761,353	\$ 6,852,792	\$ 565

Total Budget Request	\$ 6,852,792
Augmentation	\$ 565
Total Budget Augmentation Request	\$ 6,853,357
Reserves	\$ 3,363,789



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