## **CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS**

• OF CALIFORNIA

## 2018 CPOC LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

Chief Probation Officers administer research-based juvenile and adult probation programs. Probation makes recommendations to the courts and enforces its orders in communities by providing supervision and treatment for juveniles and adults. Chief Probation Officers are also responsible for overseeing the management, operation, programming, and administration of juvenile detention and rehabilitation facilities that promote positive behavior change. *Our goal is to prevent crime and delinquency, reduce recidivism, restore victims and promote healthy families and communities.* 

## Advance policies to help ensure and enhance probation's ability to:

- Hold clients accountable through effective community supervision.
  - o Improve re-entry options for our clients
  - o Reinvestment at state and local levels
- Prevent crime by changing criminal thinking.
  - o Expand and enhance Evidence Based Programs (EBP) available to clients
  - o Incentivize successful completion of programs
- Objectively assess the law and facts for individuals coming before the Court.
  - o Continue investment in community corrections training
- Restore victims and prevent future victimization.
  - Ensure adequate resources for victim impact statements
  - o Enhance successful re-entry to prevent future victimization
  - o Provide victims with opportunities to participate in restorative justice activities
  - Rehabilitate our clients with evidence-informed strategies that change their behavior.
    - o Expand local capacity for placement and treatment options for probation youth
    - o Bolster flexible policies and resources for mental health services
    - o Build offender skills and competencies to support prosocial, non-criminal conduct
    - o Strengthen and engage youth and families to build lasting community relationships and supports
- Ensure secure and effective detention services and successful reentry.
  - o Enhance EBP within halls, camps and in the community
  - o Protect resources to support probation foster youth in Continuum of Care Reform implementation
  - o Link offenders to natural supports within their communities
- Ensure a well-resourced probation system that can effectively accomplish state and local mandates.
  - o Ensure resources for supervision, rehabilitative programming, and re-entry services for youth and adults
  - o Advocate for resources for effective community supervision practices at federal, state, and local level

