



Superior Court of California, County of Santa Barbara  
Pretrial Services  
Supervised Release Program

Program Description

The Pretrial Supervised Release Program is designed to safely maintain in the community those individuals who are deemed appropriate for pretrial release both pre and post arraignment; monitor compliance with release conditions; and ensure defendants' appearance in court.

Noncompliant behavior among justice-involved individuals is sometimes more the rule than the exception due to the challenges individuals face regarding substance abuse, mental health, physical health, job skills, education, prior criminal involvement, unstable housing, and lack of prosocial connections. When proven principles guide responses to these behaviors, increases in prosocial behaviors and compliance levels occur.

In order to maximize the effectiveness of the behavior response process, responses to prosocial and noncompliant behavior will be transparent, consistent, fair, proportional, and swift.

Behavioral responses will be formulated to maximize effectiveness, holding individuals accountable for their actions while using interventions that are most likely to achieve long-term behavioral change. Victim and community safety will be of paramount importance in the formulation of all responses.

Program staff will include two probation officers with a connection with the Probation Report and Resource Center (PRRC) programs already in place in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria and one half time (.5 FTE) administrative analyst to collect and measure the performance of the program.

The two probation officers will work under the title of Pretrial Compliance Officer. The program will be governed by a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the court and probation department.

Under the Supervised Release program judicial officers can order defendants to be monitored by GPS and SCRAM, drug testing, telephone check-in, and face-to-face check-ins at home or at the PRRC center.

The Pretrial Compliance Officers working out of the PRRC can also assist the defendant with connecting them to CARES and/or housing services (potential areas for non-release). In addition, after initial assessment of each defendant, the compliance officer will review defendant's case history to determine if a sentenced case is preventing release and evaluation if an alternative sentence option is possible in order to maximize pretrial release.

If defendant is non-compliant with pretrial release orders the compliance officer may be authorized by a judicial officer to remand the defendant to ensure public safety.

The attached flowchart shows the step by step process for how an offender would be processed for supervised pretrial release.

Additional Items in development for the program description

- Performance Measures and Tracking
- Cost benefit analysis

Proposed Program Budget

<b><u>Program Component</u></b>	<b><u>One Time</u></b>	<b><u>On Going</u></b>
Pretrial Software	\$110,000.00	\$25,000.00
Software Implementation	\$150,000.00	
Computer Refresh/Upgrade	\$20,000.00	
Admin. Analyst I - C Step - .5 FTE		\$53,441.00
Computer, phone, supplies	\$5,000.00	
Probation Officer - C Step		\$131,000.00
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Computer, phone, supplies	\$5,000.00	
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VPRAI UCSB Validation*	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Drug Testing	TBD	TBD
SCRAM - \$1500 per month	TBD	\$18,000.00
GPS - \$2083 per month	TBD	\$25,000.00
VPRAI Training	\$5,000.00	
Text Notification	TBD	TBD
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$325,000.00</b>	<b>\$408,441.00</b>

1<sup>st</sup> Year Cost

\$683,441.00

\*3 yr validation @ \$25,000/year