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## **OPERATION SAFE AT HOME**

**(SANTA BARBARA, CA)** - On December 9, 2021, the Santa Barbara County Probation Department conducted countywide wellness checks on active Probation and Post-Release Community Supervision clients throughout Santa Maria, Orcutt, Lompoc, Santa Barbara, and Goleta. The operation focused on individuals with cases of domestic violence, child or elder abuse, and family violence where children, victims, or vulnerable adults may reside in the home.

Wellness checks focus on active probationers and their families and consist of observing living environments and documenting any family needs, providing information on probation and community resources, and ensuring client compliance with the terms and conditions of probation. Additionally, holiday-themed wellness bags with ornaments, decorations, coloring books, crayons, art projects for children, and brochures for available resources were distributed to each family. In total, 18 Probation Officers participated in the operation, visiting 28 locations that resulted in 12 searches and one arrest.

The Santa Barbara County Probation Department remains committed to community safety and taking a proactive role in client accountability and family wellness. For more information about the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, go to <a href="https://www.sbprobation.org">www.sbprobation.org</a>.