# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT PRETRIAL SERVICES BUREAU

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#### Pretrial Services Bureau

The Pretrial Services (PTS) Bureau is under the administrative control of the County of Los Angeles Probation Department. Since 1963, PTS has been at the forefront in providing information to those public entities concerned with community safety (i.e., law enforcement, the courts and probation) on matters of pretrial detention/incarceration and alternative sentencing.

PTS has two main office locations: 3530 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 501, Los Angeles, CA 90010 (213) 351-0373 and 433 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 974-5821. In addition, PTS employees are located in the majority of courthouses throughout the county.

# **Bail Deviation Program**



### **Bail Deviation Program**

- > Operates 365 days a year, 7 days a week, 24 hours a day
- > Service over 70 booking locations
- > Assessment is completed pre-arraignment
- > Self-initiated (BD signs & telephone) or through attorney, family or friend
  - In 2015, staff in busiest booking locations (IRC, CRDF, Lakewood, Van Nuys, Metro and 77<sup>th</sup>)
- Access the defendant's complete criminal record, enter in database, contact reference/victim, MAA outreach, contact agency and present to Magistrate.

## Pretrial Risk Evaluation Program (PREP) Pilot

- ➤ On March 23, 2020, the PREP Pilot was implemented. All new eligible arrestees in LA County are evaluated for pre-arraignment release by a duty Magistrate Judge approximately four hours after booking, utilizing the Public Safety Assessment (PSA) tool.
- The PSA predicts the potential risk of failure to appear in court, new criminal activity and new violent criminal activity. The tool does NOT require a defendant interview.
- ➤ Risk score is auto-populated from criminal record data in LA County

  Consolidated Criminal History Reporting System (CCHRS)
- > Information is electronically transmitted to the Magistrate Unit

# Own Recognizance Program



#### Own Recognizance Program

- > Operates Monday Friday (8:00 am 5:00 pm)
- > Report is completed at arraignment (felony only)
- > Staff located in 20 Courts throughout LA County
- > Conduct interview in person in court lock-up
- Access the defendant's complete criminal record, enter in database, contact reference/victim and agency, MAA outreach, and utilize the Criminal Court Assessment Tool (C-CAT)
- > C-CAT predicts for new criminal activity and screens the defendant's needs.
- > Provide summary and recommendation for release
- > Deliver written report to Court.

#### **CJC Pilot**

- On June 22, 2020, Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center (CJC) Pilot was implemented. A report will be completed for all in-custody defendants charged with a new felony or <u>misdemeanor</u> criminal case and scheduled for arraignment court appearance at CJC Departments 30, 40 and 48.
- Provide summary/analysis and defendant's service needs (education, employment, housing, substance use, mental health & trauma)
- Deliver written report to Court.

# Supervised Release Program Pilot



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- > On June 22, 2020, SRP was implemented as Phase 2 of the Prep Pilot.
- Operates Monday Friday (7:00 am 8:00 pm)
- > Court will impose the standard conditions of pretrial release
- Participants will have the least restrictive conditions
- GPS and Alcohol Monitoring are added options to the supervision component
- Participants will be referred to a Resource Navigator to provide linkages to treatment and/or social services
- Steps will be initiated to assure compliance prior to court notifications
- County Paid Program

# **Electronic Monitoring Program**



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- Operates Monday Friday (6:00 am 11:00 pm)
- EM services is available to LA County Courts as an alternative to custody.

  Defendants may be referred or ordered by the court as pretrial release or as a sentence option
- Post sentence defendants may also be screened for participation
- Probation contracts with a private vendor to provide services
- Conduct defendant interviews, access the defendant's complete criminal record, evaluate record, contact reference/victim, and MAA outreach.
- Offender Paid Program

# **Pretrial Partners**













