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PROBATION AND PAROLE

As the largest probation department in the world, the Los Angeles County Probation Department currently supervises approximately 60,000 adults and approximately 20,000 juveniles. The mission of the Los Angeles County Probation Department emphasizes public safety, ensuring victim rights, and effecting positive behavioral change among adult and juvenile offenders.

The Probation Department is charged with completing a variety of investigation reports and the supervision of persons placed on probation. Since October 1, 2011, in keeping with Public Safety Realignment legislation (AB 109 and AB 117) the Probation Department has also been charged with the supervision of persons released from state prison that were incarcerated for non-violent, non-serious, and non-high risk sexual offenses.

Adult offenders living in the valley are typically supervised out of the East San Fernando Valley Area Office, located at 14414 Delano Street in Van Nuys. At this location, there are a variety of caseloads, including specialized units for cases involving sex crimes, family violence, and gang affiliation. In addition to these units, there is a specialized program to provide intensive supervision and treatment services known as the Alternative Treatment Caseload program, along with personnel designated to supervise low, medium, and high risk cases.

Orientation and supervision staff assigned to the Post Release Community Supervision program work exclusively with persons being released from state prison. Upon release, these individuals participate in an individualized orientation process before being assigned to a Deputy Probation Officer for supervision. Referrals are provided to community based organizations for treatment based on the unique needs of each offender. On site personnel from the Department of Mental Health or the Department of Public Social Services also provide a variety of services and support to this population.

As of this writing, over 6,500 cases are assigned to the East San Fernando Valley Office. This busy location has long enjoyed a collaborative relationship with a number of agencies, including the Los Angeles Police Department.

Below are some sections from the California Penal Code that give further explanation to the conditions that the parolees in our community live under, along with contact information for West Valley's Senior Lead Officers.

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Parole Requirements

All parolees are subject to additional statutory requirements as a condition to their release from state prison. These requirements include, but are not limited to; defined placement as to where they may legally reside, inclusive of what county they must reside in while on parole; an implied consent to be searched with or without a warrant and with or without cause; and, if applicable, requirements to register with local authorities. Some of these requirements are noted below.

Penal Code Section 3003 (a) – Residential Placement

a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an inmate who is released on parole shall be returned to the county that was the last legal residence of the inmate prior to his or her incarceration. For purposes of this subdivision, "last legal residence" shall not be construed to mean the county wherein the inmate committed an offense while confined in a state prison or local jail facility or while confined for treatment in a state hospital.

Penal Code Section 3003 has many subsections that may also apply to residence restrictions for certain offenders, and should be reviewed in its entirety to ascertain applicability to each case.

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Penal Code Section 3067 – Subject to Search

a) Any inmate who is eligible for release on parole pursuant to this chapter shall agree in writing to be subject to search or seizure by a parole officer or other peace officer at any time of the day or night, with or without a search warrant and with or without cause. The parolee's obligation to sign their conditions of parole. Failure to sign them can result in a return to prison.

Penal Code Section 3067 has many subsections that affect the authority to search and should be reviewed in its entirety for complete information.

Penal Code Section 290 – Sex Offender Registration Requirement 290.

(a) (1) (A) Every person described in paragraph (2), for the rest of his or her life while residing in California, or while attending school or working in California, as described in subparagraph (G), shall be required to register with the chief of police of the city in which he or she is residing, or the sheriff of the county if he or she is residing in an unincorporated area or city that has no police department, and, additionally, with the chief of police of a campus of the University of California, the California State University, or community college if he or she is residing upon the campus or in any of its facilities, within five working days of coming into, or changing his or her residence within, any city, county, or city and county, or campus in which he or she temporarily resides.

Simply stated, qualifying offenders required to register as a sex offender must, within 5 working days of their release, register with the law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over their residence. A copy of the registration must be provided to their parole agent within 6 working days of release.

Additionally, the qualifying offender is required to update their sex offender registration with law enforcement annually, within 5 working days of their birth date as well as within 5 working days of each time they move. Transients much register more frequently. Copies of updated registration must be provided to the parole agent within 5 working days of receipt.

Penal Code Section 290 has many subsections that affect registration and should be reviewed in its entirety for complete information.

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Next Reseda Neighborhood Watch Meetings – Tuesday, September 13- 7:00 p.m. West Valley Community Room
Thursday, October 11 - 7:00 pm West Valley Community Room

Health and Safety Code (H&S) Section 11590 – Drug Offender Registration 11590

(a) Except as provided in subdivisions (c) and (d), any person who is convicted in the State of California of any qualifying offense, noted in this Section, or any person who is discharged or paroled from a penal institution where he or she was confined because of the commission of any such offense, or any person who is convicted in any other state of any offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the above-mentioned offenses, shall within 30 days of his or her coming into any county or city, or city and county in which he or she resides or is temporarily domiciled for that length of time, register with the chief of police of the city in which he or she resides or the sheriff of the county if he or she resides in an unincorporated area. Pursuant to H&S Section 11594, if any person required to register hereunder changes his residence address he shall inform, in writing within 10 days, the law enforcement agency with whom he last registered of his new address. The law enforcement agency shall, within three days after receipt of such information, forward it to the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice shall forward appropriate registration data to the law enforcement agency having local jurisdiction of the new place of residence. All registration requirements set forth in this article shall terminate five years after the discharge from prison, release from jail or termination of probation or parole of the person convicted. Simply stated, qualifying offenders required to register as a drug offender must, within 30 days of their release, register with the law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over their residence. A copy of the registration must be provided to their parole agent. Additionally, the offender must update their registration within 10 days of changing their address.

Health & Safety Code Section 11590 has many subsections that affect registration and should be reviewed in its entirety for complete information.

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Parolee Conditions

All parolees who are released to the community for a period of parole supervision have Conditions of Parole imposed upon release. Additionally, some parolees have added special conditions of parole, which are unique to each person. Conditions of parole and special conditions of parole are simply defined as:

- Conditions of Parole – Written rules that you have to follow.
- Special Conditions - Added written rules that help your chances of finishing parole.

Simply stated, the standard conditions of parole are outlined below.

- The release date and how long the parolee may be on parole.
- Advisement that the parolee, their residence, and possessions can be searched at any time of the day or night, with or without a warrant, and with or without a reason. This can be done by a parole agent or police officer.
- By signing the parole conditions, the parolee waives extradition if they are found out of state.
- The parolee's obligation to always tell their parole agent where they live and work.
- The parolee's obligation to report upon release from prison or jail.
- The parolee's obligation to tell their parole agent about a new address before they move.
- The parolee's obligation to tell their parole agent, within three days, if they get a new job.
- The parolee's obligation to report to their parole agent when told to report or a warrant can be issued for their arrest.
- The parolee's obligation to follow their parole agent's instructions.
- The parolee's obligation to ask their parole agent if it is OK to travel more 50 miles from their residence, and receive approval before they travel.
- The parolee's obligations to receive a travel pass before they leave the county for more than two days.
- The parolee's obligations to receive a travel pass before they can leave the State.
- The parolee's obligation to obey ALL laws.
- The parolee's obligation to tell their parole agent immediately if they get arrested or get a ticket.
- An advisement that if a parolee breaks the law, they can be sent back to prison even if they do not have any new criminal charges.
- The parolee's obligation to not be around guns, or things that look like a real gun, bullets, or any other weapons.
- The parolee's obligation to not have a knife with a blade longer than two inches except a kitchen knife. Kitchen knives must be kept in your kitchen.
- Knives you use for work are also allowed if approved by the parole agent, but they can only be carried while at work or going to and from work. The parolee must possess a note from the parole agent approving this, and it must be carried at all times.
- The parolee's obligation to not own, use, or have access to a weapon listed in Penal Code Section 12020.
- The parolee's obligation to sign their conditions of parole. Failure to sign them can result in a return to prison.