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Columbia County recognizes Community Justice Department during Probation, Parole, and Pretrial Supervision Week

(Columbia County, Oregon) - The week of July 18th is recognized as Probation, Parole, and Pretrial Supervision Week across the United States. This week observes the challenging, and often times unnoticed, work that the experts in community supervision do to promote a safe and healthy Columbia County. Their successes come about through strong collaborations with community partners, colleagues, and clients under the jurisdiction of the Community Justice Department.

The Community Justice staff provides community protection through research-based supervision methods, programming, and services, including interventions geared toward individuals making lasting, positive changes in their lives and the lives of their families. These public servants are dedicated to providing every one of their clients opportunities to succeed, removing or reducing barriers; all the while holding them accountable, providing an alternative to incarceration, and making our communities a safer place to live, work, and play.

Juvenile Probation Officers, Parole and Probation Officers, and Pretrial Services Specialists are trained and educated professionals whose hard work and dedication contribute to public safety, community wellness, and support for crime survivors. Each of them has the knowledge and desire to provide meaningful supervision of their clients in order to protect the communities of Columbia County.

The Community Justice Department supervises adults placed on probation and parole, adults granted pretrial supervision in our community, and all youth referred for delinquent behavior. The adult division of the Community Justice Department supervises persons released from jail and prison. The juvenile division not only supervises probation cases, but also provides case management and supportive services to youth and their families with the goal of keeping children out of custody, hopeful, and healthy.

The Columbia County Community Justice Department team members administer their services with rehabilitation in mind. Community Justice Department staff stay abreast of the latest community corrections related research, and use what they learn to implement long-term, efficient, and smart approaches to public safety. They know what services are available in our county and take a balanced and educated approach in helping offenders to re-enter our community successfully.