

What are Community Prosecutors?

Community Prosecutors focus on targeted areas and create long term proactive partnerships between the prosecutor's office, law enforcement, public agencies, private organizations and the community. The authority of the District Attorney's Office is used to help solve problems, improve public safety and enhance the quality of life in the area where the Community Prosecutor is assigned.

The Community Prosecutor steps outside their traditional role and works proactively with the community to prevent crime from occurring or escalating. Although the Community Prosecutor may occasionally work on individual projects or criminal cases, he or she must also look beyond those cases to address public safety issues that have a negative impact on the quality of life in the target community.

A Community Prosecutor's efforts are devoted to working with law enforcement, Code Enforcement, other public agencies and the community to identify and resolve problems, improve public safety, and enhance quality of life.



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Community Prosecution Unit

"Thanks to the collaborative effort among our law enforcement, public agencies, and community partners, we are able to provide a proactive response to neighborhood concerns and increase accountability to the communities we serve."

District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert



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What Community Prosecutors Do

- Participate in neighborhood business and community meetings to discuss public safety concerns.
- Identify specific problems utilizing our Public Safety and Quality of Life survey.
- Prosecute quality of life crimes including trespassing, vandalism, graffiti, drug activity, prostitution and disturbing the peace.
- Form partnerships with law enforcement officers and community members to improve quality of life in targeted areas including implementing nuisance abatement measures.
- Serve as a prosecutorial resource to police officers and community members.
- Develop and implement innovative strategies to educate the public about the criminal justice system and crime prevention.

Our Focus Projects

NUISANCE & RED LIGHT ABATEMENT

A partnership with multiple agencies to abate drug houses, prostitution, illegal dumping, and nuisance properties.

MAGIC (Multi-Agency Graffiti Intervention Committee)

A quarterly task force involving law enforcement, City and County agencies, and the community to share information and to promote community awareness in eradicating graffiti.

ABANDONED PROPERTIES

A partnership with the neighborhoods, Sacramento Sheriff's Department, Code Enforcement, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, City and County staff to eliminate nuisances on vacant, open and accessible properties-both residential and commercial.



BEFORE - Vacant Nuisance Property



AFTER - Cleaned-Up and For Sale

Community Prosecution Programs

BUSINESS WATCH

A program designed to encourage businesses to take an active role in preventing crime by sharing information, raising awareness and training employees to recognize criminal activity. Business Watch signs, decals and pamphlets are distributed to participating businesses.

CHRONIC NUISANCE OFFENDER PROGRAM

A collaboration with law enforcement, Sacramento Steps Forward and Sacramento County Alcohol and Drug Services that focuses on offenders who repeatedly committed crimes which impact public safety and quality of life for a community. Working with the court and providers, the offender is offered a tailored program in an effort to address substance abuse, mental illness and housing needs to create a safer community.

SERIAL INEBRIATE PROGRAM

A partnership with Volunteers of America, Sacramento Self Help Housing, Sutter Health and Sacramento Downtown Partnership to assist chronically homeless people with severe alcohol issues and into supportive housing.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

Members of the DA's Office are matched with community groups and organizations wishing to learn more about the criminal justice system. There are more than 30 topics and 135 speakers across all levels and areas of expertise. The program enables the office to expand its outreach efforts. To request a speaker, visit www.sacda.org

YOUTH ACADEMY

Students learn about the criminal justice system and engage in open communication with law enforcement about issues that affect youth. The program also encourages them to consider a career in public safety. The Academy is offered at various locations throughout the county. There is also a McClatchy and Luther Burbank High School Youth Academy with the same goal of engaging youth in communication and a mutual learning of the criminal justice system.

Other Outreach Programs

CITIZENS ACADEMY

A 10-week course designed to engage our diverse community in communication and develop a mutual understanding of the criminal justice system. Diversity and racial issues within the framework of the criminal justice system is explored.

GIFT (Gun Violence Information For Teens)

GIFT educates teens about the legal and emotional consequences of gun possession and gun related violence, and encourages positive choices.

#iSMART

(Internet, Social Media Awareness, Resources & Training)
#iSMART educates teens about the dangers, risks, and threats social media and the Internet poses for them today, and in the future. Students are encouraged to think about the consequences of what they post online. The parent and teacher component educates them and provide tools and resources to help protect students.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The District Attorney's Office participates in this annual campaign where members of public safety and citizens come together in solidarity and celebration of crime prevention and efforts to keep neighborhoods safe. Representatives of the office promote our prevention and intervention programs and build positive relationships with the people we serve.



YOUTH SHADOW DAY

High school students get a first-hand look at the criminal justice process by shadowing prosecutors, defense attorneys, criminal investigators, probation officers, judges, and crime lab staff. The goal of the program is to enlighten youth about a potential career in the criminal justice system.