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America Observes

Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week

July 18-24, 2021

 (*City/State*) – During the week of July 18th through the 24th, 2021, the essential responsibilities performed by probation, parole, and community supervision professionals will be honored nationwide.

Today in America, there are over 5 million adults on community supervision, and most of these individuals are monitored by pretrial, probation, and parole officers. Monitoring may take the form of home contacts, drug testing, making sure the offender attends counseling sessions and helping offenders to find suitable housing and employment. Many officers also supervise offenders using electronic monitoring equipment which requires expert knowledge of newer technologies.

Budget shortfalls mean that community corrections professionals must be creative in finding solutions to make sure those they supervise have the support needed to find jobs, housing, and treatment. By collaborating with community leaders and volunteering their own time off work, many officers are making a difference while faced with expanding caseloads and additional responsibilities.

Members of our community are encouraged to join together during Pretrial, Probation, Parole Supervision Week to honor those who work to make our communities a safer place to live. For additional information about Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week, please contact (*name*), (*title*), at (*agency*) at (*area code/telephone number*), or visit (*name of agency’s*) website at (*website address*).

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