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APPA E-Journal "Perspectives" Seeks New Editorial Board Members

Dear Criminal Justice Leaders,

The American Probation and Parole Association's quarterly e-journal, *Perspectives*, is looking towards the future. As we push this publication to new heights, the change began a few months back with the appointment of two highly qualified and passionate co-editors.

Dr. Kimberly R. Kras is an Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at San Diego State University, and Jason Stauffer serves as the Assessment and Classification Servicers Supervisor within the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections. Together, they provide a sturdy foundation from which to build a new direction for *Perspectives*.

"We view this as a tremendous honor and important responsibility," said Stauffer. "In this role, our responsibility is to promote the use of evidence-based practices (EBPs) in the fields of adult and juvenile community supervision. Our strategy is to provide our readership with a blend of research-based/academic content that provides support for EBPs, and examples of case studies where agencies have successfully implemented EBPs."

With the support of APPA leadership, Stauffer and Kras seek to evolve *Perspectives* beyond a print journal publication to include a variety of media options which expand readership and engage APPA members. Another top priority is expansion of the *Perspectives* Editorial Board to include fresh points of view.

"*Perspectives* is seeking motivated volunteers to join us on our editorial board," Stauffer said. "We are asking everyone interested in supporting the missions of *Perspectives* and the APPA to consider joining the *Perspectives* Editorial Board for an exciting opportunity to advance the journal's important message."

Editorial board members will be asked to attend two meetings per year at APPA training institutes (you may participate remotely) and review content for publication while advocating for improved readership and new writers. *Perspectives* is seeking volunteers from diverse disciplines. Everyone seeking to volunteer will be duly considered regardless of background and experience. If selected, you must join APPA as an <u>Individual Member</u> (\$50 per year) due to organization by-laws. The most important qualification we are considering is an interest in promoting the mission and ideals of APPA.

Please reach out to either Jason Stauffer or Dr. Kimberly Kras to join the editorial board of APPA's *Perspectives*. Jason Stauffer can be reached at <u>jastauffer@pa.gov</u> and Kimberly Kras at <u>kkras@sdsu.edu</u>. Your involvement can bring the publication to a whole new level!