



2020 APPA AWARDS

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Award Winners

THE APPA PRESIDENT'S AWARD (2 winners)

Officer Steve Monroe | *Josephine County Community Corrections*

Officer Steve Monroe has been essential in the success of the Second Chance Employment Program in Josephine County, Oregon. The program has yielded over 50% employment rates for medium and high-risk offenders, significantly greater than the statewide average. Officer Monroe's clientele, the highest risk population, have seen up to 77% employment rates. His success comes from a willingness to connect with clientele and business administrators on a relational level. He's integrated himself with local employers and built enriched community bonds with local business managers to enhance the employment potential of justice-involved clients.

Dr. Robert Gable | *Retired*

Dr. Robert Gable is a truly historic figure in community corrections. Along with his twin brother, Ralph Kirkland Gable, Dr. Gable is credited as being one of the inventors of electronic monitoring of offenders in the community. The Gables and their team of graduate students and volunteers envisioned a system that would not only locate juvenile offenders within a small, defined geographic area, but also allow for two-way communication between the youth and a probation officer as a way for the officer (and the larger community) to provide support and positive reinforcement for prosocial behaviors.

Dr. Gable has published articles on this topic in a variety of journals including APPA Perspectives, Federal Probation, NAPE's Executive Exchange, the Journal of Offender Monitoring, the Journal of Offender Rehabilitation, and the Journal of Technology Human Services. Dr. Gable holds multiple degrees including a Ed.D. from Harvard University, a Ph.D. from Brandeis University and a J.D. from Jackson State University. He taught psychology for 30 years at Claremont Graduate University in California.

JOE KEGAN'S AWARD FOR VICTIM SERVICES IN PROBATION AND PAROLE

DV Officer Laura Thomas and DV Officer Clint Hill | *Maricopa County Adult Probation*

Laura Thomas, Domestic Violence Probation Officer, and Clint Hill, Domestic Violence Surveillance Officer, are the longest-tenured DV probation team in Maricopa County history. During this time,

they have worked with many hundreds of DV victims of defendants on their caseload. Additionally, Laura and Clint are active members in the Domestic Violence Action Team.

Laura and Clint have made an enormous impact on the community. Their peers in the three DV Units as well as the officers who supervise probationers throughout Maricopa County Adult Probation Department (MCAPD) hold this team in high esteem.

Furthermore, this team's goals include assisting offenders to change behaviors, implement successful reunification and ultimately complete probation. Holding offenders accountable, yet offering resources to allow success, has resulted in many of this team's clients now being productive members of the community. Additionally, they work countless hours in engaging the victims and families of domestic violence, providing referrals, safety planning, offering education on the cycle of violence and the dynamics of abuse.

MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Robert Anderson | *Retired Consultant*

Following a stint in the Army, Bob's work with Tennessee law enforcement began in the early 1970s. He worked in the field for decades before retiring as Chief of the Madison County Department of Community Corrections in 2016. He still helps out on various projects at the Madison County Sheriff's Department.

Bob has been an involved member of the APPA since 1994. He was active on the former Officer Safety Committee (Co-Chair), the Technology Committee, was a Region 7 Representative (2006-2012), and remains involved on the International Relations Committee.

The International Relations Committee is a great match for Bob's energy, as he travels and works overseas, and also hosts colleagues while they visit local corrections operations.

SCOTIA KNOUFF LINE OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Fallon Metzinger | *Probation Officer, Maricopa County Adult Probation Department*

Fallon Metzinger is a standard field probation officer who has served with the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department for four years. She previously worked in the juvenile justice system in Buffalo, New York, as a caseworker.

Officer Metzinger volunteered to serve as the lead officer of a special project with the City of Mesa (Arizona) Police Department (PD). Mesa PD had implemented a special project to address the opioid problem within their jurisdiction as there had been a significant increase in fentanyl abuse, resulting in numerous medical calls and deaths on nearly a weekly basis.

Officer Metzinger eagerly volunteered to lead this project to identify persons who may be abusing or selling fentanyl and assist in taking enforcement actions to remove as much of the drug as possible from the community. She began by researching individuals on probation for either

possession or sale of narcotic drugs. This involved her review of nearly 800 probationers. Through her research, Officer Metzinger was able to narrow down the list to a small number of probationers who presented a serious concern. This allowed probation and police officers to focus their enforcement efforts, while eliminating unwarranted action against persons who were making progress on supervision.

THE WALTER DUNBAR MEMORIAL AWARD

Susan Burke | *Consultant for The Carey Group; Retired Director of Utah Division of Juvenile Justice*

Susan is a very distinguished criminal justice leader and a long standing member of APPA. She served on the Executive Committee of APPA and was President from 2016-2017. She has been very influential in the field of Juvenile Justice and was the Director of the Utah Division of Juvenile Justice from 2001-2018. Prior to that, she was the Assistant Director from 2005-2011.

Susan is a graduate of the APPA Leadership Program. She is a member of NAPE and currently serves on their BOD. Susan has served on many boards and commissions. To name a few she has served on the Utah Sentencing Commission (2011-2018); and the Utah Governor's Gang Task force (2008-2011).

Susan has received many wonderful awards for her leadership. They include the President's Award for the Council of Juvenile Justice Administrators in 2013; the Outstanding Administrator award from the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrator's in 2015.

Susan has the compassion for and is a leader in criminal justice reform.

