



State of New York

Executive Chamber

Proclamation

Whereas, New York State's pre-trial, probation, parole, and community supervision professionals represent a critically important sector of our public safety and law enforcement resources, and we join to recognize their contributions to the successful operation of our justice system; and

Whereas, probation, parole, and community supervision professionals from New York State's 57 counties, the City of New York probation departments, and the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, along with not-for-profit pre-trial programs, promote prevention, intervention, and changes in thinking and behavior, and advocate to ensure individuals success and public safety; and

Whereas, these trained professionals uphold the law with respect and dignity for all, while promoting opportunities for success for individuals on supervision and recognizing the rights of victims and the public to be safeguarded from criminal activity; they provide resources, programs, and services to individuals on supervision while advancing community safety, victim advocacy, and restorative justice to facilitate a fair and successful justice system; and

Whereas, in 2022, fifty-eight probation and pretrial services agencies supervised approximately 53,000 cases involving adults with an average of 110 days on supervision, and approximately 44,000 of these cases had non-monetary release conditions assigned to them; and

Whereas, also in 2022, probation officers in New York State supervised approximately 72,000 cases involving adults and 1,900 cases involving youth; provided intake and adjustment services to nearly 15,000 youth to divert them from formal court proceedings; conducted more than 30,000 pre-sentence investigations of adults and more than 2,300 pre-disposition investigations of youth, to advise the courts on disposition and sentencing; and promoted evidence-based practices to help individuals address their needs so they can achieve more successful outcomes; and

Whereas, approximately 25,000 individuals on community supervision receive supportive services that facilitate successful completion of their sentence, and nearly 990 Senior Parole Officers, Parole Officers, and community supervision staff work to ensure individuals comply with their conditions of release; and

Whereas, probation, parole, and community supervision professionals partner with 20 County Re-Entry Task Forces funded by New York State and designed to enhance inter-agency coordination so as to address the needs of individuals returning from incarceration to their communities; and

Whereas, New York State recognizes that individuals on pre-trial release, probation, and parole supervision, as well as those formerly incarcerated in state prison, benefit from treatment, training, education, and other services that prevent recidivism and enable them to rejoin their families and communities and lead successful, crime-free lives; and

Whereas, all New Yorkers take this opportunity to acknowledge pre-trial, probation, parole, and community supervision professionals who are dedicated to such an important and demanding area of public service and extend gratitude for their vital role in helping to keep our residents and communities safe;

Now, Therefore, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim July 16 - 22, 2023 as

PRE-TRIAL, PROBATION, AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK

in the Empire State.



Given under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany this seventeenth day of July in the year two thousand twenty-three.

Kathy Hochul
Governor

Karen Persichilli Keogh

Secretary to the Governor
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