

Sacramento County Collaborative and Specialized Courts



The Judicial Council of California describes Collaborative (Justice) Courts as problem-solving courts that promote accountability by combining judicial supervision with rigorously monitored rehabilitation and treatment services in lieu of detention. Collaborative courts are geared towards improving justice system outcomes by focusing on underlying problems such as mental health issues or substance use disorders. Collaborative justice principles include a multidisciplinary team approach with involvement from the court, attorneys, law enforcement, probation, and service agencies to address offenders' complex social and behavioral problems. Each court operates slightly differently with varying eligibility criteria, requirements, length, sanctions and incentives, services, and graduation criteria.

Title	Who It's For	What It Includes	Length	Capacity	Agencies Involved
Adult Drug Court	Defendants charged with non-violent drug possession, violations of probation, and certain drug-related and property crimes.	Residential and outpatient services including detoxification, substance misuse, mental health treatment, relapse prevention, and reentry services; drug testing, case management, housing, and therapeutic (yoga, nutrition, mind-body) services; and probation supervision. Upon completion, suspended jail time is lifted and probation may be terminated or the case may be dismissed.	12 - 18 months	80 - 125	Probation, Service Providers, Court, Attorneys, Health and Human Services, Human Assistance
Drug Diversion - PC 1000	Defendants charged with simple possession and first time drug offenses.	40 hours of drug education and group courses. Monthly meetings, support group work and drug testing for 6 months. Upon completion, Probation files a motion requesting charges be dismissed.	18 months - 3 years	800 – 1000 plus	Probation, Service Providers, Alcohol and Drug Services, Court, Attorneys
Mental Health Treatment Court	Non-violent defendants diagnosed with specified mental health disorders or co-occurring mental and substance use disorders, approved for participation by the DA's Office. No sex, DUI, Domestic Violence, or arson offenses.	Residential and outpatient services including case management, benefits acquisition, crisis response, intervention and stabilization, medication evaluation and support, and ongoing specialized mental health services. Full Service Partnership supports such as housing, employment, education and transportation. Random drug/alcohol testing. Upon completion, suspended jail time is lifted, probation may be terminated, and the case may be dismissed.	12 - 18 months	80 - 100	Service Providers, Court, Attorneys, Health and Human Services. Probation
Prop 36 Court	Defendants charged with non-violent drug possession and transportation for personal use.	Report to Probation for drug/alcohol/mental health screening and treatment referral. Four "fee for service" multi-disciplinary sites are available for detoxification, residential, outpatient, methadone, sober living, vocation, family counseling, literacy, and communication skills services. 12 weeks intensive outpatient services, 12 weeks aftercare, and proof of completion required. Upon completion, plea is withdrawn and case dismissed, terminating probation.	6 months	No capacity (90 in Program- Fall 2017)	Probation, Service Providers, Court, Attorneys, Health and Human Services
DUI Treatment Court (DUITC)	Individuals charged with a VC 23152 (DUI), who have three prior DUI misdemeanor convictions within a 10 year period.	Residential and outpatient services including detoxification, substance misuse, relapse prevention, drug testing, and case management services; and probation supervision. Upon completion, suspended jail time is lifted and probation may be terminated early.	18 months	50	Service Providers, Court, Attorneys, Health and Human Services, Sheriff's Dept., Probation

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Re-Entry Court	Defendants charged with non-violent drug and property offenses eligible for County Jail Prison (CJP) or State Prison. No violent weapon, terrorist, or sex offenses.	Program services may begin in custody and upon release include housing, education, vocation/employment, individual and group counseling, gender specific curriculum, life skills, relapse prevention, effective communication, anger management, healthy relationship education, health and nutrition education, self-help meetings, therapy, recovery activities and groups, and connection to county medical, general and CalFresh services. Upon completion, term of probation is reduced and CJP time is vacated or permanently suspended.	12 - 18 months	50	Probation (Adult Day Reporting Centers), Sheriff's Dept., Court, Service Providers
Veterans Treatment Court	Veterans Affairs (VA) benefit eligible veterans charged with offenses related to issues from US Military service. No sex, arson or gang offenses.	Any combination of residential and/or outpatient treatment including case management, Veteran mentoring, VA substance abuse and mental health services, and random drug and alcohol testing by the VA and Probation. Upon completion, resulting plea agreement terms could include term reduction or termination of probation, suspension of incarceration, or case dismissal.	12 - 18 months	30	Probation, Court, Attorneys Veterans Affairs
ReSET Court (Reducing Sexual Exploitation & Trafficking)	Adult females charged with prostitution or prostitution related offenses; may have other misdemeanor charges.	Prostitution diversion program services include health and wellness education, HIV testing, group and individual counseling, trauma based therapy, wraparound, life skills and peer mentoring services. Upon completion, the initial plea is withdrawn and the case is dismissed.	3 - 6 months	100 - 120	Court, Attorneys, Community Against Sexual Harm (CASH)
Chronic Nuisance Offender (CNO) Program	Misdemeanor offenders within District Attorney Community Prosecution areas with at least 10 arrests, citations, and/or bench warrants within 12 months.	Residential placement is offered in lieu of jail time, which is stayed pending successful completion of program services. Substance abuse and mental health assessment and treatment services provided by County and community-based providers. Homeless and related social, health and fiscal services also available. Upon completion, sentence is modified per terms of an original plea agreement.	90 days	20 - 40	Court, Attorneys, County Alcohol and Drug Services, Sac Steps Forward, Service Providers
City Alcohol Related Treatment (CART)	Individuals with 5 alcohol- related City Code citations and/or arrests in the past 18 months, need housing, and are in-custody for a violation of probation.	As a term of probation, 30 days of residential alcohol treatment services at Volunteers of America (VOA) in lieu of a 30 day jail sentence. Upon completion, the 30 day jail sentence is permanently stayed.	30 days	80	Sac City Attorney, Sacramento Police Dept., VOA, Sac Housing and Redevelopment Agency
Serial Inebriate Program (SIP)	Individuals found to be publicly intoxicated-PC 647(f) and have 15 or more alcohol related county, city or service contacts (arrest/citation/detox/fire/hospital) within the prior 12 months.	Placement in Volunteers of America (VOA) comprehensive alcohol treatment program with transport from jail to VOA. Services available include Narcotics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous, life skills, post-placement housing, employment training, and other services. Upon completion of treatment, outstanding warrants are cleared and offenses are dismissed in the interests of justice, except if victim restitution is owed or there are DMV issues that cannot be waived.	90 days	10	Sutter Health, Court, Sacramento Police & Sheriff Depts., Sac Downtown Partnership, Attorneys, VOA
Loaves and Fishes Court (for Homeless)	Homeless low level traffic and misdemeanor offenders (trespassing, drinking in public, etc.) who cannot afford to pay court fines and fees.	On-site consultation at Loaves and Fishes homeless shelter and monthly court calendar for assessing fees as part of an offense resolution with options such as community service, credit for time in clean and sober living facilities and/or mental health treatment in lieu of fees. Completion of the community service hours does not result in the dismissal of the case, and the participant may have other sentence requirements to fulfill before the case is closed.	3 - 6 months	No capacity (Serves over 800 annually)	Court, District Attorney, Public Defender, Loaves and Fishes