

2015

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Missouri Board of Probation and Parole



Strengthening Our Communities



Since my appointment as Parole Board Chairman, a constant mission of our agency has been to build networks within our communities to enhance public safety and improve offender success. As part of our strategic plan I continue to challenge our agency, myself included, to further develop innovative and evidence-based practices and approaches to decision-making.

As we move forward, I encourage open communication and welcome suggestions for improvement. I would be remiss in not recognizing Probation and Parole's contributions to our communities such as the implementation of the E-Driven supervision model, the use of Gender Responsive Assessments, the expansion of the video parole hearing process, and the incentives offered to offenders through the award of Earned Compliance Credits, to name but a few.

I remain humbled to serve with such a creative, dedicated and hardworking group of professionals. I look forward to our challenges; doing what it takes to achieve our mission while we continue to be leaders in our field - enhancing offender success and public trust.

~Ellis McSwain, Jr., Parole Board Chairman

Through Public Safety...

...Enhancing Supervision

On October 1, 2014 the Missouri Board of Probation and Parole implemented a new Domestic Violence (DV) Supervision policy as a Division. This policy established guidelines for the assessment and supervision of Domestic Violence offenders. The DV policy holds offenders to strict supervision conditions and requires the offender to adhere to the Domestic Violence Supervision Agreement. As part of this agreement, offenders are required to participate in a Batterer's Intervention Program (BIP) or counseling addressing Domestic Violence behavior. The Board of Probation and Parole oversees the credentialing of Missouri Batterer Intervention Programs as set out in Statute RSMo 455.549.



...Reducing Violence

The Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) is a multi-agency collaboration that utilizes focused deterrence to reduce violent crime in the city. Focused deterrence identifies individuals who are at a higher risk to reoffend, or to become the victim of a homicide due to association with a social network having a high propensity to commit violence. Missouri Probation and Parole has partnered with multiple agencies, including the Kansas City Police Department, Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, United States Attorney's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, University of Missouri at Kansas City, and several non-profit community programs. The common goal is to provide a comprehensive approach in addressing the problem of systemic violence in Kansas City. Those who continue to engage in criminal activity face a swift and fierce response from law enforcement. However, this collaborative effort also offers a genuine opportunity for identified individuals to make positive changes with the help of offender advocacy, enabling them to remain safe, alive and out of prison.



And Offender Success...



...Giving Back with Service

The District 8-South office partners with the St. Louis County Public Works Department to have offenders perform community service in cleaning up identified properties within the south St. Louis County area. Clean up involves mowing, and the removal of brush and waste, such as metal or tires. Since the program's inception in 2013, over 4,500 pounds of metal and 106 tires have been recycled through clean

up efforts. This partnership has cleaned a total of 41 properties with the assistance of offenders who have performed over 270 hours of community service work. The partnership allows offenders to give back to the community and complete court ordered community service.



...Journey From Within the Institution

Western Missouri Correctional Center (WMCC) initiated the Journey From Within program in August of 2015. This is an intensive 13 week program designed to help offenders identify their thinking errors enabling them to affect positive change. Although the program is new, staff indicate they have seen differences in the attitudes of participants. Journey From Within has generated much interest from the offenders, and applications are received almost daily. Feedback has been so positive that a supplemental program, Journey to Freedom, is being developed that will focus on intensive reentry plans, goals and support; helping offenders put into practice what they have learned.

...From Parole to Pastor

James Bridges (pictured far right), a former chronic offender and recovering addict was on parole supervision through the District 3 office in Hannibal. Mr. Bridges attributes much of his success to the intervention he received during his period of parole supervision. He is now the Senior Pastor at Living Way Christian Fellowship, a Board Member for God's Harvesters, a team member for the 10th Judicial Circuit Drug Court team and the District 3 liaison for FACT (Families and Community Together)

Missouri Reentry Program grant. This grant aids current Probation and Parole offenders with housing needs, addressing mental and medical health assistance, and in meeting life challenges and supervision requirements.



By the Numbers

FY2015 Total Collections \$17,465,956

Restitution \$9,165,767

Court Costs \$7,296,207

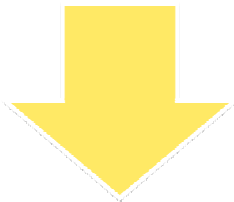
Fines \$625,642

Crime Victims Compensation Fund \$378,340

Community Service Hours 432,529



**Daily Cost of
Incarceration
\$57.76**



**Daily Cost of
P&P Supervision
\$6.04**

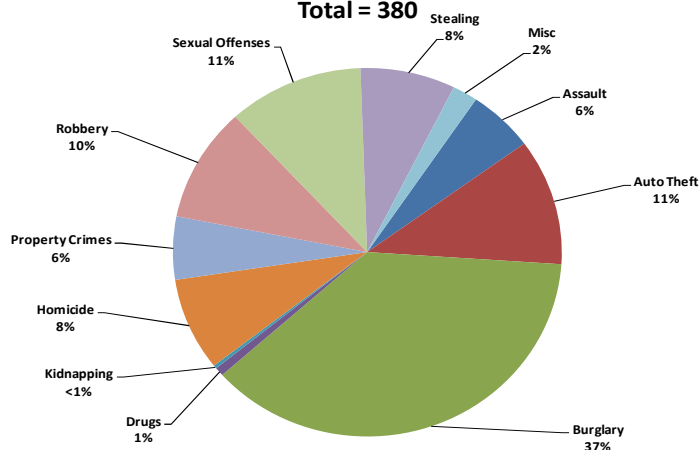
Total Offenders on Supervision - 60,361

- **Felony Probation - 40,235**
- **Parole - 15,288**
- **Interstate Compact - 2,790**
- **Deferred Prosecution - 1,147**
- **Misdemeanor Probation - 901**

CODIS Hits from DNA Collected

Investigations Aided by Probation and Parole for 2015

Total = 380



**Parole
Board
Releases
11,825**

Total Parole Board Hearings - 11,457

Total Video Parole Board Hearings - 3,314