

Misdemeanor Diversion Program

2018 Review

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Voluntary Rehabilitation Effort

- Pre-filing
- Low level misdemeanors
- Distant or no misd criminal history
- Voluntary
- Restitution

Education, with Savings

- Pacific Educational Services (PES)
 - Cognitive behavioral therapy
- Offender funded
 - No cost or revenue to County
- Indigent offender fund

2018 - Encouraging Start

- **616** invited
- **365** enrolled
- **93%** completed
 - Only **21** people dropped out
- **\$12,000** restitution to victims

2018 – Recidivism Comparison

- **274** completed the program
 - Only **1** new conviction – **0.36%**
- **272** declined or dropped out
 - **31** new convictions – **11.40%**

Indigent Fund Performance

- Nearly **10%** requested fee reduction
 - **Two-thirds** of requests granted
- **\$8,800+** in reduced program fees

Positive Impacts

- **273** people succeeded
- **1.8%** misd cases not filed
- Crime victims reimbursed
- Public safety protected
- Our community benefitted



Questions?