

## PRESS RELEASE

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## SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT CELEBRATES NATIONAL COLLABORATIVE TREATMENT COURT MONTH

**SAN BERNARDINO, CA**—In honor of National Drug Court Month, San Bernardino Superior Court (SBSC) invites you to celebrate its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Collaborative Treatment Court Celebration virtually on Thursday, May 12, 2022, from noon to 2:00 p.m. To attend the event, click <a href="here">here</a> to register.

Community partners, elected officials, and the public are encouraged to attend this event which demonstrates the tremendous impact that collaborative courts have on our community.

As of 2019, California had more than 420 collaborative justice courts, with San Bernardino having seven different court types, including Adult Drug Court, Juvenile Delinquency Drug Court, Juvenile Mental Health Court, Juvenile GIRLS court, Adult Mental Health Court, Veterans Treatment Court, and Shelter Court.

Collaborative justice courts, also known as problem-solving courts, are an effective strategy for reducing addiction, crime, and recidivism while saving taxpayer dollars.

The program will begin with opening remarks from Presiding Judge R. Glenn Yabuno, followed by a presentation made by Commissioner Ronald J. Gilbert to honor our justice partners. A Public Defender, District Attorney, Treatment Provider, the Sheriff's Department Specialty Program, and Probation Officer will be honored for their commitment to justice, advocacy, collaboration, and contribution to these programs. In addition, the Judge Morris Award will be presented to Judge John P. Vander Feer for his years of service, contribution, commitment to excellence, and leadership as a Collaborative Treatment Court Judge. The celebration will also include former graduates who will share their personal stories of having a better future due to the multi-agency collaborative approach.

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