

The SHOCAP team consists of four Juvenile Probation Officers, two Field Compliance Officers (Certified Detention Officers), and three El Paso Police Officers. The roles of the team members are listed below.

SHOCAP - TEAM

Probation Officers

Role: “Overseer”, “Facilitator”, “Monitor”, “Enforcer”, “Community Partner”, “Service Broker”.

Andres Chavez

Salvador Leos

Gilbert Magallanez

Oscar Miranda

Field Compliance Officers

Role: Monitors and facilitates case compliance

El Paso Police Officers

Role: Law Enforcement\Supervision\Crime Analysis.

“Juvenile probationers can overcome their delinquent behavior and be successful in life”



SHOCAP

**Serious Habitual Offender
Comprehensive Action Program**

Program Goal

SHOCAP is intended to address family risk factors by working in collaboration with programs, schools, parents, law enforcement, and social services agencies. The treatment proposes that: If the juvenile and family gain an understanding of the risk factors contributing to delinquency, then they will be empowered to address and reconcile the risk factors. If the juvenile and family address and reconcile the risk factors, then they will form stronger pro-social family values. If the juvenile and family form stronger pro-social family values, then the juvenile is less likely to engage in delinquent behavior.

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Mission:

To assist young people in avoiding delinquent behavior and provide protection to the public by promoting the concept of consequences for delinquent conduct, as well as providing treatment, training, and rehabilitation that emphasizes accountability and responsibility of both parents/guardians and children for their actions.

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Community Collaboration

A brief history is provided of the Serious and/or Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program (SHOCAP) currently utilized in El Paso County in order to provide a historical perspective of successful inter-agency collaboration and the commitment our community demonstrates in addressing the needs of the priority population identified in this proposal.

In 1983, the Offices of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) embarked on an effort to help jurisdictions identify and appropriately respond to serious and/or habitual and violent offenders. In 1988, the El Paso County Juvenile Justice Center was designated the lead agency in developing the Serious and/or Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program known as SHOCAP. The development and implementation of SHOCAP in El Paso County was brought about through the cooperative efforts of the Juvenile Court, law enforcement officials, Texas Youth Commission Parole, Department of Human Services, school authorities, and representatives of the United States Army.

In 1988, agencies received 40 hours of training from Public Administration Services of OJJDP. The participating agencies signed a letter of commitment, at which point the El Paso County Juvenile Justice Center was designated as the lead agency and the SHOCAP committee comprised of 19 agencies was created.

In 1989 the agencies were involved in research of legal issues. The result was the development of criteria to identify the priority population and guidelines identifying responsibilities.

In 1990, resolutions were passed by city and county governments recognizing SHOCAP. A pilot program with 13 parolees from the Texas Youth Commission was initiated later that year.

In 1992, the 327th Judicial District Court approved for the El Paso County Juvenile Justice Center to place three juveniles in SHOCAP, beginning the SHOCAP program for youth on probation. Also in that year, the 327th District Court provided a Judicial Consent Order allowing the El Paso Police Department to fingerprint and photograph juveniles ordered into SHOCAP.

In 1998, SHOCAP is formalized as an intensive supervision program under progressive sanction level four.

In 2003, SHOCAP grows from two Police Officers and two Juvenile Probation Officers to four Police Officers and four Juvenile Probation Officers.

In 2007, the El Paso Police Department reassigns the police component of SHOCAP from the Crimes Against Children Unit to the Crimes Against Persons Division, coupling under the Gang Unit.

SHOCAP CONSISTS OF 4 PHASES

Programs Phases

- **Phase I** - Assessment & Orientation (30 days in duration)
Designed to stabilize probationers through intensive monitoring, while allowing time to assess their treatment needs.
- **Phase II** - Treatment & Programming (60 days in duration)
Probationers continue counseling services and treatment. Juveniles will attend counseling sessions as frequently as possible and follow up with any after-care recommendations. Juvenile will have completed 40% of Community Service Hours Ordered by the Court.
- **Phase III** - Community Outreach (Approx. 60 days)
Juvenile will work towards completion of community service hours and/or projects. Juvenile and parent (s) will complete a written comprehensive report and oral presentation indicating what they have learned and justify their promotion to final phase. Such presentation to be completed amongst the SHOCAP Committee.
- **Phase IV** - Reintegration (Approx. 30 days)
Preparation of transition toward regular supervised probation or probation termination. Gradual reduction of the amount of face-to-face contacts within the Intensive Supervision Program.

The SHOCAP Program is approximately six months in duration. The phases are outcome based, contingent upon the completion of phase requirements.

Contact Standards

Phase I: Minimum six face-to-face contacts per week. Electronic Monitoring will be utilized as deemed appropriate. Two home visits conducted jointly by the Juvenile Probation Officer and El Paso Police Officers, and a total of four visits conducted by the Field Compliance Officer at either home, school, or collateral location. The SHOCAP team also conducts additional collateral contacts, and sweeps twice a month. SHOCAP sweeps consists of three inter-agency teams lead by El Paso Police Department, which work in unison to conduct home visits on all SHOCAP participants in one evening.

Phase II: Minimum six face-to-face contacts per week. Two home visits conducted jointly by the Juvenile Probation Officer and El Paso Police Officer, and a total of four visits conducted by the Field Compliance Officer at either home, school, or collateral location. Collateral contacts, as needed, and SHOCAP sweeps are also conducted. A Judicial Review Hearing will be held to determine promotion to the next phase to include removal of the electronic monitor.

Phase III: Minimum three face-to-face contacts per week. One home visit conducted jointly by the Juvenile Probation Officer and El Paso Police Officer, and a total of two visits conducted by the Field Compliance Officer at home, school, or collateral location. Collateral contacts, as needed, and SHOCAP sweeps are also conducted.

Phase IV: Minimum of three face-to-face contacts per week. One home visit conducted jointly by the Juvenile Probation Officer and El Paso Police Officer, and two visits conducted by the Field Compliance Officer at home, school, or collateral location. Collateral contacts will be conducted as needed. Juvenile will be awarded a 7am-6pm Curfew in the company of his parents. After 6pm juvenile will be on House Arrest.

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