

PACS
OFFENDERS CAN CHANGE

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About us

Probation and Aftercare Service is a criminal justice agency in the State Department for Correctional Services, Ministry of Interior and National Administration, Kenya.

Probation and Aftercare Service provides community correctional Services countrywide, and is committed to reforming lives and building safer communities. We driven by the belief that individuals have in themselves the ability to change.


Mandate

Probation and Aftercare Service derives its main mandate from the Probation of Offenders Act CAP 64 and the Community Service Orders Act CAP 93 in relation to management of offenders in the community and provision of social inquiry reports.

The Service also derives mandates from:

- The Power of Mercy Act, No. 21 of 2011
- Prisons Act, Cap 90
- The Borstal Institutions Act, Cap 92
- Children's Act, 2022
- The Sexual Offences Act, No. 3 of 2006
- Prevention of Terrorism Act, No. 30 of 2012
- Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation Act No. 32 of 2011
- The Protection against Domestic Violence Act, 2015
- Victim Protection Act, No. 17 of 2014
- The Criminal Procedure Code, Cap 75
- The Penal Code, Cap 63

Further, Executive Order No. 1 of 2020 outlines the function of the service as 'Probation Services'.



Mission

Vision

A just, safe, secure and crime-free society.

Mission

To Promote and enhance the administration of justice, community safety and public protection through provision of social inquiry reports, supervision and reintegration of non-custodial offenders, victim support and social crime prevention.

Core Values

Probation and Aftercare Service is committed to courtesy and excellence in service delivery and is guided by the following core values:

- Fairness: we are impartial and just without favouritism or discrimination
- Respect for human dignity: we uphold human rights
- Reliability: we are trustworthy and performing consistently well
- Confidentiality: we maintain high level of confidentiality in performing our duties
- Integrity: we uphold transparency, accountability, honesty and ethical principles
- Professionalism: we are competent, respectful and considerable in work performance

Programmes

Probation Programme

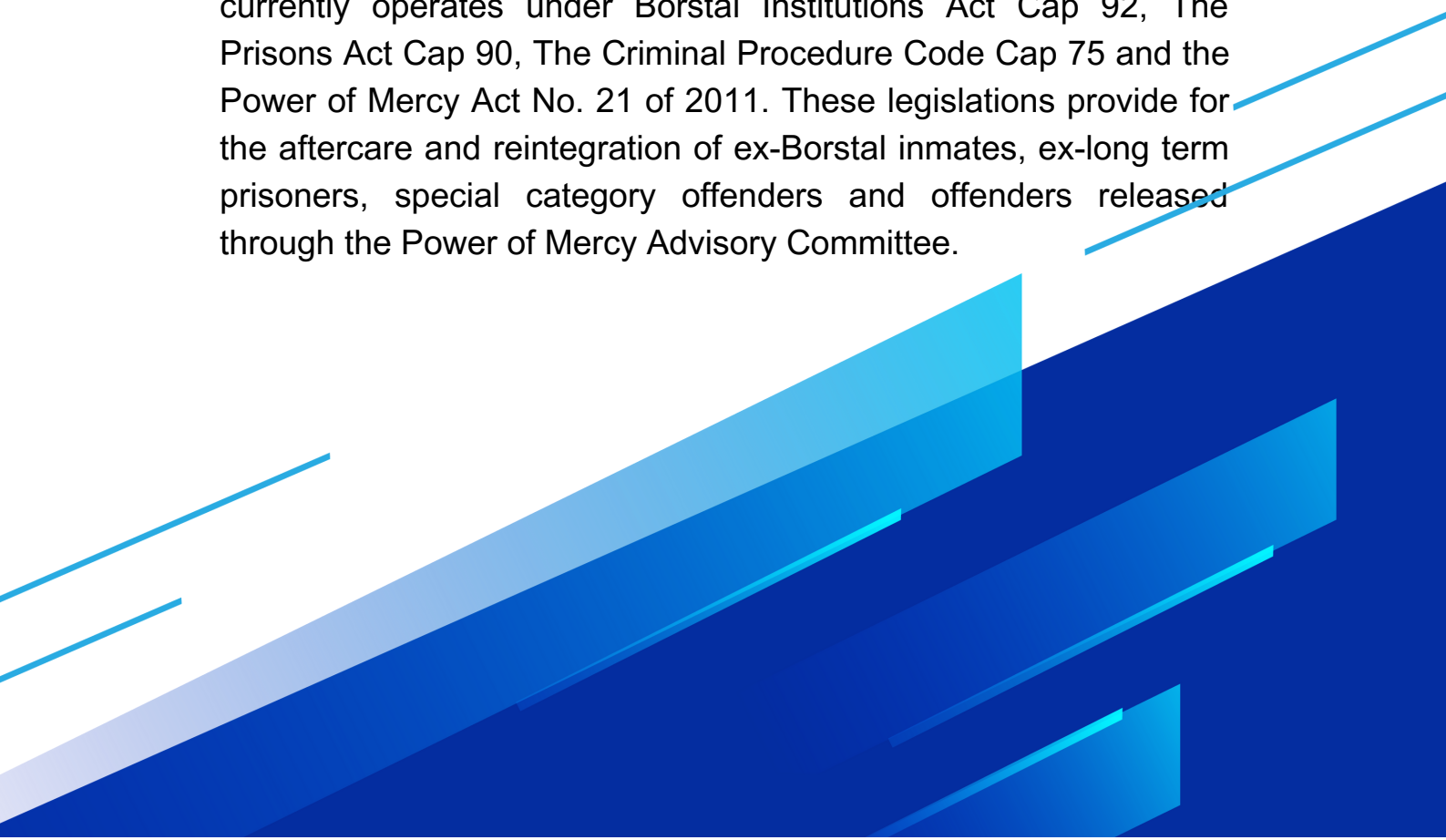
The Probation Programme draws its mandate from Probation of Offender's Act Cap 64, Laws of Kenya. Probation orders provide the embodiment of the Department's supervision and rehabilitation programme. The programme involves placement of an offender under the supervision of a probation officer for compliance with the conditions of the order to ensure the offender lives a law abiding life and does not reoffend.

Community Service Orders Programme

The Community Service Orders (CSO) Programme derives its mandate from the Community Service Orders Act Cap 93, Laws of Kenya. An offender under this programme performs unpaid public work in reparation for offence committed.

Aftercare Programme

This programme is designed for supervision of offenders released from various penal institutions for reintegration and resettlement. It currently operates under Borstal Institutions Act Cap 92, The Prisons Act Cap 90, The Criminal Procedure Code Cap 75 and the Power of Mercy Act No. 21 of 2011. These legislations provide for the aftercare and reintegration of ex-Borstal inmates, ex-long term prisoners, special category offenders and offenders released through the Power of Mercy Advisory Committee.



Functions

The core functions of the PACS include:

- Conduct social inquiries of accused persons, offenders and petitioners for preparation of pre-bail, pre-trial, pre-sentence or post-sentence reports;
- Prepare and present reports to courts and other penal organs for decision making and dispensation of justice;
- Supervise offenders on presidential pardon orders, non-custodial orders and release licenses;
- Develop and implement correctional programmes for offenders serving various non-custodial measures;
- Reintegrate and resettle non-custodial offenders and those leaving correctional institutions back to the community;
- Facilitate alternative dispute resolution mechanisms;
- Provide services for the protection and promotion of rights and welfare of victims and offenders;
- Provide temporary accommodation to needy and deserving offenders in Probation Hostels and Transitional Houses; and
- Promote crime prevention activities to enhance public safety.

Services

Probation Programme

Services provided under Probation Programme include:

- Preparation and submission of Probation Officer's Reports to court
- Preparation and submission of Bail Information Reports to court
- Preparation and submission of Victim Impact Statement Reports to court
- Supervision of probationers serving Probation Orders in the community
- Supervision of probationers in Probation Hostels and Transitional Houses
- Rehabilitation of probationers in the community
- Resettlement and reintegration of probationers into the community
- Reconciliation of victims and probationers
- Provision of Certificate of Completion

All our services are free of charge.



Services

Community Service Orders Programme

Services provided under Community Service Orders Programme include:

- Preparation and submission of Community Service Officer's Reports to court
- Preparation and submission of Community Service Officer's Sentence Review Reports to High Court
- Supervision of offenders serving Community Service Orders
- Rehabilitation of Community Service Orders offenders in the community
- Reconciliation of victims and Community Service Orders offenders
- Provision of Certificate of Completion

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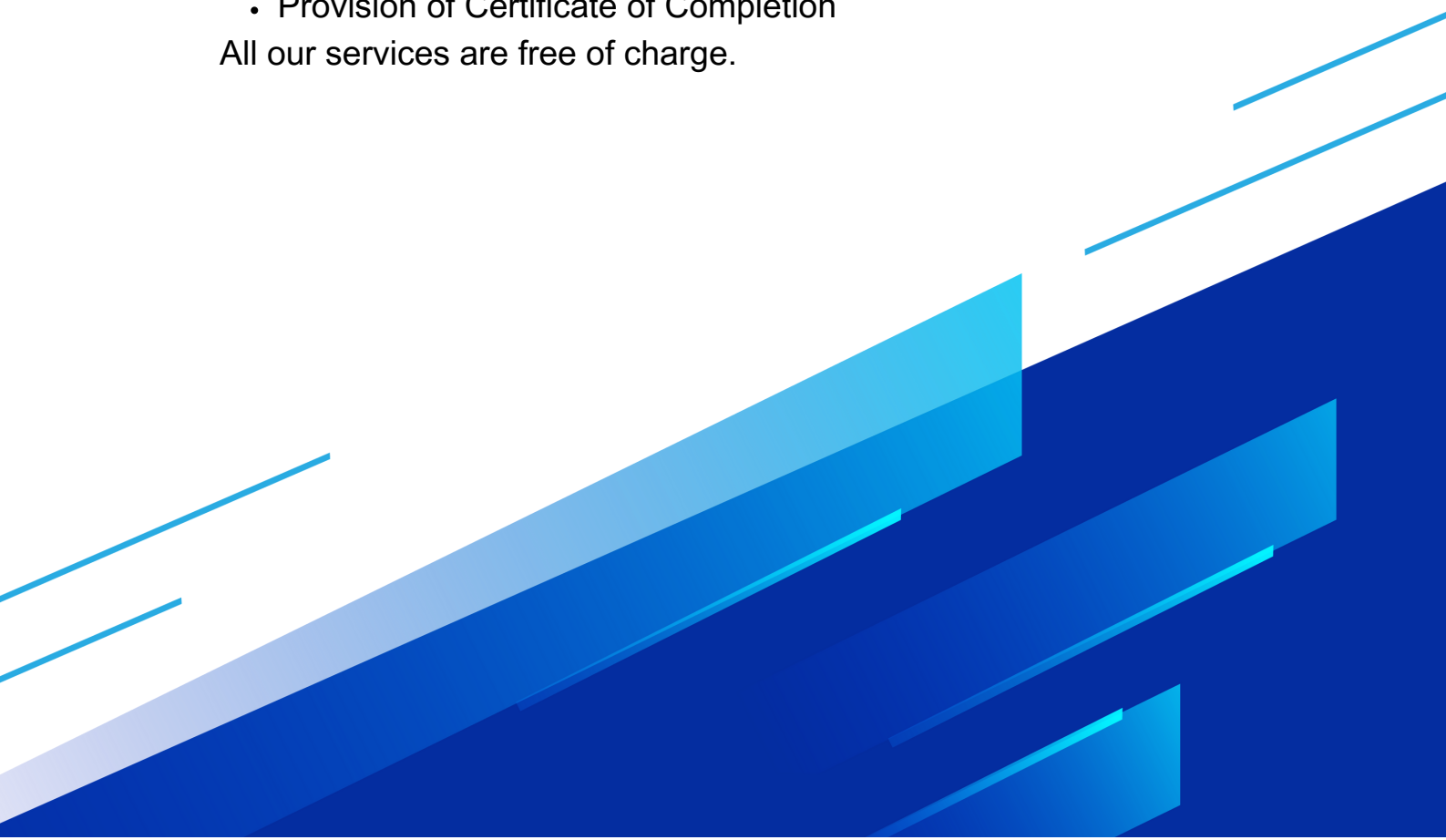
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Aftercare Programme

Services provided under Community Service Orders Programme include:

- Preparation and submission of Power of Mercy Pre-release Advisory Reports to Power of Mercy Advisory Committee
- Preparation and submission of Power of Mercy Pre-release Advisory Reports for Special Category Offenders to Power of Mercy Advisory Committee
- Preparation and submission of Environmental Adjustment Reports to Probation Hostel, Borstal Institutions and Rehabilitation Schools
- Supervision of offenders released by Presidential Release Warrant, Court Order, Board of Visitors License, Discharge Board Releases Warrant
- Resettlement and reintegration of aftercare supervisees into the community
- Rehabilitation of aftercare supervisees in the community
- Reconciliation of victims and aftercare supervisees
- Provision of Certificate of Completion

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Benefits

Non-custodial supervision has many benefits:

For government:

- Reduces congestion of penal institutions
- Provides recommendations
- Sustains enforcement of the law beyond penal institutions

For the offender:

- Rehabilitates the offender to a law abiding citizen
- Helps maintain the offenders ability to work and earn
- Resettles and reintegrates offenders in the community
- Lessens stigmatizations and restores offenders dignity
- Provides offender a change to change

For the victim:


- Provides an opportunity for reconciliation
- Allow for reparation of wrong done

For the community:

- Gives an opportunity to be part of the rehabilitation process
- Provides a chance to take part in the reformation of offenders

Products

The following are the tangible outputs of services provided:

- Probation Officer's Reports
 - Bail Information Reports
 - Victim Impact Statement Reports
 - Community Service Officer's Reports
 - Community Service Officer's Sentence Review Reports
 - Power of Mercy Pre-release Advisory Reports
 - Power of Mercy Pre-release Advisory Reports for Special Category Offenders
 - Environmental Adjustment Reports
 - Certificate of Completion
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