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Contra Costa County Probation Department to Carry the Torch

(Martinez, CA) - The Contra Costa County Probation Department is participating in the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Special Olympics of Northern California, set to take place between June 12 and June 23, with the leg for Contra Costa County being run on June 21. The event aims to raise funds and awareness for the Special Olympics and its mission of providing year-round sports training and competition to people with intellectual disabilities. The Special Olympics of Northern California serves 26,000 athletes and offers Olympic-style individual and team sports that provide meaningful training and competition opportunities.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run is the largest global grassroots fundraiser and public awareness campaign for Special Olympics. The event involves law enforcement and public service agencies worldwide carrying the Flame of Hope torch through their local communities. This year the lighting of the cauldron at the Special Olympics Northern California Games at Santa Clara University will occur on June 23, at the Opening Ceremony.

"We are honored to be able to participate in this amazing event once again," said Kevin Schrupp, Probation Manager. "The Special Olympics is an incredible organization that provides so much joy as well as leadership and empowerment opportunities to athletes with intellectual disabilities. We are excited to be able to help raise awareness and funding for this important cause. We hope that those who can, will join the Department's support of the Special Olympics. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of so many amazing athletes."

The Probation Department encourages community members to come out and show their support for the event. For more information about the Law Enforcement Torch Run or to donate to support the Special Olympics, please visit: <https://p2p.onecause.com/letrtorchrun/team/contra-costa-county-probation-department-2>

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