#### **Texas Department of Criminal Justice**

# **PAROLE DIVISION OVERVIEW**

**Stuart Jenkins, Division Director** 

# **Our Mission**



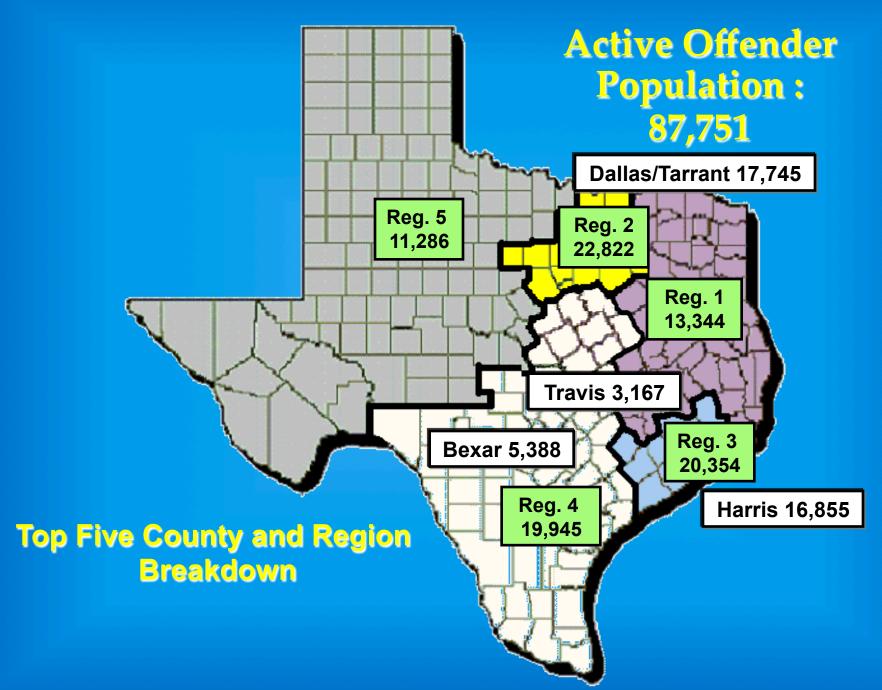
The Mission of the Parole Division is to promote public safety and positive offender change through effective supervision, programs, and services.

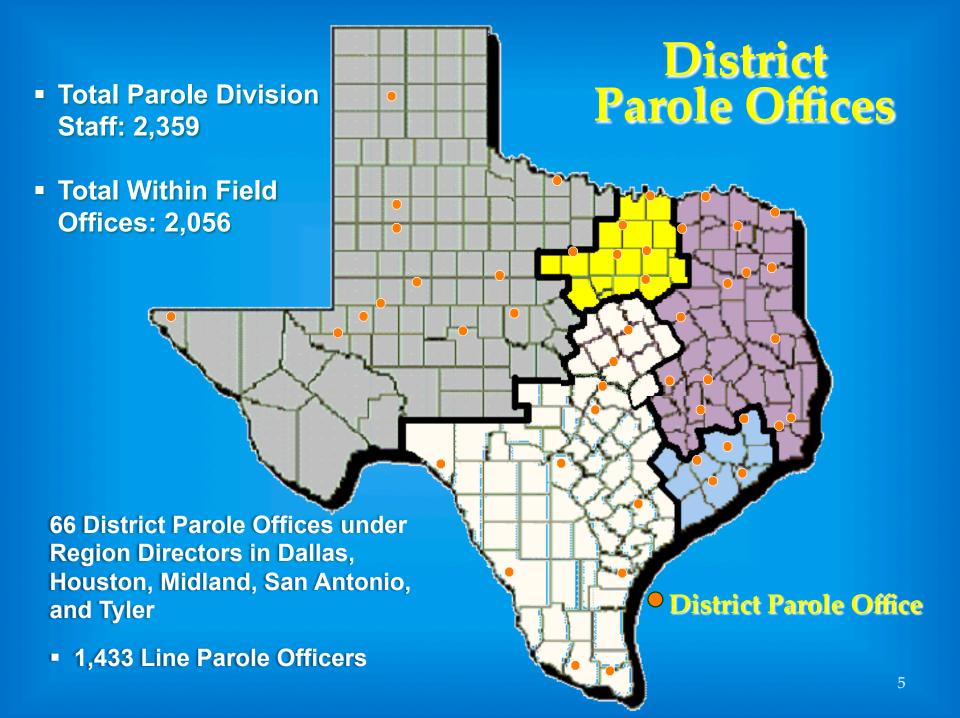
#### **Field Operations** Pamela Thielke, Deputy Director, Field Operations

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#### **Offender Supervision:**

- All offenders released to supervision are assigned to a regular or specialized caseload based on public safety considerations and an assessment of offender needs.
- The Texas Board of Pardons and Parole (BPP) may impose special conditions for an offender's supervision based on a needs/risk assessment.
- All offenders under supervision are subject to standard conditions & drug testing.





# Support Operations

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Support Operations assists field staff by processing cases for release, overseeing programs to assist released offenders, and processing and monitoring violations of release by offender.

**Support Operations includes:** 

- Review & Release Processing
- Specialized Programs
- Warrants
- Parole Officer Training Academy (POTA)

# **Support Operations** Review & Release Processing

- Prepare and analyze offender case files for certificate issuance.
- Coordinate the movement and maintenance of offender case files.
- Provide notice to trial officials.
- Process requests for affidavits and open records information.
- Issue and distribute offender release certificates.
- Process release of offenders from Correctional Institutions Division (CID).
- Place offenders in residential reentry centers and substance abuse treatment centers.

# **Support Operations** Specialized Programs

Specialized Programs administers a variety of programs that enhance the Parole Division's ability to reintegrate offenders and protect the public. Program Specialists serve as technical experts for Specialized Program areas such as:

District Reentry Centers (DRCs)

- Sex Offender Program (SO)
- Special Needs Offender Program (SNOP)
- Substance Abuse Program (SA)
- SVORI (Serious & Violent Offender Reentry Initiative)

## Support Operations Warrants

 Warrants' primary responsibility is confirmation and cancellation of pre-revocation warrants.

- Warrants tracks all offenders arrested in other states and offenders returned to a CID facility who have not been through the pre-revocation process.
- The Command Center processes Electronic Monitoring (EM) and Global Positioning System (GPS) alerts that are received after hours, weekends, and during holidays.
- Program Specialists serve as technical experts for the EM and Super-Intensive Supervision Program (SISP).

# **Interstate Compact**

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The Interstate Compact is an agreement among the states to control and regulate the interstate movement and supervision of offenders on parole and probation.

- State legislation is required for a state to become a member.
- Texas became a member by passage of HB 2494 in 2001.
- Duties of the Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision (ICAOS) include making rules that are binding on all Compact member states and defining offender eligibility.

## **Interstate Compact**

In FY 2013,

Texas had an average of 3,320 parolees and 7,580 probationers from Texas being supervised in other states.

Texas had an average of 2,050 parolees and 4,464 probationers from other states being supervised in Texas.

Interstate Compact processed 2,683 requests for transfer from other states to Texas.

 Interstate Compact processed 4,981 requests to transfer from Texas to other states.

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