



## JOB POSTING

<b>Job Title</b>	Probation Officer
<b>Location/Department</b>	Probation
<b>Supervisor</b>	Supervising Probation Officer/Chief Probation Officer
<b>Salary &amp; Benefits</b>	Base Salary: In accordance with probation salary schedule Full-Time Position – 32.5 hours per week Health, Vision, Dental Insurance PERF PTO (paid time off) Grant funded position – continued funding is provided on an annual basis
<b>To Apply</b>	Please drop off completed applications to:  Delaware County Human Resources Department 100 W. Main St. Room 300 Muncie, IN 47305  <u>A copy of the application and resumé must <b>also</b> be submitted to:</u> Jeff Hansard, Chief Probation Officer 3100 S. Tillotson Ave., Ste. 210 Muncie, IN 47302
<b>Application Deadline</b>	Applications will be accepted until position is filled  Position Available: February 5, 2026



## Delaware County Job Description

<b>Job Title</b>	Probation Officer	<b>EEO Classification</b>	Professionals
<b>Department</b>	Probation	<b>EEO4 Function</b>	Corrections
<b>Supervisor</b>	Chief Probation Officer/Supervisor Probation Officers/Board of Judges	<b>Job Grade</b>	
<b>Work Schedule</b>	8:30 am – 4:00 pm, M-F	<b>Status</b>	Full-time
<b>FLSA Status</b>	Nonexempt, Comp/OT Eligible	<b>Position Type</b>	Hired
<b>Job Category</b>	POLE (Protective Occupations, Law Enforcemt)	<b>Effective Date</b>	8/7/2007, May 2024

To perform this position successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential function of the position satisfactorily. The requirements listed in this document are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Delaware County provides reasonable accommodations to qualified employees and applicants with known disabilities who require accommodation to complete the application process or perform essential functions of the job unless the accommodation would present an undue hardship.

### **RELATIONSHIPS**

Reports to: Chief Probation Officer/Supervisor Probation Officers/Board of Judges

Subordinate Staff: None

Other Internal Contacts: Prosecutor's Office, Public Defender's Office, Delaware County Community Corrections, Court Staff, Delaware County Jail Staff

External Contacts: Court Staff in other counties, Law Enforcement Agencies, Probation Department in other counties, Service Providers, Indiana Department of Corrections, Indiana Office of Court Services, General Public

### **JOB SUMMARY**

Probation officers are responsible for supervising and supporting individuals who have been placed on probation as an alternative to incarceration. The primary role is to ensure that probationers comply with court-ordered terms and conditions of their probation through conducting regular meetings with probationers to monitor their progress, address any challenges, and provide guidance and resources to help them successfully reintegrate into society. Key tasks include conducting risk and needs assessments, creating case management plans, connecting probationers with appropriate services such as counseling, job training, or substance abuse treatment, and monitoring their progress through regular meetings and home visits. Probation officers also liaise with the court, providing updates on probationers' progress and making recommendations for modifications or violations. A probation officer's ultimate goal is to promote public safety while supporting the rehabilitation of individuals on probation.

## **JOB DOMAINS**

The job domains of a probation officer encompass a variety of responsibilities, which can be organized into the following categories:

1. Supervision: Monitor and enforce compliance with court-ordered probation conditions, conducting regular check-ins, home visits, and drug testing as required. Intervene when necessary to address violations or concerns.
2. Assessment: Conduct risk and needs assessments to determine the appropriate level of supervision and support required for each probationer, identifying potential challenges and areas for growth.
3. Case management: Develop and implement individualized case management plans that outline probationers' goals, responsibilities, and required services or interventions.
4. Resource coordination: Connect probationers with relevant community resources, such as substance abuse treatment, mental health services, educational programs, or employment assistance, to facilitate successful reintegration into society.
5. Court liaison: Maintain open communication with the court system, providing regular updates on probationers' progress, submitting written reports, and attending court hearings to make recommendations or provide testimony as needed.
6. Prepare a preliminary inquiry (PI), pre-dispositional report (PDR), and presentence investigation (PSI) report when required by statute and/or when ordered by the court.
7. Crisis intervention: Respond to and address crises or emergencies involving probationers, such as mental health or substance abuse issues, collaborating with other professionals or agencies as necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of all involved parties.
8. Documentation and recordkeeping: Maintain accurate and up-to-date case files, documenting all interactions, assessments, interventions, and outcomes in accordance with agency policies and legal requirements.
9. Professional development: Pursue ongoing training and education to stay current on best practices, trends, and developments in the field of probation and community supervision as well as stay compliant with Indiana Office of Court Services standards.
10. Interagency collaboration: Work collaboratively with other criminal justice and community organizations, such as law enforcement, social services, and treatment providers, to coordinate services and support for probationers.
11. Public safety and community outreach: Promote public safety through effective supervision and intervention strategies, while also engaging in community outreach efforts to educate and inform the public about the role and responsibilities of probation officers.
12. Perform other duties as assigned.

These job domains encompass the diverse range of tasks and responsibilities that probation officers must navigate in their efforts to support probationers, enforce court-ordered conditions, and contribute to public safety and rehabilitation.

## **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES**

1. Knowledge of Indiana Criminal Code, probation statutes, and Indiana Probation Standards.
2. Understanding of legal and ethical guidelines governing probation work.
3. Cultural competency and sensitivity to diverse populations.
4. Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
5. Strong problem-solving and decision-making abilities.
6. Ability to maintain professional boundaries and confidentiality.
7. Understanding of the principles of restorative justice and offender rehabilitation.
8. Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
9. Effective time management and organizational skills.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

1. Most work is performed in a standard office environment or secure correctional facilities.
2. Possibility of irregular work hours, including evenings and weekends as required by caseload or specific situations including contact from law enforcement, court, and jail personnel.
3. Potential for frequent court appearances and testimony.

## **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

1. Applicant must be at least 21 years of age and be an American citizen.
2. Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
3. Successful completion of the Indiana Probation Officer Certification Examination preferred. Employment conditional upon completion and passing of the exam within 6 (six) months of hire.

## **PROFICIENCY**

1. It may take up to six (6) months to become proficient in this job.
2. Employee should stay current with state, local, and federal law and statutes as well as the Indiana Probation Standards and adhere to the same to ensure continued proficiency in the position.

**THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION COVERS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED, BUT DOES NOT EXCLUDE OTHER OCCASIONAL WORK PROJECTS OR DUTIES AS ASSIGNED BY SUPERVISORS. THIS JOB DESCRIPTION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY THE EMPLOYER AS THE NEEDS OF THE EMPLOYER AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE JOB CHANGE.**

### DOCUMENT HISTORY

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*The County has reviewed this job description to ensure that essential functions and basic duties have been included. It is intended to provide guidelines for job expectations and the employee's ability to perform the position described. It is not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all functions, responsibilities, skills and abilities. Additional functions and requirements may be assigned by supervisors as deemed appropriate. This document does not represent a contract of employment, and the County reserves the right to change this job description and/or assign tasks for the employee to perform, as the County may deem appropriate.*