

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Office of the San Mateo County District Attorney
- San Mateo County Attorney's Office
- San Mateo County Sheriff's Department
- San Mateo County Private Defender
- San Mateo County Bar Association
- San Mateo County Office of Education
- Various School Districts in San Mateo County
- San Mateo County Probation Office
- Silicon Valley Urban Debate League

COURTHOUSE LOCATIONS

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| Redwood City | 400 County Center |
| San Mateo | 800 N. Humboldt St. |
| San Mateo (Juvenile Justice) | 222 Paul Scannell Drive |
| South San Francisco | 1050 Mission Road |

CONTACT US

If you wish to schedule a court visit, find a speaker, or have any other questions, please contact us by email at:

CommunityOutreach@sanmateocourt.org

In your email, please include your name and the name of the organization that you are representing, the nature of your request (including the date and time of any requested court visit or speaking engagement), and your phone number.

SAN MATEO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM



**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**

THE PROGRAM

The goal of the Community Outreach Program is to connect San Mateo County residents, organizations, and educational institutions with their local judicial system. The Program has been created by the Court's Community Outreach Committee. The Committee is comprised of judges, the Court's justice partners, and legal organizations and educational entities in the community.

As part of the Program, the Court offers the opportunity to visit its courthouses and speak with judges and staff. The Court, through its Speakers Bureau, also provides judges, commissioners, lawyers, and others to speak about the judicial system in San Mateo County.

COURT VISITS

The Court welcomes community organizations and educational institutions to participate in organized visits. The Court can tailor the visit to the age of the visitors and the purpose and time allocations of the organization or institution. Visits may include:

- Tours of the courtrooms, judicial chambers, and other Court facilities
- Criminal arraignments and proceedings
- Civil trial proceedings
- Q/A with judge(s) and other courtroom staff
- Group photographs with a judge and courtroom staff

PLEASE NOTE: The Juvenile Dependency and Justice Courts are NOT open to the public.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

San Mateo County judges represent the community and work hard to serve our residents. The judges welcome the opportunity to meet with organizations and educational institutions to discuss the role of the Court and the judicial system in our community.

With the assistance of our community partners, the Court's Speakers Bureau program coordinates speaking appearances for judges, commissioners, lawyers, and others for events, meetings, or school functions. Judicial officers, in particular, can provide insight into how civil and criminal cases proceed through the court system and how those cases are resolved.

Speakers may talk about a wide range of topics, including:

- Bail, Jails, and Prison
- Small Claims Court
- Criminal Cases
- Civil Claims
- Family Law
- Landlord/Tenant
- Traffic Court
- Juvenile Issues
- Specialized Courts and Treatment Programs (i.e., Veterans Court, Diversion Programs, Drug Court)
- Jury Service
- How to become a judge

PLEASE NOTE: Judicial officers may be limited in what they can talk about or answer by the Code of Judicial Ethics. For example, they may not comment on cases before the Court.