

# Probation Success Incentives Achieve Better Outcomes

## THE PROBLEM

**Thousands of Arizonans fail to complete probation each year.** But, a new program is showing promise in helping improve probation outcomes and is worth renewed support from the legislature.

## THE SOLUTION

### Probation Success Incentives

In 2021, Arizona created the Probation Success Incentive Payments and Grants program to reward county probation departments for improving the outcomes of individuals on probation.

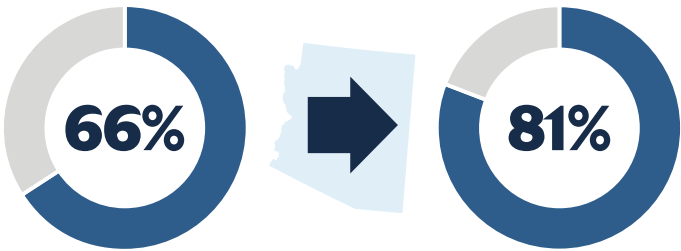
**As a result of the improvements made under the incentives program, counties received \$669,201 in total incentive funding that they have been able to invest into...**

- Performance-based incentives for staff
- Substance abuse and mental health assessments for clients
- Professional development and trainings for officers
- Investing in technology to improve supervision
- Enhancing onboarding for new officer orientation

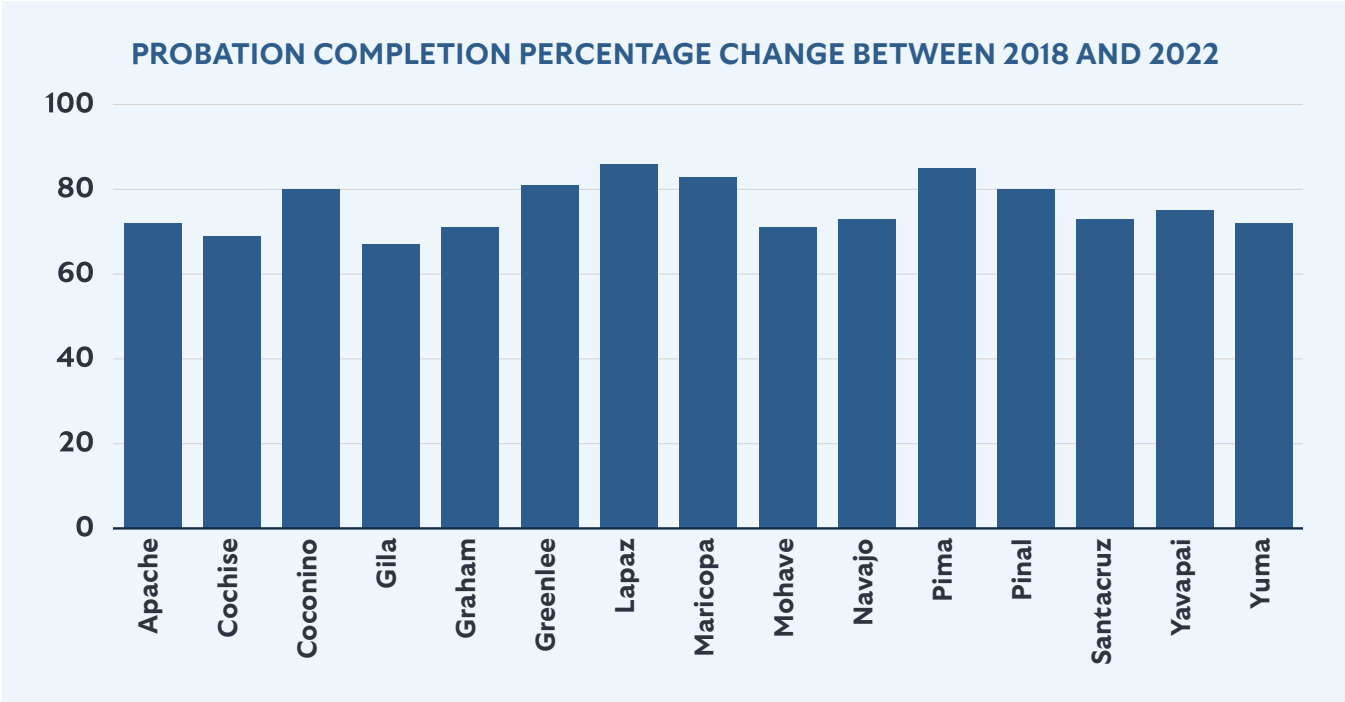


## WHY IT MATTERS

The Arizona model shows probationer outcomes can be substantially improved under incentives modeling. Following implementation, successful exits from probation **increased from 66 percent to 81 percent** across the state.



**And six counties improved at least 50 percent between 2018 and 2022.**



## THE BOTTOM LINE:

**Arizona’s Probation Success Incentives improve public safety and improve morale for both officers and offenders. This program merits renewed support from the legislature.**

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