

Superior Court of California  
County of San Luis Obispo

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TO: San Luis Obispo County Justice Partners

FROM: Rita Federman, Presiding Judge  
Superior Court of San Luis Obispo County

DATE: 8/19/2025

RE: 2025 Bail Schedule

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In 2024, in conformity with *In re Humphrey* (2021) 11 Cal.5th 135, the Superior Court formed a subcommittee consisting of Presiding Judge Federman, Judge Swysen, and Judge Seiler to work on a comprehensive review of our bail schedule for felonies, misdemeanors, and infractions. The subcommittee devoted many hours to reviewing the statutes as well as bail schedules from other superior courts. Ultimately, the proposed revisions were submitted to the Criminal Division judges for their review and comment, and then to the full bench.

The 2025 Bail Schedule was approved and adopted at the annual judge's meeting on August 15, 2025, with an effective date of October 10, 2025. The deferred effective date is intended to allow the Justice Partners adequate time to become familiar with the layout of the schedule and the accompanying instructions.

The 2025 Bail Schedule differs significantly from the existing schedule in that it adopts a chart format that is in conformity with the design of bail schedules in many other counties. Consistent with *In re Humphrey*, certain bail amounts have been revised.

Most significantly, the 2025 Bail Schedule adopts a presumptive bail of \$20,000 for unlisted felonies, and \$0 for unlisted misdemeanors.

The introduction to the bail schedule addresses a number of circumstances that deviate from the bail schedule. In particular, it addresses bail for misdemeanors when a person is out on bail, own recognizance, Post Release Monitoring Program (PAMP), or has one or more outstanding warrants on pending cases (Section 8); and for violations of probation, mandatory supervision, post release community supervision, or parole (Section 11).

The Court has scheduled a Justice Partner's meeting for September 5, 2025, at 12:15 in Room 385 to address any questions about the implementation of the 2025 Bail Schedule. A remote option will be available.