



## PENNSYLVANIANS FOR PROBATION REFORM ADVOCACY DAY GUIDE

**We're excited and thankful that you'll be joining us in Harrisburg for our Pennsylvanians for Probation Reform Advocacy Day!** Throughout the day, you'll meet other advocates and hear from directly impacted people, affected families, national and local criminal justice reform leaders, and members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly about the need for probation reform!

**What:** Pennsylvanians for Probation Reform Advocacy Day

**When:** Tuesday, September 24, 2019, 7:30a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** Pennsylvania State Capitol 501 N 3rd St, Harrisburg, PA 17120

### GETTING TO HARRISBURG

*FAMM charter bus:* FAMM will be providing charter buses from Pittsburgh and Philadelphia to Harrisburg on the evening of Monday, September 23. **You should arrive at the pickup location no later than 5:30PM on Monday, September 23. Shuttle busses will leave promptly at 6:00pm.** Bus pick up locations are below:

#### **Pittsburgh**

400 N Highland Ave. (Home Depot Parking Lot)  
Pittsburgh, PA 15206

#### **Philadelphia**

JFK Blvd. & N. 30<sup>th</sup> St. (under blue Drexel Bridge)  
Philadelphia, PA 19104

### HOTEL

FAMM will be providing hotel rooms for the night, close to the Capitol. The address is below:

**Best Western: The Central Hotel**  
**800 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA**

Upon arriving at the hotel, you'll check into your rooms, sign-in with FAMM staff in the lobby, and receive a FAMM T-shirt and swag bag.

### WHAT TO WEAR

We ask that you wear your FAMM T-shirt to the advocacy day and recommend that you wear shoes you can walk long distances in comfortably, and clothing that will keep you cool.



## **GETTING TO THE CAPITOL FROM THE HOTEL**

You'll board the same bus to head to the State Capitol on the morning of September 24. The drive to the State Capitol can be between 10-25 minutes, depending on traffic. Therefore, **it's important that you board the bus by 6:45am, to ensure you'll have enough time to get through security and be on time for the advocacy training and breakfast at 7:30am.**

## **SECURITY**

Allow at least **15 minutes** to go through security at the Capitol. To speed up the security process, we advise that you do not bring any items that'd be considered a danger to yourself or others. Please be aware that Capitol police may confiscate any items that aren't allowed inside.

### **What to bring**

- Water in clear, plastic containers
- A good attitude and eagerness to meet other people!
- Your personal story of how you and your loved ones have been impacted by Pennsylvania's probation system.

### **What NOT to bring**

Please do not bring any items that would be considered a danger to yourself or others, or any of the following:

- Large or bulky bags or suitcases
- Signs, banners, or posters
- Aerosols
- Ammunition
- Animals other than service/guide animals
- Balloons
- Bicycles
- Coolers
- Drones and other unmanned aircraft systems
- Explosives
- Firearms
- Glass, thermal or metal containers
- Laser pointers
- Mace / pepper spray
- Packages
- Pocket knives
- Selfie sticks
- Structures
- Supports for signs and placards
- Whistles
- Toy guns
- Explosives
- Weapons of any kind

## **SCHEDULE**

You'll receive a full agenda at the advocacy training but here's a brief overview of the day:

## **Tuesday September 24**

6:45am: Board shuttle busses and head to the State Capitol

7:30-8:30am: Advocate training session and breakfast at the Capitol Room 8EA-B

9:00-10:00 am: Rally and press event in the Capitol rotunda

10:00 am-3:00pm: Meetings with lawmakers and lunch in assigned teams

3:00pm: Advocates depart Harrisburg

## **USING SOCIAL MEDIA**

We encourage you to take photos, Tweet on Twitter, and share on Facebook and Instagram throughout the day, using the hashtag #PAProbationReform. You can find FAMM at

- Twitter: @FAMMFoundation
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FAMMFoundation/>
- Instagram: @fammfoundation

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