

The Early Screening and Prevention Program

CPA operates the Department of Criminal Justice's Early Screening and Prevention Program Units in Waterbury and Hartford. We provide case management for people charged with low-level crimes and appear at Superior Court.

The program aims to identify the underlying causes for a person's criminal activities, such as substance abuse, mental health, and personal circumstances, such as homelessness. Through our Resource Coordinators' community outreach and relationships in their community, they identify critical resources to address those underlying causes.

Our Coordinators work closely with courts to integrate a person's identified causes and recommended resources with the Prosecutor's recommendation to the court. This allows a person to get the help needed and reduce their future contact with the criminal justice system.