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**TO:** All Probation Directors and Commissioners

FROM: Robert M. Maccarone, Deputy Commissioner and Director 2.M.W.

Office of Probation and Correctional Alternatives

**DATE:** May 24, 2013

**RE:** Statewide Probation Restitution and Financial Obligations Survey

2011, 2012 and First Quarter of 2013

Attached please find the results of the Statewide Probation Restitution and Financial Obligations Survey, which includes local and statewide totals of restitution, DWI supervision fees, court-ordered fines, penalties, fees, and surcharges collected by probation departments for 2011, 2012 and the First Quarter of 2013. Local Probation Departments in New York State and several designated agencies collected nearly \$5M in victim restitution, over \$1.4M in DWI supervision fees, and nearly \$1M in court-ordered fees, fines, and penalties during the period January 1 to March 31, 2013.

As previously communicated, OPCA has worked with AutoMon, Inc. to ensure that automated DP30/30A Reports include measures for victim restitution, DWI Supervision Fees, and Court-ordered fees, fines, penalties, and surcharges. In April 2013, OPCA conducted webinars and demonstrated the new web user interface in the Integrated Justice (IJ) Portal to probation departments which will allow for the timely upload or entry of this DP30/30A financial obligation information directly to DCJS. The Live Meetings are available on the IJ Portal for your reference under the Resources, Reference Library, Probation, and then the Training Tab.

The Statewide Probation Restitution and Financial Obligations Survey information will serve an important purpose in informing the Victim Restitution and Financial Obligations workgroup, as well as guiding future discussions regarding probation's collection of court ordered fines, fees, and penalties.

OPCA extends its appreciation to probation departments for their continued support and diligence in providing this important information. Victim restitution collection and compensation are an important part of the work of probation departments in New York State.

Please contact Community Correction Representative Colleen Thorn at (518) 457-7410 or via email at <a href="mailto:colleen.thorn@dcjs.ny.gov">colleen.thorn@dcjs.ny.gov</a> with any questions that you might have regarding this survey.