



Johnson County & Prosecuting Attorney

Victim/Witness Program

Mission Statement

The Johnson County Victim/Witness Program ensures that all victims of crime be treated with fairness and compassion. We accomplish this by providing information and assistance to victims of crime, ensuring victims receive notice of legal rights, keeping victims updated on important developments in their case and provide them the opportunity to express their concerns and to have their questions answered.

The Crime Victim / Witness Coordinator within the Johnson County Attorney's Office is responsible for informing and assisting victims and witnesses throughout the court process. Our program notifies crime victims and witnesses of court hearings, answers their questions regarding the court process, and assists in gathering restitution and other important information for the court's review. The roles of victims and witnesses begin when a crime occurs. Once the crime is reported, law enforcement initiates an investigation. Victims and witnesses may be called upon to assist in the investigation, and in the event charges are filed, to testify in court.

- Notification of court hearings
- Accompanying Victims/Witnesses to Court
- Information about the status of a criminal case
- Assistance with Court ordered restitution
- Assistance in filing Victim Compensation claims
- Wyoming Protective Orders
- Facilitation in the return of evidence

For more information on the Wyoming Victim/Witness programs, please visit the Wyoming Division of Victim Services Website: <http://vssi.state.wy.us>

VINE Program information, <http://www.vinelink.com>

WYOMING VICTIM BILL OF RIGHTS

- The right to be treated with compassion, respect and sensitivity within the criminal justice
- The right to know the whereabouts of the offender and the current status of the case;
- The right to receive restitution from offenders;
- The right to know all rights under this law including information about services and victim assistance at the local level;
- The right to know about victim compensation;
- The right to reasonable protection and safety and the right to know of legal recourse if threatened;
- The right to prompt return of property;
- The right to preservation of employment while participating in the criminal justice process;
- The right to be informed about the opportunity to make a Victim Impact Statement at sentencing and parole hearings;
- The right to be present at trial.

This program will provide services to any crime victim. All services are available and accessible and no person will be denied service or discriminated against on the basis of sex ,race ,color, national origin, creed, sexual orientation, disabilities or age, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42USC2000d; Title XI of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20USC1681-1686;s.504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 ,as amended, 29USC794; and theAmericanswithDisabilitiesActof1990,as amended, 42USC12101-12213. These policies are to be inclusive and respectful of all persons regardless of cultural background, gender, race, national origin ,religion, sexual orientation, criminal history, and medical status among other factors. Reasonable programmatic restrictions may be imposed to meet restrictions of government grants and funding or required to provide services to a specific person.

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