# Restorative Justice Services for Victims

- Liaise with Police agencies,
   Prosecutions and Victim Services to ensure victim support and safety.
- Manitoba Victim Services supports victims by providing resources and offering programming to repair the harm done. The victim is given the option to provide input into the process of resolution.

#### **Contact Us**

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#### **Hours**

Monday to Friday 8:30a.m to 4:30p.m





Striving to enhance community safety and promote healing



## The Restorative **Justice Branch**

In Manitoba, Restorative Justice may be used at any stage of a case by Police or Prosecutions and is frequently employed to address offending behaviour of individuals outside the formal criminal justice system. In appropriate cases, this leads to more timely and meaningful consequences for offenders and paths to healing for victims and community.



There are over one hundred Restorative Justice Programs, Community Justice Committees, and Restorative Justice Professionals providing Diversion options throughout the province.

# Restorative Justice in Manitoba

Restorative Justice strives to enhance community safety and promote healing by offering restorative justice options as an immediate alternative to the mainstream justice system for victims, offenders and community.

### The Restorative Justice Centre

The Restorative Justice Centre (RJC) is located on Treaty 1 territory - the original lands of Anishinaabee, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene Peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We pay respect to the Treaties that were made on these territories and those who have stewarded this land throughout generations.

#### Restorative Justice Process for referred Clients

- An acknowledgement of wrongdoing and a willingness to take responsibility for the offence is required.
- Participation in a Restorative Justice Needs Assessment.
- Active participation in case management and programming.
- Indigenous and ethno-cultural services and supports are available.

#### **RJC Key Elements:**

- Sensitive to the needs of victims.
- Working with community stakeholders to effectively repair the harm caused by offending behaviour.
- Supporting inclusion and skill development by providing domestic violence diversion options.
- Programming is available in the areas of healthy relationships, anger management, thinking awareness and addictions.
- Reclaiming our Identity Self
   Awareness Program is offered
   which promotes personal growth
   and identity through education of
   the historical impact of Colonization,
   the Residential School System and
   the Sixties Scoop.
- Indigenous cultural activities program Ma'ingan Izhichigewin (In the Manner of the Wolf) is available which incorporates Indigenous Cultural Activities with teachings.
- Supporting Restorative Justice Professionals through involvement in a RJ Community of Practice.

