

St. Croix Valley Restorative Justice Program

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Victim Impact Panels

SCVRJP has been providing these panels to Pierce & St. Croix Counties since 2004. Almost 400 people a year hear stories about the tragic impact that drinking and driving can have on individual lives, victims/survivors, offenders and community members share these stories. The panels are required for OWI offenders as part of Driver Safety Plans. These panels are powerful and open to anyone interested. Held the 3rd Wednesday of every month.

Underage Consumption Panels

Targeted towards 17-20 year olds, these panels provide education, awareness, and explain consequences and risks that result from Underage Consumption. Utilizing Restorative Justice Principle's stories will be shared and the impact on victim, offender and community will highlighted in the program. Held monthly or as needed.

NEW Underage Chemical Use

Targeted towards 17 and under, these panels provide education, awareness, and explain consequences and risks that result from using alcohol, marijuana, Rx drugs and controlled substances. Utilizing Restorative Justice Principle's stories will be shared and the impact on victim, offender and community will highlighted in the program. Monthly program, additional classes added as needed

NEW CSI – Circles (Controlled Substance Intervention)

Targeted towards 17 and up, focusing on the social, physical and legal consequences of controlled substance and offering self-evaluation regarding use, abuse, addiction and abstinence. Restorative Justice Circle process with ex-offenders, community members and other participants is paired with a Change Companies manual. Scheduled every other month, sessions will be added as needed.

Victim Offender Conferencing

Victim Offender Conferences are meetings led by trained facilitators. Prior to a Conference the facilitators 'pre-conference' both parties involved, victim and offender. Support people for each party may also be present at the conference if pre-conferenced. A plan is developed by all parties to determine what needs to happen to 'make things right'. Case by case, once referred the case is started in 10 business days.

Victim Empathy Seminars

Utilizing a combination of Victim Impact Panels and Circle process, parents, community members and offenders gather to listen to a victim share how crime impacted themselves and their family. Discussion focuses on the impact of crime and what needs to happen to 'make things right'. Parents and community members find this a meaningful process for everyone involved. Pre and post test show a shift in attitude regarding the impact of behavior on others. Scheduled monthly, sessions for adults and juveniles.

Safe Teen Driving Circles

A Restorative Justice Circle experience that includes a guest speaker/storyteller that shares a tragic story of 'unsafe' driving. The project goal is to increase community safety by providing students first hand experiences. Car crashes are the number one cause of death for young people 16-24. Sessions available quarterly.

Workshops and Trainings

SCVRJP provides training and workshops for the local community, daily training rates apply outside the St. Croix Valley area. Please check our website for upcoming opportunities.

Speakers and Presentations SCVRJP volunteers and staff will present or provide your group a Circle experience, please contact the office to schedule.

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