

Department of Corrections



Iowa Department of Corrections
Victim and Restorative Justice Programs
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The Department of Corrections strives to preserve, maintain, and protect the rights of victims and at the same time hold offenders accountable for their criminal and institutional behavior. The Department will treat victims with dignity and respect.

Victim and Restorative Justice Programs encourages victims' input in the criminal justice system by giving them opportunities to participate in decisions concerning an offender's liberty. The Office also provides victims support, information and restorative justice programs subject to set guidelines.

Restorative Justice Interventions

Restorative Justice challenges us to design and administer a system that places the needs of the victims and the harm done by the offending behavior at the center of the process by which we sanction and hold the offender accountable. Crime is recognized as harm done to victims and the community. The goals of restorative justice are promoting understanding, accountability, and healing. Victims may contact the Victim and Restorative Justice Programs Administrator at 800-778-1182 or email

betty.brown@doc.state.ia.us for more information.

HISTORY

OFFICE OF VICTIM AND RESTORATIVE PROGRAMS. VICTIM IMPACT PANELS

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