

If you have questions or concerns regarding juvenile offender you may call the JRA Regional Office in your area.

JRA Regional Offices

Region 1
(509) 363-4660

Adams, Chelan, Douglas, Ferry, Grant,
Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Oreille,
Spokane, Stevens, Whitman

Region 2
(509) 575-2624

Asotin, Benton, Columbia, Franklin,
Garfield, Kittitas, Walla Walla, Yakima

Region 3
(425) 783-3436

Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish,
Whatcom

Region 4
(206) 464-7700

King

Region 5
(253) 476-7100

Pierce, Kitsap

Region 6
(360) 486-2230

Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor,
Jefferson, Klickitat, Lewis, Mason, Pacific,
Skamania, Thurston, Wahkiakum

Our mission:

*To advocate for victims
by protecting their rights
and confidentiality.*

*To provide a fail-safe
notification program.*

*To treat victims in a
professional, sensitive
and supportive manner.*

*To consider victims' needs
and value their input.*

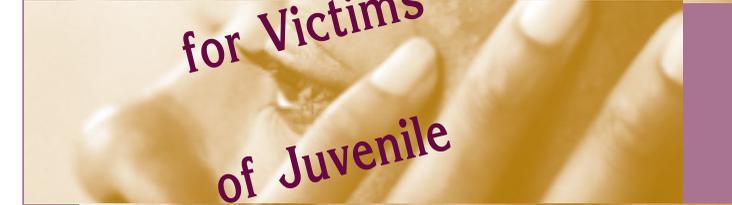
The purpose of this publication is to assist victims of juvenile offenders in understanding the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration commitment process, including sentencing, institutions and group home placements, restitution, parole and discharges, rehabilitation services.



Victim/Witness Office

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**Information
for Victims
of Juvenile
Offenders**

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Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA)

Q: Where will the offender be sent?

The JRA has six secure residential facilities: three institutions, two forestry camps and a basic training camp. Community facility programs are an important element of the JRA residential continuum. They allow offenders to gradually transition from secure care to minimum security in the community. These programs provide offenders the opportunity to practice new skills and competencies in a less restrictive setting than an institution.

Q: What do offenders do all day while incarcerated?

Offenders are offered basic education, vocational training, health care, offense-specific treatment, recreational programs and the opportunity to gain employment skills in a variety of work settings. They may take part in the following courses or groups: defining and taking responsibility, victim empathy, family support and education, social skills training, sex education, anger and aggression management, and relapse prevention.

JRA also provides substance abuse programs to assist offenders in the development of drug and crime-free life-styles and personal responsibility for and commitment to abstinence. A mental health program is available for offenders with mental health needs. The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) has developed diversity initiatives designed to address minority, disability, gender, and gay/lesbian issues as well as implementation of the tribal state accord.

Q: Why is the offender given two release dates?

Like adults, juvenile offenders are sentenced according to a set of uniform guidelines. These guidelines establish a range of sentences and sentence conditions. The court establishes the sentence range using the Juvenile Offender Sentencing Standards (RCW 13.40.0357), which takes into

account the seriousness of the offense(s) committed and the history of the subject's prior offense(s). He/she is given a minimum release date (the earliest day an offender may be released from custody) and a maximum release date (the last day an offender may be held in custody). However, judges have the discretion to deviate from these guidelines under certain circumstances.

Q: How can I get notified when the offender is released?

The DSHS Victim/Witness Notification Program may notify victims or witnesses when an offender is released, transferred, or escapes from any DSHS facility. If you wish to be notified, you must enroll in the program. You may request an enrollment form by calling 1-800-422-1536 or by contacting your local Victim Assistance Unit in your county Prosecutor's Office.

Q: How and when do I get the restitution that is owed to me?

Offenders are responsible for restitution payments. JRA will facilitate the payment of restitution as part of each offender's treatment plan until they are discharged from supervision. Payment plans consider each offender's circumstances. Where reasonable, 50% of the offender's earnings, if any are available, will be dedicated to the payment of restitution.

Q: What happens when an offender is released from JRA?

JRA provides intensive parole as well as sex offender and regular parole supervision for offenders who have completed their residential commitment. Parole staff work with offenders and their families to assist offenders in their reintegration into their home settings. Offenders who do not comply with their parole contract may have their parole revoked and be placed in a local detention facility or at a JRA institution for up to 30 days.

Victim Associations and Coalitions

Families and Friends of Violent Crime Victims

Crisis Phone: 1-800-346-7555
www.FNFVCV.org

Mothers Against Drunk Driving

1-888-726-6233 (MADD)
www.MADD.org

National Center for Missing Youth - Operation Lookout

Crisis Phone: 1-800-566-5688
www.operationlookout.org

National Crime Victim Bar Association

703-276-0960
www.victimbar.org

Northwest Women's Law Center

206-682-9552, 206-621-7691 Legal info. line
www.nwwlc.org

The Children's Alliance

206-324-0340
www.childrensalliance.org

Washington Alliance for the Mentally Ill

1-800-782-9264
www.nami-greaterseattle.org

Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys

360-753-2175

Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs

360-753-7583
www.wcsap.org

Washington Protection and Advocacy System (WPAS)

1-800-562-2702
www.wpas-rights.org

State Government Services For Victims of Crime

Child Protective Services Referral Line Department of Social and Health Services

1-800-562-5624
www1.dshs.wa.gov/ca

Crime Victims Compensation Department of Labor and Industries

1-800-762-3716
www.lni.wa.gov/claimsins/crimevictims

Domestic Violence Hot Line Department of Social and Health Services

1-800-562-6025
www.wa.gov/dshs

Missing Children Clearinghouse Washington State Patrol

1-800-543-5678
www.wa.gov/wsp

Office of Crime Victims Advocacy Department of Community Development

1-800-822-1067
www.ocva.wa.gov

Victim/Witness Notification Program Department of Social and Health Services

1-800-422-1536
www1.dshs.wa.gov/LegRel/VictimWitness

Victims/Witness Notification Program Department of Corrections

1-800-322-2201
www.doc.wa.gov/CPU/Victim_SVCS.htm

Washington State Address Confidentiality Program

1-800-822-1065
www.secstate.wa.gov/acp

Washington State Human Rights Commission

1-800-605-7324
www.hum.wa.gov