## **APPLICABLE CRIMES:**

- Any crime identified by law enforcement, district attorney, or court as domestic violence
- Assault
- Bias-motivated crime
- Burglary
- Careless driving that results in the death of another person;
- Child abuse
- Child prostitution soliciting, inducement, patronizing, pimping
- Crimes against at-risk adults or at-risk juveniles
- Criminally negligent homicide
- Failure to stop at the scene of an accident that results in the death of another person;
- Human Trafficking
- Incest
- Indecent exposure
- Invasion of privacy for sexual gratification
- Kidnapping
- Manslaughter
- Menacing
- Murder
- Procurement of a child for sexual exploitation
- Retaliation against a judge, juror, or prosecutor
- Retaliation, tampering, or intimidation against a witness or victim
- Robbery
- Sexual assault on a child
- Sexual assault or unlawful sexual contact
- Sexual exploitation of children
- Stalking
- Vehicular assault
- Vehicular homicide
- Violation of a protection order

# *AS A VICTIM OF CRIME, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:*

- Be treated with fairness, respect and dignity and to be free from intimidation, harassment or abuse.
- Be informed of the steps to be taken if you are intimidated or harassed.
- Be informed of the status of your case and any scheduling changes or cancellations, if known in advance.
- Pursue a civil judgment against anyone who has committed a crime against you and to have restitution ordered.
- Information about financial assistance and community services.
- Be kept informed and be present during the critical stages of the criminal justice process.

(Colorado Revised Statutes 24-4.1-301-304)

For Community Corrections, this means you will be notified when any of the following occur:

- Arrival and projected release date
- Notice of escape and recapture
- Release or discharge from confinement
- Transfer to community supervision
- Rejection after acceptance
- Termination and transfer of custody
- Reconsideration or modification of sentence
- Petition to cease sex offender registration
- Filing of a complaint, summons, or warrant
- Change of venue or transfer of supervision
- Early termination
- Death



# **Community Corrections Victim Services Program**

This brochure provides information for victims of a crime in which the offender was sentenced to be supervised by Larimer County Community Corrections. Victims have the right to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect throughout the criminal justice process. Larimer County Community Corrections recognizes that victims of crime, their families and communities are important recipients of our services.

# "INFORMED, PRESENT, AND HEARD"

As a victim or member of the victim's family, your rights are guaranteed by the Colorado Constitution. Too often, people feel victimized by the criminal defendant and the legal system. Assisting you in understanding your rights and helping you exercise these rights is a top priority. Our goal is to make sure that victims of crime are treated with fairness and compassion throughout the Community Corrections process.

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS What is Community Corrections?

Larimer County Community Corrections is an alternative to a prison sentence. Offenders are screened by a local Community Corrections Board and live in a controlled, residential environment in the community, leaving for work, passes, and treatment services. After successful completion of the residential phase, offenders may live at an approved location for the rest of their sentence.

While on community supervision, offenders live in the community but have frequent contact with the facility through required meetings with their case manager and random drug and alcohol testing.

If an offender fails to comply with the requirements of their court ordered sentence or the program rules, they can be terminated from the program and returned to court for resentencing.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your rights as a victim, contact the Community Corrections Victim Assistance Program in your district. If all local efforts to obtain your rights have failed, you may request assistance from the Governor's Victims Coordinating Committee. For additional information, call the Office for Victims Programs at the Division of Criminal Justice (303) 239-4442.

#### What is Residential Supervision?

The purpose of residential supervision is to assist the offender in following the orders of the court within a community setting, while being encouraged to be self-sufficient, attend treatment (if appropriate), and share in the responsibilities of the facility. Supervision carries out court orders in way that balances the victim's rights, community safety, and the offender's rehabilitation. The scope of supervision is governed by statute.

# How does an offender leave

#### **Community Corrections?**

- Early Termination: The court may reduce an offender's supervision based on good behavior and following conditions of supervision.
- **Expiration of Sentence:** The full sentence is completed by the offender.
- Negative Termination: If offenders choose not to follow the program rules, they are at risk of being returned to court for resentencing.

### How can I be informed?

Victims, immediate family members or appointed representatives may request notification of status changes at critical stages. *Requests must be made in writing or by telephone.* If your contact information changes, <u>it is your responsibility to notify</u> <u>Community Corrections of these changes.</u>

# Will I still receive restitution?

If the offender is ordered to pay restitution to the victim, this will be continued and become part of the offender's program requirements. Once an offender finds employment, they are required to become and stay current on payments owed to victims for damages caused.

## Do I qualify for victim compensation?

Recognizing the impact of crime on innocent victims, the State of Colorado has enacted the Crime Victim Compensation Act. Funds are collected as fines from adults and juveniles convicted of crimes. Awards to victims are made by the Crime Victim Compensation Board of each district. Losses which may be compensated include:

- Reasonable medical or hospital expenses
- mental health counseling; loss of earnings;
- homemaker and home health services;
- burial expenses;
- loss of support to dependents;
- eyeglasses, hearing aids or other medically necessary devices;
- replacement of doors, windows, locks damaged as part of the crime.

If you would like to be notified of the critical stages in the defendant's community supervision sentence, please complete the enclosed form.

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