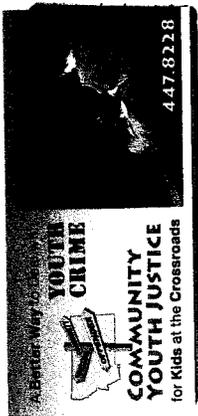


SETTING RIGHT THE WRONGS OF YOUTH

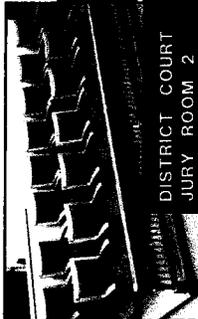


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Victim to Offender:

"You have to decide which way your life is going to go. If I'm just the first in a long line of victims then your life is not going to be worth anything. It has to end with me. I have to be your last victim."

WHICH PATH, WHICH CHAIRS?



DISTRICT COURT
JURY ROOM 2

Minors charged with a crime start a path into the Juvenile Justice System. A youth offender stands at a major fork in the road, a decisive moment in a young life. Choosing crime is the road to Youth Court — and can easily lead to a second offense, criminal records, a fast track to adult crime, jail, even prison. It starts here, at the crossroads.

The other way leads to Restorative Justice, a court diversion program offering the chance for a youth offender to make things right, face the victim, take responsibility and accept the consequences of one's actions.

Please call with questions, if you wish to use our services, or want to offer volunteer, in-kind, or financial support. Thank you!

Youth Offenders:

"The worst thing about the meeting was having to look at and face the man I stole the bike from, but the best part was my friends and I got to help decide how to make it up to him. After we gave his bike back we saved money and bought a bike to donate to kids."

"I realize what I did and I now know other ways to deal with my anger."

Parents:

"He really had to think about the questions the community members asked him and I can see that it has made an impact on his decisions ever since."

"He now has a better sense of how his actions affect others."

"They brought out the truth about the situation and helped work out future problems."

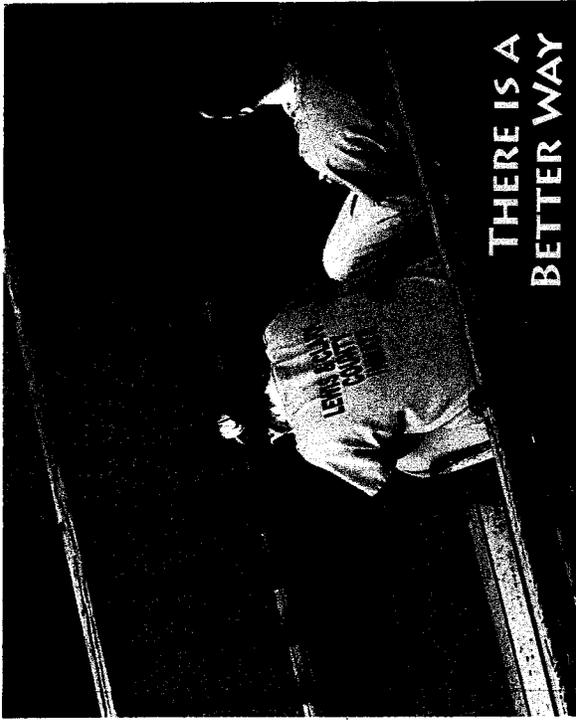
THE PROMISE OF A BETTER LIFE ... OR A FUTURE GOING DOWN THE DRAIN?



COMMUNITY YOUTH JUSTICE:

- ◆ Involves offender, parents, victim and community in a positive, constructive way.
- ◆ Safe, respectful, supportive.
- ◆ Voluntary, confidential.
- ◆ Each person shares their perspective.
- ◆ Young people held accountable for their actions.
- ◆ Encourages unique, creative solutions to repair the harm.
- ◆ All those present write a formal agreement to make amends.
- ◆ Successfully completed contract removes the offense from permanent record; otherwise, referred back to courts.

YOUTH CRIME



THERE IS A BETTER WAY

COMMUNITY YOUTH JUSTICE

A Critical Crossroads for Kids Committing Crime

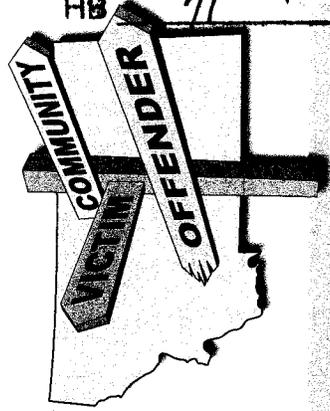
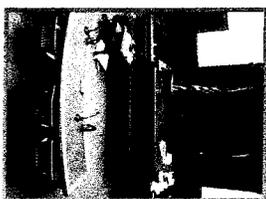


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Healing the Harm of Youth Crime
Helping Young Lives Find their Way.

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When our youth commit crimes or a wrongful act typically they enter the legal system for retribution through punishment, vengeance, and coercion. There is a better way—a way to help young people understand the consequences of their actions, a way to heal and repair the harm caused to victims and community, a way to make amends.



It's not a free pass; it's Restorative Justice. Integrated with legal justice, experience shows that participation is as beneficial to victims as it is to offenders. The program coordinator and a group of trained community volunteers bring together those affected by a wrongdoing. Sitting in a circle of chairs, everyone takes turns describing the impact of the offending behavior and, together, all determine the best way to make it right.

VICTIMS

Crime can leave fear and anger in its wake, the victim feeling a sense of violation, a loss of safety and trust. Nothing can erase a wrong, but participating in Community Youth Justice can help make it right—lending support, offering solace, providing relief.

BROKEN LIVES, SHATTERED TRUST

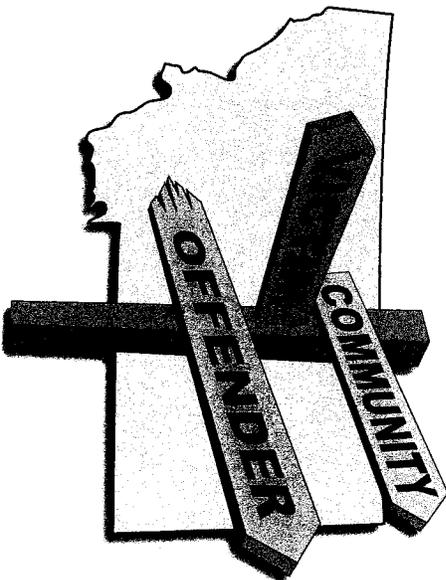
Meeting the offender face-to-face offers an opportunity to ask questions, get answers, and to be involved in holding the offender accountable to make amends.

HELPING VICTIMS FEEL EMPOWERED, RESTORING A SENSE OF TRUST AND SAFETY IN HOME AND COMMUNITY.

Program Coordinator:

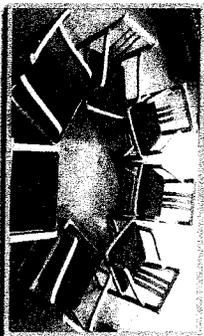
“Face-to-face, kids pay back faster. Paying back has to do with their taking ownership in what they did.”

COMMUNITY YOUTH JUSTICE



RESTORING COMMUNITIES REPAIRING HARM CHOOSING PATHS

A BETTER WAY TO DEAL WITH YOUTH CRIME



Community Volunteers:

“The restorative process is just so amazing when they actually have to repair the harm. Usually they don't re-offend because they have to apologize to the victim, and that is so powerful.”

“We ask, ‘What is it going to take to repair the harm to your parents?’ This program makes them realize what they did. These kids would agree to almost anything to see the hurt in their parents’ eyes go away.”

“Some kids say, ‘Oh, boy, it would've been easier going to a judge.’”

“It's not just different, it's dramatically different. It is just better.”

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STEAMBOAT



Juvenile Probation Officer:

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