## **REFERRALS**

- Community Resources
- · Counselling Agencies
- Shelters
- Child and Family Services
- Crown Attorney's Office
- Police Investigator or Detectives
- Restorative Justice Program
- Talking Together Program



- · Crown Attorney's Office
- Police / Justice Personnel
- Service Providers
- Community Resources
- Families
- · Chief & Council
- Other victim service agencies

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# Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services Corporation

# VICTIM WITNESS LIAISON

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# VICTIM WITNESS LIAISON PROGRAM

The mandate of the Victim Witness Liaison Program (VWLP) is to provide service to victims and witnesses of crime. We listen, encourage and empower clients in a non intrusive manner. We offer:

- SUPPORT
- INFORMATION
- REFERRALS
- LIAISON

## GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- To ensure the immediate needs of victims and witnesses are met following an incident where harm is done.
- 2. To assist with safety planning.
- 3. To educate victims and witnesses of crime about the court procedures and what to expect as their matter proceeds.
- Accompany and support victims and witnesses with court preparations and proceedings.
- 5. Coordinate meetings with the Crown Attorney.

- To inform victims and witnesses of court dates, dispositions, status of the case.
- 7. To assist victims and witnesses to prepare a Victim Impact Statement (VIS).
- To provide individuals with information about existing community resources such as counselling agencies or shelters that could provide additional support.
- To act as a liaison between victims and witnesses and community members, service providers, schools, police, justice personnel, and Chief and Council.
- 10. To inform victims of crime about their rights and obligations.
- 11. To work collaboratively with other service providers to enhance the provision of services to victims and witnesses from Nishnawbe-Aski.
- 12. Build bridges with justice and police partners

### SUPPORT

- Provide practical and emotional support before, during and after court trials
- Court accompaniment
- Assistance for those who are wishing to disclose historical harm
- Assistance for those who wish to file a complaint

## INFORMATION

- Victim's rights and responsibilities
- Community and outside resources, with a focus on indigenous supports
- Victim Impact Statements (VIS) and Community Impact Statements, Statement of Restitution
- Court system process
- Court case results
- Police file information for victims
- Court appearance dates
- Victim Quick Response Program

Victims have the right to:

Information

**Participation** 

Safety

Restitution

To Make a Complaint