REQUEST FOR NOTIFICATION

(By submitting this form, I am requesting victim notification from the Juvenile Parole Board's Victim Services Program)

Offender's Name: _____ County of Conviction: _____

Victim Name: _____ Parent or Guardian Name (if minor): _____

Home/Mailing Address: _____ Work Address*: _____

Home Phone ( ) _____ Work Phone* ( ) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

It is your responsibility to notify the Juvenile Parole Board Victim Services Program of any change in address or phone number.

**Only complete the work address and phone number if you wish to be contacted at work.*

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The Juvenile Parole Board

Information for Victims and Victim Representatives

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Colorado's Juvenile Parole Process

Colorado's Juvenile Parole Board values the participation of victims in the parole process. We understand that the parole of an offender can be a traumatic experience for their victims. This brochure provides information regarding the Juvenile Parole Board and the parole hearing process. If you need additional information or have any questions regarding the parole hearing process or parole supervision, please do not hesitate to contact us at the number on the front of this brochure. Information is also available on our website; **www.cdhs.state.co.us/jpb**. We are here to assist you.

THE JUVENILE PAROLE BOARD

The Juvenile Parole Board (JPB) is administered by the Colorado Department of Human Services, Boards and Commissions Division. It has the authority to make decisions regarding granting, modifying and revoking parole for juveniles who have been committed to the Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections (DYC). The Board consists of nine (9) members appointed by the Governor including four representatives from state government and five citizen members. A listing of all the JPB Board members and staff as well as information about JPB policies and procedures is available on the JPB website.

Your Rights as a Victim

The Colorado Victims' Rights Amendment (VRA) guarantees the rights of victims of certain crimes.

Victims Rights

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

JPB VICTIM SERVICES

The Juvenile Parole Board is committed to assuring that the rights of victims of juvenile crimes are respected throughout the parole process. The Juvenile Parole Board's Victim Services Program can provide notification to victims at critical stages during the parole process. We also provide: support and assistance with parole hearing participation, victim advocacy, assistance with referrals for services, financial assistance and information regarding the juvenile's parole conditions and the parole process.

VRA Eligible Crimes

- Murder, Manslaughter
- Criminally negligent homicide
- Vehicular homicide, Vehicular assault
- Menacing, Stalking
- Assault , Kidnapping, Robbery
- Incest, Child abuse , Indecent exposure
- Sexual assault, Unlawful sexual contact
- Sexual assault on a child or client
- Sexual exploitation of children
- Crimes against at-risk adults and juveniles
- Crimes involving domestic violence
- Careless driving resulting in death
- Bias motivated crimes
- Failure to stop at the scene of an accident that results in death of another
- Violation of a protection order where the crime has underlying factual basis of sexual assault
- Retaliation against, intimidation of or tampering with a victim/witness

Victim Notification

As a victim, you have the right to be notified at critical stages of the judicial process. At parole, these stages include:

- Any scheduled parole hearing including those for mandatory parole, early parole and for parole violations
- Parole hearing results
- Change in placement of the parolee to the community.
- A parolee's escape or absence from parole supervision as well as their return to parole supervision
- The discharge of the juvenile offender from parole.

Parole Hearing Participation

Victims of juvenile crimes are encouraged to participate in the parole hearing process. Participation can range from a written statement from the victim, to victim attendance at the parole hearing. The JPB's Victim Advocate will work with you to make arrangements that accommodate your needs and comfort level.

The Hearing Process

Most parole hearings are held before a hearing panel that consists of two members of the Board. Some hearings must be conducted before the full Board due to the nature of the crime. During the hearing, the Board members review case records and usually interview the juvenile, DYC staff, treatment providers and family members who may be in attendance. Portions of the hearing that address mental health, medical, and substance abuse issues are restricted due to confidentiality laws, however victims and/or their representatives may be present for the remainder of the hearing. At the conclusion of testimony, the Board members vote on whether or not to grant, revoke, modify or suspend parole.

Written Testimony

You may mail, fax or email a statement to the Victim Advocate at the address listed at the front of this brochure. Your written statement will be reviewed by the panel members and entered into the official paper record. Upon your request it may be read aloud at the hearing

Telephone or Video Testimony

The JPB can, in many cases, facilitate your participation by telephone or video-conference. Contact the JPB Victim Advocate as soon as possible prior to the date of the hearing to allow sufficient time for arrangements to be made.

Hearing Attendance

If you choose to attend the hearing, you may address the Board privately before the hearing, or you may be physically present at the hearing itself. The JPB Victim's Advocate will make arrangements with you prior to the hearing to determine what best meets your needs. The JPB requires that you contact the Victim Advocate for the date, time and location of a parole board hearing and to notify them of your intention to appear. This ensures that you are provided the support of a victim advocate at the hearing as well as a safe environment in which to participate.

Enrollment

We encourage you to enroll in the JPB Victim Services Program. To do so, please complete the form at the back of this brochure and fax, email or mail it to the address listed at the beginning of this brochure. Please do not hesitate to contact us, if you have any questions or need assistance with the enrollment process.

The Juvenile Parole Board values the involvement of victims in the parole process. We hope the information provided in this brochure is helpful to you.

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