Why Get Involved?
Because...

We understand. No one wants to be the victim of a crime.

Your voice will be heard.

The young person is held accountable to you as the victim and they assume ownership of their mistakes.

You won't be alone. We will assist you throughout the process respecting your wishes.

We will work diligently to clue up the matter quickly.

Even if you do not want to be directly involved you can still talk to us about the outcome.





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# ST. JOHN'S YOUTH JUSTICE COMMITTEE Extra Judicial Sanctions

Program
In Coordination with
Youth Corrections

Victims

Having a Voice

Making a Difference

#### What is Extra Judicial Sanctions?

EJS is a restorative justice program authorized under the Youth Criminal Justice Act to provide alternatives to the court system for young people who experience conflict with the law between their 12th and 18th birthday.

### How can I get involved?

The EJS Program offers two paths to resolution. If you choose to become involved, you or a representative could meet with the young person through a trained mediator for mediation. If you choose not to be involved, the youth can participate through a diversion. This means that they would meet with a trained mediator, take responsibility for their actions, and a contract would be drawn up with expectations for completion.





#### What is Mediation?

Mediation allows victims and young people to meet in a safe space with a trained mediator. It is an open and honest discussion between the victim and youth, which allows you both to tell your side of the story, and respond to concerns about how you were affected.

As a neutral third party, the mediator ensures both parties can safely come to an agreement that provides a solution in which the young person can give back for their actions and the victim's voice is heard. Some contract conditions may include: apologies, personal service, restitution, community service, written or art assignments, attendance in an educational program, meeting with an RNC officer, or participating in counselling.

We hope that through this process you are empowered and the young person is able to begin to restore back to you and the community what was broken. Once the contract is completed, the youth has then successfully completed the EJS Program and will not have a criminal record for their offence/s. If the young person does not successfully complete the program, the matter is referred back to the Crown Attorney for their discretion on follow up. This could involve the formal judicial system.

