



Making peace – it may be right for you

Information for victims

VICTIM–OFFENDER MEDIATION UNIT

Making peace – it's up to you

Have you been hurt by crime? You might feel angry, confused, even scared by what happened.

Perhaps you may like to think about mediation. It's your chance to work something out with the person who has hurt you.

Is it for me?

Mediation is for both victims of crime and offenders. It can only happen after someone has been found guilty by the court, and before they have been sentenced. You, and the person who hurt you, both need to agree to it.

You might want to try and work things out with the person who hurt you. You might feel they should apologise and explain what has happened. Maybe you just need to be heard yourself. Mediation gives you the chance to have your say.

So what can it mean?

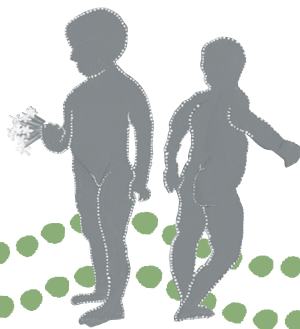
Mediation means that the Victim-offender Mediation Unit can help you make an 'agreement'. It might be important for you to talk about what happened and look at what can now be done to make things better for you.

So the 'agreement' might include:

- an apology from the offender
- an explanation for what happened
- the return of goods or property
- money paid to you for any harm or loss you have suffered.

In mediation you might want to talk face-to-face with the offender or a mediation officer can talk on your behalf. The Victim-offender Mediation Unit wants people to work things out, so it doesn't take sides and it doesn't judge. The service is free, voluntary and separate from the courts.

Making peace, it might be right for you.



More information

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