

## Ways to get involved

- Financially support RJMP
- Take our training courses
- Volunteer as facilitator in one of our programs
- Attend our events
- Volunteer time in the office

## We'd like to visit with you

RJMP staff would be happy to visit your organization or group to further educate you about restorative justice, its benefits to society, and how you can get involved.

[www.sdrjmp.org](http://www.sdrjmp.org)



RJMP is funded by grants and private donations from people who believe in and support our vision and work. Please support our efforts by making a donation today. RJMP is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

**Our services are free of charge and strictly confidential.**

## Transforming lives since 1993

The Restorative Justice Mediation Program is a nonprofit organization founded in 1993 to help reduce repeat crime and improve the lives of those affected by crime by providing programs, education and services to San Diego County residents based on Restorative Justice principles and practices.



**RJMP operates in cooperation with**



San Diego County  
Probation Department



San Diego County  
Public Defender's Office

# RJMP

**Restorative Justice  
Mediation Program**

**Victim Offender Dialogue  
and Education  
since 1993**



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**Transforming Lives  
Promoting Accountability  
Strengthening Community Safety**

## WHAT IS RESTORATIVE JUSTICE?

Restorative Justice is a highly effective approach to criminal justice, substantially reducing recidivism and helping to make victims whole. It views crime as harms

done to people and relationships, involving the victim, the offender, family, and the community. Restorative Justice emphasizes offender accountability, addresses victim's needs, and seeks to bring all impacted parties together for a mutually agreeable resolution. This

approach leads to mutual understanding, assists in offender rehabilitation and in greater victim satisfaction with the justice system.



**Restorative justice emphasizes repairing the harm caused by crime. When victims, offenders and community members meet to decide how to do that, the results can be transformational."**

(source: [restorativejustice.org](http://restorativejustice.org))

## WHAT DOES RJMP DO?

For over 20 years, the Restorative Justice Mediation Program (RJMP), originally called the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program of San Diego County, Inc., has provided a community-based response to crime.

- RJMP is a nonprofit organization that is supported by donations from individuals, churches, grants, and other community organizations.
- RJMP facilitates Victim Offender Dialogues (VOD), where the victim, offender and community come together in a safe setting to achieve mutual understanding about the offense, to permit offender accountability, and to determine ways to repair the harms and make things as right as possible.
- RJMP also implements Victim Offender Education Groups (VOEG) in local prisons and detention facilities. In these groups, inmates explore root causes of harm and understand the impact of the harm they caused victims, the community and themselves.

### OUR VISION

RJMP envisions a San Diego including restorative justice principles and programs in all sectors of society, contributing to the safety of communities, reducing crime and positively impacting the lives of those affected by crime.

## WHAT IS VICTIM OFFENDER DIALOGUE?

Victim Offender Dialogue (VOD), also called Victim Offender Mediation or Reconciliation, is the process of bringing the victim of a crime and the person who committed that crime together in a safe, face to face meeting lead by a trained facilitator. In the dialogue, the impact of the offense is discussed and a mutually agreeable plan is created to repair damages that occurred as a result of the crime. The benefits of these dialogues are many:

- 60% reduction in re-offenses
- 72% of agreements reached are completed
- 90% of victims are satisfied

No dialogue happens without the voluntary participation of both parties. Cases are referred to RJMP for Victim Offender Dialogue by various agencies of the criminal justice system. RJMP works with referring agencies to follow up to ensure that agreements made by victims and offenders are kept.



### CAN I VOLUNTEER WITH YOU?

Yes! RJMP operates with a team of volunteer facilitators, trainers, speakers, consultants, and more. Without this volunteer support, RJMP would not be able to provide it's valuable services.



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Thank you for making a difference  
in our community!