Victim Services Unit Nevada Department of Corrections P.O. Box 7011 Carson City, Nevada 89702

Office hours are 7:00am – 4:00pm, Monday through Friday. During non-office hours, you may leave a confidential message. A VSU staff person will return your call.

Telephone: 1-775-887-3393

In-State Toll-Free: 1-888-333-6076

Fax: 1-775-887-3167

E-mail: victiminfo@doc.nv.gov

Website: <u>www.doc.nv.gov</u>

### **♦ Important Reminder ♦**

If you are enrolled with the VSU, and your name, address or telephone number changes, please notify us so that we can ensure that you do not miss any important information.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

It is the vision of the Victim Services Unit to give Nevada crime victims a voice in corrections by providing information, services and support with compassion, respect & sensitivity.

### Helping Victims Through Teamwork



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# NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS



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#### **CRIME VICTIMS RIGHTS**

The Nevada Constitution and Nevada Revised Statute 209.521 provide for certain rights to victims of crime. The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC), upon the written request of a victim, must provide notification to victims regarding an offender's status.

### WHO IS A VICTIM?

An individual who suffers direct or threatened physical, financial or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime is considered a "victim". Other persons such as the spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandparent or guardian may also qualify as a victim if the victim is deceased or is physically unable to exercise the privileges and rights of the victim.

### WILL MY INFORMATION BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL?

**Yes.** Victim names, addresses and phone numbers are confidential pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 209.521.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO NOTE

Registration with the Department of Corrections is not automatic. In order to be registered to receive notifications, a victim or victim's family member must contact the Department of Corrections and request to be registered.

Registration in VINE does not automatically register you with the Department of Corrections.

### HOW DO I REQUEST TO BE NOTIFIED?

You may request notification by completing an NDOC Victim Notification Request Form. This form is available from the prosecuting attorney, from victim service advocates in your community, or it can be downloaded from the victims' link on the NDOC website at: <a href="www.doc.nv.gov">www.doc.nv.gov</a>. In addition, you can request a form by e-mailing <a href="www.doc.nv.gov">victiminfo@doc.nv.gov</a>.

### TYPES OF NOTIFICATIONS:

The Victim Services Unit will provide written notification about the following:

- Earliest parole eligibility date
- Location of the offender
- Release of the offender to a residential confinement program.
- Discharge date of the offender.
- Escape of the offender.
- Current photograph of the offender upon release from the Department of Corrections' custody can be obtained upon request.

### Nevada VINE

Nevada VINE [Victim Information Notification Everyday] is a free, confidential, 24-hour service that provides victims of crime and members of the community two important services:

#### **INFORMATION**

Nevada VINE will provide the caller with inmate custody status and location information.

#### **NOTIFICATION**

Callers have the option to register to receive automated telephone or email notification if there is a change in an inmate's custody status.

To get information through Nevada VINE or to register for automated notification call:

 $1\text{-}888\text{-}2NV\text{-}VINE\ [1\text{-}888\text{-}268\text{-}8463]}$ 

Or log on to www.vinelink.com

For additional help with registration or if you have any questions or concerns about the Nevada VINE service, contact:

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