

Victims of Crimes Rights and Responsibilities After Court

Victim of Crime Services after Court

If your abuser is in prison, you have certain rights and responsibilities involved in their parole. The Commission of Pardons and Parole is Idaho's parole and clemency board. The Commission meets every month at various Department of Correction institutions to conduct parole hearings and case reviews. Victim information and participation is an important and recommended aspect of this process.

Victims of crimes have the following rights with regard to Commission parole hearings:

- The right to be treated with fairness, respect, dignity, and privacy.
- The right to receive notification of parole or special hearings conducted by the Commission.
- The right to present verbal or written testimony, upon request, at the hearing.
- All written information submitted by a victim to the Commission is confidential. If you do not feel comfortable attending the hearing, you may submit written testimony to the Victim's Rights Coordinator, who will make sure your testimony is heard at the hearing. If you would like to attend the hearing, but do not wish to speak, the Victim Services Provider can give your testimony for you.
- You do not have to go to the parole hearing by yourself. You can call the Victim Services Office ahead of time and they will schedule someone to attend the hearing with you.
- The right to receive notification when a defendant is released on parole or escapes custody.
- The right to receive information and assistance about the Commission hearing process.

Victims of crimes have the following responsibilities with regard to Commission parole hearings:

- Victims are responsible for notifying the Commission if they wish to appear and testify at a Commission hearing.
- Victims must notify the Commission if their address changes.

To contact Victims of Crime Services:

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