

September 2007

CRISIS INTERVENTION AND VICTIMOLOGY TRAINING

Presented by the
PIMA COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
VICTIM WITNESS PROGRAM

LOGISTICS:

Date: September 10th – October 22nd

Times: 6:00P.M. - 9:00P.M.
Mondays and Wednesdays

Location: **Pima County Courts' Training Center**
2225 E. Ajo Way

(The Training Center is on the property of the Pima County Juvenile Court at the eastern portion of the complex (next to JIPS). You enter the Training Center from the east end of the building).

Fee: \$75.00 Please make your check payable to: **TMM - VICTIM FUND**

*Payment plans, partial scholarships, and group rates are available.
Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 740-5525.*

Major Goal: To teach crisis intervention concepts, skills, and techniques to interested persons in the community, and to individuals seeking volunteer positions.

Enrollment: Please return the registration form before Wednesday, September 5th. If your registration will not reach us by this date, call 740-5525 as space is limited. You will still need to turn in the registration form the first night of training.

Attendance: Participants must attend 11 out of 12 sessions to receive certificate of completion.

Volunteering: After successful completion of the training, those interested in volunteering with the Victim Witness Program may interview. Selection of volunteers is highly competitive, and is not based on a number of volunteer positions needing to be filled. The Victim Witness Program hopes to have a diverse volunteer core to reflect the diversity of our Pima County Community.

If you are interested in this training, please complete and return the registration form (attached) to:

Volunteer Coordinator
Victim Witness Program
32 North Stone, Suite 1400
Tucson, Arizona 85701

The Most Frequently Asked Questions by Potential Volunteers

What are the functions of Victim Witness?

- Provide crisis intervention on a 24-hour basis when requested by law enforcement, primarily when a crime, family dispute, or sudden death has occurred.
- Provide emotional support, court information and assistance to crime victims/witnesses and their families.
- Provide referral to other agencies for mediation, long term counseling, financial assistance, etc.
- Provide training to the community in Crisis Intervention and Victimology.

How do volunteers participate in the Victim Witness Program?

- Ride the VW Crisis Unit any night throughout the week and during the day and night on the weekend, approximately twice per month. The Crisis Units are available for on scene crisis calls seven nights a week every day of the year.
- Weekend pager duty to respond to crisis calls, with a partner from 2:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday or Sunday.
- Daytime office work to assist with walk-in clients, phone contacts, court assistance, clerical work, crisis calls, or transports. Our downtown office and Pima County Attorney's Juvenile Division are available locations.

What requirements do I need to meet to be a volunteer?

- Attend the 12-session training in Crisis Intervention and complete one 10 minute audio taped homework assignment.
- Attend additional 30 hours of training geared specifically for volunteers.
- Have no prior felony convictions.
- Agree to a one-year commitment to volunteer.
- Commit to 2 shifts per month.
- Attend volunteer meetings.

After I have participated in the training, will I be accepted as a volunteer?

- **Not necessarily.** The training provides an opportunity for you to assess your desire to volunteer for Victim Witness. Also, we have an opportunity to evaluate your potential ability to effectively handle the types of situations volunteers encounter and your appropriateness in becoming a part of this program.

We hope you will further explore volunteering for Victim Witness. Should you not wish to volunteer, or you are not accepted as a volunteer, you will still find the crisis intervention training enjoyable and very informative. If you have any questions, you may contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 740-5525.

Pima County Attorney's Victim Witness Program

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REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE NOTE:

Victim Witness training is intensive and can be traumatic for those individuals who are experiencing personal or major health problems. Should personal or health problems exist, it is recommended that you contact the Volunteer Coordinator prior to the start of training. Victim Witness assumes no responsibility for any injury or emotional trauma that results from an individual participating in the training process.

Name: _____ **Agency (optional):** _____

Address: _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

Interested in Pima College Credit: **YES** **NO**

Do you require any special needs accommodations: **YES** **NO**

I will attend the Victim Witness Program's Crisis Intervention Training. I have enclosed a check for \$75.00 made payable to:

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I have read and understand the above notation regarding personal injury.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

If you have any questions, please contact
the Victim Witness Volunteer Program Coordinators at
740-5525.

Thank you for your interest.

FOR OFFICE USE: PAID Date _____ CHECK # _____ or CASH