

Victim and damage support fund

Sometimes defendants are interested in making a payment to the victim(s) to compensate for damages in the offender-victim compensation scheme, but for financial reasons they cannot do this themselves.

In these cases, it is possible to earn a sum of money by doing community service. The compensation is then paid out directly to injured parties from the conciliation body's victim and damage support fund.

We are therefore very grateful for donations and allowances!

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How to find us

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Haus des Jugendrechts (House of Juvenile Justice)

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Here you can always meet us
Tuesday and Thursday
between 1:00 and 4:00 pm.

You will find the Haus des Jugendrechts if you take the tram lines 1, 6, 8 or 9 and get off at the stop „Tattersall“ (near the main station). Then follow the Schwetzingen Straße until the crossing Heinrich-Lanz-Straße, the Haus des Jugendrechts is on the left side.

Conciliation office Victim-offender mediation (VOM)

for young people and
adolescents in Mannheim



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Victim-offender mediation (VOM)

The basic idea of victim-offender mediation is to deal directly with conflicts that are related to a criminal offence. We want to give accused and injured parties the opportunity to clarify the conflict and compensate for the damage caused.

This means ...

- The incident and its consequences are discussed in a neutral place
- The discussions are conducted together with a trained mediator
- A form of reparation is worked out with which both sides agree

In addition, mutual prejudices, fears and feelings of guilt can be reduced, making it easier for injured parties and accused persons to process the crime.

Opportunities

Injured parties will be given the opportunity ...

- to bring in ideas and wishes for the solution of the conflict
- express hurt, anger, fear or sadness
- to obtain satisfaction and compensation, if necessary without civil action

Accused persons are given the opportunity ...

- to describe the background of their behaviour and to take responsibility for it
- dealing with the consequences for the injured parties and apologising for their own misconduct
- to compensate the damage as far as possible and thus to avoid civil proceedings

Procedure

Course of action of a victim-offender compensation ...

- Victim-offender mediation can be initiated by the police, public prosecutor's office, courts, youth welfare services in criminal proceedings, probation services and by the involved parties themselves, if necessary after consultation with a lawyer.
- The mediators of the conciliation body speak individually with the accused and the injured party. The parties involved then decide for themselves whether a joint mediation discussion is an option for them.
- With the support of the all-party mediators, the participants discuss the deed and agree on compensation.
- The mediators check whether the arrangements made are being adhered to. The public prosecutor's office, court and other parties to the proceedings are informed of the outcome of the victim-offender mediation.