

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA SUPERIOR COURT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MOHAVE

IN THE MATTER OF

ESTABLISHING THE MOHAVE COUNTY)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE)	98-46
RECOMMENDATION BOARD)	
)	

The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Division of the Superior Court sitting in Mohave County, Arizona, finds as follows:

- 1) WHEREAS, there is a legitimate interest by the people of the community to know their Courts are operating fairly and effectively;
- 2) WHEREAS, the community has a vested interest in the supervision and rehabilitation of youth from their neighborhood;
- 3) WHEREAS, the juvenile offender must be held responsible and accountable for their delinquent acts;
- 4) WHEREAS, the juvenile offenders are most likely to accept sanctions, consequences, and guidance from concerned neighbors;
- 5) WHEREAS, the community can provide valuable insight and assistance to the Court in drafting appropriate dispositional orders;
- 6) WHEREAS, the Restorative Justice Recommendation Board manual will serve as the official set of procedures for this program.

The foregoing findings having been considered, it is, therefore,

ORDERED that, the Mohave County Restorative Justice Recommendation Board is established for the geographic areas of Lake Havasu City, Bullhead City, and Kingman.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon the adjudication of a juvenile for a delinquent act, the Mohave County Superior Court may order the youth and his/her parents to appear before the Restorative Justice Recommendation board. The Restorative Justice Recommendation Board is charged with the responsibility of developing recommendations for the dispositional report for the

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Court. The probation officer with the Mohave County Probation Department shall share all relevant criminal and social history information with the Restorative Justice Recommendation Board. The Restorative Justice Recommendation Board shall keep all information gathered as part of this process strictly confidential. The probation officer shall reduce to writing the recommendations of the Restorative Justice Recommendation Board, along with the probation officer's recommendations, and include these recommendations in the Dispositional Report. The Dispositional Report containing the Restorative Justice Recommendation Board's recommendation shall be submitted by the probation officer to the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the probation officer shall keep the Restorative Justice Recommendation Board informed of the juvenile's progress.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mohave County Probation Department shall develop policies and procedures for the operation of the Mohave County Restorative Justice Recommendation Board which are consistent with this Administrative Order.

DATED this 6 1/2 day of January

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Honorable James E. Chavez
Presiding Juvenile Judge

Mohave County Superior Court

Original filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court in Mohave County.