

The Road to Repair: Restorative Justice in the Aftermath of Serious Violence and Harm

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TOPICS WE WILL COVER

Criminalization

Impact of Criminalization

Promises of Alternative Approaches

Values Restorative Justice

Models

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Impacts of Criminalizations

SURVIVORS OPT OUT

More than half of people who experience violence contact 911 to begin with.

SURVIVORS NEEDS ARE NOT MET

Many victims and survivors who do "successfully" navigate the criminal legal system are not satisfied with their experience

SURVIVORS ARE CRIMINALIZED

Many survivors are criminalized for actions they have taken to survive violence

IT DOES NOT REDUCE VIOLENCE

Arrest, convictions and prison sentences do not address the root causes of harm and often, lead to further violence

What other options do we have?



Punitive Justice

What laws have been broken?

Who did it?

What do they deserve?

Restorative Justice

Who has been hurt?

What are their needs?

Whose obligations are these?

Punitive Justice

Crime is a violation of the law and the state

Violations create guilt

Justice requires the state to determine blame (guilt) and impose punishment

Restorative Justice

Harm is a violation of people, relationship and obligations to one another

Violations create obligations

Justice involves everyone involved in an effort to address the harm

Restorative Justice is not...

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ONLY FOR "MINOR
OFFENSES"

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MEDIATION

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ABOUT FORGIVENESS

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NOT A PANACEA

Our Values: A Compass, Not a Map

From coercion and punishment to
self and community accountability

From justice as "getting even" to
justice as "getting well"

Centering racial equity



More Resources

CREATIVE INTERVENTIONS TOOLKIT

- Comprehensive and practical tools

TRANSFORMHARM.ORG

- Resource hub about community ways to end violence

SURVIVED & PUNISHED

- National project to defend criminalized survivors of violence