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*Mobile
Restorative
Justice Liaison*

A vertical banner with a red and yellow background. It features the Ne-Chee Friendship Centre logo at the top, which includes two teepees and a sun. Below the logo is the text "Ne-Chee Friendship Centre". Underneath is a collage of four nature images: autumn leaves, a cornucopia of corn, a log, and a pine tree. Below the collage is the text "Mobile Restorative Justice Liaison" in italics. At the bottom of the banner is a single feather.

THE RJ COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ontario Provincial Police-Kenora
Treaty Three Police Service
Ministry of the Attorney General
Ne-Chee Friendship Centre
Direct Accountability
Youth Justice Committee
Grand Council Treaty #3
Kenora Chiefs Advisory
Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Service

Mobile Restorative Justice Liaison

The RJ Liaison works in partnership with the OPP and the local Restorative Justice Committee to address issues of overrepresentation of indigenous people involved with the justice system. The goal is to encourage those accused of minor offences to participate in a Restorative Justice program. Restorative justice programs are an alternative option to Traditional court processes. Restorative Justice involves the accused accepting responsibility for the harm they caused and often meeting with the victim and members of the community to discuss how the participating parties were affected by the crime that took place.

The main role of the RJ Liaison is to go “mobile” into the community and speak with clients who were referred to the Restorative Justice Committee for pre-charge diversion who haven’t connected with the assigned Coordinator or who are no longer participating in the program. The liaison will go to places the client is known to frequent such as shelters, local hangouts and other community organizations. Once they locate the clients, they will attempt to get them re-engaged in the RJ process and refer them to contact the appropriate RJ program coordinator.

The Restorative Justice Committee

The Restorative Justice Committee is a group of Justice Partners that developed a streamlined and efficient pre-charge diversion referral process. The RJ Committee accepts referrals regardless of indigenous background, but its main priority is the Indigenous population. The Committee works to reduce the overrepresentation of Indigenous people in the criminal justice system and aims to reduce recidivism rates.

