



## Mission Statement

*RAMP is culturally sensitive with a focus on restorative justice principles. We promote respectful relationships and encourage harmony within our community.*

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# Regina Alternative Measures Program



Finding a better way to promote  
balance and harmony amongst  
people in conflict with the law and  
those affected by such conflict.

## RAMP receives a referral

**What RAMP attempts** to achieve is to bring people and resources together in an effort to repair the harm that was caused with the commission of an offence. The process is a practical alternative to the formal court process.

**Every file at RAMP** is handled by a Community Justice Facilitator from the program who acts as a neutral party and facilitates the process.

**There are procedures** in place to ensure that the victim is considered, is offered the opportunity to participate, and receives maximum possible satisfaction from the process. If a victim decides against or is unable to participate, a **surrogate victim volunteer** may represent them. Having surrogate victim participation helps ensure the facilitator's neutrality during the restorative justice process and provides community input.

## Community Involvement

**Elders, family, and community members** support makes a difference to a person's success in the program.

The "**Elder**" person is a respected and honoured member of the community who is asked to share their experience and knowledge with others during the community justice process.

## Program Participation

**RAMP is a voluntary program.** Offenders who choose to go through RAMP (as opposed to the traditional court system) must have met requirements to be considered appropriate:

- willingly accept full **responsibility** for her/his actions
- be ready to be **accountable** for how the crime has affected the victim

**The Crown Prosecutor** makes the final determination of referrals to RAMP. The recommendation may have been initiated by the investigating police officer or by the Crown Prosecutor when the offender first appeared in court.

## Restorative Justice Is....

A philosophy that encourages dialogue, and responsibility for past behaviour, while focusing on future problem solving, and an understanding of the obligations created by the offence.

**Restorative justice programs** have trained facilitators who are sensitive to the needs of victims and offenders and who understand the dynamics of the criminal justice system.

## RAMP Programs

(VOICE) VICTIMS, OFFENDERS  
& COMMUNITY  
SERIOUS OFFENCE PROGRAM



The **VOICE** program is a restorative justice approach to serious crime. This program offers an opportunity for victims, offenders, and community members to discuss an offender's criminal behaviour, by providing support, identifying needs, and exploring concerns for accountability, responsibility, reparation and safety through a confidential and voluntary process.



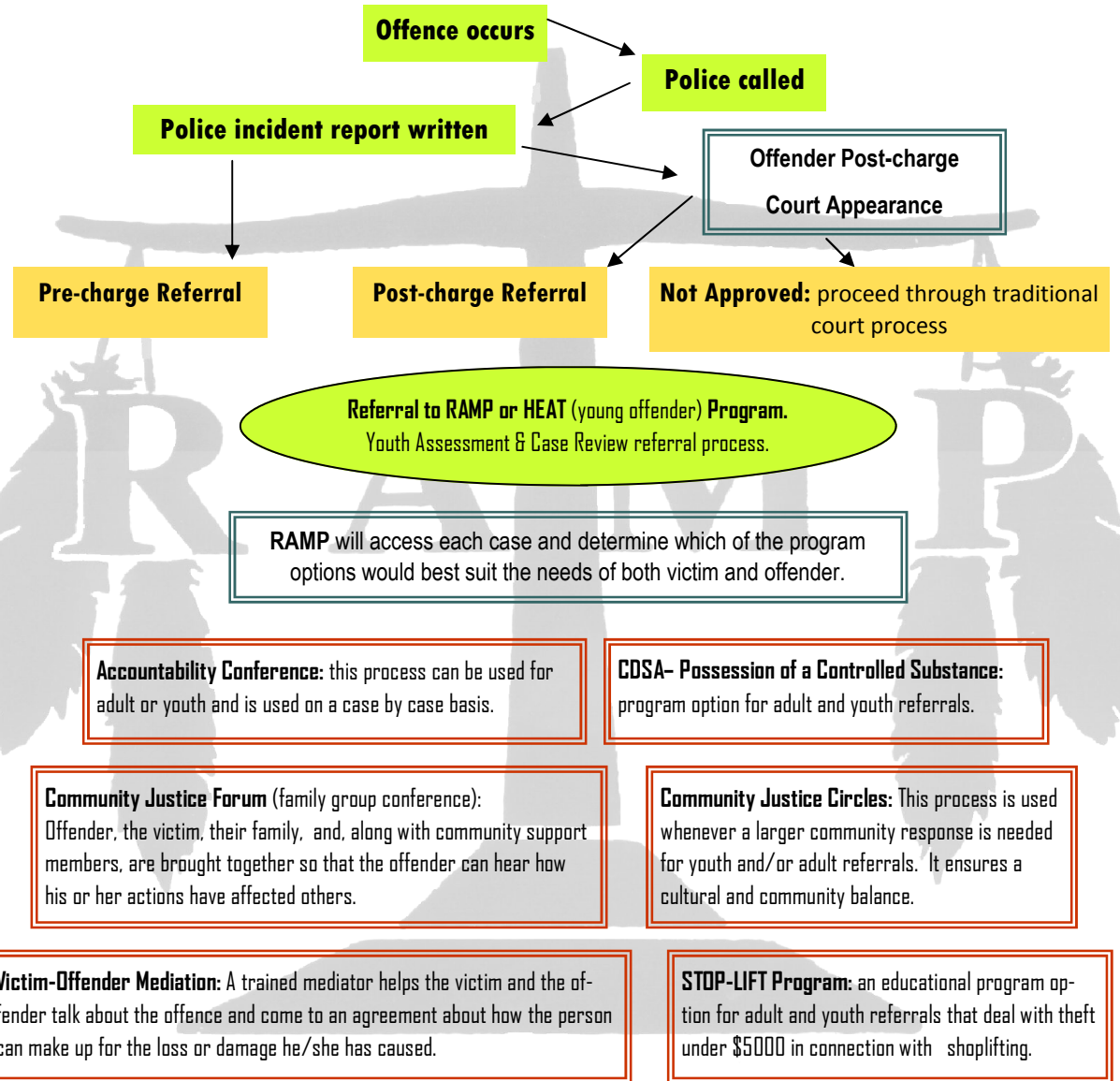
**Help Eliminate Auto Theft (HEAT) Program** is for referred youth, who are receiving their first auto offence related charge.

The objective of the HEAT program is to provide early, targeted interventions with an aim to interrupt potential re-offending behaviors.

## Restorative Justice Projects

- Youth and Elder Symposium (YES)
- Seek, Explore, Experience Kulture (SEEK)
  - youth activities
- Youth and Elder Peacemakers Program (YEPP)
  - Albert Arrows Archery and Peacekeepers group

# Case Referral Process



**Alternative Measures Intervention** can lead to an **agreement\*** that may have one or more components or results: *apology, letter of experience, counseling, community service hours, donations to charity, education programs, payments to victims, service hours/tasks to victim, etc.*

\* If these **are not** completed satisfactorily, file will be returned to Crown for decision.

\* If these **are** completed satisfactorily, the matter is dismissed, no conviction.