

Anoka County Victim/Witness Services Survey

We want to hear from you

We would greatly appreciate your time and cooperation in completing this short survey to provide feedback about Anoka County Victim/Witness Services. The goal of this survey is to understand your experience with the Victim Witness Specialist(s) you worked with and consider it to make positive changes to our service to victims. Please separate any contact you may have had with police, attorneys, judges, or other criminal justice system professionals during the criminal justice process.

This is an anonymous survey. If you would like someone to contact you after completing this survey, please include your name and contact information in the comments section of Question 11.

1. How soon after hearings were you updated by the Victim Witness Specialist?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The same day as the hearing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Within 1 business day
<input type="checkbox"/>	Within 3 business days
<input type="checkbox"/>	More than 3 business days after the hearing
<input type="checkbox"/>	I never received updates after hearings
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable (I did not request updates)

2. How clear was the information the Victim Witness Specialist provided to you?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extremely clear
<input type="checkbox"/>	Very clear
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat clear
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not so clear
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not at all clear

3. Would you agree that the assistance you received from the Victim Witness Specialist helped you understand your rights as a crime victim?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree

4. Did the Victim Witness Specialist encourage your participation in the prosecution process? (examples: invited you to attend hearings, requested your input regarding a plea offer, provided options for a victim impact statement, etc.)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, and I participated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, but I chose not to participate
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, but I would have liked to participate
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, and I didn't want to participate

5. If you provided input regarding the case, do you feel your interests were heard and considered?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	I did not provide input

6. How professional was the Victim Witness Specialist during your interactions?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extremely professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	Very professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not so professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not at all professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	I did not have any interaction with the Victim Witness Specialist

7. Overall, how responsive was the Victim Witness Specialist to your questions or concerns?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extremely responsive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Very responsive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat responsive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not very responsive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not at all responsive
<input type="checkbox"/>	I did not communicate any questions or concerns to the Victim Witness Specialist

8. If you could sit down with the offender to have a conversation in a neutral, safe environment with a mediator present, would you be interested?
(Anoka County Victim/Witness Services has a Restorative Justice Specialist that coordinates Victim/Offender Dialogues after the case is closed. If you would like her to contact you with more information, please include your name and contact information in the comment section below.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

Comments:

9. What needs did you have during the prosecution process that you feel weren't addressed?

10. What changes would have improved your experience with Anoka County Victim/Witness Services?

11. Do you have any other comments, questions, or concerns?
(Please include your name and contact information here if you would like to be contacted)

Please feel free to send additional sheets if your comments do not fit on this page.