



SEDONA POLICE DEPARTMENT

100 Roadrunner Drive, Sedona, AZ 86336



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RE: Support of Northern Arizona Restorative Justice

To Whom It May Concern:

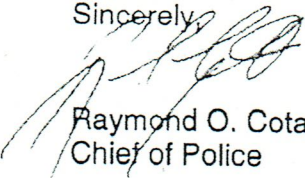
The Sedona Police Department has been a long-standing supporter and partner of Northern Arizona Restorative Justice (NARJ). NARJ is utilized as our juvenile offender diversion program which provides community based solutions to create timely and responsive accountability for juvenile offenders. They have maintained excellent communication with our department and keep us informed about the progress and outcome of juveniles that have been referred to them by our police officers.

As a smaller rural police department with limited resources, the services and programs provided by NARJ assist us greatly in accomplishing our public safety mission in a most cost effective manner. Our department has experienced tremendous success from our partnership with NARJ and has seen extremely low recidivism rates from juveniles who have completed their programs.

The existence of NARJ in our community is not only an effective tool for our personnel but a fantastic resource for parents/guardians who need assistance in dealing with harmful or negative behavior from their children. The youth of our community also benefit from NARJ by having a program that is focused on creating responsibility and accountability for their actions.

We are truly fortunate to have the services of Northern Arizona Restorative Justice and wholly support funding of their activities from private and public sources. The efforts by NARJ certainly contribute greatly to the enhancement of the quality of life for our entire community. Please consider this letter a recommendation for new or renewed funding for NARJ and a confirmation of the valuable partnership that exists between NARJ and the Sedona Police Department.

Sincerely,


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