# The Office of the Federal Ombudsman for Victims of Crime



#### Who are we

An independent office that helps people who have been harmed by an offender serving a federal sentence (two years or more) and provides information on federal programs and services.

### What we do

#### We help victims by...



answering questions about their rights under federal law, including the *Corrections and Conditional Release Act* (CCRA) and *Canadian Victims Bill of Rights* (CVBR)



reviewing complaints related to federal government departments agencies, laws, policies, programs and services



providing information about victim services and programs in Canada

### We raise awareness by...



ensuring policy-makers are aware of victims' rights, needs and concerns



sharing who we are and what we do

#### We provide advice by...



identifying federal laws, programs, policies and services that have a negative impact on victims



making recommendations to the federal government to make laws, policies and programs more responsive to victims of crime

## Our guiding principles

We help ensure fair treatment for victims of crime through our...



Independence



Confidentiality



**Impartiality** 



**Informal Approach** 

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