



correctional services

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Because the work that we do contribute towards making South Africa a safer place.

# WE MATTER!

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## Mission & Vision

**Vision:**  
Providing the best  
Correctional Services for a  
safer South Africa

**Mission:**  
Contributing to a just, peaceful  
and safer South Africa through  
effective and humane  
incarceration of inmates,  
rehabilitation and social  
reintegration of offenders



## Our Values

**JUSTICE**

**SECURITY**

**DEVELOPMENT**

**INTEGRITY**

**EQUITY**

**ACCOUNTABILITY**

**EFFECTIVENESS**

**UBUNTU**

**VOD**

**IN**

**CORRECTIONAL**

**SERVICES**

**WHAT IS VOD ?**

**victim**



**offender**

**dialogues**

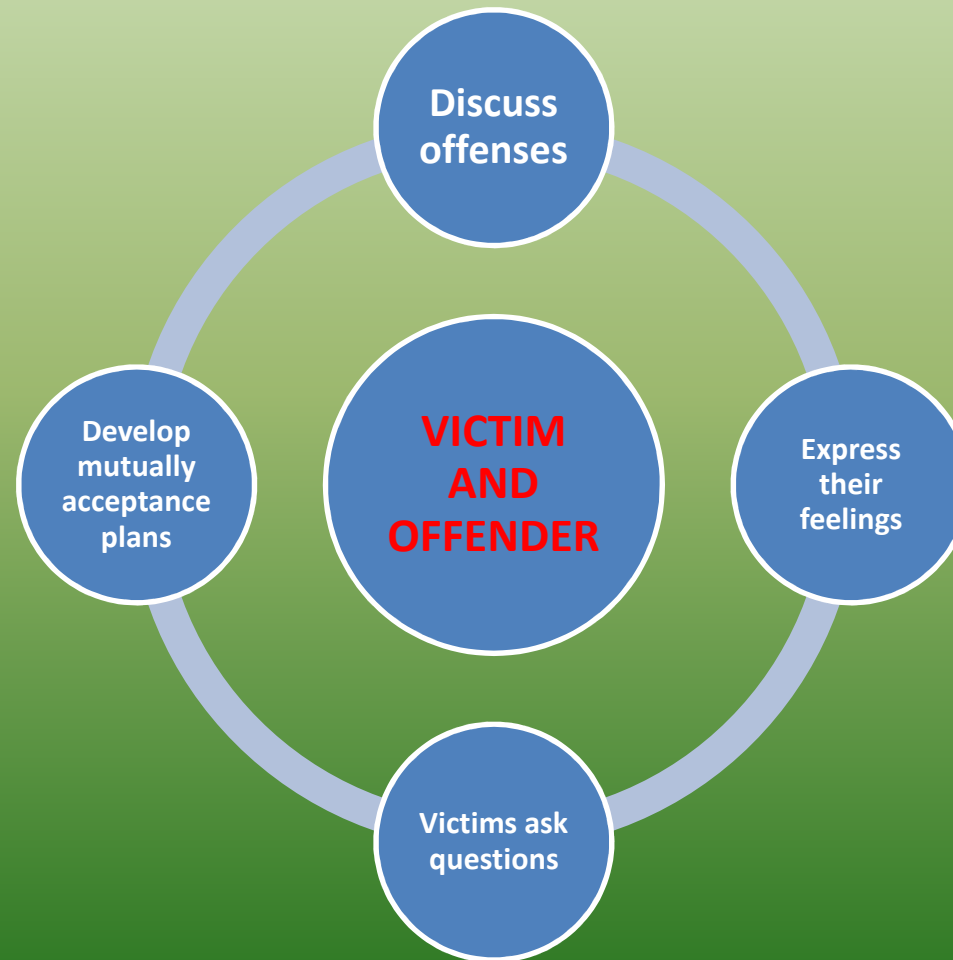
**WHY VOD?**

- It provides a ***restorative conflict resolution process*** between **victims** and **offenders** in repairing the emotional and material harm caused by the crime.

- To provide an opportunity to the **victims** to possibly find closure of their traumatic experience.
- The **healing** of emotional wounds.



# VOD PROVIDES ALSO OPPORTUNITIES FOR :




**WHAT IS THE AIMS  
OF VOD?**

- To strengthen the current rehabilitation and re-integration programmes of DCS by placing the victim at the centre of the intervention process.
- VOD is therefore **VICTIM DRIVEN.**
- To provide an opportunity for community participation in the fight against crime.
- To prevent repeat offending(Recidivism).

# VOD IS NOT.....

- Forgiveness and reconciliation;
- A requirement for Parole;
- Settlement driven.

**PRINCIPLES OF  
DCS's VOD ARE....**



**Offender submits to  
human renewal  
programmes.**

**Victim voluntary agree to  
meet.**

**Victim and offender  
actively engaged  
seperately and together.**



**DCS professionals will facilitate the programme continuously.**

**Research and marketing resources are available to keep roleplayers informed.**

**Collective desire amongst broader public to build safe and secure communities.**

# **THE VOD PROCESS**



**VOD  
FACILITATOR**

**PREPARING.....**

**VICTIM**

**OFFENDER**

**During  
process.....**

**RIGHTS**

**ASK  
QUESTIONS**

**REALISTIC  
EXPECTATIONS**

- **The session can be terminated at any time by the facilitator.**
- **Only the victim/s and the offender and their family will be allowed in the room during the dialogue.**

# **PUBLIC DIALOGUE MEETING**

- After private VOD.
- Community will have the opportunity to ask questions .



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**Thank you**