



City of Santa Clarita Community Court

A Diversion Program Consent Agreement



In the matter of _____, a minor.

I, _____, a minor under or about to come under juvenile court jurisdiction pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 601 or Welfare and Institutions Code Section 602, and having agreed to participate in the Community Court diversion program, hereby acknowledge that I understand the following:

1. The format and purpose of the Community Court as set forth in the Program Description.
2. My consent to participate in Community Court is knowing and voluntary. By agreeing to participate in this diversion program, I am knowingly waiving my right to a speedy trial in the traditional juvenile court system, waiving my right to a jury trial and waiving my right to an attorney.
3. I understand that Community Court hearing is open to the public, and by signing this form, I knowingly waive my rights to confidentiality for Community Court purposes only.
4. The disposition of the Judge of the Community Court may include, but is not limited to, a combination of the following: community service, educational workshops, essay, letter of apology, restitution, and/or counseling. By signing this form, I and my parent(s) agree to accept and complete the Community Court disposition.
5. Any and all activities ordered by the Community Court for me will be under the authority, supervision and control of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.
6. Only after my disposition has been successfully completed will my case be closed with no further criminal action taken. I also understand that if I fail to complete the disposition as set forth in the timeframe given, or I get arrested before I have completed the disposition, I will be automatically expelled from the Program and my case will be returned to the traditional justice system.
7. I authorize the City of Santa Clarita Community Court Coordinator, or designee, to release information to the staff of the Santa Clarita Community Court Program. I understand that the option of Community Court may be withdrawn if a review of law enforcement records reveals that I am a member of, or associated with, a youth gang, or have been involved in criminal activity unknown to the Coordinator at this time, or if I am involved in new criminal activity prior to the successful completion of the program.
8. *It is further agreed and understood* that as a condition of participation in the Santa Clarita Community Court Program, I and my parent(s) or legal guardian(s) promise to hold harmless the City of Santa Clarita, its officers, employees, agents, the Santa Clarita Community Court, its Advisory Board, staff and instructors, the Sheriff's Department, and any community service agency or individuals from any and all actions, causes of action, or any claims whatsoever, which may arise out of my participation in any activity of the Santa Clarita Community Court Program.
9. By signing below, I acknowledge to having read, understood, and agreed to all the foregoing provisions of this Consent Agreement.

Minor: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Community Court Coordinator: _____

Date: _____