Case Referral Guidelines

- Cases can be referred to the KCPCT for youth living in King County
- Cases involving cross complaints and/or charges related to street or gang involved youth are considered high priority referrals
- Cases with severe drug use or mental health issues may not be considered

Gratitude
We are grateful for the tradition of Peacemaking Circles that has been passed to us from the Tagish and Tlingit First Nation People. Additionally, we are grateful to Saroeum Phoung of PointOneNorth who trained us in the Peacemaking tradition and further offers his learnings regarding the justice system and creating a transformative movement.

Support
We are in need of and welcome financial support. Please send donations to:

The Church Council of Greater Seattle
Attn: Peacemaking
PO Box 18467
Seattle, WA 98118

On the memo line, please put: Peacemaking or PCT

KING COUNTY PEACEMAKING COORDINATING TEAM

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Our Vision Statement:
Communities in Peace: Where Everyone Matters and Belongs

Our Mission Statement:
Transforming Brokenness into Beauty

Our Core Values:
• Interconnected relationships
• Honoring and celebrating one another
• Partnering and collaborating

Who We Are:
The KCPCT is a working committee that meets to coordinate Peacemaking activities in King County. The members of the committee include community partners, faith-based leaders, parents, local residents, young people, as well as leaders and personnel from county and state agencies and key stakeholders from the King County criminal justice system.

Our Roles and Responsibilities
• Review all referrals to the KCPCT to determine suitability for circle process
• Plan and coordinate the process including: preparation of participants and logistics of circle, agreements with all involved parties and follow-up needed between and after completion of the process
• Ensure the quality and integrity of the Peacemaking Circle Process
• Work closely with the justice system and community participants including offenders and victims
• Ensure that all guidelines and agreements are made through consensus, are meeting reasonable expectations and can be held by all participants throughout the entire process
• Complete appropriate documents to report back and ensure compliance with the justice system requirements and the community process

“If we do not transform our pain, we will most assuredly transmit it.”
Richard Rohr

Our Goals and Objectives
• Increase community relationships and support for victims and offenders by utilizing community resources and community members including family members, relatives, and friends.
• Address harm and healing for the individuals involved as well as for the community
• Engage the offender(s) in a process that leads to full accountability for the harms caused and to determine appropriate reparation
• Determine sentencing agreements that are reflective of the victim’s satisfaction with the process, the community’s expectations for safety, and the offender’s understanding of harms caused and reparations needed