

## VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE ALTERNATIVE PLEA PROGRAM NOTIFICATION OF PROGRAM

1. You have been charged with an offense in the Village of Granville Mayor's Court.
2. Should you qualify, you may be permitted to avoid prosecution by voluntary participation and successful completion of the Village of Granville Alternative Plea Program. This program consists of a maximum probationary period of one (1) year. Successful completion of the program may include any combination or all of the following: counseling, education, community service work, treatment, restitution, and other rehabilitation efforts.
3. If you successfully complete the Alternative Plea Program, the Court will dismiss the charge(s) against you.
4. When contemplating application to the Village of Granville Alternative Plea Program, you should consider the following basic requirements:
  - a. Be a first time offender, as defined in R.C. 2935.36(E)(1) and noted within the eligibility Criteria Packet/Appendix 1, and formally charged with a misdemeanor criminal/traffic offense in the Village of Granville Mayor's Court;
  - b. Not have previously participated in an **adult** Alternative Plea/Diversion Program in any jurisdiction;
  - c. Not have any other criminal/traffic charges pending in any jurisdiction;
  - d. Offender must **accept responsibility** for his/her offense(s) in writing;
  - e. Complete all program forms, applications, and payment of program fees in the amount of \$265.00;
  - f. Agree to complete all program requirements and conditions of the individual offender's Alternative Plea Program Agreement;
  - g. Willingness to make restitution to victim(s) relating to offense(s) for which offender is charged, if applicable; and
  - h. Schedule and attend all meetings, sessions, and appointments associated with the Alternative Plea Program and rehabilitation efforts, and to fully cooperate with all Granville Alternative Plea Program staff.

If you believe you are eligible for this program and you wish to apply for the Village of Granville Alternative Plea Program, please indicate this to the Mayor or Magistrate when your matter is called. You will be required to waive your right to a speedy trial and complete the application for the program and return it to the Clerk of Courts within one (1) week from today. The clerk will then forward your application along with your case matter to the Law Director's office where it will be reviewed for program eligibility.

