



City of Gonzales Police Department 2023



Impact Panel Dates

Sign in is between 5:30 p.m. and 5:55 p.m. with the session beginning at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Late arrivals will NOT be allowed. A Money Order in the amount of \$40.00, payable to MADD is required at registration.

January 30, 2023

March 27, 2023

May 22, 2023

July 31, 2023

September 25, 2023

November 27, 2023

The purpose of the Victim Impact Panel (VIP) program is to help drunk and drugged driving offenders to recognize and internalize the lasting and long-term effects of substance-impaired driving. The classes seek to create an empathy and understanding of the tragedy, leave a permanent impression that leads to changes in thinking and behavior and prevents future offenses.

At a VIP, victims, survivors and others impacted by substance-impaired driving crashes speak briefly about the crash in which they were injured and/or a loved one was killed or injured. They share a first-person account of how the crash impacts their lives.

They do not blame or judge. They simply tell their stories, describing how their lives and the lives of their families and friends were affected by the crash.