

Have you participated in Gretna's Deferred Prosecution Program?

You may benefit beginning in December 2020



How would you benefit?

A settlement (legal agreement) has been proposed to help you get the benefits you deserve under the law. See below to see how you would benefit based on your Program involvement:

You...	Your Proposed Benefit
Are currently in the program and have a hard time making payments (Now)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ If you qualify, Program fees can be divided into smaller payments (payment plans)✓ Payment plans will be 12 months or less✓ Monthly payments no more than what you earn in an 8 hour workday✓ If you qualify, program fees may be waived under certain conditions
Paid some program fees, were dropped from the program, and still have an open case (2018 and after)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Can rejoin the program with credit for past payments and get all benefits listed above✓ Avoid conviction
Paid some program fees, were dropped from the program, and were later convicted (After June 1, 2015)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Refund of all your past payments to the Program in excess of the fines and fees you paid after conviction
Have unpaid program fees (Before Jan. 1, 2018)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Program debt erased (automatically)✓ Case dismissed (automatically)

What do you need to do to get your benefits?

No action. These changes will happen automatically, if the settlement is approved.

If you disagree with the settlement or think it's unfair, what can you do?

You can file a written objection with the Federal District Court by emailing NelsonSettlement@laed.uscourts.gov or by sending a letter to 500 Poydras St, New Orleans, LA 70130 **on or before Nov. 6, 2020**. You can also attend a hearing by phone or video on Dec. 4, 2020, at noon and tell the federal court why you think the settlement shouldn't be approved. **Contact the Court at the email address above or call 504-620-2259 before Dec. 1, 2020, to participate in the hearing.**



Will your address change before December 2020?

Call the MacArthur Justice Center at 504-620-2259, so we can get you information about your benefits.

The Roderick & MacArthur Justice Center is a non-profit law firm representing the people (class members) who sued the City of Gretna and others in Nelson v. Constant.

Want to learn more about your rights?



Call MJC at 504-620-2259.
Mon – Thurs 9 a.m–6 p.m.



Visit www.GretnaDeferredProsecutionProgram.com

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