Fighting Back Against Crime and the Opioid Epidemic

Tim Lohmar
St. Charles County Prosecuting Attorney

Meet the Prosecutor

Prosecuting Attorney Tim Lohmar was born and raised in St. Charles and has made St. Charles County his lifelong home. He graduated from St. Charles West High School and received his undergraduate and juris doctorate degrees from the University of Missouri – Columbia. Mr. Lohmar started his career as an attorney in private practice and later served as the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the City of O’Fallon, the Prosecuting Attorney for the City of St. Charles, and the first Municipal Judge for the St. Charles County Municipal Court. In 2010, he was elected to serve as an associate circuit judge for the State of Missouri. In 2012, he was appointed by St. Charles County Executive Steve Ehlmann to serve as the prosecuting attorney for St. Charles County. Mr. Lohmar was re-elected as prosecuting attorney in 2014, and is currently serving in his second term as the County’s chief law enforcement officer.

Throughout his professional career, Mr. Lohmar has served on the boards of several organizations including, including the St. Charles Community College Board of Trustees, SSM St. Joseph Foundation Board, Eastern Missouri Law Enforcement Academy Board of Directors, and Connections to Success Board of Directors. Additionally, he serves as President of the Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys.

About the St. Charles County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office

St. Charles County is home to more than 395,000 citizens and is one of the fastest-growing counties in Missouri. The St. Charles County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office is comprised of dedicated and highly-trained professionals committed to keeping our community safe and secure. We, along with our local law enforcement partners, are honored to be guardians of justice and order and proud to be entrusted by the people of St. Charles County.

Prosecution Overview

The Prosecuting Attorney’s Office is the only authority in the county to prosecute violations of state criminal laws. These criminal violations range from misdemeanors to murders and are codified in Title XXXVIII of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri.
Our Goals

• To strive for just disposition of criminal cases and to promote public safety and order through timely, efficient, and effective prosecution.

• To ensure victims and witnesses of crimes are treated with respect, courtesy, and sensitivity throughout the criminal justice process.

• To improve the criminal justice system by identifying areas of need and working collaboratively with other criminal justice agencies and the community to improve and progress.

• To encourage and promote crime prevention and early intervention initiatives to stop crime before prosecution is necessary.

• To identify, promote, and implement new and innovative approaches to solving crime and protecting our community.

Our Services and Programs

Victim Services

Missouri’s Constitution guarantees rights for crime victims. The Prosecuting Attorney’s office strives to ensure that victims are informed of these rights, and that all victims are treated with dignity, respect, courtesy and sensitivity.

Victim of crime assistance services include:

• Advocacy.
• Education and preparation for the steps in the criminal justice system.
• Emergency services, including assistance in obtaining protective orders.
• Courtroom escort.
• Crisis support.
• Transportation.
• Stress management.

Additionally, the office has a facility dog. Sully is a Golden Retriever that provides assistance to victims in court, especially child victims of sexual, emotional and/or physical abuse. Dogs like Sully provide comfort to child victims during the often-intimidating process of testifying in court.

Treatment Courts

St. Charles County offers Drug, Veteran, DWI and Mental Health (co-occurring) treatment court options. These supervised, voluntary, and comprehensive treatment programs for offenders require regular court appearance and attendance. The Prosecuting Attorney’s Office initially screens and approves all candidates for admission.
C.R.U.S.H. Opioids and Heroin

C.R.U.S.H. (Community Resources United to Stop Heroin) was established by the Prosecuting Attorney’s Office in May 2015. The initiative involves schools, law enforcement, treatment providers, community leaders and health care organizations to address the growing heroin epidemic.

C.R.U.S.H. plans and implements events and programs that target education and prevention of substance abuse in their community. These include:

- **The Annual Teen Drug Summit**: This day-long event reaches more than 350 6th through 8th grade students on the dangers of heroin and empowers students to make decisions that result in a drug-free life.
- **School-based education**: Presentations by Prosecuting Attorney Tim Lohmar, staff, and community partners in classroom settings and assemblies communicate the importance of abstaining from drug use and underage drinking.

T.R.E.N.D. Diversion Program

T.R.E.N.D. (Taking Responsibility and Empowering New Direction) is a program implemented by the Prosecuting Attorney’s Office in October 2018 and designed for young, first-time, non-violent offenders. This six-month program requires community service, restitution, and lessons in victim awareness and empathy. For consideration, offenders must be between the ages of 17 and 24, have no prior charges, and meet additional criteria.

Frequently Requested Phone Numbers

- Main Office
  636-949-7355
- Bad Checks Unit
  636-949-7365
- Child Support
  636-949-7365
- Restitution
  636-949-7450
- Victim Assistance
  636-949-7370

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