CRIME **VICTIMS**

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS



BUREAU OF VICTIM SERVICES 1-800-380-3811 http://da.lacounty.gov/victims





Victims' Rights

Victims have the right to be treated with dignity and respect. As a victim of crime or a family member of a victim, you have many rights throughout the criminal justice process, some of which are listed below. **These** rights are yours, but for many of them, you must request, or complete paperwork before they will **be honored.** Victims and survivors have the right to:

- Be informed of the status of their cases, including investigation, arrest and prosecution of the suspects.
- Have your names kept confidential if you are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, child abuse, stalking or a hate crime.
- Have a support person in court when you testify.
- Receive court orders telling defendants to stop harming or harassing them.
- Reasonable notice of all court proceedings.
- Attend all court proceedings.
- Speak to the prosecutor.
- Be heard in court if something is happening that is affecting your rights.
- Tell the judge about the crime's impact on you or your family at the time of sentencing.
- The return of your property.
- Have the judge order restitution for all crimerelated losses when the defendant is convicted.
- Be notified of all post-sentencing matters including appeal status, parole hearings and/or release dates and to participate in all parole hearings. A victim services representative can assist in requesting these notifications. For notification, you need to complete a CDCR 1707 form

Be notified if the suspect/defendant is released from Los Angeles County jail custody or California State Prison.

For Jails: Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) provides automatic notification to victims who have registered when a suspect is released from custody. Call 1-877-VINE-4-LA (1-877-846-**3452)** to register for notification. Victims must reregister if the defendant is sentenced to state prison.

For Prison: To receive notification about anyone incarcerated at a California State Prison, CDCR's 1707 form must be completed. This form can be downloaded or completed online at this website - http://www. cdcr.ca.gov/victim-services/application/.

Additional information on victims' constitutional rights is available in the Marsy's Law pamphlet: http:// da.lacounty.gov/marsys-law.

Victim Services

The District Attorney's Bureau of Victim Services is available in courthouses and police stations to assist victims and their families. Victim services representatives assist victims with emergency needs; counseling resources and referrals; restitution orders and return of personal property; orientation to the criminal justice system; court escort and support; and information on the status of filed cases. Victim services representatives assist victims of violence or the threat of violence in applying for compensation for crimerelated losses from the California Victim Compensation Board.

Victim services representatives are specially trained to help child as well as elder victims, victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and victims with disabilities. Representatives are available to assist victims in several languages. All services are free and there is no legal residency requirement.

Information for Undocumented **Victims and Survivors**

Victims are not required to be in legal immigration status to request services. Under federal law, certain undocumented crime victims who have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse are eligible to apply for the U nonimmigrant status visa (U Visa). For a list of local nonprofit agencies that assist victims with the U visa and T visa application process, please visit http://da.lacounty.gov/victims/uvisa/uvisatvisa-assistance-agencies.

California Victim Compensation Board

Who may be eligible for compensation?

- Victims of crimes of violence or threats of violence, whether or not a criminal case is filed.
- Family members or cohabitants of the victim, including those dependent on the victim for financial support.
- Anyone who pays the funeral or burial expenses of a deceased victim.
- A qualified primary caretaker of a minor victim.
- Child witnesses to any crime of violence.

Requirements:

- An application must be filed within three years of the crime.
- Victims must not have participated in the crime.
- Victims must cooperate with law enforcement and prosecution.

Covered Expenses:

- Medical, dental and hospital expenses.
- Mental health counseling.
- Relocation.
- Funeral and burial costs.
- Crime scene cleanup.
- Loss of wages or support.
- Job retraining and rehabilitation.
- Home security installation.

To receive reimbursement, the California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB) requires losses to be crime-related. Reimbursement amounts may vary, for updated information, please visit http://victims. **ca.gov**/. Other sources of reimbursement, such as insurance, must be used first. CalVCB cannot pay any expenses incurred while a victim is on parole, probation or post-release community supervision for a violent felony, or while incarcerated or required to register as a sex offender. For more information on the CalVCB, call toll-free (800) 777-9229. You also may access program information at http://victims.ca.gov/or by writing to CalVCB, P.O. Box 3036, Sacramento, CA 95812-3036.

The District Attorney's Office can assist crime victims with applying for services from CalVCB. For more information on applications that have been submitted or to follow up on an application, please call the Bureau of Victim Services' Claims Verification Unit at (800) 492-5944.



Helping Crime Victims

For Counseling Referrals



For Crisis Intervention



For Case Status Notification



For Emergency Assistance



For Restitution Assistance



For Court Escort



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Victim Centers

Hours:

Monday – Friday, 8 am – 5 pm

Central - Los Angeles (Downtown)

213-974-7490 210 W. Temple St., Rm. 12-514

210 W. Temple 30,7 Mill. 12 311
Los Angeles, CA 90012
<u>Special Units</u>
Elder Abuse213-257-2304
Family Violence213-257-2173
Financial/Fraud and Cyber Crimes 213-257-2443
Community Violence Reduction213-257-2034
Hate and Target Crimes213-974-1636
Juvenile Advocacy Services
Long Beach562-247-2034
South County562-940-8818
Victim Services K-9 Unit213-952-2672
Lifer and Post-Conviction Proceedings 213-974-4110
Realignment Program213-893-7899
Human Sex Trafficking Section213-974-2039
Sex Crimes213-257-2054
Victims' Rights Assistance213-974-9882
Airport 310-727-6516
1701 S. La Cienega Blvd., Ste. 601
Los Angeles, CA 90045
Alhambra

.. 661-974-7716

661-974-7717

150 W. Commonwealth Ave.,

Antelope Valley......

42011 4th St. West, Rm. 3530

Alhambra, CA 91801

Lancaster, CA 93534

Compton	310-603-7538
East Los Angeles	323-780-2045
El Monte (Rio Hondo) 11234 E. Valley Blvd., Rm. 110 El Monte, CA 91731	626-575-5565
One Regent St., Rm. 405 Inglewood, CA 90301	310-419-6764
Long Beach	562-247-2069
Norwalk	
Pasadena	626-356-5783 626-356-5727
Pomona	909-716-4133 909-716-4140
San Fernando	818-898-2406 818-898-2799

	Ave., Rm. 190 A 90503	310-222-3599
•	'Sar Ave., Rm. 201 CA 91401	818-464-5233 818-464-5234
1427 West	vina (Citrus) Covina Pkwy., Rm. 105 na, CA 91790	
Victim Sites at Law Enforcement Agencies		
251 E. Sixtl	ntral Division n St., s, CA 90014	213-974-7490
1358 N. Wi	Ilywood Division Icox Ave., s, CA 90028	323-871-1184
1401 W. Six	mpart Division oth St., s, CA 90017	213-483-6731
7600 S. Bro	uth Bureau Homio adway, s, CA 90003	iide 323-786-5151
145 W. 108	utheast Division th St., Rm. 107 s, CA 90061	323-972-1021
	uthwest Division n Luther King Blvd.,	323-296-8645

	ASD West Hollywood310-358-4
	80 N. San Vicente Blvd., os Angeles, CA 90069
	ASD Homicide Bureau 323-890-5
	Cupania Circle, Ionterey Park, CA 91755
	ASD Special Victims Bureau (Whittier)
	562-946-8.
1	1515 Colima Road,
W	/hittier, CA 90604
L	ASD Special Victims Bureau (Antelope
V	alley)
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	010 W. Avenue J,
Lā	ancaster, CA 93534
L	ASD South Los Angeles323-820-6
	310 W. Imperial Highway,
Lo	os Angeles, CA 90044