

CRIME VICTIMS

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS



BUREAU OF VICTIM SERVICES

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<http://da.lacounty.gov/victims>



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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 crime-related 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 re-register 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 crime-related losses from the California Victim Compensation Board (see below).

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 and are helpful to law enforcement in the investigation or prosecution of criminal activity are eligible to apply for the U nonimmigrant status visa (U Visa). For a list of local non-profit agencies that assist victims with the U visa and T visa application process, please visit <http://da.lacounty.gov/victims/uvisa/uvisa-tvisa-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.

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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 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

Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office
Bureau of Victim Services

Victim Centers

Hours: Monday – Friday, 8 am – 5 pm

Central - Los Angeles (Downtown) 213-974-7490

210 W. Temple St., Rm. 12-514,
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Special Units

Elder Abuse	213-257-2304
Family Violence	213-257-2173
Financial/Fraud and Cyber Crimes	213-257-2443
Community Violence Reduction	213-257-2034
Hate and Target Crimes	213-974-1636
Juvenile Advocacy Services	
Long Beach	562-247-2034
South County	562-940-8818
Victim Services K-9 Unit	213-952-2672
Lifer and Post-Conviction Proceedings	213-974-4110
Realignment Program.....	213-893-7899
Human Sex Trafficking Section	213-974-2039
Sex Crimes.....	213-257-2054
Victims' Rights Assistance.....	213-974-9882

Airport..... 310-727-6516

1701 S. La Cienega Blvd. Ste. 601,
Los Angeles, CA 90045

Alhambra..... 626-308-5417

150 W. Commonwealth Ave.
Alhambra, CA 91801

Antelope Valley..... 661-974-7716

42011 4th St. West, Rm. 3530 661-974-7717
Lancaster, CA 93534

Compton..... 310-603-7579

200 W. Compton Blvd., Rm. 700 310-603-7538
Compton, CA 90220

Special Unit

Compton Community Violence Reduction 310-603-7127

East Los Angeles..... 323-780-2045

4848 E. Civic Center Way, Rm. 201
Los Angeles, CA 90022

El Monte (Rio Hondo)..... 626-575-5565

11234 E. Valley Blvd., Rm. 110,
El Monte, CA 91731

Inglewood..... 310-419-6764

One Regent St., Rm. 405,
Inglewood, CA 90301

Long Beach..... 562-247-2068

275 Magnolia Ave., Ste. 3195 562-247-2069
Long Beach, CA 90802

Special Unit

Human Trafficking..... 562-247-2067

Norwalk..... 562-807-7230

12720 Norwalk Blvd., Rm. 201 562-807-7464
Norwalk, CA 90650

Pasadena..... 626-356-5783

300 E. Walnut St., Rm. 103, 626-356-5727
Pasadena, CA 91101

Pomona..... 909-716-4133

400 Civic Center Dr., Rm. 201 909-716-4140
Pomona, CA 91766

San Fernando..... 818-898-2406

900 Third St., 3rd Floor 818-898-2799
San Fernando, CA 91340

Torrance..... 310-222-3599

825 Maple Ave., Rm. 190,
Torrance, CA 90503

Van Nuys..... 818-464-5233

6230 Sylmar Ave., Rm. 201 818-464-5234
Van Nuys, CA 91401

West Covina (Citrus)..... 626-813-3220

1427 West Covina Pkwy., Rm. 105,
West Covina, CA 91790

Victim Sites at Law Enforcement Agencies

LAPD Central Division 213-974-7490

251 E. Sixth St., Los Angeles, CA 90014

LAPD Hollywood Division 323-871-1184

1358 N. Wilcox Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90028

LAPD Rampart Division 213-483-6731

1401 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles, CA 90017

LAPD South Bureau Homicide..... 323-786-5151

7600 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, CA 90003

LAPD Southeast Division 323-972-1021

145 W. 108th St., Rm. 107, Los Angeles, CA 90061

LAPD Southwest Division 323-296-8645

1546 Martin Luther King Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90062

LASD Santa Clarita..... 661-287-5633

26201 Golden Valley Road, Santa Clarita CA 91355

LASD West Hollywood 310-358-4057

780 N. San Vicente Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90069

LASD Homicide Bureau 323-890-5656

1 Cupania Circle, Monterey Park, CA 91755

LASD Special Victims Bureau (Whittier)

..... 562-946-8233

11515 Colima Road, Whittier, CA 90604

LASD Special Victims Bureau (Antelope Valley)

..... 661-471-1515

1010 W. Avenue J, Lancaster, CA 93534

LASD South Los Angeles..... 323-820-6860

1310 W. Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, CA 90044

Los Angeles City Attorney

Victim Assistance Program

Advocates..... 213-978-2097