

# CRIME VICTIMS

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS



BUREAU OF VICTIM SERVICES

**1-800-380-3811**

<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](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

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