

VICTIM'S INCIDENT RECORD

Vallejo Police Case Number _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Location: _____

Subject Name: _____

Arrested: Yes No

Officer/ID: _____

Victim's Resource Guide



Vallejo Police Department

111 Amador Street

Vallejo, CA 94590

707-648-4321

STATE COMPENSATION FOR VIOLENT CRIME

VICTIMS AND VICTIM ASSISTANCE

If you are injured as the result of a crime and have suffered serious financial hardship as the result of those injuries, or are a person who depended for support on a victim who was killed or injured, you may be eligible to receive financial help from the State of California. To receive that help, you must first file a claim. Property loss is not covered by the State program. For assistance in completing the claim filing process or other victim assistance, contact:

Victim Witness Assistance Program

Vallejo

321 Tuolumne Street

707-553-5321

Fairfield

600 Union Street

707-784-6844

For information about the California Victim's Compensation Program, you may call 800-777-9229. Domestic violence is more than just a "problem in your relationship." It is a crime for any person to threaten, beat, sexually assault or otherwise harm another person, even if they are married. The Vallejo Police Department is committed to protecting persons who are the victims of domestic violence. This guide has been prepared to inform victims about their legal options and the community services available to help them survive their experience.

YOUR LEGAL PROTECTIONS

- **Police Arrest** – Officers will arrest and take to jail offenders who cause serious injuries or who commit repeat offenses.
- **Citizen's Arrest** – In certain cases, officers cannot make an arrest themselves but must ask you to make a citizen's arrest. If you wish to make a citizen's arrest, the officer will be able to take the offender into custody.

- **Emergency Protective Order (EPO)** – an EPO is issued at the time of the incident and is in effect for 5 business days. The victim can request a 30-day extension of the EPO by contacting the District Attorney’s offices in:

Vallejo **707-553-5321**
Fairfield **707-784-6800**

- **Restraining Orders** – A Restraining Order is obtained through the Court Clerk’s office or District Attorney’s offices and is effective for a period set by the court as appropriate to assure the safety of the victim.

If the offender knowingly violates an EPO or Restraining Order, he will be arrested and in most cases, taken to jail.

- **Restraining Order questions and Victim Assistance** – SafeQuest Solano Court Support Program
707-421-6881

If you have questions regarding the criminal or civil issues related to your domestic violence incident, or if you need information about how to press charges against the offender, contact the **Victim Witness Program**, District Attorney’s Office, 321 Tuolumne Street, Vallejo, or call **707-553-5052** or **707-553-5321**.

If the offender is on probation, you may contact the Solano County Probation Office in Vallejo at **707-784-7600**.

RIGHT OF VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

1. Victims may ask the District Attorney to file a criminal complaint.
2. Victims have the right to go to the Superior Court and file a petition requesting any of the following orders for relief:
 - a. An order restraining the attacker from abusing the victim.
 - b. An order preventing the attacker from entering a residence, school, business or place of employment.
 - c. An order awarding the victim or the other parent custody of, or visitation with, a minor child or children.
 - d. An order restraining the attacker from molesting or interfering with minor children in the custody of the victim.
 - e. An order directing the party not granted custody to pay support of minor children, if that party has a legal obligation to do so.

- f. An order directing the defendant to make specified debit payments due while the order is in effect.
- g. An order directing that either or both parties participate in counseling.
- h. A victim of domestic violence has the right to file a civil suit for losses suffered as result of the abuse, including medical expenses, loss of earnings and other expenses incurred by the victim or any agency that may shelter the victim.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

If you are in need of an attorney, you can contact one of the following agencies:

Solano Bar Association – Attorney Referrals Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Leave a 30-second message with name and phone number (no cell phones). **707-422-0127**

Legal Services of Northern California

For low income victims. M, T & Th F – 8:45 AM-11:45 AM & 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. **707-643-0054**

Victims of Crime Resource Center

Sponsored by the Criminal Justice Department of Planning, McGeorge School of Law. Students assist victims by providing legal referrals and information on resources available through the State’s Victims of Crime Program. **800-842-8467**

Family Law Facilitator **707-561-7840**

SHELTERS AND COUNSELING SERVICES

For information about a shelter (even outside of the area to be safer) or if you need advice, contact:

- **SafeQuest Solano Shelters (24 Hours)**
 - **Vallejo** **707-644-7273**
 - **Fairfield** **707-422-7273**
 - **Crises Line** **866-487-7273**
- **STAND! Against Domestic Violence** – Shelter, housing assistance, support groups and legal assistance (24 hours) **888-215-5555**
- **Solano County Health and Social Services** – Shelter, counselors, referrals, food, aid application assistance. M-F 8:00 AM-12:00 PM and 1:00 -5:00 PM. **707-553-5331**
- **Bay Area Helplink** – Referrals on shelters and legal assistance. M-F 8:30 AM-5:30 PM Dial **2-1-1**
- **New Pathways** – Counseling **707-556-9137** part of Catholic Social Services.

- **National Domestic Violence Hotline** – Information on shelters (including those outside the area) legal assistance and referrals to private and government organizations. **800-799-7233**
- **Kaiser Psychiatry** – Telephone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at **707-645-2700**. Office hours M-F 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

ANGER MANAGEMENT AND OTHER SERVICES

**Solano County Rape Crisis Hotline (SafeQuest) 707-644-7273
24 hours a day**

If you or someone you know is the victim of a sexual assault, the following are guidelines that will assist you in making important decisions.

1. **Get to a safe locations. If possible, tell someone you trust what has occurred. Be specific. Tell the first trusted person you see. This account could corroborate your testimony in court if you decide you want to report and prosecute the assailant.**
2. **Call the rape crisis hotline (above).**
3. **Get medical attention. You are the victim of an assault and should be examined by a doctor as soon as possible.**
4. **Do what you can to preserve any evidence. It is best for evidence to be collected immediately, within 24 hours. If you can avoid it, do not wash your face or hands, bathe, shower, douche, brush your teeth, drink, eat or change clothes.**
5. **IF you must change clothes, place each garment in a separate paper (not plastic) bag.**
6. **Seek support of family, friends and/or a counselor.**

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FOR OFFENDERS
AND VICTIMS**

- **Southern Solano Alcohol/Drug Council** – Provides detoxification in/outpatient treatment, clean and sober living facilities, crisis line and drop in service. 24 hour **707-643-2715**
- **Kaiser Chemical Dependency Recovery Program** – Intensive treatment program for Kaiser Members, including Kaiser Medi-Cal enrollees. M-F 8:30 AM-5:30 PM **707-651-1050**
- **Latino Family Alcohol & Drug Services Center of Solano County** – Vacaville **707-449-8014**

Call “VINE”

For Offender Custody Status

And Automatic Notification

(Toll Free) 877-331-8463

Despite the arrest of the person alleged to have committed the offense, that person may be released at anytime. By using the free and anonymous VINE* telephone services, victims can monitor the custody status of an offender in the Solano County Jail. Victims may also register with VINE to be immediately notified when the offender is released from county jail. VINE information is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and is available in both English and Spanish.

*Victim Information and Notification Everyday

VINE Registration Information:

Offender Name

Offender ID or VINE Offender Number

Your 4-digit confirmation personal identification number or PIN

Victim's Bill of Rights

Marsy's Law

The California Constitution, Article 1, Section 28, confers certain rights to victims of crime as they are defined in the law. Those rights include:

1. **Fairness and Respect:** To be treated with fairness and respect for his or her privacy and dignity, and to be free from intimidation, harassment, and abuse, throughout the criminal or juvenile justice process.
2. **Protection from the Defendant:** To be reasonably protected from the defendant and persons acting on behalf of the defendant.
3. **Victim Safety Considerations in Setting Bail and Release Conditions:** To have the safety of the victim and the victim's family considered in fixing the amount of bail and release conditions for the defendant.
4. **The Prevention of the Disclosure of Confidential Information:** To prevent the disclosure of confidential information or records to the defendant, the defendant's attorney, or any other person acting on behalf of the defendant, which could be used to locate or harass the victim or the victim's family or which disclose confidential communications made in the course of medical or counseling treatment, or which are otherwise privileged or confidential by law.
5. **Refusal to be Interviewed by the Defense:** To refuse an interview, deposition, or discovery request by the defendant, the defendant's attorney, or any other person acting on behalf of the defendant, and to set reasonable conditions on the conduct of any such interview to which the victim consents.
6. **Conference with the Prosecution and Notice of Pretrial Disposition:** To reasonable notice of and to reasonably confer with the prosecuting agency, upon request, regarding, the arrest of the defendant if known by the prosecutor, the charges filed, the determination whether to extradite the defendant, and, upon request, to be notified of and informed before any pretrial disposition of the case.
7. **Notice of and Presence at Public Proceedings:** To reasonable notice of all public proceedings, including delinquency proceedings, upon request, at which the defendant and the prosecutor are entitled to be present and of all parole or other post-conviction release proceedings, and to be present at all such proceedings.
8. **Appearance at Court Proceedings and Expression of Views:** to be heard; upon request, at an proceeding, including any delinquency proceeding, involving a post-arrest release decision, plea, sentencing, post-conviction release decision, or any proceeding in which a right of the victim is at issue.
9. **Speedy Trial and Prompt Conclusion of the Case:** To a speedy trial and a prompt and final conclusion of the case and any related post-judgment proceedings.
10. **Provision of Information to the Probation Department:** To provide information to a probation department official conducting a pre-sentence investigation concerning the impact of the offense on the victim and the victim's family and any sentencing recommendations before the sentencing of the defendant.
11. **Receipt of Pre-Sentence Report:** To receive, upon request, the pre-sentence report when available to the defendant, except for those portions made confidential by law.
12. **Information About Conviction, Sentence, Incarceration, Release, and Escape:** To be informed, upon request, of the conviction, sentence, place and time of incarceration, or other disposition of the defendant, the scheduled release date of the defendant, and the release of or the escape by the defendant from custody.
13. **Restitution:**
 - a. It is the unequivocal intention of the People of the State of California that all persons who suffer losses as a result of criminal activity shall have the right to seek and secure restitution from the persons convicted of the crimes causing the losses they suffer.
 - b. Restitution shall be ordered from the convicted wrongdoer in every case, regardless of the sentence or disposition imposed, in which a crime victim suffers a loss.
 - c. All monetary payments, monies, and property collected from any person who has been ordered to make restitution shall be first applied to pay the amounts ordered as restitution to the victim.
14. **The Prompt Return of Property:** To the prompt return of property when no longer needed as evidence.
15. **Notice of Parole Procedures and Release on Parole:** To be informed of all parole procedures, to participate in the parole process, to provide information to the parole authority to be considered before the parole of the offender, and to be notified, upon request, of the parole or other release of the offender.
16. **Safety of Victim and Public are Factors in Parole Release:** To have the safety of the victim, the victim's family, and the general public considered before any parole or other post-judgment release decision is made.
17. **Information About These 16 Rights:** To be informed of the rights enumerated in paragraphs (1) through (16). For more information on Marsy's Law, visit the Attorney General's website at: www.ag.ca.gov/victimservices
To obtain information on the Victim Witness Assistance Center nearest to you contact:
Attorney General's Victim services Unit
1-877-433-9069