

INFORMATION FOR ARIZONA'S VICTIMS OF CRIME

Being the victim of a crime can be traumatic. You may feel isolated and confused, and not know where to turn for practical advice or support. This brochure highlights community resources available to assist you and explains your rights as a victim under Arizona law.

***Esta información en español, se puede obtener en www.azag.gov/victim-services/resources**

VICTIM ASSISTANCE

AGENCIES & SERVICES

Organizations such as victim assistance programs, advocacy centers, child abuse treatment programs, support groups, and domestic violence shelters are established throughout the state to help crime victims regain control over their lives.

For certain sexual offenses, costs for medical examinations that are done to preserve evidence may be paid for by the Prosecuting Agency. Contact victim services in your county for more information.

See "Information and Resource Numbers" on the next page for a list of the agencies that can provide victim assistance services.

VICTIM COMPENSATION

If you are a victim of violent crime or the next of kin of a victim who dies as a result of a criminal act, you may apply to the county's Crime Victim Compensation Program to recover certain expenses.

There are conditions which must be met to be eligible for compensation, and eligibility does not guarantee an award. To obtain an application or receive more information on Crime Victim Compensation, contact your county Victim Compensation Coordinator (see "Information and Resource Numbers" for the phone number).

SEXUAL ASSAULT

Adult victims of sexual assault have a right to a medical forensic exam at no cost to them, regardless of whether they report to law enforcement. If you receive a medical forensic exam, but you do not report to law enforcement, the sexual assault evidence kit will be kept in storage. It is important to ask law enforcement or an advocate the amount of time the kit will be stored before it is destroyed.

For more information on domestic or sexual violence, please visit acesdv.org

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

If you are a victim of domestic violence, you may seek a protective order. Orders of Protection restrain spouses, ex-spouses, persons living together now or in the past, persons with a child in common or pregnant by the other person, persons who are currently or were previously in a romantic or sexual relationship, and close relatives from committing an act of domestic violence or contacting you. A petition for an Order of Protection (available at any court or online at <https://azpoint.azcourts.gov/>) can be filed with or without a lawyer. If you are a party in an ongoing or pending family law case (ex. dissolution of marriage) or if the juvenile defendant is under the age of twelve, you should apply at any Superior or Tribal Court location. When the court is not open, you may request an Emergency Order of Protection through a law enforcement officer. Emergency Orders expire at the close of the next judicial business day or seventy-two hours after issuance, whichever is longer. An Order of Protection can prohibit the abuser/defendant from going to your residence (even if the defendant has been living at the address), going to other locations, prohibit the defendant from possessing or purchasing a firearm, or committing an offense of domestic violence. If you seek an Order of Protection, your address and contact information will be kept confidential. There is no court filing fee or service/process fee for an Order of Protection. The court will automatically assign your Order to a law enforcement agency or constable for service immediately upon issuance, but you may have your Order of Protection serviced by a private process server for a fee. If there is a firearm present when there has been an incident of domestic violence and a law enforcement officer believes that the firearm would expose the victim or another person in the household to a risk of serious bodily injury or death, the firearm may be temporarily seized and held by the law enforcement agency. To ensure that you, as the victim, are notified of the release of a firearm that has been seized, you must provide the law enforcement agency with any change of address or phone number.

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VICTIM RIGHTS

As a victim of crime in Arizona, you have a Constitutional right to be treated with fairness, respect and dignity and to be free from intimidation, harassment or abuse throughout the criminal or juvenile justice process. All state, county and municipal justice agencies and courts in Arizona are required to perform certain duties to ensure that you receive your rights.

WHO IS A VICTIM FOR PURPOSES OF EXERCISING RIGHTS?

State law says a victim is a person against whom a criminal or juvenile offense has been committed. This includes any felony or any misdemeanor. If a person is killed or incapacitated, the person's spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent or any other person related to the person by consanguinity or affinity to the second degree or any other lawful representative of the person, except if the spouse, parent, child, grandparent, sibling or other person related to the person by consanguinity or affinity to the second degree or other lawful representative is in custody for an offense or is the accused.

REQUESTING / WAIVING RIGHTS

Some rights are given to victims automatically and some rights need to be requested. The law enforcement officer will provide you with a form that asks you to request or waive (decline) your rights. You will be given a copy of the completed request/waiver form for your records. If you are the victim of a crime, the following rights after formal charging include:

- ◆ To be notified of the suspect's release from custody (see *When A Suspect Is Arrested* for instructions on how to exercise this right).
- ◆ To receive a copy of the terms and conditions of release.
- ◆ To receive notification of scheduled court proceedings.
- ◆ To talk with a prosecutor prior to a plea, dismissal or trial.
- ◆ To make a Victim Impact Statement.
- ◆ To receive a copy of the presentence or predisposition report.
- ◆ To receive notice of a defendant's conviction (or adjudication), acquittal, or the dismissal of the charges.
- ◆ To receive notice of sentencing or disposition results.
- ◆ To have property taken as evidence returned after the case is resolved.

LEGAL ENTITY "UPON REQUEST" RIGHTS

- ◆ To receive notice of restitution and sentencing/disposition hearings, and notice of the sentencing or disposition results.

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION "UPON REQUEST" RIGHTS

- ◆ To receive notification of scheduled court proceedings, and to make a Victim Impact Statement at sentencing/adjudication.

Your decision to request or waive your rights does not mean that you cannot change your mind later. However, if at first you waive your rights and then request them at a later time, you may be giving up some rights that only apply at certain stages of the justice process. There are other important benefits and protections that apply to crime victims as a case proceeds through the system. ***To request a copy of the full text of Arizona's victims' rights laws, you may contact the Attorney General's Office of Victim Services at (602) 542-4911(Phoenix) or 866-742-4911 toll free.*** You can also learn more about Arizona's victims' rights laws and available services by visiting the Arizona Attorney General web page at www.azag.gov.

YOUR RIGHT TO RESTITUTION

If someone is found guilty of the crime(s) committed against you, the court may order that person to re-pay certain financial costs of your victimization. This court-ordered payment is known as restitution. Victims of crime have a Constitutional right to receive prompt restitution. If charges are filed in your case, it is important that you contact the prosecutor's Victim Services program for more information and assistance with the restitution process (see Information & Resource Numbers).

For more resource information, please visit the Supreme Court's victim restitution website at www.azcourts.gov/restitution.

FREE COPIES OF POLICE REPORTS

A victim of a criminal offense that is a part 1 crime (criminal homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, larceny-theft, and arson) or an immediate family member of the victim if the victim is killed or incapacitated has the right to receive one copy of the police report from the investigating law enforcement agency at no charge.

WHEN A SUSPECT IS ARRESTED

Box 3 of the request/waiver form provides information to assist you in exercising your rights immediately following the arrest of a suspect; however, you must act quickly.

If the suspect is an adult and has been arrested, you can exercise certain rights by contacting the court prior to the Initial Appearance. You can also exercise your right to be informed of the suspect's release by contacting the custodial agency.

If the suspect is a juvenile and has been detained, you can obtain detention hearing information and exercise certain rights by contacting the juvenile probation department. You can also exercise your right to be informed of the juvenile's release by contacting the detention center.

If an adult or juvenile suspect is cited and released, or a juvenile suspect is referred to the Juvenile Court but not detained, you can exercise certain rights by contacting the court prior to the date and time that the suspect must appear.

If the arrest of a suspect is not immediate and you are not notified of an arrest within 30 days, you can call the law enforcement agency to obtain case status information.

Your employer may be legally required to allow you unpaid leave from work to attend court. Contact the prosecuting agency for more information.

SUSPECT IS AN ADULT AND HAS BEEN ARRESTED

Initial Appearance (Court Hearing)

Purposes: (1) Determine whether to release the accused;
(2) If the accused is released, determine the terms and conditions of release;
(3) Set the next court date(s);
(4) Obtain a plea from the accused (for some misdemeanor offenses)

When Held: Within 24 hours of arrest

Location: Court and Custodial Agency

Contact: See ***INFORMATION & RESOURCE*** numbers

Your Rights: To be present and heard at the initial appearance and to be informed of the suspect's release

SUSPECT IS A JUVENILE AND HAS BEEN DETAINED

Detention and Advisory Hearings

Purposes: (1) Determine whether to release the accused;
(2) If the accused is released, determine the terms and conditions of release;
(3) Obtain a plea from the juvenile (misdemeanor offenses);
(4) Juvenile to admit guilt or deny

When Held: Detention Hrg – within 24 hours of arrest

Advisory Hrg – within 24 hours of detention hearing

Location: Detention Screening Section, County Juvenile Probation

Contact: See ***INFORMATION & RESOURCE*** numbers

Your Rights: To be present and heard at the detention and advisory hearings and to be informed of the juvenile's release

INFORMATION AND RESOURCE NUMBERS - - PIMA, PINAL, & SANTA CRUZ COUNTIES, THEIR CITIES AND TOWNS

VICTIM SERVICES

★EMERGENCY SERVICES ONLY
Identity Theft Resource Center (ITRC) 1-888-400-5530
www.idtheftcenter.org
Address Confidentiality (602) 542-1653
AZ Community Information & Referral 1-800-352-3792
Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) (AZ Office): 1-800-553-6233
National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
. (602) 263-8856 or 1-800-352-3792
Crisis Response Network (520) 622-6000
Birth to 5 Helpline 1-877-705-5437
Adult Protective Services 1-877-SOS-ADULT / 1-877-767-2385
Department of Child Safety 1-888-SOS-CHILD / 1-888-767-2445

PIMA

Pima County Victim Services (520) 724-5525
 Juvenile Victim Services (520) 724-2991
Tucson City Prosecutor (520) 791-4104
Pima County Victim Compensation (520) 724-5525
Help-On-Call, 24-Hour Crisis Line (520) 323-9373
Domestic Violence Crisis Services:
 EMERGE (520) 795-4266
 1-888-428-0101
 Casa De Los Niños (520) 624-5600
 New Beginnings (520) 325-8800
 Gospel Rescue Mission (520) 740-1501
 Pascua Yaqui Domestic Violence Program (520) 883-5084
Sexual Assault Programs:
 Las Familias (520) 327-7122
 Southern Arizona Against Sexual Assault (520)-327-7273
 or (520) 327-1171

PINAL

Pinal County Victim Services Program (520) 866-6813
or 1-800-208-6897 x 6813
Apache Junction PD Victim Services (480) 982-8260
Pinal County Sheriff's Office Victims' Rights (520) 866-5089
Pinal County Victim Compensation (520) 866-6805
Domestic Violence Crisis Services
 Against Abuse (520) 836-0858
 (520) 836-1239
 or (520) 836-0858
 Tri-Community Mental Health (520) 896-9240
Behavioral Health Agency of Central Arizona (520) 836-1688
Community Alliance Against Family Abuse (CAAFA) 1-877/480-982-0196

SANTA CRUZ

Santa Cruz County Victim Witness Prog. (520) 281-5868
message (520) 761-7850

VICTIM SERVICES CONTINUED

Santa Cruz County Victim Compensation (520) 375-7780
message (520) 281-5868
Domestic Violence Shelter & Crisis Intervention: (520) 287-2107
 Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence (602) 279-2900
 1-800-782-6400
 Crossroads Nogales Mission (520) 287-5828
 Family Guidance Center (866) 495-6735

CUSTODIAL AGENCIES

Arizona Dept. of Corrections 1-866-787-7233
PIMA
Pima County Jail (520) 351-8111
Pretrial Services (520) 724-3310
Pima County Juvenile Detention (520) 724-2150
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Pinal County Jail 1-855-355-0358
Pinal County Juvenile Detention (520) 866-4000
or 1-800-208-6897
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Santa Cruz County Jail (520) 761-7875
Santa Cruz County Juv. Detention (520) 375-8195

PROSECUTORS

Arizona Attorney General's Office (520) 628-6456
PIMA
Pima County Attorney's Office (520) 724-5600
 Juvenile Division (520) 740-2991
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS
Marana (520) 382-1942
Oro Valley (520) 229-4760
Sahuarita (520) 822-8830
South Tucson (520) 740-1802
Tucson (520) 791-4221
PINAL
Pinal County Attorney's Office (520) 866-6271
or 1-800-208-6897 x 6271
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS
Apache Junction (480) 474-2604
Casa Grande (520) 421-8600 x 504
Coolidge (520) 426-3824
Eloy (520) 836-8265
Florence (520) 868-7557
Kearny (520) 836-8265
Mammoth (520) 836-8265
Maricopa (520) 426-3824
Superior (520) 509-3555
SANTA CRUZ
Santa Cruz County Attorney's Office (520) 375-7780
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS
Nogales (520) 287-6571 x 244
Patagonia (520) 394-2229

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Arizona State Capitol Police (602) 542-4580
Arizona Game and Fish Dept. (602) 942-3000
Crime Victims' Information Online www.azdps.gov/services/enforcement/crime-victims

PIMA

Pima County Sheriff's Office (520) 741-4700
Arizona Department of Public Safety (520) 746-4600

MUNICIPAL POLICE

Marana Police Dept. (520) 382-2000
Oro Valley Police Dept. (520) 229-4900
Pima Community College DPS (520) 206-2700
Sahuarita Police Dept. (520) 344-7000
South Tucson Police Dept. (520) 622-0655
Tucson Airport Authority (520) 573-8182
Tucson Police Dept. (520) 791-4444
University of AZ Police Dept. (520) 621-8273

PINAL

Pinal County Sheriff's Office (520) 866-5111
Arizona Department of Public Safety (520) 746-4500

MUNICIPAL POLICE

Apache Junction Police Dept. (480) 982-8260
Casa Grande Police Dept. (520) 421-8700
Central AZ College Police Dept. (520) 494-5445
Coolidge Police Dept. (520) 723-5311
Eloy Police Dept. (520) 466-7324
 Eloy City Jail (520) 466-7324
Florence Police Dept. (520) 868-7681
Kearny Police Dept. (520) 363-5566
Mammoth Police Dept. (520) 487-2347
Maricopa Police Dept. (520) 316-6800
Superior Police Dept. (520) 689-5254

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Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office (520) 761-7869
Arizona Department of Public Safety (520) 746-4500

MUNICIPAL POLICE

Nogales Police Dept. (520) 287-9111
Patagonia Marshal's Office (520) 394-2091
Tohono O'odham Police Dept. (520) 383-3275

COURTS

Arizona Supreme Court: www.azcourts.gov/restitution

PIMA

U.S. District Court, District of Arizona - Tucson (520) 205-4200
Pima County Superior Court:
Pima County Adult Probation (520) 740-3800
Pretrial Services (520) 547-8282
 Administration (520) 740-3238
 Calendar / Case Information (520) 740-8426
 Restitution Clerk (520) 740-3263
Pima County Juvenile Court (520) 740-2000
Victim Liaison (Restitution) (520) 740-2001

COURTS CONTINUED

MUNICIPAL COURTS

Marana (520) 382-2700
Oro Valley (520) 229-4780
South Tucson (520) 917-1568
Tucson (520) 791-3260

JUSTICE COURTS

Precinct #1 - Tucson (520) 724-3171
Precinct #2 - Tucson (520) 740-3504
Precinct #3 - Ajo (520) 387-7684
Precinct #4 - Tucson (520) 740-3502
Precinct #5 - Tucson (520) 724-3505
Precinct #6 - Tucson (520) 740-3505
Precinct #7 - Green Valley (480) 648-0658
 or (480) 648-1531

PINAL

Pinal County Superior Court - Clerk's Office (520) 509-3555
 Apache Junction - Satellite Office (520) 509-3555
Pinal County Adult Probation (520) 866-5600
Pinal County Juv. Court Services/Juv. Probation (520) 866-7065
 or 1-800-208-6897 x 7065

MUNICIPAL COURTS

Apache Junction (480) 982-8250
Casa Grande (520) 421-8675
Coolidge (520) 723-5361
Eloy (520) 466-3913
Florence (520) 868-7514
Kearny (520) 363-7752
Mammoth (520) 487-2262
Maricopa (520) 866-3999
Superior (520) 689-5871

JUSTICE COURTS

Precinct #1 - Pioneer JP (San Tan Valley) (480) 380-7312
Precinct #2 - Casa Grande JP (Casa Grande) (520) 866-7475
Precinct #3 - Central Pinal (Florence/Eloy) (520) 866-7900
Precinct #4 - Western Pinal JP (Maricopa/Stanford) (520) 866-3999
Precinct #5 - Copper Corridor JP (Superior/Mammoth/Oracle) (520) 866-6950
Precinct #6 - Apache Jct. JP (480) 982-2921
Kearny Justice Court (520) 363-5308

SANTA CRUZ

Santa Cruz County Superior Court (520) 375-7700
Santa Cruz County Probation Dept. (520) 375-7600

MUNICIPAL COURTS

Nogales (520) 287-3181
Patagonia (520) 394-2958

JUSTICE COURTS

Precinct #1 - Nogales (520) 375-7760