INFORMATION FOR ARIZONA'S VICTIMS OF CRIME



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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

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

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.

PROTECTIVE ORDERS

A protective order is a document obtained from a court to order the defendant not to contact you (plaintiff) and to prevent abusive behavior. In Arizona, there are four types of protective orders you can request: 1. Order of Protection 2. Injunction Against Harassment 3. Emergency Order of Protection 4. Injunction Against Workplace Harassment. There is no court filing fee for protective orders. There are also no fees associated with the service of an Order of Protection or an Injunction Against Harassment if you have been a victim of a sexual assault.

- 1. *Order of Protection:* This type of order requires a qualifying relationship. You can fill out forms and figure out if you have a qualifying relationship through AZPOINT.
- 2. *Injunction Against Harassment:* If you do not have a qualifying relationship, victims of certain crimes may be eligible for this type of order. A *service* fee may apply. You can fill out forms through AZPOINT.
- 3. **Emergency Order of Protection:** When the court is not open, you may request this type of order through a law enforcement officer. These orders expire seven (7) calendar days after issuance.
- 4. *Injunction Against Workplace Harassment:* A *service* fee may apply. You can fill out forms through AZPOINT.

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, it is recommended to apply at any Superior or Tribal Court location. To start the protective order process, go to https://azpoint.azcourts.gov/

Your employer may be legally required to allow you unpaid leave from work to attend court and to obtain an order of protection pursuant to ARS §§ 13-4439/8-420.

DOMESTIC **V**IOLENCE

If you have been a victim of domestic violence, you may seek a protective order. For more information on protective orders, please refer to the "Protective Orders" section above.

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.

SEXUAL ASSAULT

If you have been a victim of a dangerous crime against children as defined in ARS § 13-705 or a sexual assault, you are entitled to a medical or forensic interview free of charge, without reporting to law enforcement, paid by the county in which the offense occurred pursuant to ARS § 13-1414.

For more information on domestic violence/sexual assault or to get help, please visit www.acesdv.org

Address Confidentiality Program

The Arizona Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) is a program that helps victims of domestic violence, sexual offenses, and/or stalking from being located by the perpetrator through public records. The program provides a substitute address and confidential mail forwarding services to individuals and families across Arizona.

To enroll, visit https://azsos.gov/services/acp/eligibility-enrollment

VICTIM COMPENSATION

If you are a victim of a crime or the next of kin of a victim who dies as a result of a criminal act, you may be eligible for compensation. To obtain an application or to receive more information on Crime Victim Compensation, contact your county Victim Compensation Coordinator.

VICTIMS' 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, misdemeanor, petty offense or violation of a local criminal ordinance. 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 that person is in custody for an offense or is the accused, may receive victims' rights. If a victim is incompetent, deceased or otherwise incapable of designating another person to act in the victim's place, the court may appoint a lawful representative who is not a witness. If at any time the victim is no longer incompetent, incapacitated, or otherwise incapable of acting, the victim may personally exercise his or her victim's rights.

REQUESTING/WAIVING RIGHTS

The law enforcement officer provided you with a form (Request/Waiver Form) that asks you to request or waive (decline) your rights. This form will assist you in exercising your victims' rights, whether you decide to request or waive your rights. Keep your copy of the form for your records. 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 will 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. If you choose to waive your rights, it does not exclude your involvement in the prosecution of the case. You may be subpoenaed to testify in court.

You can also learn more about Arizona's victims' rights laws by visiting the Arizona Attorney General website at www.azag.gov

YOUR RIGHT TO RESTITUTION

Victims of crime have a Constitutional right to receive prompt 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. Restitution is most often ordered at the time of sentencing and may include reimbursement for actual losses and expenses attributable to the offense. To determine the amount of restitution to be ordered, financial loss information is gathered from victims prior to sentencing. If you have faced financial losses as a result of the crime committed against you, it is recommended that you keep track of all your receipts as expenses are incurred. 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.

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

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A victim of a criminal offense that is a part 1 crime (e.g. criminal homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, larceny-theft and arson), an immediate family member of the victim if the victim is killed or incapacitated, or the victim's attorney 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. See next page for the specific scenarios outlining your rights as a victim.

Your employer may be legally required to allow you unpaid leave from work to attend court and to obtain an order of protection pursuant to ARS §§ 13-4439/8-420.

SUSPECT IS AN ADULT AND HAS BEEN ARRESTED

If the suspect is an adult and has been arrested, law enforcement informed you of the time, place and date of the Initial Appearance. You are encouraged to contact the court for any changes to the Initial Appearance schedule. You can also exercise your right to be informed of the suspect's release by contacting the custodial agency.

Initial Appearance (Court Hearing)

Purposes: (1) Determine release eligibility of the accused;

(2) Determine the terms and conditions of release of the accused;

(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 notified of the time, place and date for the Initial Appearance, 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

If the suspect is a juvenile and has been detained, you must contact the detention screening section of the juvenile probation department immediately to request notice of the date, time and place of the Detention Hearing and any changes to the Detention Hearing schedule. You can also exercise your right to be informed of the juvenile's release by contacting the detention center.

Detention and Advisory Hearings

Purposes: (1) Determine release eligibility of the accused;

(2) If the accused is released, determine the terms and conditions of

release;

(3) Obtain a plea from the juvenile(4) Juvenile to admit quilt or deny

When Held: Detention Hearing – within 24 hours of arrest

Advisory Hearing – within 24 hours of detention hearing

Location: Detention Screening Section, County Juvenile Probation

Contact: See "Information & Resource Numbers"

Your Rights: To be notified of the time, place and date for the detention and advisory

hearings, to be present and heard at the detention and advisory

hearings and to be informed of the juvenile's release.

If you choose to exercise your right to be heard through a written statement, contact the detention screening section for instructions on how to submit to the court.

Suspect Is An Adult Or Juvenile And Cited And Released

If an adult suspect is cited and released, law enforcement informed you of the initial court date. If a juvenile suspect is cited and released, law enforcement has provided you with the name of the court to obtain information about subsequent proceedings. Contact the court prior to the date and time to confirm that the suspect must appear.

Suspect Is An Adult Or Juvenile And There Is No Arrest

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 that took the report to obtain case status information.

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 (602) 1-800- 1-800- '99-SA	542-3 352-3 553-6 FE (7	1653 3792 6233 '233)			
Crisis Response Network Birth to 5 Helpline Adult Protective Services Department of Child Safety	1-877- 1-877-	-705-: -767-:	5437 2385			
PIMA Pima County Victim Services Juvenile Victim Services Tucson City Prosecutor. Pima County Victim Compensation Help-On-Call, 24-Hour Crisis Line Domestic Violence Crisis Services: EMERGE	(520) (520) (520) (520) (520) (520) (520) 1-888-	724-2 791-4 724-5 323-5	2991 4104 5525 9373 4266			
Casa De Los Niños . New Beginnings . Gospel Rescue Mission . Pascua Yaqui Domestic Violence Program . Sexual Assault Programs: Las Familias . Southern Arizona Against Sexual Assault . or .	(520) (520) (520) (520) (520) (520)- (520)	326-8 325-8 740-1 883-8 327-7	8250 8800 1501 5084 7122 7273			
PINAL Pinal County Victim Services Program or	(520) 08-689 (480) (520) (520) (520) (520) (520) (520)	866-6 97 x 6 982-8 866-8 866-6 836-6 836-6 836-6	6813 6813 8260 5089 6805 4266 1239 0858 9240 1688			
SANTA CRUZ Santa Cruz County Victim Witness Prog	(520) (520)					

VICTIM SERVICES CONTINUED						
Santa Cruz County Victim Compensation	(520) 375-7780 (520) 281-5868 (520) 287-2107 (602)279-2900 1-800-782-6400					
Crossroads Nogales Mission	(520) 287-5828 (866) 495-6735					
CUSTODIAL AGENCIES						
Arizona Dept. of Corrections	1-866-787-7233 (520) 351-8111 (520) 724-3310 (520) 724-2000					
PINAL Pinal County Jail	1-855-355-0358 (520) 866-4000 1-800-208-6897					
SANTA CRUZ Santa Cruz County Jail	(520) 761-7875 (520) 375-8195					
PROSECUTORS						
Arizona Attorney General's Office	(520) 628-6456					
PIMA Pima County Attorney's Office	(520) 724-5600 (520) 740-2991					
Marana Oro Valley Sahuarita South Tucson Tucson PINAL	(520) 382-1942 (520) 229-4760 (520) 822-8830 (520) 740-1802 (520) 791-4221					
Pinal County Attorney's Office	(520) 866-6271					
or 1-800-2 MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS Apache Junction	(480) 474-2604					
Santa Cruz County Attorney's Office	(520) 375-7780					
Nogales	287-6571 x 244 (520) 394-2229					

LAW ENFORCEMENT		COURTS CONTINUED
Arizona State Capitol Police		MUNICIPAL COURTS Marana (520) 382-2700 Oro Valley (520) 229-4780
PIMA Pima County Sheriff's Office	(520) 741-4700 (520) 746-4600	South Tucson
MUNICIPAL POLICE Marana Police Dept	(520) 382-2000 (520) 229-4900 (520) 206-2700	Precinct #1 - Tucson
Sahuarita Police Dept. South Tucson Police Dept. Tucson Airport Authority	(520) 344-7000 (520) 622-0655 (520) 573-8182	Precinct #4 - Tucson (520) 740-3502 Precinct #5 - Tucson (520) 724-3505 Precinct #6 - Tucson (520) 740-3505
Tucson Police Dept	(520) 791-4444 (520) 621-8273	Precinct #7 - Green Valley
Pinal County Sheriff's Office	(520) 866-5111 (520) 746-4500	PINAL Pinal County Superior Court - Clerk's Office
Apache Junction Police Dept	(520) 421-8700 (520) 494-5445	Pinal County Adult Probation (520) 866-5600 Pinal County Juv. Court Services/Juv. Probation (520) 866-7065 or 1-800-208-6897 x 7065
Coolidge Police Dept	(520) 466-7324 (520) 466-7324	MUNICIPAL COURTS Apache Junction
Florence Police Dept. Kearny Police Dept. Mammoth Police Dept.	(520) 363-5566 (520) 487-2331	Coolidge (520) 723-6031 Eloy (520) 466-3913 Florence (520) 868-7500 Kearny (520) 363-7752
Maricopa Police Dept	(520) 689-5254	Mammoth
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office	(520) 746-4500	JUSTICE COURTS Precinct #1 - Pioneer JP (San Tan Valley)
Nogales Police Dept	(520) 394-2091	Precinct #3 - Central Pinal (Florence/Eloy)
COURTS		Precinct #6 - Apache Jct. JP
Arizona Supreme Court:	J	SANTA CRUZ Santa Cruz County Superior Court
U.S. District Court, District of Arizona - Tucson	(520) 740-3800	MUNICIPAL COURTS Nogales
Pretrial Services	(520) 740-3238 (520) 740-8426	Patagonia (520) 394-2958 JUSTICE COURTS Precinct #1 - Nogales (520) 375-7760
Pima County Juvenile Court	(520) 740-2000	1.00mot #1 100galoo