

RESOURCES

GEORGIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Main Number: 404-657-1956
Victim Compensation: 800-547-0060
Victims.Info@cjjc.ga.gov
cjjc.georgia.gov

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S COUNCIL
pacga.org/resources/for-victims-of-crime

MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING
877-ASK-MADD
24 Hour Victim Hotline: 877-MADD-HELP
www.madd.org

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR VICTIM ASSISTANCE
800-TRY-NOVA
www.trynova.org

NATIONAL PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN
natlpomc@pomc.org
513-721-5683
www.pomc.com

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME
202-307-5983
www.ovc.gov

GEORGIA COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
24 hour statewide hotline: 1-800-33-HAVEN
www.gcadv.org

GEORGIA NETWORK TO END SEXUAL ASSAULT
404-815-5261
www.gnesa.org

IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT
VICTIM NOTIFICATION PROGRAM
1-866-872-4973 (toll free)
www.dhs.gov/victim-notification-program



DJJ MISSION

Our Mission is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding young offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of services and sanctions in appropriate settings and by supporting youth in their communities to become productive and law-abiding citizens.

DJJ VISION

OFFER HOPE AND YOUTH CHANGE
DJJ will lead the nation in preparing young people in its care to develop and sustain productive lives.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
3408 COVINGTON HIGHWAY
DECATUR, GEORGIA 30032

Need More Information?

Contact the
Office of Victim and Volunteer Services
404-508-6500 (Main Phone)
1-866-922-6360 (Toll Free)
victimservices@djj.state.ga.us

djj.georgia.gov

VICTIM SERVICES



DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

“Victim Services will deliver, with compassion, a continuum of comprehensive services that promote victims’ rights and supports statewide victim services programs through the delivery of timely, accurate and informative service while promoting safer communities for citizens of Georgia.”

HOW CAN WE HELP?



THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE:

- Affords victims of juvenile crime their rights under the law.
- Provides victims with information regarding the criminal justice process;
- Acts as a liaison on behalf of the victim;
- Upon request, provides victims with updated information regarding outstanding restitution and informs the victim of their civil remedies to seek unpaid balance of restitution.
- Assists victims by acting as a referral source to available services.
- Upon request, notifies victims of serious and violent crimes of a youthful offender's release or escape from secure confinement settings.

YOUR ROLE

- As a victim, you have the right to be involved in writing and in person if you wish.
- By completing the Victim Impact Statement, you can describe how the crime has affected you and your family. This requires the Victim Impact Statement be completed and sent to the local DJJ office or Juvenile Court within the jurisdiction where charges were originally filed.
- In order for the department to properly notify you of a youthful offenders release or escape, it is important to provide the department with up to date contact information. Please call or email the Office of Victim Services to update your contact information. All contact information will be kept confidential.

"I thought notification was automatic." -Victim

VICTIMS' RIGHTS

The Georgia Crime Victims Bill of Rights

provides individuals who are victims of certain crimes specific rights. These rights include:

- The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of any scheduled court proceedings or any changes to such proceedings;
- The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of the arrest, release, or escape of the accused;
- The right not to be excluded from any scheduled court proceedings, except as provided by law;
- The right to be heard at any scheduled court proceedings involving the release, plea, or sentencing of the accused;
- The right to file a written objection in any parole proceedings involving the accused;
- The right to confer with the prosecuting attorney in any criminal prosecution related to the victim;
- The right to restitution as provided by law;
- The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay; and
- The right to be treated fairly and with dignity by all criminal justice agencies involved in the case.

OFFICE OF VICTIM SERVICES

Each year, thousands of Georgians are affected by crime. These crimes impact individuals, families, communities, and businesses. The State of Georgia is committed to ensuring that victims are afforded their rights as provided by the Georgia Crime Victims Bill of Rights.

BECAUSE YOU MATTER

People react to being a victim of crime in different ways depending on the extent or severity of the pain and loss. Being victimized often has an understandably profound emotional and psychological effect. Know that you are a valued and important part of the administration of justice.

"I didn't know anything about the juvenile justice system. I didn't know what my rights were or how to find services."

-Victim



The Department of Juvenile Justice will work to ensure that victims of juvenile crimes will remain informed and educated on services and programs, their rights, and the criminal justice system.

To further enhance services provided to crime victims, DJJ has joined 11 other state agencies to form the Multi-Agency Victim Services Partnership which works to restore dignity, safety, and well being to crime victims by providing leadership, guidance, and information to victims and their families. This partnership works to help crime victims and their families by providing seamless quality services to

every victim, every time.