



Crime Victim Assistance Information

Crime Victim Liaison 281-996-3349
Main Number 281-996-3300



LOCAL CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE CONTACTS

Friendswood Police Department

1600 Whitaker Drive
Friendswood, TX 77546
24 hours 281-996-3300

Always Call 911 for an Emergency

Crime Victim Assistance Program
Crime Victim Liaison
281-996-3349
www.friendswood.com

VICTIM ASSISTANCE SERVICES:

- Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy (case status information/how the system works);
- Information and referrals to local social service providers;
- Notification and assistance in filing for Crime Victims' Compensation;
- Bilingual - English/Spanish;
- On call 24 hours for emergency responses and referrals;
- Accompaniment to hospitals or other service agencies;
- Court accompaniment;
- Ensure compassionate caring services to victims of violent crimes; emergency transportation (women centers).

GALVESTON COUNTY

Galveston County Criminal District Attorney's Office
Victim's Assistance Unit
600 59th Street, Suite 1001
Galveston, TX 77551
(409)770-5124
www.galvestoncountytexas.gov

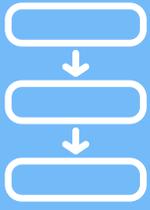
Galveston County Sheriff's Office
Crime Victim Liaison
601 54th St. Suite 2100
Galveston, TX 77551
409-770-5244
www.co.galveston.tx.us

HARRIS COUNTY

Harris County District Attorney's Office
Victim/Witness Division
1201 Franklin, Suite 600 • Houston, TX 77002
713-274-0250
www.dao.hctx.net

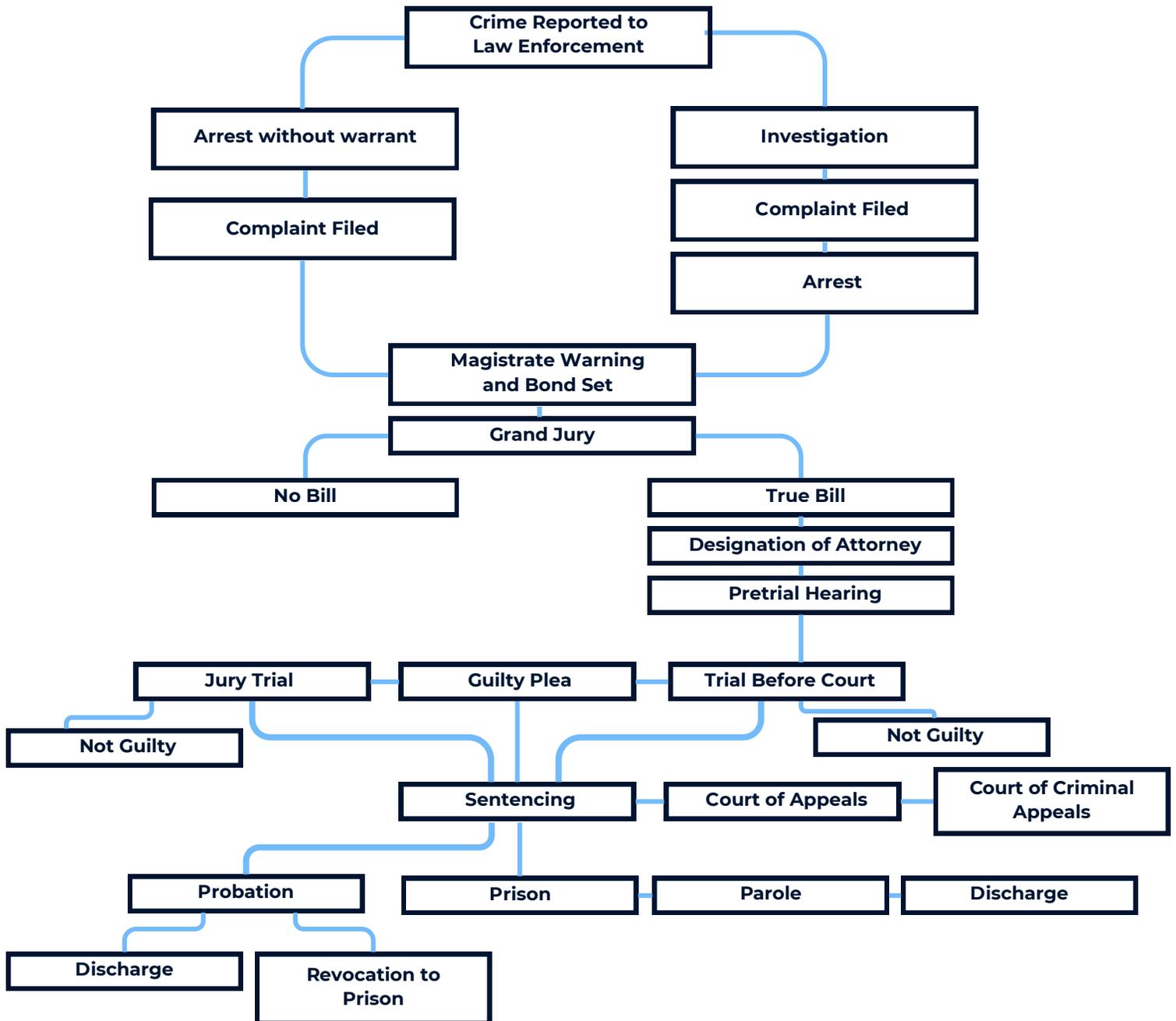
Harris County Sheriff's Office
Victim Assistance Unit
601 Lockwood Dr. • Houston, TX 77011
713-967-5800
www.sheriff.hctx.net

Houston Police Department
Victim Services Unit
1200 Travis, 14th Floor • Houston, TX 77002
713-308-0080
www.houstontx.gov/police/vsu



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

FELONY CRIMINAL PROCESS





FAMILY VIOLENCE

CALL EITHER SHELTER IF YOU NEED PROTECTION

BAY AREA TURNING POINT
281-286-2525



RESOURCE & CRISIS CENTER OF GALVESTON COUNTY
888-919-7233

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO

ASK the local prosecutor to file a criminal complaint against the person committing family violence, and APPLY to the court for an order to protect you (you should consult a legal aid office, a prosecuting attorney, or a private attorney). If a family or household member assaults you and is arrested, you may request that a magistrate's order for emergency protection be issued. Please inform the investigating officer if you want an order for emergency protection. You need not be present when the order is issued.

In Galveston County contact The Resource & Crisis Center of Galveston County at 888-919-7233. In Harris County contact the Harris County District Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Bureau at 713-274-0212, AVDA at 713-224-9911 or Bay Area Turning Point at 281-286-2525. You cannot be charged a fee by a court in connection with filing, serving, or entering a protective order.

For example, the court can enter an order that:

1. The abuser not commit further acts of violence.
2. The abuser not threaten, harass, or contact you at home.
3. Directs the abuser to leave your household.
4. Establishes temporary custody of the children and directs the abuser not to interfere with the children or any property.

A VIOLATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF COURT-ORDERED PROTECTION such as 1 or 2 above, MAY BE A FELONY.

NOTICE TO ADULT VICTIMS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE

It is a crime for any person to cause you any physical injury or harm, **EVEN IF THAT PERSON IS A MEMBER OR FORMER MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD.**

PLEASE TELL THE INVESTIGATING PEACE OFFICER

If you, your child, or any other household resident has been injured, or, if you feel you are going to be in danger when the officer leaves or later.

APPLYING FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

WHAT IS A PROTECTIVE ORDER?

A Protective Order is a civil court order issued to help prevent continuing acts of sexual assault or abuse, indecent assault, stalking or trafficking.

Family Violence is defined as **(1)** an act by one member of a family or household intended to physically harm another member, **(2)** the abuse of a child. Family includes blood relatives or relatives by marriage, former spouses, parents (married or not) of the same child, foster parents and foster children, or any member or former member of a household (people living in the same house, related or not). **(3)** dating violence

Dating Violence is defined as an act by an individual that is against another individual with whom that person has or has had a dating relationship or marriage and that is intended to result in physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or sexual assault, or that is a threat that reasonably places the individual in fear or imminent physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or sexual assault.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER?

If the court finds that sexual assault or abuse, indecent assault, stalking or trafficking has occurred and is likely to occur again, a court may render a protective order. To obtain a protective order, the victim and the offender must **(1)** be related by blood or marriage, **(2)** be living together, or previously lived together, **(3)** have a child together, or **(4)** be engaged in a dating relationship.

A person who has a divorce pending is eligible for a protective order. The protective order can be filed in the court in which the divorce is pending, or in a court in the county in which the applicant resides if the applicant resides outside the jurisdiction of the court in which the divorce is pending.

WHO MAY FILE A PROTECTIVE ORDER?

1. Any adult member of a family or household; or
2. Any adult for the protection of a child;
3. A prosecuting attorney; or
4. The Department of Human and Regulatory Services.



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HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO RECEIVE AND HOW LONG DOES IT REMAIN IN EFFECT?

Unless a later date is requested by the applicant, the court shall set a hearing date no later than 14 days after the application is filed. Temporary ExParte Orders are issued if the court finds from the information contained in an application for a protective order that there is a clear and present danger of sexual assault or abuse, indecent assault, stalking, trafficking, or other harm to the applicant, the court without further notice to the alleged offender and without a hearing, may issue a temporary ex parte order for the protection of the applicant or any other member of the applicant's family or household. They are issued without a court hearing, are meant to provide immediate protection until a court hearing, but are not to exceed 20 days after the date of issuance. Final protective orders are effective for two years, unless another length of time is specified.

WHAT HAPPENS IF A PROTECTIVE ORDER IS VIOLATED?

Call the police immediately! Remember, protective orders do not offer complete protection. No piece of paper can protect you from all instances of violence.

If an offender violates the order and law enforcement is notified, officials will act to arrest the offender and seek to have charges filed. If the person violates the protective order in the presence of law enforcement, the offender must be arrested immediately.

“YOU MAY CALL THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY’S TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR THE STATUS OF THE CASE AND INFORMATION ABOUT VICTIMS’ RIGHTS.” You may call the Crime Victim Liaison at 281-996-3349 for assistance.

HOW CAN I GET A PROTECTIVE ORDER?

Contact one of the following agencies and fill out an application. The application must be filed in the county in which you or the offender lives. There are no minimum time limits to establish residency, and protective orders are available in every county in Texas.

Friendswood Police Department
Crime Victim Assistance Program
281-996-3349

Galveston County
Resource & Crisis Center of Galveston County
888-919-7233

Harris County
Harris County District Attorney’s Office
Domestic Violence Bureau
713-274-0212

WHAT OTHER OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

A Magistrate’s Order for Emergency Protection (MOEP/EPO) may be issued at the time of a defendant’s appearance before a magistrate, after arrest for an offense involving clear and present danger of trafficking of persons, continuous trafficking of persons, sexual assault, indecent assault, aggravated assault, or stalking. The order of emergency protection may be issued on the magistrate’s own motion or on the request of:

1. The victim;
2. Guardian of the victim;
3. Peace officer; or
4. The attorney representing the state.

The magistrate shall issue an order for emergency protection if the arrest is for an offense that also involves (1) serious bodily injury to the victim; or (2) the use or exhibition of a deadly weapon during the commission of an assault. The magistrate in the order for emergency protection may prohibit the arrested party from:

1. Committing family violence or an assault on the person protected under the order; trafficking or persons or stalking;
2. Communicating directly with a member of the family or household or with the person protected under the order in a threatening or harassing manner; or a threat through any person to a member of the family or household or to the person protected under the order;
3. Going to or near the residence, place of employment, or business of a member of the family or household or of the person protected under the order; or the residence, child care facility, or school where a child protected under the order resides or attends; or
4. Possessing a firearm.
5. Tracking or monitoring personal property or a motor vehicle in the possession of the person protected under the order or of a member of the family or household of the person protected under the order



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Your RIGHTS as a Survivor of Family Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, Harassment, or Terroristic Threat



The victim of the offense need not to be present in court when the order for emergency protection is issued. If the victim of the offense is not present when the order is issued, the magistrate issuing the order shall order an appropriate peace officer to make a good faith effort to notify, within 24 hours, the victim that the order has been issued by calling the victim's residence and place of employment.

An order for emergency protection is effective on issuance, and the defendant shall be served a copy of the order in open court. An order for emergency protection issued remains in effect up to the 61st day but no less than 31 days after the date of issuance.

Remember, if someone has physically assaulted or threatened you, contact your local police department or sheriff's office to press charges against that person. Even if you are ineligible for a protective order, you may be able to have the person arrested for assault, criminal trespass, or stalking.

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AVDA (Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse)

713-224-9911

AVDA.org



Bay Area Turning Point

281-286-2525

BayAreaTurningPoint.org



DAYA - Serving South Asian Families

713-981-7645

DAYAhouston.org



Fort Bend County Women's Center Hotline

281-344-5750

FBWC.org



Houston Area Women's Center

713-528-2121

HAWC.org



National Domestic Violence Hotline

800-799-7233

thehotline.org



Resource & Crisis Center of Galveston County

888-919-7233

RCCGC.org



The Bridge Hotline (Pasadena)

713-473-2801

TBOTW.org



Texas Council on Family Violence

512-794-1133

888-450-TCFV (8238)

TCFV.org



Women's Center of Brazoria County

281-585-0904

BCWomensCenter.com



YMCA International

713-339-9015

YMCAhouston.org



The Harris Center for Mental Health & IDD

713-970-7000

<https://www.theharriscenter.org/>





CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS

A victim, guardian of a victim, or close relative of a deceased victim is entitled to the following rights within the criminal justice system:

- 1.** The right to receive from law enforcement agency adequate protection from harm and threats of harm arising from cooperation with prosecution efforts;
- 2.** The right to have the magistrate consider the safety of the victim or the victim's family in setting the amount of bail for the defendant;
- 3.** The right, if requested, to be informed: **(a)** by the attorney representing the state of relevant court proceedings, including appellate proceedings, and to be informed if those proceedings have been canceled or rescheduled before to the event; and **(b)** by an appellate court's decisions after the decisions are made public;
- 4.** The right to be informed, when requested, by a peace officer concerning the defendant's right to bail and the procedures in criminal investigations and by the district attorney's office concerning the general procedures in the criminal justice system, including general procedures in guilty plea negotiations and arrangements, restitution, and the appeals and parole process;
- 5.** The right to provide pertinent information to a community supervision and corrections department conducting a presentencing investigation concerning the impact of the offense on the victim and the victim's family by testimony, written statement, or any other manner before any sentencing of the defendant.
- 6.** The right to receive information regarding compensation to victims of crime as provided by the Crime Victims' Compensation Act, including information related to the costs that may be compensated under the Act and the amount of compensation, eligibility for compensation, and procedures for application for compensation under that Act, the payment for a medical examination for a victim of a sexual assault, and when requested, referrals to available social service agencies that may offer additional assistance; a victim of a sexual assault has the right to the accompaniment of a victim advocate during the sexual assault exam if an advocate is available at the time of the examination.
- 7.** The right to be informed, on request, of parole procedures; participate in the parole process; provide to the board for inclusion in the defendant's file information to be considered, if requested, of parole proceedings concerning a defendant in the victim's case and of the defendant's release.

8. The right to be provided with a waiting area, separate or secure from other witnesses, including the defendant and relatives of the defendant, before testifying in any proceedings concerning the defendant; if a separate waiting area is not available, other safeguards should be taken to minimize the victim's contact with the defendant and the defendant's relatives and witnesses, before and during court proceedings;

9. The right to prompt return of any of the victim's property that is held by a law enforcement agency or the attorney for the state as evidence when the property is no longer required for that purpose;

10. The right to have the attorney for the state notify the victim's employer, if requested, of the necessity of the victim's cooperation and testimony in a proceeding that may require the victim to be absent from work for good cause;

11. The right to request victim-offender mediation coordinated by the victim services division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and

12. The right to be informed of the uses of a victim impact statement and the statement's purpose in the criminal justice system, to complete the victim impact statement, and to have the victim impact statement considered: **(a)** by the attorney representing the state and the judge before sentencing or before a plea bargain agreement is accepted; and **(b)** by the Board of Pardons and Paroles before an inmate is release on parole.

13. For a victim of an assault or sexual assault who is younger than 17 years of age or whose case involves family violence, as defined by Section 71.004, Family Code, the right to have the court consider the impact on the victim on a continuance requested by the defendant; if requested by the attorney representing the state or by the defendant's attorney, the court shall state on the record the reason for granting or denying the continuance;

IVSS (Integrated Victim Services System)

866-268-8959

ivss-counties.tdcj.texas.gov



Crime Victims' Compensation

800-983-9933

texasattorneygeneral.gov



TDCJ Victim Services

800-848-4284

tdcj.texas.gov



14. If the offense is a capital felony, the right to: **(a)** receive by mail from the court a written explanation of defense-initiated victim outreach if the court has authorized expenditures for a defense-initiated victim outreach specialist; **(b)** not be contacted by the victim outreach specialist unless the victim, guardian, or relative has consented to the contact by providing a written notice to the court; and **(c)** designate a victim service provider to receive all communications from a victim outreach specialist acting on behalf of any person; A victim, guardian of a victim, or close relative of a deceased victim is entitled to the right to be present at all public court proceedings related to the offense, subject to the approval of the judge in the case. The office of the attorney representing the state, and the sheriff, police, and other law enforcement agencies shall ensure to the extent practicable that a victim, guardian of a victim, or close relative of a deceased victim is provided the rights granted and, on request, an explanation of those rights.

A judge, attorney representing the state, peace officer, or law enforcement agency is not liable for a failure or inability to provide a right granted.

Additional rights of victims of sexual assault, indecent assault, stalking or trafficking has the right to:

1. If requested, the right to a disclosure of information regarding any evidence that was collected during the investigation of the offense, unless disclosing the information would interfere with the investigation or prosecution of the offense, in which event the victim, guardian, or relative shall be informed of the estimated date on which that information is expected to be disclosed of any analysis being performed of any evidence that was collected during the investigation of the offense;

2. If requested, the right to be notified: **(a)** at the time a request is submitted to a crime laboratory to process and analyze any evidence that was collected during the investigation of the offense; **(b)** at the time of the submission of a request to compare any biological evidence collected during the investigation of the offense with DNA profiles maintained in a state or federal DNA database; and **(c)** of the results of the comparison described by (B), unless disclosing the results would interfere with the investigation or prosecution of the offense, in which event the victim, guardian, or relative shall be informed of the estimated date on which those results are expected to be disclosed;

3. If requested, the right to counseling regarding acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection;

4. if requested. the right to be informed about, and confer with the attorney representing the state regarding, the disposition of the offense, including sharing the victim's, guardian's, or relative's views regarding: **(a)** a decision not to file charges; **(b)** the dismissal of charges; **(c)** the use of a pretrial intervention program; or **(d)** a plea bargain agreement; and

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5. For the victim of the offense, testing for AIDS, HIV, infection antibodies to HIV, or infection with any other probable causative agent of AIDS; and for the victim of the offense, the right to a forensic medical examination if, within 120 hours of the offense, the offense is reported to a law enforcement agency or a forensic medical examination is otherwise conducted at a healthcare provider.

A victim, guardian, or close relative of a deceased victim may designate a person, including an entity that provides services to victims of sexual assault, to receive any notice requested under subsection (2)(a).

A victim of trafficking of persons, continuous trafficking of persons, continuous sexual assault of a young child, indecency with a child, sexual assault, indecent assault, aggravated sexual assault, stalking, or compelling prostitution has the right to be informed:

- a.** That the victim or the victim's parent guardian, as applicable, may file an application for a protective order;
- b.** Of the court in which the application for a protective order may be filed; and
- c.** That on the request of the victim or the victim's parent or guardian, as applicable, and subject to the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, the attorney representing the state may file the application for a protective order on behalf of the requestor;

A judge, attorney representing the state, peace officer, or law enforcement agency is not liable for a failure or inability to provide a right granted.

NOTICE TO ADULT VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

Adult Sexual Assault Survivor's
Rights Guide

Office of the Texas Governor



For sexual assault resources, refer to page 15



CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION

Crime Victims' Compensation is a financial assistance program that helps eligible victims of crime with certain expenses related to the crime. Money for this program comes from court costs paid by criminals and deposited by each Texas county into the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund.

The Crime Victims' Compensation Program is administered by the Office of the Attorney General and is dedicated to ensuring that crime victims receive every possible form of assistance issued by law.

The Crime Victims' Compensation Program is available after primary sources of payment - such as health insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, auto insurance or Texas Workers' Compensation have been exhausted.

If the court orders the offender to pay restitution to the victim for an expense that the Crime Victims' Compensation has already paid, the victim may be required to reimburse the Fund. If the victim or claimant recovers money through the settlement of a civil suit against the offender or a third party, he or she may also have to reimburse the Fund.

TO BE ELIGIBLE A PERSON MUST:

1. Be a resident of Texas or another state with the crime occurring in Texas or a Texas resident who becomes a victim in another state or in a country without a compensation program.
2. Report the crime to a law enforcement agency within a reasonable period of time, but not so late to interfere with or hamper the investigation and prosecution of the crime.
3. File the application within three years of the date of the crime.

WHAT CRIMES ARE COVERED?

Crimes covered by Crime Victims' Compensation are those in which the victim suffers substantial threat of physical or emotional harm or death. These may include sexual assault, kidnapping, robbery, assault, homicide and other violent crimes.

Vehicular crimes that are covered include: failure to stop and render aid, DWI, manslaughter, criminally negligent homicide, aggravated assault, intoxication manslaughter and intoxication assault.

WHO MAY QUALIFY?

1. An innocent victim of crime who suffers substantial threat of physical and/or emotional harm or death.
2. A dependent of a victim.
3. An authorized individual acting on behalf of a victim.
4. An intervenor who goes to the aid of a victim or peace officer.
5. A person who legally assumes the obligations or voluntarily pays certain expenses related to the crime on behalf of the victim.
6. Immediate family or household members related by blood or marriage who require counseling as a result of the crime.
7. A peace officer, firefighter or individual who has a duty to protect the public and who is injured in a crime.

WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE?

Benefits may be reduced or denied if the victim;

1. Participated in the crime.
2. Engaged in illegal activity
3. Contributed to the crime.
4. Was an inmate at the time of the crime.
5. Knowingly or intentionally submitted false or forged information to the Crime Victims' Compensation Program.
6. Did not cooperate with the appropriate law enforcement agencies.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Every law enforcement agency and prosecutor's office in Texas is mandated to provide victims of crime with information about the Crime Victims' Compensation Program application for benefits. When contacting these agencies, please ask for the victim assistance coordinator or liaison, who can provide assistance in completing the application. Hospitals and medical centers may also have applications and materials.

Applications for benefits can be obtained directly from the Crime Victims' Compensation Program in the Office of the Attorney General by calling 1-800-983-9933. Professional staff at the division are also available to answer any questions and provide assistance in completing the application. An application can be completed online or downloaded from www.texasattorneygeneral.gov.

Crime Victims' Compensation
Texas Attorney General
(800) 983-9933





CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION

WHAT TYPE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE?

Claims may be approved for benefits up to a total of \$50,000. In the case of extraordinary pecuniary losses resulting in a total and permanent disability, victims may be eligible for an additional \$75,000 in benefits.

Upon approval, benefits may be awarded for the following:

1. Medical, hospital, physical therapy or nursing care
2. Psychiatric care or counseling
3. One-time relocation assistance for victims who are assaulted in the victim's place of residence, including victims of family violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking
4. Loss of earnings or support
5. Loss of wages and travel reimbursement due to participation in or attendance at the investigation, prosecutorial and judicial process
6. Care of a child or dependent
7. Funeral and burial expenses
8. Crime scene clean-up
9. Replacement costs for clothing, bedding or other property seized as evidence or rendered unusable as the result of the investigation
10. Attorney fees for assistance in filing the Crime Victims' Compensation application and in obtaining benefits, if the claim is approved
11. Loss of wages and travel to seek medical treatment or counseling

Additional benefits for victims who have suffered an extraordinary pecuniary loss include:

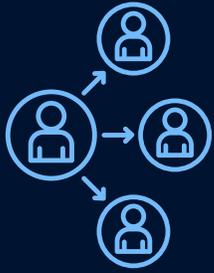
1. Making a home or car accessible
2. Job training and vocational rehabilitation
3. Training in the use of special appliances
4. Home health care
5. Reimbursement of lost wages
6. Rehabilitation technology, long term medical expenses and durable medical equipment.

Reimbursement for property damage or theft is not an eligible expense. Please note that financial assistance may be limited or unavailable depending on laws in effect when the crime occurred.

WHAT ARE MY RIGHTS TO APPEAL WHEN BENEFITS HAVE BEEN REDUCED OR DENIED?

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REFERRALS

AIDS

AIDS Coalition of Coastal Texas - Galveston

409-763-2437

ACCTtexas.org



Allies in Hope

713-623-6796

AIHhouston.org



CDC National AIDS Hotline

800-232-4636

Gulf Coast Center HIV Division

409-763-2373

Harris County Health Department

713-439-6000

ALCOHOL/DRUGS

AL-ANON

800-356-9996

Al-Anon.org



Alcoholics Anonymous

713-686-6300

AA.org



Bay Area Council on Drugs & Alcohol, Inc.

(BACODA)

800-510-3111

BACODA.org



Brazos Place - Freeport

979-233-3826

BrazosPlace.org



Gulf Coast Center - 24 Hr Hotline

866-729-3848

Gulf Coast Center - Substance Use

Recovery Services

409-763-2373

BEREAVEMENT

Bo's Place

713-942-8339

BosPlace.org



CHILD ABUSE SERVICES

Advocacy Center for Children of Galveston
County

409-741-6000

GalvestonCAC.org



The Children's Assessment Center of
Houston

713-986-3300

CACHouston.org



Child Abuse Hotline

800-422-4453

Children's Protective Services

800-252-5400

Child Support Office

800-252-8014

CPS (Texas City)

409-948-3481

CPS (Houston)

713-394-4000

COUNSELING/MENTAL HEALTH

Family Service Center of Galveston

409-762-8636

FSC-Galveston.org

Gay & Lesbian Switchboard

713-529-3211

Family Service Center of Greater Houston

713-861-4849

Mental Health America of Greater Houston

713-523-8963

www.mhahouston.org





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COUNSELING/MENTAL HEALTH

Counseling Connections for Change INC
281-485-9280
www.counselingconnections.org 

Gulf Coast Center Crisis Hotline
866-729-3848

Gulf Coast Center- MHMR Intake
800-643-0967

Innovative Alternatives, Inc. (Bay Area)
713-222-2525
InnovativeAlternatives.org 

MHMR Consumer Services & Rights
Protection
800-252-8154
HHS.Texas.Gov 

Montrose Center - LGBTQIA+
713-529-0037
montrosecenter.org 

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
281-585-3100
www.namigulfcoast.org 

CRIME STOPPERS

Galveston
409-763-8477
Galveston.CrimeStoppersWeb.com 

Houston
713-222-8477
crime-stoppers.org 

Brazoria
1-800-460-2222 

CRIME VICTIM SUPPORT GROUPS

Bo's Place
713-942-8339
BosPlace.org 

Compassionate Friends
877-969-0010
CompassionateFriends.org 

Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD)
877-623-3435
MADD.org 

Parents of Murdered Children (POMC)
713-472-5640
POMC.org 

DISASTER/EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

American Red Cross - Houston Chapter
713-526-8300
RedCross.org 

Catholic Charities
409-948-0405
CatholicCharities.org 

Interfaith Caring Ministries
281-332-3881
ICMTX.org 

Salvation Army - Galveston
409-763-1691
SouthernUSA.SalvationArmy.org/Galveston/ 

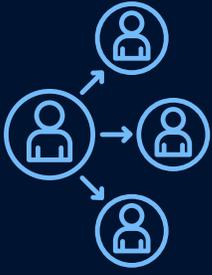
Salvation Army - Houston
713-752-0677
SalvationArmyHouston.org/ 

EMPLOYMENT/JOB TRAINING

The Work Force Solutions - Pearland
832-409-0049
wrksolutions.com 

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REFERRALS

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities
409-948-0405
CatholicCharities.org 

Crime Victims' Compensation
Texas Attorney General
800-983-9933 

Galveston County Welfare Department
281-316-8733

Harris County Community Services Dept.
713-578-2000

Salvation Army - Galveston
409-763-1691
SouthernUSA.SalvationArmy.org/Galveston/ 

Salvation Army - Houston
713-752-0677
SalvationArmyHouston.org/ 

Health and Human Services
Alvin: 281-331-0790
Houston: 713-946-6861
HHS.Texas.Gov 

Family Houston Financial Coaching
281-282-6079
FamilyHouston.org/bay-area-thrive/ 

FOOD NUTRITION

Galveston County Food Bank
409-945-4232
galvestoncountyfoodbank.org 

Houston Food Bank
713-223-3700
HoustonFoodBank.org 

Meals on Wheels-Bay Area
832-240-6515
BayAreaMealsOnWheels.com 

Texas WIC
800-942-3678
TexasWIC.org 

INFORMATION & REFERRAL

211 Texas - United Way
2-1-1
United Way Bay Area: 281-282-6000 

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

AVDA (Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse)
713-224-9911
AVDA.org 

Galveston County District Attorney's Office
409-770-5124
www.galvestoncountytexas.gov 

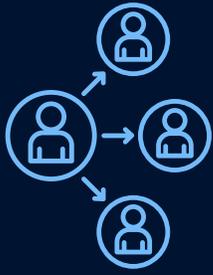
Harris County District Attorney's Office
713-274-5800
https://www.harriscountytexas.gov/ 

Harris County District Attorney's Office
Domestic Violence Bureau
713-274-0212 

State Bar of TX Lawyer Referral
800-252-9690 

Texas Legal Services Center
800-622-2520
TLSC.org 

Texas Advocacy Project
800-374-4673
TexasAdvocacyProject.Org 



REFERRALS

MEDICAL

Children's Advocacy Center of Galveston County

512-258-9920

CACTX.org



Galveston County Health Department

409-938-7221

GCHD.org



Harris County Public Health

713-439-6000

PublicHealth.HarrisCountyTX.Gov



Galveston County Medical Examiner

409-770-5236

galvestoncountytexas.gov



Harris County Medical Examiner's Office

(Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences)

832-927-5000

ifs.HarrisCountyTX.Gov



HCA Houston Healthcare- Clear Lake

281-332-2511



HCA Houston Healthcare- Southeast

713-359-2000



Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital

281-523-2000



Memorial Hermann Hospital- Texas Medical Center

713-704-4000



Memorial Hermann Hospital- Southeast
281-929-6100



St. Joseph Medical Center
713-757-1000
SJMCTX.org



Texas Children's Hospital
832-824-1000
TexasChildrens.org



The Children's Assessment Center of Houston
713-986-3300
CAChouston.org



UTMB - Galveston
409-772-1011



MISSING/RUNAWAY

Child Find of America

800-426-5678

ChildFindofAmerica.org



National Center for Missing & Exploited Children

800-843-5678

MissingKids.org



National Runaway Safe Line

800-786-2929



FPD Shepherd Program - Autism/Alzheimers

281-996-3300



Texas Center for The Missing

713-599-0235

CenterForTheMissing.org



Texas Equusearch

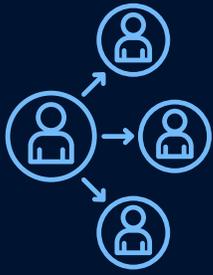
281-309-9500

TexasEquusearch.org



National Runaway Switchboard

800-621-4000



REFERRALS

Texas Missing Person Clearinghouse - DPS
512-424-5047



Texas Youth Helpline
800-989-6884



RENT/ UTILITIES

Catholic Charities
409-948-0405
CatholicCharities.org



Galveston County Housing Authority
409-965-1900
GHATX.org



Harris County Housing & Community
Development
832-927-4955
HCD.HarrisCountytx.gov



Harris County Community Services Dept.
713-578-2000

Harris County Housing Authority
713-578-2100
HCHATexas.org



Interfaith Caring Ministries
281-332-3881
ICMTX.org



SENIOR SERVICES

BakerRipley - Central
713-667-9400
BakerRipley.org



DADS - Texas Department of Aging and
Disability Services
800-458-9858
HHS.Texas.Gov



Friendswood Senior Citizen Program
281-482-8441
friendswood.com



Health & Human Services Commission
Texas City
409-945-0317
HHS.Texas.Gov



Meals on Wheels
844-489-6325
MealsOnWheelsTexas.org



Shepherd Program (Autism/Alzheimers)
281-996-3300
friendswood.com



Sheltering Arms Senior Services
800-558-0653

Texas Department of Family Abuse Hotline
800-252-5400

SEXUAL ASSAULT

Bay Area Turning Point
281-286-2525
BayAreaTurningPoint.org



DAYA - Serving South Asian Families
713-981-7645
DAYAhouston.org



Fort Bend County Women's Center Hotline
281-344-5750
FBWC.org





REFERRALS

SEXUAL ASSAULT

Houston Area Women’s Center

713-528-2121

HAWC.org



National Human Trafficking Hotline

888-373-7888

HumanTraffickingHotline.org



RAINN - Rape, Abuse, and Incest Hotline

800-656-4673

RAINN.org



Resource & Crisis Center of Galveston County

888-919-7233

RCCGC.org



Texas Association Against Sexual Assault

512-474-7190

TAASA.org



The Bridge Hotline (Pasadena)

713-473-2801

TBOTW.org



Women’s Center of Brazoria County

281-585-0904

BCWomensCenter.com



SHELTER

Bay Area Turning Point Hotline

281-286-2525

BayAreaTurningPoint.org



Covenant House (under 21)

713-523-2231

CovenantHouseTX.org



Health & Human Services Commission

Texas City

409-945-0317

HHS.Texas.Gov



Resource & Crisis Center of Galveston County

888-919-7233

RCCGC.org



Salvation Army - Galveston

409-763-1691

SouthernUSA.SalvationArmy.org/Galveston/



Salvation Army - Houston

713-752-0677

SalvationArmyHouston.org/



Samaritan Women at the Well

409-948-2288

SWATW.org



The Bridge Hotline (Pasadena)

713-473-2801

TBOTW.org



Women’s Center of Brazoria County

281-585-0904

Crisis Hotline

800-243-8255

BCWomensCenter.com



Star of Hope Mission

713-748-0700

SOHmission.org



REFERRALS

SUICIDE & CRISIS

Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

988

988Lifeline.org



Gulf Coast Center Crisis Hotline

866-729-3848

GulfCoastCenter.org



The Harris Center for Mental Health

713-970-7000

TheHarrisCenter.org



National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

800-784-2433

800-273-8255

The Trevor Project (LGBTQ Hotline)

866-488-7386

TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS

National Human Trafficking Hotline

888-373-7888

HumanTraffickingHotline.org



Unbound Now Houston 24/7 Crisis

Response Line

346-202-4299

UnboundNow.org



YMCA Hotline 24/7

832-808-3909

TRANSPORTATION

Gulf Coast Transit District

800-266-2320

GulfCoastTransitDistrict.com



Harris County Transit

832-927-4953

Transit.HarrisCountyTX.gov



VICTIM SERVICES

Compassionate Friends

877-969-0010

CompassionateFriends.org



Crime Victims' Compensation (CVC)

800-983-9933

texasattorneygeneral.gov



DPS Victim Services

281-517-1606



Friendswood PD Crime Victim Assistance Program

281-996-3349



Galveston County Criminal District Attorney's Office

409-770-5124

www.galvestoncountytexas.gov



Harris County District Attorney's Office

713-274-5800

https://www.harriscountytexas.com/



Mothers Against Drunk Driving

877-275-6233

MADD.org



National Human Trafficking Hotline

888-373-7888

HumanTraffickingHotline.org



United Way Information and Referral

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Bay Area: 281-282-6043

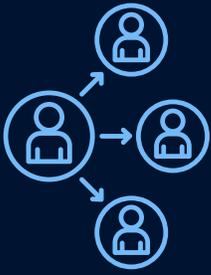
Greater Houston: 713-957-4357

National Dating Violence Hotline "Love is Respect"

866-331-9474

www.loveisrespect.org





REFERRALS

Harris County Community Services Dept.
713-578-2000

Gulf Coast Center Crisis Hotline
281-876-6600
HarrisVets.com



VA Homeless Program
877-424-3838
VA.gov/Homeless/



Texas Veterans Commission
800-252-8387
TVC.Texas.gov



US Department of Veteran Affairs
800-827-1000
VA.gov



Veteran Crisis Line
800-273-8255 (press 1)

VICTIM SERVICES

Parents of Murdered Children (POMC)

713-472-5640

POMC.org



Texas Department of Criminal Justice
(Victims Services)

800-848-4284



IVSS (Integrated Victim Service System)

866-268-8959

ivss-counties.tdcj.texas.gov



YOUTH RESOURCES

Big Brothers Big Sisters Greater Houston

888-887-2447

BBBSTX.org/greater-houston/



Covenant House/Homeless Youth

713-523-2231

CovenantHouseTX.org



Texas Network of Youth Services

512-815-3299

TNOYS.org



Texas Youth Hotline

800-989-6884



VETERAN SERVICES

Gulf Coast Center Crisis Hotline

866-729-3848

GulfCoastCenter.org

