



CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Persons and Phone Numbers
You May Contact for Assistance

In any emergency situation you should **ALWAYS** dial **911**

Clark County Sheriff's Office Non-Emergency dispatch 812.246.6996

Or

Victim Advocate –Adrien Elsler 812.283.4471 ext. 3123
aelsler@clarkcosheriff.com

Office of the Clark County Indiana Prosecuting Attorney
812.285.6264
Elected Prosecutor Jeremy Mull
Useful information can be found at www.clarkprosecutor.org

For Help and Counseling Information:

The Center for Women and Families - 812.944.6743

Legal Advocate Office for Clark County - 812.725.2027

Indian Coalition Against Domestic Violence
800.538.3393 or www.violencesource.org

Victim Notification Services

VINE – 1.866.959.VINE or www.vinelink.com
Indiana SAVIN – 1.866.891.0330 or Indiana.savin.in.gov

WHAT CAN I DO?



HELP FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

If you are a victim of DOMESTIC VIOLENCE there are options and services available to help...You are NOT alone...

If you need you may contact the Clark County Sheriff's Office...

IF IT IS AN EMERGENCY CALL 911

Or you may call 812-246-6996 for non-emergency situations.

You may request a police report for any DOMESTIC VIOLENCE occurrence. You may obtain a copy of any report you file at the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Records Division, which is located at 501 E. Court Ave., Suite 159 Jeffersonville, Indiana. You may ask questions of any police officer responding to assist you. Officers are trained to assist victims and offer help along with important information.

You may apply for a PROTECTIVE ORDER in case of Domestic Violence, Family Violence, Stalking or any Sex Offense. There are no fees associated with these types of cases. You should not be asked to pay any fees for filing, process, witness, or subpoenas. You will need to have the correct name, correct date of birth or Social Security number and a correct, current address of the person you are filing the order against. You may obtain an application for Protective Orders at the Clerk of Courts located at 501 E. Court Ave., Suite 137 Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Outside services are also available from **THE CENTER FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES 24 HOUR CRISIS LINE 812-944-6743** and **THE COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 800-538-3393**

You may call anytime day or night. All services offered are confidential.

**REMEMBER YOU ARE NOT ALONE
HELP IS AVAILABLE FOR YOU**



THE
CENTER
FOR
WOMEN
AND
FAMILIES

P.O. Box 248
Sellersburg, IN 47172
812/944-6743
812/945-6127 FAX

101 Hwy. 62 West
Corydon, IN 47112
812/738-8143

69 West Wardell Street
Scottsburg, IN 47170
812/752-7996

6941 Hwy. 64 East
Marengo, IN 47140
812/365-2338

The Indiana Offices provide services to Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Orange, Scott, and Washington Counties. The following are available for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families.

- **24-Hour Crisis Line (812/944-6743)**
Provides crisis intervention, information, referrals for service, safe shelter, hospital advocacy, legal justice advocacy and support. Victims may call collect.
- **Walk-In Counseling** is available at all locations of The Center for Women and Families as well as safe places in all counties serviced.
- **Casework Services** empower persons to establish goals and implement plans for change.
- **Support Groups** offer the opportunity to meet with other survivors and share experience, strength, hope and healing.
- **Children's Groups** offer children a safe place (with a trained facilitator) to play, learn, grow and share with other young persons who have also been in homes with domestic violence.
- **Court Advocacy** provides information regarding the legal justice system as well as support during domestic violence legal proceedings.
- **Hospital Advocacy** provides crisis intervention, information, and support to victims desiring service in the hospital emergency room.
- **Shelter** is available for safety from domestic violence.

ALL SERVICES ARE CONFIDENTIAL

Additional Services

- **Community Education Programs** and presentations are available on issues related to domestic violence and sexual assault.
- **Professional Training** can be designed to fit the specific needs of the requesting agency.
Honorariums are appreciated for presentations. Fees for professional trainings are negotiable.

The Center for Women and Families also offers services through **The Creative Employment Program**.

Volunteer Opportunities are available. Training sessions are held as needed. Call (812) 944-6743 for more information.

OUR MISSION: TO EMPOWER, HEAL, ENRICH, AND ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES.



NOTICE OF VICTIM RIGHTS

Effective 7-1-02, IC 35-33-1-1.5 requires a law enforcement officer responding to the scene of a crime involving domestic or family violence to give the victim immediate and written notice of the following rights provided by law under IC 35-40

1. A victim has the right to be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect throughout the criminal justice process.
2. A victim has the right to be informed, upon request, when a person who is accused of committing or convicted of committing a crime perpetrated directly against the victim, is released from custody or has escaped. This includes release or escape from mental health facilities.
3. A victim has the right to have the victim's safety considered in determining release from custody of a person accused of committing a crime against the victim.
4. A victim has the right to information, upon request, about the disposition of the criminal case involving the victim or the conviction, sentence, and release of a person accused of committing a crime against the victim.
5. A victim has the right to be heard at any proceeding involving sentence or a post-conviction release decision. A victim's right to be heard may be exercised, at the victim's discretion, through an oral or written statement, or submission of a statement through audiotape or videotape.
6. A victim has the right to make a written or oral statement for use in preparation of the presentence report. The victim also has the right to read presentence reports relating to the crime committed against the victim in order that the victim can respond to the presentence report.
7. A victim has the right to confer with a representative of the prosecuting attorney's office after a crime allegedly committed against the victim has been charged; before the trial of a crime allegedly committed against the victim; and before any disposition of a criminal case involving the victim. This right applies in the following situations:
 - The alleged felony was directly committed against the victim.
 - The alleged felony or misdemeanor was an offense against the person, which includes the crimes of Battery, Domestic Battery, Aggravated Battery, Battery by Body Waste, Criminal Recklessness, Intimidation, Harassment, Invasion of Privacy, or Pointing a Firearm, and the alleged felony or misdemeanor was committed against the victim by a person who:
 - a. is or was a spouse of the victim;
 - b. is or was living as if a spouse of the victim;
 - c. or has a child in common with the victim.
 - For other misdemeanors, a victim must file a request for notice, which includes a current telephone number and address.
8. A victim has the right to pursue an order of restitution and other civil remedies against the person convicted of a crime against the victim.
9. A victim has the right to be informed of the victim's constitutional and statutory rights.