### **DID YOU KNOW?**

You or the prosecutor (upon your request) or your lawyer may assert your constitutional rights as a victim. If your victim's rights are not being honored, you or your lawyer may seek review from the appropriate court of appeals and demand that your rights be respected.

#### **NOTICE**

This pamphlet is to help you understand your options. It is not intended to advise you about the law as the law can be different in each case.

If you would like to consult an attorney, please call the Medina County Bar Association at (330) 725-9794.



The Honorable Kevin W. Dunn is one of four Common Pleas Court Judges in Medina County. Judge Dunn was appointed in 2013.

The Medina County Juvenile Court has jurisdiction over all cases involving persons under age 18, including those categorized as unruly, delinquent, abused, neglected or dependent.

In addition to serving as our county's Juvenile Judge, Judge Dunn is the Probate Judge.



#### **KEVIN W. DUNN**

MEDINA COUNTY
JUVENILE COURT JUDGE



# Crime Victims: Know Your Rights

Medina County Juvenile Court 93 Public Square Medina, OH 44256

> Phone: (330) 725-9709 Fax: (330) 725-9173

Monday—Friday 8:00 AM—4:30 PM

# IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF A CRIME, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- Be informed, in writing, of your constitutional rights as a victim
- Be treated with fairness and respect for your safety, dignity, and privacy
- Reasonable protection from the defendant or any person acting on the defendant's behalf

- Reasonable and timely notice of all public proceedings involving the criminal offense or delinquent act (*upon request*)
- Be present at all public proceedings involving the criminal offense or delinquent act
- Be heard in any public proceeding involving release, plea, sentencing, disposition, or parole, or in any public proceeding in which your rights as a victim are involved
- 7 Confer with the prosecutor (*upon request*)

- Proceedings free from unreasonable delay and a prompt conclusion of the case
- Refuse an interview, deposition, or other discovery request made by the defendant or any person acting on the defendant's behalf—unless a court finds such a refusal violated the defendant's constitutional rights
- Full and timely restitution from the person who committed the criminal offense or delinquent act against you
- Reasonable notice of the defendant's release or escape (*upon request*)

## OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE CRIME VICTIM SERVICES

30 E. Broad Street, 23rd Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215 Phone: (614) 466-5610 Toll-free: 800-582-2877

www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/Victims

If full and timely restitution is ordered but not paid, you may wish to file for a court ordered civil judgment against the defendant through the applicable municipal court or court of common pleas. You may wish to seek legal assistance to assist you with obtaining a civil judgment.

If you need help to locate a qualified attorney to assist you in this process, you may contact a private attorney or contact the Medina County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service at (330) 725-9794.

## MEDINA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE VICTIM/WITNESS DIVISION

72 Public Square Medina, Ohio 44256 Phone: (330) 723-9537

#### VICTIM/FAMILY SERVICES AVAILABLE:

#### **Crisis Intervention**

**Criminal Justice Advocacy:** Assistance through investigation, prosecution, and sentencing; victim notification of all felony cases as outlined in the Ohio Revised Code section 2930; Victim's Rights

**Court Advocacy:** Escort and accompaniment at court proceedings

Referrals: to community resources

#### Assistance In:

- Completing victim impact statements;
- Applying to the Ohio Victim's of Crime Compensation Program;
- Applying to the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Office of Victim Services victim notification process

## OHIO VICTIMS OF CRIME COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Phone: (614) 466-5610 General Information: (877) 584-2846 (877-5VICTIM) www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov

The Ohio Victims of Crime Compensation Program helps victims with certain out-of-pocket expenses caused when people are physically injured, emotionally harmed, or killed by violent criminal acts. Program costs are paid by criminal fines and not by Ohio's taxpayers.

Please contact the Ohio Victims of Crime Compensation Program directly for assistance in determining your eligibility to receive compensation and to receive an application for compensation.

## MEDINA COUNTY BATTERED WOMEN'S SHELTER

Phone: (330) 723-3900