

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE
PHONE NUMBERS

Sexual Assault & Trauma
421-7400

RI Coalition Against Domestic Abuse
467-9940

Department. of the Attorney General
274-4400

RI Department of Children, Youth &
Families
800-742-8463

Department of Elderly Affairs
222-2880

RI Victim Information & Notification
(VINE)
877-744-8463

Restraining Order Office
458-3372

RI Department of Health
222-5600

Office of Victim Services
462-5203

Alcoholics Anonymous
Support to stop the abuse of alcohol
438-8860

Narcotics Anonymous
Support to stop the abuse of drugs
461-1110

Planned Parenthood
421-9620

RI Project/AIDS Hotline
AIDS Information
800-726-3010

Samaritans
24 hour suicide/crisis hotline
800-365-4044/272-4044

Gay/Lesbian Helpline
Support, information, referrals
751-3322

MADD
Youth education/public awareness
421-0800/885-4552

Society for Young Victims
Locate missing children/Family
support
/Education
800-999-9024/847-5083

Travelers AID Society of RI
Mental health, medical, educational,
shelter, advocacy, and case
management services, referrals,
Runaway outreach
521-2255

Urban League of RI
Counseling, advocacy and referrals for
minority families
351-5000

**GUIDE TO
VICTIM/WITNESS
SERVICES AND
GENERAL
ASSISTANCE
PROGRAMS**



**CUMBERLAND POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

**JOHN DESMARAIS
CHIEF OF POLICE**

ALL DIVISIONS OF THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT MAY BE REACHED BY
CALLING THE MAIN NUMBER: 333-2500

EMERGENCY NUMBER: 911

IF YOU HAVE BEEN THREATENED BY
ANYONE IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR
CASE, CALL THE DEPARTMENT
IMMEDIATELY.

VICTIM'S BILL OF RIGHTS

- To be notified of the status of the investigation, the defendant's arraignment and release.
- To be protected from harm and threats of harm because of cooperation in the prosecution of a case.
- To be notified of all court proceedings where the victim's presence would be required...and to be notified of the cancellation of proceedings.
- To be provided, when possible, with a secure waiting area during court proceedings.
- To be informed about the procedure to follow to receive a witness fee.
- To have efforts made with the victim's employer to minimize loss of pay because of court appearances.
- To have personal property promptly returned when it is no longer needed as evidence.

- To be informed of available financial assistance, social services and the Crime Victim Compensation Program and how to apply for it.

- To be consulted by probation and parole officials in preparation of a pre-sentence report.

- To address the court about the impact of the crime before a plea agreement is accepted or before a sentence is imposed after a trial.

- To be informed of the disposition of a case.

- To be notified in felony cases when a defendant is released, eligible for release or released on parole from the AGI.

- To have a victim impact statement placed in the prosecutor's case file and presented to the court for review before a plea agreement.

- To be informed of the right to request restitution.

VICTIM INFORMATION NOTIFICATION EVERYDAY

VINE is an automated system that provides round-the-clock information through an anonymous toll-free call in regards to a criminal in state custody.

Callers who register with the service and leave a telephone number will automatically be notified whenever a specific prisoner escapes, is released, transferred sent to community confinement, or dies. It also provides advance notification for hearing dates, release dates, and transfer dates.

In the event of an escape the service will call every half hour for two days until the correct PIN is entered to stop the notification calls. For more info call: 1-877-744-8463

RHODE ISLAND'S CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM

WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

- Innocent victims who suffer physical or emotional injury in a violent crime in Rhode Island.
- Dependents and immediate family members of homicide victim's.

Some expenses covered are: medical, dental, hospital and mental health expenses, funeral and burial expenses, loss earning (victim only) and loss of support. Contact the CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM at (401) 222-2287 for details.

RI ATTORNEY GENERAL'S VICTIM SERVICES UNIT

Notifying victims of their statutory rights, the Crime Victim Compensation Program, and case status through written notification, informational brochures and Victim Impact Statement, personal and telephone contact. The written notification begins at the Superior Court arraignment and continues through to the disposition of the case, supplying pertinent court dates, bail status, and results of each court procedure.

Providing personal assistance to victims at court proceedings; explanation of and orientation to court processes; preparation for testimony; liaison with the prosecutor and/or police departments; employer intercession; property recovery problems. For information call: 274-440 (x2360)