

THE WISCONSIN CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Who is Eligible?

An innocent victim who suffers from a crime.

A dependent or legal representative of an innocent victim who has been killed as a result of a crime.

A person who is injured while aiding a crime victim or helping a police officer.

A person who suffers a reaction from the death of a family or household member.

Persons who are injured in automobile accidents caused by drunk drivers.

What Compensation May Be Paid?

- Injury or death benefits up to \$40,000.
- Medical, hospital, surgical, pharmacy, and mental health expenses.
- Lost wages
- Loss of support to dependents of victim
- Reasonable replacement cost of clothing or bedding held as evidence.
- Reasonable replacement value for property held as evidence or made unusable by lab testing.
- Reasonable costs for securing and cleaning a crime scene up to \$1,000.
- Cost of homemaker services.
- Funeral services up to \$2,000

To be eligible, the victim must not have caused or contributed to the crime and must cooperate with law enforcement officials. Other restrictions and eligibility requirements may apply.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE CONTACT INFORMATION

South Milwaukee Police Department

2424 15th Avenue
South Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 768-8060

Milwaukee County District Attorney

Milwaukee County Court House
949 N. 9th, Room 110
Milwaukee, WI 53233
Phone: (414) 278-4646

Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department

821 W. State Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233
Office (414) 278-4700
Jail (414) 226-7070

Milwaukee County Victim/Witness Assistance

821 West State Street
Room 105
Milwaukee, WI 53233
Phone: 414 278-4667

Wisconsin Department of Justice Office of Crime Victim Services

P.O. Box 7951
Madison, WI 53707
Phone: 1-800-446-6564

SOUTH MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

VICTIM INFORMATION



Officer's Name

Incident Number

Offender's Name(s)



Each year millions of people nationwide become victims of crime, and every two and one-half minutes in Wisconsin someone become another victim. Being a crime victim can be a very stressful and disturbing experience. Please read and keep this brochure, it describes some of the many rights crime victims in Wisconsin have. You may find it useful to assist you in obtaining services both now and in the future.

CASE STATUS QUESTIONS

- If you have any questions about the status of your case you may contact the South Milwaukee Police Department. We can provide you with basic information about any arrests which may have been made and/or the investigative status of the case.
- If an ADULT person has been arrested and incarcerated in connection with this case, you may call the county jail to find out if the person has been released from jail.
- If the case is referred to the District Attorney's Office for possible prosecution the District Attorney's Office will try to contact you with additional information, including whether charges will be filed, your right to attend court proceedings and to discuss the case with the prosecutor. Contact the District Attorney's Office for more information about your rights

Cases involving JUVENILE offenders will be referred to a juvenile intake worker at the Milwaukee County Children's Center . You may call the intake worker to find out whether the juvenile has been released. The intake worker will try to contact you with additional information, including your right to discuss the case with the intake worker and to receive notices of court proceedings. Contact the intake worker for more information about your rights.

It is important you notify the South Milwaukee Police Department if you move or change your phone number.

CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS

You have the right to have any recovered stolen or other personal property returned to you by law enforcement agencies as quickly as possible when it is no longer needed as evidence. Contact Victim/Witness Assistance in the District Attorney's Office for further information.

You have the right to have restitution ordered by a court. It is important you gather and keep accurate documentation about your losses.

You may provide statements concerning the sentencing disposition or parole. Contact the Victim/Witness coordinator in the District Attorney's Office for further information.



The Crime Victim Compensation Program may be available to help you pay for unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses (such as medical bills and lost wages) which directly result from the crime even if there is no arrest or conviction. It is not available for property damage or loss. If you would like further information, please contact the Wisconsin Department of Justice.

If you would like general information about these and other rights you have as a victim of crime or would like a complete list of victims' rights, please contact the District Attorney's Office

THREATS OR INTIMIDATION

If you are subject to threats or intimidation arising from your case and/or cooperation with law enforcement and prosecuting efforts relating to this crime, contact the South Milwaukee Police Department. If it is an emergency situation and you are in immediate danger, **call 9-1-1.**

VICTIM ASSISTANCE AND SERVICES

If you would like information on victim assistance and available service agencies, please contact the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office. See the back panel of this brochure for addresses and phone numbers.