 **PENNSYLVANIA CRIME VICTIMS**

* You are not alone... Being a victim of crime can be very hard. You might not be able to focus or remember things. This is all normal for someone who has been a victim of crime.
* There are victim advocates that can provide free services to you. They are available to answer your questions and provide supportive counseling.
  + To find an organization in your county go to [www.pcv.pccd.pa.gov](http://www.pcv.pccd.pa.gov/) or scan the QR code below and select “Find Help in Your County.”
* As a victim of crime, you have rights. Go to [www.pcv.pccd.pa.gov](http://www.pcv.pccd.pa.gov) or scan the QR code below to see your rights throughout the criminal justice process, including information on how to exercise additional rights if someone is arrested and/or convicted, and learn how to access immediate resources, such as shelter and protection orders, financial assistance and counseling.
* If you are the victim of domestic violence, you have the right to go to court and file a petition requesting an order for protection from domestic abuse pursuant to the Protection From Abuse Act (23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 61), which could include the following:
  + An order restraining the abuser from further acts of abuse; An order directing the abuser to leave your household; An order preventing the abuser from entering your residence, school, business or place of employment; An order awarding you or the other parent temporary custody of or temporary visitation with your child or children; An order directing the abuser to pay support to you and the minor children if the abuser has a legal obligation to do so.
* If you are the victim of sexual violence or intimidation, you have the right to go to court and file a petition requesting Sexual Violence Protection Order (SVPO) pursuant to the Protection of Victims of Sexual Assault or Intimidation Act (42 Pa.C.S. Ch. 62A).

**PA Crime Victims App**

**on Apple**

**PA Crime Victims App**

**on Google Play**

**To apply for Compensation**

**To access PA Crime Victims Website**

**If you don’t have internet access, SEE BELOW FOR IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Important Local Contact Information - Adams County**

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| **Domestic Violence Victims** | |
| SAFE Home/YWCA of Hanover | 717-637-2125 |

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| **Sexual Assault Victims** | |
| Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape | 800-692-7445 |

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| **Child Abuse Victims** | |
| Adams County Victim Witness Assistance Program | 717-337-9844 |

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| **Elder Abuse Victims (24-Hour Elder Abuse Hotline 800-490-8505)** | |
| Adams County Victim Witness Assistance Program | 717-337-9844 |

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| **Violent Crime Victims (to include Homicide)** | |
| Adams County Victim Witness Assistance Program | 717-337-9844 |

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| **Human Trafficking Victims** | |
| Adams County Victim Witness Assistance Program | 717-337-9844 |

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| **County Victim/Witness Office** | |
| Adams County Victim Witness Assistance Program | 717-337-9844 |

**STATEWIDE CONTACTS**

**Address Confidentiality Program**

Pennsylvania Office of the Victim Advocate - 800-563-6399

or [www.ova.pa.gov](http://www.ova.pa.gov)

**Offender Release Notification**

PA Statewide Victim Notification System (PA-SAVIN) –

866-972-7284 or [www.pcv.pccd.pa.gov](http://www.pcv.pccd.pa.gov/)

**Financial Assistance**

Victims Compensation Assistance Program - 800-233-2339

or [www.dave.pa.gov](http://www.dave.pa.gov)

**Childline**

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services – 800-932-0313

or [www.dhs.pa.gov/contact/Pages/Report-Abuse.aspx](https://www.dhs.pa.gov/contact/Pages/Report-Abuse.aspx)







