

After conviction of a crime against a victim, if requested in writing by that victim, your state or local correctional authorities will notify the victim of:

- The institution where the person is incarcerated or otherwise being held
- The projected release date of the person
- Any release of the person, including furlough, work release, or community corrections in advance of release
- Escape of person
- Any release or discharge from confinement of the person and conditions of that release
- The death of the person while in a correctional facility or program

YOU MUST RE-ENROLL IN THE NOTIFICATION PROGRAM AFTER A CONVICTION EVEN IF YOU HAD BEEN ENROLLED DURING THE PRE-CONVICTION PHASE OF THE CASE.

Upon request of the victim, correctional officials will keep confidential the victim's or family's addresses, phone numbers, places of employment, or other personal information.

For further information contact the District Attorney's Office that handled your case to determine the sentence of the defendant. If you know the facility where the defendant is incarcerated, you may contact that facility to enroll in a notification program.

QUESTIONS???

If you are in custody and have further questions, contact your Unit Manager.

If you do not want to receive information or notifications as a victim of a crime, you may request that no contact is made to you.

If you have questions concerning the prosecution of your case, contact the District Attorney's Office. Your Clinical Service Provider/MH Professional or Unit Supervisor will be able to provide you with the contact information specific to the county.

If all local efforts to obtain your rights have failed, you may request assistance from the Governor's Victims' Coordinating Committee by contacting:

Division of Criminal Justice Office
for Victims' Programs
700 Kipling St., Suite 1000
Denver, CO 80215
303-239-4477 phone
303-239-4411 fax
Outside metro area 1-888-282-1080

Clients in Colorado's Division of Youth Corrections

Case # _____

If you are a victim of any one of the crimes listed on the inside panel, your right to be informed and to participate in all critical stages of the criminal justice process related to that crime is guaranteed by the Colorado Constitution. There may be restrictions while you are in custody.

This brochure is designed to help you understand and exercise those rights.

If you have additional questions while you are in custody, contact your Clinical Service Provider/MH Professional or Unit Supervisor.

RIGHTS

The Constitution of the State of Colorado and the laws of the state C.R.S § 24-4.1-302 (1) guarantee certain rights to the victims of the following criminal acts:

- Murder;
- Manslaughter;
- Criminally negligent homicide and vehicular homicide;
- Assault, vehicular assault;
- Menacing;
- Kidnapping;
- Sexual Assault;
- Robbery;
- Incest and aggravated incest;
- Child abuse;
- Sexual exploitation of children;
- Crimes against at-risk adults or at-risk juveniles;
- Indecent exposure;
- Violation of criminal protection order issued against a person charged with sexual assault;
- Crimes for which the underlying foundation has been determined to be domestic violence;
- Careless driving that results in the death of another person;
- Failure to stop at the scene of an accident that results in the death of another person;
- Stalking;
- Bias motivated crimes;
- Retaliation against a victim or witness;
- Tampering with a victim or witness;
- Intimidation and aggravated intimidation of a witness or victim; and
- Any criminal attempt, conspiracy, criminal solicitation, or accessory involving any of the crimes specified above.

If the victim is deceased or incapacitated, the victim's spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, significant other, or other lawful representative may exercise these rights.

Victims of the crimes listed have the right to:

- Be treated with fairness, respect and dignity;
- Be informed of and present for all "critical stages" of the criminal justice process;
- Be informed about what steps can be taken if he/she is subjected to any intimidation or harassment;
- Notification of any change in the status of the accused including release or discharge from the county jail;
- Information on all charges filed;
- Information on charges not filed in misdemeanor cases;
- Assurance of swift and fair resolution of the proceedings;
- Consult with the district attorney prior to any disposition of the case or before the case goes to trial and to be informed of the final disposition of the case;
- Be informed of the status of the case and any scheduling changes or cancellations;
- Prepare a Victim Impact Statement and to be present and/or heard at sentencing;
- Restitution and to be informed of the right to pursue a civil judgment;
- Prompt return of the victim's property when no longer needed as evidence;
- Information on the of the availability of financial assistance and community services;
- Appropriate employer intercession services regarding court appearances and meetings with criminal justice officials;
- Whenever practicable, to have a safe, secure waiting area during court proceedings;
- To be informed of the results of any court-ordered HIV testing;
- Inform victims of cold cases of any change of status in the case;
- Upon written request, provide victims of cold cases for which the crime has a statute of limitations of longer than three years, an annual update concerning the status of the case;
- To be informed of any rights which the victim has pursuant to the Constitution of the United States or the State of Colorado;
- If requested, you may have information on community resources and other information that will assist in your recovery. You should asked your case counselor or initiate a kite to a supervisor.

NOTIFICATION

Your local detentions authorities will notify the victim of changes of status of the accused prior to the final disposition in the case. Changes of the status of the accused may include:

- ① Booked into custody
- ① Released from custody
- ① Transfer of prisoner
- ① Escape of prisoner

After you are released from this facility, you will be notified by phone by an officer, by an automated system, or both. You may be enrolled in an automated notification system that will contact the victim at a phone number or numbers provided by the victim to the responding officer, to the Victim Advocate, or to the local jail.

If you receive a call from the automated system, you need to follow the instructions and enter your PIN number. Unless the victim has provided an alternate number, the PIN will be the last four digits of the victim's social security number. This PIN number can be changed.

Your PIN is _____

If the automated system leaves you a message and you need information, you can call the jail or Victim Assistance. If you have problems, please call the jail, your Victim Advocate, or the Victim Assistance Program.

This automated notification option is only available if you are not incarcerated and if the offender's detentions facility participates in an automated system. You must notify the detaining facility of any changes in your contact information.