

YOUR RIGHTS as a Survivor of Sexual Assault

State of California Victim Compensation Program

- The California Victim Compensation Program (CalVCP) can help pay bills and expenses that result from certain violent crimes. Survivors of crime who have been injured or have been threatened with injury may be eligible for help. CalVCP Helpline: 800-777-9229 (phone) 866-902-8669 (fax)
- Contact: The Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office Victim Services Unit at: (408) 295-2656.

NOTE: You may have to take part in the criminal case to qualify for CalVCB.

- You have a right to have a confidential sexual assault counselor (Victim Advocate) and a support person of your choice present during any exam or investigative interview. However, the support person may be excluded by law enforcement or the district attorney if it is determined to be detrimental to the interview. (Penal Code 679.04)

A survivor's immigration status does not affect their right to advocacy services and these services are offered at no cost to the survivor.

RESOURCES

Sexual assault medical forensic exams are available through:

**Santa Clara County
(408) 885-5000**

Exam Locations:

**Valley Medical Center · San Jose
Stanford University Medical Center
Palo Alto**

You can reach a **Sexual Assault Advocate** 24 hours a day by calling Rape Crisis centers:

YWCA Golden Gate Silicon Valley

1-800-572-2782

www.yourywca.org



Community Solutions

1-877-363-7238

www.communitysolutions.org



Survivor Resources in Santa Clara County

Children's Advocacy Center	408-885-6460
District Attorney's Office	408-299-7400
CAN Center/CPS Reporting Line	833-722-5437
Victim Services Unit	408-295-2656

SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVOR'S BILL OF RIGHTS

You have rights. You have the right to get answers, the right to information, and a right to know. This card explains your rights, options, and helpful resources available to you under California Penal Code 680.2.

You are not required to participate in the criminal justice system to receive a medical evidentiary examination.

You Decide

It's your choice to:

- Get a physical exam
- Be part of a criminal case

Date: _____

Police Report No.: _____

Officer & Badge: _____

Agency: _____

Phone #: _____

Survivors of sexual assault and/or domestic violence are encouraged to report abuse to local police departments.

Local police departments are not ICE and you will not be reported to ICE as a survivor of sexual assault or domestic violence.

YOUR RIGHTS as a Survivor of Sexual Assault

You Have the Right To:

- **Request a person with a gender of your choosing** to be present in the room during any interview with law enforcement or the District Attorney.
- **Request in writing and receive** a free copy of the initial crime report.
- **Seek an Emergency Protection Order** to help keep you safe. Ask a law enforcement officer if you would like one.
- **Seek a Civil Protection Order** with the support of a sexual assault counselor **OR** at the Family Justice Center at: [408-534-5600](tel:408-534-5600) or https://www.sccourt.org/self_help_restraining/rohcshtml
- **Know that DNA evidence** on the body may last from 12 hours to 7 days. DNA and other evidence can breakdown over time due to exposure to heat, water, and other materials.
- **Know the evidence related to your assault will be tested.** By law, evidence should be taken to the Crime Lab within 20 days of booking and tested within 120 days of receipt or no later than 2 years from the date of the (last) offense.
- **Know that evidence related to your assault must be kept** for 20 years, or until age 40 for victims under age 18.
- **Ask the status and results** of the testing of all evidence related to your assault. For results contact the law enforcement agency investigating your case.

Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Tracking (SAFE-T)

Contact the California Attorney General's Victims' Services Unit for a general location and status of rape kit based on data entered into the SAFE-T database.

Call or look up offender information here:

Santa Clara County Jail Booking
408-299-2306

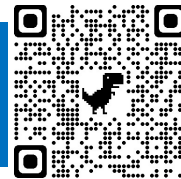
or

<https://eservices.sccgov.org/OVR/FindInmate/Find>

Sex offender registry information can be found online on Megan's Law or by contacting the CA Dept. of Justice.

Request, in writing, sex offender registry information from the prosecutor, if your assailant is convicted and required to register as a sex offender.

SCAN TO ACCESS
VINELink



<https://vinelink.com>

VINEmobile is an app which allows victims to register to receive information regarding the custody status of offenders 24-hours a day. Victims and citizens can register to be notified by phone, email, text message (where applicable) or TTY device when an offender's custody status changes. The app is available through Google Play and the Apple iStore.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

South Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking Victim Support Services



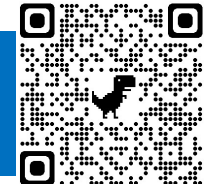
SCAN FOR HUMAN
TRAFFICKING SUPPORT
SERVICES

<https://southbayendtrafficking.org/>

The Coalition coordinates with law enforcement and victim service providers to help identify survivors of trafficking and exploitation to ensure they are connected to services, including housing assistance, legal services, and safety planning.

Report Online Child Sexual Abuse

SCAN TO MAKE A
CYBERTIPLINE
REPORT



<https://report.cybertip.org>

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's (NCMEC) CyberTipline is the nation's centralized reporting system for the online exploitation of children.