

IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCLUDING THREATS OF VIOLENCE

According to NH law RSA 173 - B:10(d) "...If you feel that law enforcement protection is needed for your physical safety, you have the right to request that the officer assist in providing for your safety, including asking for an emergency telephonic order for protection. You may also request that the officer assist you in obtaining from your premises and curtilage, toiletries, medication, clothing, business equipment, and any other items as determined by the court, and in locating and taking you to a local safe place including, but not limited to, a designated meeting place to be used as a crisis center, a family member's or friend's residence, or a similar place of safety. If you are in need of medical treatment you have the right to request that the officer assist you in obtaining an ambulance. You may request a copy of the report filed by the peace officer, at no cost, from the law enforcement department."

- You have the right to go to the Circuit Court, Family Division or District Division to obtain a protective order against the person who abused or threatened you.
- Contact your local Domestic Violence Crisis Center for free, confidential support and assistance.
- The police officer has the responsibility to decide whether or not to make an arrest; an officer can arrest with or without your consent if the officer believes that a crime has been committed.

A victim of domestic violence shall be entitled to all rights granted to victims of crime under RSA 21-M:8-k (173-B:9(V))

New Hampshire crime victim's Bill of Rights includes: **The right to be treated with dignity and respect throughout the entire criminal justice process.**

**For a complete list of victims' rights, go to:*

<http://Doj.nh.gov/criminal/victim-assistance/bill-of-rights.htm>

CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

If you are a victim of a violent crime, or the family or dependent of a deceased victim, you may be eligible for compensation for hospital/medical expenses, lost wages, funeral expenses and/or mental health therapy expenses, not otherwise covered by insurance. Property crimes are not covered.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

1-800-300-4500 (toll free in NH only) OR 603-271-1284 (out of state)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS SERVICES

STATEWIDE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE 1-866-644-3574
STATEWIDE SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE 1-800-277-5570

New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
www.nhcadsv.org

The Coalition is comprised of 13 programs that provide services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking. The services are FREE, confidential and include a 24-hour crisis line, emergency shelter and transportation, court advocacy in obtaining protective orders against abusers, hospital and court accompaniment for sexual assault survivors, support groups and information and help in obtaining public assistance.

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| Berlin | 1-866-662-4220 | Lebanon | 1-866-348-WISE |
| Concord | 1-866-841-6229 | Littleton | 1-800-774-0544 |
| Conway | 1-800-336-3795 | Manchester | 603-668-2299 |
| Claremont | 1-800-639-3130 | Nashua | 603-883-3044 |
| Durham/UNH | 1-888-271-SAFE | Plymouth | 603-536-1659 |
| Keene | 603-352-3782 or 1-888-511-MCVP | Portsmouth | 603-994-SAFE |
| Laconia | 1-866-841-6247 | | |

**** OFFICER: PLEASE CIRCLE CLOSEST PROGRAM TO
VICTIMS' LOCATION****

Name of Police Officer: _____

Police Department: _____

Case Number: _____

Court Location: _____