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Notices of public proceedings can be found below on the Clerk of Court Websites:

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Since 1981, the 19th Judicial Circuit State Attorney's Office has had victim advocates on staff to assist victims of violent crimes such as sexual assault, domestic violence, child abuse, elder abuse, and homicide cases. With the passage of Marsy's Law in Florida in 2018, these services have been expanded to assist all Felony and Misdemeanor victims. Advocates help victims navigate the criminal justice system, keep victims informed about the status of their cases, and help uphold the victims' right to be informed, present, and heard at all stages of the criminal justice process. Other services include crisis intervention, assistance with Crimes Compensation, arranging transportation and referrals to appropriate community resources for services needed. Once your case has been opened at the State Attorney's Office, you will receive a Victims' Rights Letter from your assigned victim advocate containing the name and contact information for your advocate. The advocate will follow up with you shortly thereafter. If an arrest has not been made, please call the law enforcement agency handling the investigation with any concerns.

For more information, please call

1-800-562-7273

FLORIDA CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, ARTICLE I SECTION 16(b)

Victims have certain rights under the law. In 2018, the voters of Florida passed “Marsy’s Law” which amended Article 1 Section 16(b) of the Florida Constitution to expand the rights of Crime Victims in Florida. Below is a link to the full text of the amendment.

[CLICK HERE](#)

To help protect these rights, the State Attorney’s office has a Victim Advocate Program. Click below to download a copy of the Victims Rights Brochure which explains the court process and offers important resources.

[Download Here](#)

[Descarga Aqui](#)

If you or a loved one has been a victim of Sexual Assault, you are not alone.
The 19th Judicial Circuit has a Sexual Assault Response Team in place to provide immediate assistance
Click on the link below for more information or
call the Sexual Assault Assistance Program at 1-866-828-7273 to speak to a live certified rape crisis counselor



Domestic Violence

Florida Statute 741.28 (2) and (3)

“Domestic violence” means any assault, aggravated assault, battery, aggravated battery, sexual assault, sexual battery, stalking, aggravated stalking, kidnapping, false imprisonment, or any criminal offense resulting in physical injury or death of one family or household member by another family or household member.

“Family or household member” means spouses, former spouses, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together as if

a family or who have resided together in the past as if a family, and persons who are parents of a child in common regardless of whether they have been married. With the exception of persons who have a child in common, the family or household members must be currently residing or have in the past resided together in the same single dwelling unit.

HELP IS AVAILABLE

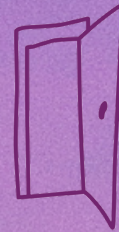
click on the links below for local and national resources



Local Certified Domestic Violence Shelter
Serving Okeechobee County

SafeSpace

*Saving and Changing Lives
of Domestic Violence Victims*



Local Certified Domestic Violence Shelter
Serving St. Lucie, Martin, and Indian River Counties

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-SAFE

www.thehotline.org

or text “START” to 88788

Attach- Finding Safety Brochure - English

Attach-Finding Safety Brochure-Spanish



