



# VICTIM'S JUSTICE CENTER

Rights, Safety and Resources

## A MESSAGE FROM ANTHONY A. SCARPIANO, JR.

*Westchester County District Attorney*

Crime and its aftermath can be a difficult and painful experience. As District Attorney of Westchester County, I am committed to providing comprehensive services through our Victim's Justice Center, to assist crime victims and witnesses who are involved in the criminal justice process. I encourage you to take time to learn about the services that are described in this brochure. For additional information, please call us at (914) 995-3300.



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## **Victim's Justice Center Services**

The goal of the Victim's Justice Center is to provide victims with information and assistance regarding their rights, their safety, and the resources available to help them cope with the emotional, physical and financial impact of the crime.

### **The Staff of the VJC:**

- Provides victims with information about the case and the court process
- Accompanies victims and their families to court proceedings
- Provides advocacy and referrals to other agencies and services
- Assists with victim impact statements at sentencing

**The VJC provides** counseling, therapy, crisis intervention, and on-site referrals to support groups for families of homicide victims, elder abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault, child abuse and other crimes.

The VJC assists with crime victims compensation claims. You may qualify for medical or funeral expenses and/or loss of income.

All services are free. Se habla Español.

The Victim's Justice Center receives financial support from the New York State Office of Victim Services. For more information about the rights of crime victims in New York State, visit the website of the Office of Victim Services at ovs.ny.gov.

### **Inmate information**

Victims, family members and the public can access basic information about an inmate in the custody of the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision at doccs.ny.gov.

To be notified of an offender's release from jail or state prison, register with VINElink by phone (888) 846-3469 or [www.vinelink.com](http://www.vinelink.com)

## **Resources .....**

To access the New York State Office of Victim Services Crime Victim's Rights Booklet, visit the Victim Services link of our website at [westchesterda.net](http://westchesterda.net) and click on the link to "Rights of Crime Victim's."

### **Victim's Justice Center**

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111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd.  
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(914) 995-3300 or [westchesterda.net](http://westchesterda.net)

### **Office hours:**

Monday through Friday  
9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.  
(extended hours provided as needed)

