

YELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT. – CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS NOTICE

After initial contact between any victim of a sex offense, a minor who is a victim of kidnapping, false imprisonment in the first degree, permanent detention or restraint, or any victim of any violent crime (defined as any felony which resulted in physical injury to the victim, any felony involving the use of a deadly weapon, terroristic threatening in the first degree, and stalking as defined in Arkansas Code Annotated § 5-7-229) the responding officer(s) shall promptly provide this form in writing to the victim.

Arkansas law and the Yell County Sheriff's Department acknowledge that victims of certain types of crimes are entitled to special assistance. This document will briefly explain some of the various programs that are available to you, and list phone numbers for agencies to whom you may call for additional assistance.

- As a victim, you or your representative have a right to be present whenever the defendant charged in your case has a right to be present during a court proceeding concerning the crime charged, *other than a grand jury proceeding. This right may not apply if the court determines that your presence will interfere with the defendant's right to a fair trial, or the confidentiality or fairness in a juvenile proceeding.*
- You have a right to request the presence of an individual to provide support to you during a court proceeding, unless the court determines that exclusion of the individual is necessary to protect the defendant's right to a fair trial.
- Neither you, nor a member of your family, will be compelled to disclose your residential address or place of employment while testifying in a criminal justice proceeding, on the record in open court, unless the court finds that disclosure of the information is necessary.
- If you are a victim of a sex crime, the Yell County Sheriff's Department will not disclose information that directly or indirectly identifies you.
- Your employer may not discharge nor discipline you for participation at the prosecuting attorney's request in preparation for a criminal justice proceeding, nor for attendance at a criminal justice proceeding if your attendance is reasonably necessary to protect your interests.
- Any personal property that the Yell County Sheriff's Department takes from you as evidence will promptly be returned to you when it is no longer needed as evidence, unless that property is contraband and subject to seizure. The Yell County Sheriff's Department will take reasonable care of any property we take from you.

*You may be entitled to benefits under the Arkansas Crime Victims Reparation Act. The Arkansas legislature intended this act to provide a method of compensating and assisting certain persons who are victims of criminal acts and who suffer physical injury or death. To determine if you qualify, informational brochures and applications are available from the Office of the Attorney General, 323 Center Street in Little Rock, Arkansas at [1-800-448-3014](tel:1-800-448-3014), or you may contact the **Victim Witness Coordinator** at the 15th Judicial District Prosecuting Attorney's Office at 522 Main Street, Danville, AR 72833 at **479-495-4558**.*

If you are a victim of domestic abuse, it may be necessary for a court to issue an "order of protection or a "no contact order". These are documents that serve several purposes, but which also gives law enforcement agencies the power to arrest your abuser should he or she contact you after the crime. The 15th Judicial District Prosecuting Attorney's Office and Yell County Sheriff's Department will assist you with this process.

As a victim, you will be granted access to public records pertaining to your case. You should contact the criminal investigator assigned your case with this request. When practicable, the investigator assigned your case will provide you information as to the suspect's identity, and let you know whether or not the suspect is in custody, has escaped, or has been released. The investigator will also provide you with his or her name and office telephone numbers to assist you in making contact should you desire to do so.

The *Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE)* program monitors information about persons incarcerated in the Arkansas prison system and in county jails and makes that information available on a twenty four hour basis to victims of crimes. The toll free telephone number for the Arkansas VINE Hotline is 1-800-510-0415.

Victim Contact Information

The following agencies can provide information and assistance to you:

- **Law Enforcement Agencies**

Yell County Sheriff's Department, 201 E. 5th St., PO Box 99, Danville, AR 72833, Ph: (479) 495-4881
Arkansas State Police, 2700 W. Main St., Clarksville, AR 72830, Ph: (479) 754-3096

- **Housing**

Main Street Mission, 1110 E 2nd St., Russellville, AR 72801, Ph: (479) 968-8303
Samaritan Outreach, Inc., (Domestic Violence Women's Shelter) PO Box 183, Dardanelle, AR 72834, Ph: (479) 229-3300
Friendship Community Care, 920 N. University Av., Russellville, AR 72802, Ph: (479) 967-2322
River Valley Shelter for Battered Women and Children, PO Box 2066, Russellville, AR 72811, Ph: (479) 968-3110
Salvation Army, 1004 Weir Rd., Russellville, AR 72802, Ph: (479) 968-5369

- **Medical**

Chambers Memorial Hospital, Detroit St., Danville, AR 72833, Ph: (479) 495-2241
River Valley Medical Center, N. 3rd St., Dardanelle, AR 72834, Ph: (479) 229-4677
Kirkland Family Medical Center, State Highway 22, Dardanelle, AR 72834, Ph: (479) 229-8000
Martin Medical Clinic, 112 Fourche Av., Ola, AR 72853, Ph: (479) 489-5233
Plainview Clinic, 102 Garfield Av., Plainview, AR 72857, Ph: (479) 272-4236
River Valley Christian Clinic, West State Highway 22, Dardanelle, AR 72834, Ph: (479) 229-2566
Scenic 7 Medical Clinic, 402 S State Highway 7, Ola, AR 72853, Ph: (479) 489-5126
Tippin Family Medicine Clinic, 804 Dan Ark Circle, Danville, AR 72833, Ph: (479) 495-7300
Western Yell County Medical Clinic, W. Broadway, Havana, AR 72842, Ph: (479) 476-2827

- **Utilities Assistance**

Help Network, 312 S. Boulder Av., Russellville, AR 72801, Ph: (479) 967-7890

- **Women's Assistance-Domestic Abuse or Sexual Assault**

Samaritan Outreach, Inc., (Domestic Violence Women's Shelter) PO Box 183, Dardanelle, AR 72834, Ph: (479) 229-3300
River Valley Shelter for Battered Women and Children, PO Box 2066, Russellville, AR 72811, Ph: (479) 968-3110

- **Children's Assistance**

Fort Smith Children's Emergency Shelter, 3015 South 14th, 783-0018
Suspected Child Abuse & Neglect, 1-800-482-5964
American Red Cross, 1311 E. 16th St., Russellville, AR 72801, Ph: (479) 968-3498

- **Department of Human Services**

Children and Family Services; Elderly Services; Developmental Disabilities Services; Child Medical Services
Day Care; Aid to Family with Dependent Children; Food Stamps; Medicaid
Protective Services; Child Support Enforcement Unit; Services for the Blind
904 M. St., Danville, AR 72833, Ph: (479) 495-2723

- **Clothing**

Care and Share, 107 State St., Dardanelle, AR 72834, Ph: (479) 229-1220
Main Street Mission, 1110 E 2nd St., Russellville, AR 72801, Ph: (479) 968-8303
Salvation Army, 1004 Weir Rd., Russellville, AR 72802, Ph: (479) 968-5369
American Red Cross, 1311 E. 16th St., Russellville, AR 72801, Ph: (479) 968-3498

- **Food and Meals**

Main Street Mission, 1110 E 2nd St., Russellville, AR 72801, Ph: (479) 968-8303
Salvation Army, 1004 Weir Rd., Russellville, AR 72802, Ph: (479) 968-5369
Havana Assembly of God Food Bank, 310 W Broadway, Havana, AR 72842, Ph: (479) 476-2411