# **Statewide Resources for Victims**

## Virginia Victim Fund

The VVF is a state program created to help victims of violent crime with out of packed expenses. These can include medical bills, prescriptions, funeral expenses, and many other expenses.

https://virginiavictimsfund.org/content/victims-crime-virginia

#### Virginia Victim Assistance Network

VVAN in the only statewide nonprofit organization that provides services to any victim of any crime, and it is the sole membership and network organization for systems-based victim assistance programs that help crime victims throughout the Commonwealth.

https://vanetwork.org/

#### Victim & Witness Program

The Victim-Witness Program supports and aids crime victims, families, and witnesses throughout the court process, empowering witnesses to testify while complying with the Virginia Constitutional Crime Victims' Bills of Rights and the Crime Victim and Witness Rights Act.

https://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/sites/dcjs.virginia.gov/files/publications/victims/map-listingvictimwitness-programs-virginia.pdf

#### **VINELink**

VINELink is an automated service that allows people affected by crime to locate an offender in jail, and receive notifications about any changes in custody status. It is free, secure and confidential.

https://vinelink.vineapps.com/search/VA/Person

#### Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance

The VSDVAA manages the statewide hotline and the Project for the Empowerment of Survivor Legal Services. Both programs provide compassionate advocacy support, information and resources to victims, family, and friends. The PES provides legal advice to victims, and links them to other legal services in the Commonwealth. The services are free and confidential.

https://vsdvalliance.org/get-help-ayuda/

#### Virginia Legal Aid

Virginia Legal Aid website contains information on **legal aid** and pro bono programs in **Virginia** where you may receive free **legal assistance**.

https://www.valegalaid.org/

## <u>Virginia Poverty Law Center - LA VIDA (Legal Assistance to Victim-Immigrants of Domestic</u> <u>Abuse</u>)

LA VIDA is a free immigration program available ONLY to low-income domestic or sexual violence victims who are undocumented immigrants or whose temporary visas are about to expire.

## https://vplc.org/immigration-program/

## Tahirih Justice Center

The TJC is a national, nonprofit organization that provides culturally appropriate and linguistically specific holistic legal and social services for immigrant survivors of sexual and domestic violence in Virginia.

https://www.tahirih.org/who-we-serve/

## Office of the Attorney General Victim Notification Program

The Office of the Attorney General Victim Notification Program ensures Virginia's victims their right to be notified of any appeal or habeas corpus proceeding involving the case or cases in which such person was a victim.

https://www.oag.state.va.us/citizen-resources/victim-assistance

## Office of the Attorney General Identity Theft

Identity theft continues to be one of the fastest growing crimes in the United States. Our Victim Notification Program receives reports about identity thieves and con artists every day who use technology as a tool to perpetrate crimes.

https://www.oag.state.va.us/programs-initiatives/identity-theft

## Office of the Attorney General Confidentiality Program

The Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) is a confidential mail-forwarding service for victims of domestic violence, stalking, sexual violence, and/or human trafficking who have recently relocated to a location unknown to their abuser or stalker. The goal of the ACP is to help participants keep their new address confidential.

https://www.oag.state.va.us/programs-initiatives/domestic-violence/address-confidentiality-program

## Virginia Department of Corrections Victim Services

DOC Victim Services provide support, resources, and timely notification for victims of crime whose perpetrators are under the custody of the Virginia Department of Corrections (VADOC).

https://vadoc.virginia.gov/victim-services/

Virginia Parole Board Victim Services

The Victim Services staff is dedicated to making victims, their families, and other concerned citizens feel welcome in the parole process, answering questions about parole, and ensuring their views and concerns reach Parole Board members prior to the parole decision.

https://vpb.virginia.gov/victim-services/

#### I-CAN! VIRGINIA

I-CAN is a free online program that provides assistance with the preparation of court forms required to file for a protective order.

https://vacourtformhelp.courts.state.va.us/

#### YO-PUEDO! VIRGINIA

¡YO- PUEDO! Es un programa gratuito en línea que brinda asistencia con la preparación de los formularios judiciales necesarios para solicitar una orden de protección.

https://vacourtformhelp.courts.state.va.us/

#### Petition for a Protective Order

https://www.courts.state.va.us/forms/district/dc383.pdf

#### The disAbility Law Center

Helps clients with disability-related problems like abuse, neglect, and discrimination. They work with individuals who are living in institutions and in the community, and provide legal services and direct representation as resources allow.

https://www.dlcv.org/

#### Virginia Disability Services Agencies

The Disability Services Agencies (DSA) is a group of related agencies and organizations that provides various services, resources, and advocacy to older Virginians, Virginians with disabilities, and their families.

https://www.vadsa.org/

Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court https://www.vacourts.gov/courts/jdr/home.html

Request for Confidentiality by Crime Victim Form (DC-301) https://www.courts.state.va.us/forms/district/dc301.pdf

#### HOTLINES

- Virginia Victim Assist Helpline <u>tel:1-855-443-5782</u> Available Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Get information and referrals to victims of all types of crime in Virginia
- Virginia Statewide Hotline (Voice/TTY) <u>tel:1-800-838-8238</u> Available 24/7, free & confidential. Call to report domestic violence and sexual assault
- Virginia Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline <u>tel:1-800-522-7096</u> Available 24/7. Call to report child abuse and neglect.
- Virginia Adult Protective Services Hotline <u>tel:1-800-832-3858</u>
   Available 24/7. Call to report suspected adult abuse, neglect of exploitation.
- Virginia- National Human Trafficking Hotline <u>tel:1-888-373-7888</u> \*Text: 233733
   Available 24/7 Confidential. Call for immediate assistance. The Hotline also receives tips about potential situations of sex, labor trafficking, and facilitates reporting that information to the appropriate authorities in certain cases.
- Latinos in Virginia: Empowerment Center Helpline 1 (888) 969-1825
   Latinos en Virginia: Centro De Empoderamiento Línea de Ayuda 1 (888) 969-1825
   Available 24/7. Culturally appropriate and Linguistically Specific Sexual and domestic violence
   Services Provider for Spanish-speakers. All services are free and confidential.
- 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline 988

The 988 Suicide & Crisiss Lifeline is a national network of local crisis centers that provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidad crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in the United States. When people call, text, or chat 988, they will be connected to trained counselors that are part of the existing Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary.