

## LA CRIME VICTIM REPARATIONS PROGRAM

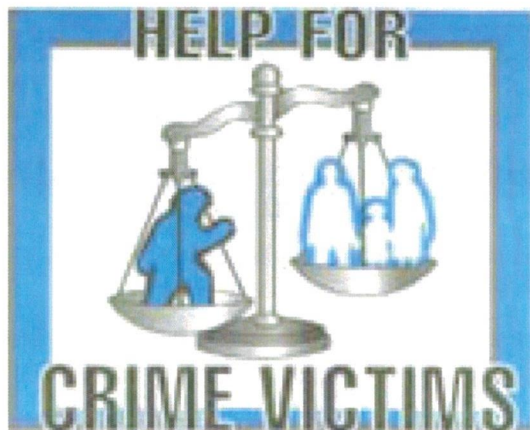
In July of 1982, the State of Louisiana established the Crime Victims Reparations Program in an effort to provide financial compensation to victims of certain crimes. You may be eligible to apply for victim compensation if you:

- Believe you are a victim of a violent crime
- Are the victim's legal representative (his/her attorney or the person responsible for expenses)
- Are the victim's dependent

A claim may be filed regardless of whether the offender is known, has been arrested, and/or has been found guilty. However, the crime must:

- Involve the use of force or the threat of use of force **AND**
- Result in personal injury, death, or catastrophic property loss **AND**
- Result in expenses that are allowed by statute (Act 250 of 1982, LA R.S. 46:1801-1822) & are not reimbursable through any other source

If you believe you are eligible to apply for victim compensation, you must apply through the Sheriff's Office in the parish where the crime occurred. To request an application, contact the St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office at (337) 828-1960.



The St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office, under the direction of Sheriff Scott Anslum is committed to maintaining excellence in Law Enforcement and dedicated to the people, traditions, and diversity of our community. The goal of the St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office is to continue to aspire to high standards of professionalism in policing through integrity, innovation, and training.



*The St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office: Serving the community with courtesy, professionalism and respect. "Sheriff Scott Anslum*

**St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office**  
500 Main Street  
Franklin, LA 70538  
(337) 828-1960

**Victim Services Coordinator**  
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## St. Mary Parish



## Sheriff's Office

## Victim Services Program

***Know Your Rights***  
***Know Where to Get Help***

**St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office**  
Franklin, LA (337) 828-1960  
Morgan City, LA (985) 384-1622  
[www.stmaryso.com](http://www.stmaryso.com)



## RIGHTS OF VICTIMS

In an effort to protect the rights of victims, this brochure serves as a guide providing information about the St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office Victim Services Program as well as information on other service agencies.

## SERVICES PROVIDED BY OUR VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAM

- Ensuring victims receive prompt emergency, social, and medical services
- Distributing the Victim Notice and Registration Form to victims who are eligible for registration
- Providing private settings for the interviewing of victims
- Notifying properly registered victims of the release of those accused or convicted from custody
- Informing employers that victim cooperation in investigations may require them to miss work
- Maintaining the confidentiality of all victims.
- Returning any stolen or other personal property to victims or their families when it is no longer needed as evidence
- Referring victims to local service organizations for counseling and financial services

\*\*\* These services are provided at no cost \*\*\*

**It is important that you inform the Sheriff's Office and/or the District Attorney's Office of any changes in your address and/or telephone number as soon as possible.**

## SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Faith House  
(337) 232-8954  
*Shelter for battered women & their minor children*

Family Violence Intervention Program  
(337) 232-2440  
*Intervention program for batterers*

Chez Hope  
(337) 828-4200  
A non-profit organization established in 1982 to serve victims of domestic violence. Chez Hope serves St. Mary, Iberia, Assumption, and St. Martin Parishes. Services include but are not limited to, emergency shelter, safety planning, crisis intervention, support groups, public awareness, educational programs for school children, batterer's intervention program, safe exchange center, and supervised visitation services.

## SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS OF HOMICIDE VICTIMS

Healing House  
(337) 234-0443  
*Services for children (ages 4 -17) who have lost a parent or sibling*

Parents of Murdered Children (LA Chapter)  
(337) 583-2602

Any victim or witness who is being threatened or intimidated by a suspect, an acquaintance of a suspect, or a family member of a suspect should contact their local law enforcement agency. Dial 911 if you feel you are in immediate danger.



*Sign up for this*

**free & anonymous** victim

*notification system by calling*

**1-866-528-6748** or going online to

**[www.vinelink.com](http://www.vinelink.com)**

## SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

Hearts of Hope (A Children's Advocacy Center)  
(337) 269-1557  
*For child victims of severe physical and/or sexual abuse*

Office of Community Services  
(337) 262-5901  
*Investigates reports of child abuse & neglect*

## SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

Louisiana Foundation Against Sexual Assault  
(225) 372-8995

Sexual Abuse Response Center (Rape Crisis Center)  
(337) 269-1557

*Services for adult/child victims of sexual abuse/assault*