

Know Your Rights

Sexual assault by a person who is known to the victim, including sexual assault by a person who is the spouse of the victim, is a crime.

Domestic violence or assault by a person who is known to the victim, including domestic violence or assault by a person who is the spouse of the victim, is a crime.

You are not required to participate in the criminal justice system or to receive a medical evidentiary or physical examination in order to retain your rights under law.

Upon written request, law enforcement is required to furnish a copy of the initial crime report related to the sexual assault.

District Attorney (530) 245-6300

Contact with the District Attorney's Office can be made after a report is filed with law enforcement. The District Attorney is responsible for prosecution of the charges. Victims of domestic violence may ask the district attorney to file a criminal complaint. Victims have the right to go to the superior court and file a petition requesting any of the following orders for relief:

- An order restraining the attacker from abusing the victim and other family members.
- An order directing the attacker to leave the household.
- An order preventing the attacker from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the victim.
- An order awarding the victim or the other parent custody of or visitation with a minor child or children.
- An order restraining the attacker from molesting or interfering with minor children in the custody of the victim.
- An order directing the party not granted custody to pay support of minor children, if that party has a legal obligation to do so.
- An order directing the defendant to make specified debit payments coming due while the order is in effect.
- An order directing that either or both parties participate in counseling.

Victims have the right to file a civil suit for losses suffered as a result of the abuse, including medical expenses, loss of earnings, and other expenses for injuries sustained and damage to property, and any other related expenses incurred by the victim or any agency that shelters the victim.

Law enforcement agencies that intend to destroy or dispose of rape kit evidence or other crime scene evidence from an unsolved sexual assault case before the expiration of the statute of limitations is required to give written notification, as specified, to the victim of that intention.

Law enforcement agencies are prohibited from destroying or disposing of rape kit evidence or other crime scene evidence from an unsolved sexual assault case before at least 20 years, or if the victim was under 18 years of age at the time of the alleged offense, before the victim's 40th birthday.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT



INFORMATION AND SERVICES BULLETIN

REDDING POLICE DEPARTMENT

777 Cypress Avenue
Redding, CA 96001
(530) 225-4200

EMERGENCY 911

WERE YOU HURT?

If you are a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault:

- Get help quickly. Call the Police, Sheriff, a rape crisis center, doctor, friend, or relative.
- Do not wash, douche, change clothes, or clean up in any way until after talking to law enforcement and going to the hospital. (You could destroy valuable physical evidence.)
- Strangulation may cause internal injuries and medical attention should be sought. The odds of becoming a homicide victim increase by about seven-fold for women who have been strangled by their partner.

SERVICES

For further information about a shelter you may contact:



One SAFE Place

www.ospshasta.org

(530) 244-0117 or toll free (844) 244-0117

Domestic and Sexual Abuse

24-hour crisis hotline and shelter.

Client Service Center - Open 9 am to 5 pm

2250 Benton Drive, Redding, CA, 96003

The One SAFE Place Client Service Center is a one-stop shop for victims of family violence and sexual assault that provides many of the following services under one roof.

Victims of domestic and sexual abuse have access to shelter, crisis counseling, restraining orders, tribal services, emergency food and

clothing, advocacy to courts, hospitals, social services, jail notification, and support groups. Please call to discuss resource options.

For information about other services in the community, where available, you may contact:

Law Enforcement Emergency - 911

Local Law Enforcement non-emergency

Shascom/Dispatch - (530)245-6540

Redding Police Department - (530)225-4200

City of Anderson - (530)378-6600

Shasta County Sheriff - (530)245-6000

Burney Office - (530) 245-6070

Shasta Lake Office - (530) 245-6096

Crime Victims Assistance Center

(530) 225-5220 | Open 8 am to 5 pm for services

and advocacy for victims of violent crimes:

Crisis counseling/assistance, orientation to the criminal justice system, victim's rights, court accompaniment, court or jail notification, resource referral, restitution assistance, relocation, and victim compensation benefits.

California Victims' Compensation

For information about the California Victims'

Compensation Program, you may contact

1-800-777-9229 or (530) 225-5220.

24-Hour Helpline

(530) 225-5252 | 24-hour confidential telephone

crisis intervention and resources.

Children and Family Services

www.co.shasta.ca.us

(530) 225-5144 | 24-hour child abuse reporting:

Investigates referrals of suspected abuse and neglect of children. Conducts parent education, foster home placement, adoption services, and family counseling.

Adult Protective Services

www.co.shasta.ca.us

(530) 225-5798 | 24-Hr elder and dependent adult abuse reporting:

Services to protect seniors and dependent adults. We provide investigation, education, emergency basic needs, and referral services in response to reports of suspected adult abuse, neglect, exploitation, and abandonment.

Public Health Department

www.co.shasta.ca.us

(530) 225-5591 | Various locations:

Health services to include vaccinations, general care, and HIV testing. Programs for community health advocacy and educational outreach.

Legal Services of Northern California

www.lsn.net

(530) 241-3565 | Open 9 am to 5 pm

Legal Services of Northern California provides legal representation to low-income clients and in some cases assists with restraining orders.

2-1-1 Shasta

www.211norcal.org | Dial 211 from any phone.

2-1-1 Shasta connects people in Shasta County with essential local community, health, and disaster services.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Victim Notification

Despite official restraint of the person alleged to have committed domestic violence, the restrained person may be released at any time. For notification of the offender's release from jail for Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault crimes contact One SAFE Place at (530) 244-0117.