

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INFORMATION SHEET FOR VICTIMS

Your Report Case # \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy or Officer \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency & Medical Phone Numbers

<b>Louisburg Police Dept.</b>	<b>911 or 837-3191</b>
<b>Osawatomie Police Dept.</b>	<b>911 or 755-2101</b>
<b>Paola Police Dept.</b>	<b>911 or 259-3630</b>
<b>Spring Hill Police Dept.</b>	<b>911 or 592-2700</b>
<b>Sheriff</b>	<b>911 or 294-3232</b>
<b>Ambulance</b>	<b>911 or 294-3232</b>
<b>Miami County Medical Center</b>	<b>(913) 294-2327</b>

You as a victim have certain rights under K.S.A. 74-7333 and K.S.A. 74-7335 (see reverse side). To obtain information about victims' rights pursuant to K.S.A. 74-7333 and K.S.A. 74-7335, amendments thereto or information about court procedures contact:

### **Bonnie Gray**

Victim/Witness Coordinator  
Miami County Attorney's Office  
120 South Pearl, Room 300  
Paola, KS 66071

**office**

**(913) 294-3181**

**email**

**victimwitness@miamicoatty.org**

## **TO BE NOTIFIED OF THE DEFENDANT'S RELEASE FROM CUSTODY:**

**SIGN UP FOR NOTIFICATION THROUGH VINELINK AT [WWW.VINELINK.COM](http://WWW.VINELINK.COM)**

To obtain information about the Crime Victim's Compensation Board contact:

### **Crime Victim's Compensation Board**

120 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Topeka, KS 66603-3756

**(785) 296-2359**

Other available resources include:

**Safehome: Toll-free Hotline**  
**24 Hour Hotline**

**(888) 432-4300**

**(913) 262-2868**

### **Elizabeth Layton Center**

505 S. Hospital Dr.  
Paola, KS 66071

**(913) 557-9096**

## **The details of this crime may be made public.**

You may be eligible for a Protection from Abuse/Restraining Order if: 1) You are in a dating relationship, you have been in a dating relationship in the past, you are currently living together or have lived together in the past or you have a child in common; and 2) Abuse must have occurred. This means one of the following has occurred: The person has willfully caused, attempted, or threatened to cause bodily harm to you or minor child. You may apply for a Protection from Abuse Order from the Clerk of the District Court, first floor of Miami County Courthouse, Paola, KS.

**KANSAS VICTIMS' BILL OF RIGHTS**  
**(K.S.A. 74-7333)**

1. Victims should be treated with courtesy, compassion and with respect for their dignity and privacy and should suffer the minimum of necessary inconvenience from their involvement with the criminal justice system.
2. Victims should receive, through formal and informal procedures, prompt and fair redress for the harm which they suffered.
3. Information regarding the availability of criminal restitution, recovery of damages in a civil cause of action, the crime victims' compensation fund and the mechanisms to obtain such remedies should be made available to victims.
4. Information should be made available to victims about their participation in criminal proceedings and the scheduling, progress and ultimate disposition of the proceedings.
5. The views and concerns of victims should be ascertained and the appropriate assistance provided throughout the criminal process.
6. When the personal interests of victims are affected, the views or concerns of the victim should, when appropriate and consistent with criminal law and procedure, be brought to the attention of the court.
7. Measures may be taken when necessary to provide for the safety of victims and their families and to protect them from intimidation and retaliation.
8. Enhanced training should be made available to sensitize criminal justice personnel to the needs and concerns of victims and guidelines should be developed for this purpose.
9. Victims should be informed of the availability of health and social services and other relevant assistance that they might continue to receive the necessary medical, psychological, and social assistance through existing programs and services.
10. Victims should report the crime and cooperate with law enforcement authorities.

**(K.S.A. 74-7335)**

The victim of a crime or the victim's family shall be notified of the right to be present at any public hearing where the accused or the convicted person has the right to appear and be heard.

# Adult Abuse Information

## **Assault and Battery are Crimes**

Any person who hits, strangles, kicks, threatens, harasses, or places you in fear of harm, either with or without a weapon, has broken the law. You have the right to be protected. The Protection Order may help you.

## **What is a Protection Order?**

- a court order telling your abuser not to abuse, threaten, molest or disturb your peace
- a court order telling your abuser to move out of your home
- a court order telling the Police to assist you with the above mentioned provisions
- a court order awarding child custody
- a court order awarding child support and/or maintenance (Full Orders Only)

## **Who Can Obtain a Protection Order?**

- Any victim of domestic violence who needs protection from bodily injury or threats of bodily injury and meets the following guidelines:
  - is residing with or formerly resided with the abuser
  - has an abuser who has access to the home
  - you are currently involved in a dating relationship or have been involved in a dating relationship in the past
  - has not filed two Protection Orders in the last twelve months

## **How Can You Obtain a Protection Order?**

- Contact the Miami County District Court Clerk's Office (913-294-3326).
- Contact SAFEHOME (913-262-2868).
- Emergency Protection Orders may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office after hours.
- You do not need an attorney.

## **What Should I do if the Abuser Violates the Order?**

- Call local law enforcement depending on what town you live.
  - Paola Police Department (913) 259-3631
  - Louisburg Police Department (913) 837-3191
  - Osawatomie Police Department (913) 755-2101
  - Spring Hill Police Department (913) 592-2700
  - Miami County Sheriff's Office (294-3232)
- In an emergency, call 911.

## **Most Importantly, If You Have Been Abused Or Are Being Threatened With Abuse:**

- Call the Miami County Sheriff.
- Go to a safe place.
- Contact SAFEHOME (913-262-2868).
- Seek medical attention, if necessary.

## **You Have A Right Not To Be Abused**

If you feel you are being abused (physically, mentally, verbally, or sexually) call the following number for information on what you can do to get help.

**SAFEHOME (913) 262-2868**

This phone number is answered 24 hours a day and you will be able to get information free of charge. All information you give over the phone is confidential.

### **The Services Offered By the Safehome Include:**

- Safe Shelter
- Crisis Line
- Counseling
- Advocacy
- Children's Programs
- Information and Referral
- Legal, Medical, Housing and Employment Assistance
- Rape Victim Services

### **If You are Being Abused, You Can:**

- Contact the Miami County Sheriff.
- Call SAFEHOME (913-262-2868).
- File for a Protection Order against the abuser.
- File criminal charges against the abuser.
- **IF YOU HAVE INJURIES SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION.**

### **You Are Not Alone**

- You are **not** the cause of someone else's violent behavior.
- You **do not** deserve to be abused.
- You have the right to **expect** and **demand help**.
- You have the right to **think, feel** and **make choices** and **changes**.
- You have the right **not to be abused!!!!!!**