



# FREE LEGAL HELP VICTIMS' RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT.

Navigating the criminal justice system alone as a victim of crime can be confusing and overwhelming. We can provide legal guidance and help walk you through the court process.

**YOU HAVE RIGHTS** as a victim under Article 1, Section 16, of the Florida Constitution. Our office can help enforce the following rights:

- You have the right to be informed and present at all public proceedings and hearings
- You have the right to be heard
- You have the right to full and timely restitution
- You have the right to be reasonably protected from the accused
- You have the right to confer with the prosecutor concerning pleas, diversion programs, sentencing, and other matters
- You have the right to prevent disclosure of information that could be used to locate you or your family

**Having an attorney to represent you as the victim in a criminal case is invaluable.** Remember - the prosecutor for the State Attorney's Office represents the State of Florida, not any one individual or victim. The defendant's attorney represents the defendant only.

**Our job is to represent victims of crime.** We will advise you of your legal rights and help you assert and protect your rights at every stage of the criminal case.

**Our services are FREE.**

To learn if your case falls within the guidelines of the program  
call **954.736.2400** or email **CCLA-RISE@legalaid.org**

## OUR GOALS

- Protect your privacy, dignity, and safety as a victim of crime.
- Answer your questions about the criminal process.
- Keep you informed about the status of the case and your rights.
- Represent you to enforce your rights in the criminal case.



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