

## ***SC Crime Victims' Rights***

You have the right to be treated with fairness, respect and protected from intimidation or harm through out the criminal and juvenile process;

You have the right to be informed about victims' rights, criminal proceedings and if the accused is arrested, released, or escapes;

You have the right to be heard at bond, bail, release, pleas, or sentencing;

You have the right to reasonable access to documents relating to the crime;

You have the right to be present at criminal proceedings where the accused can be present and confer with with prosecution before the case is heard in court;

You have the right to restitution from adult or juvenile offenders.

***Violating these rights is punishable by law.  
(Excerpt: SC constitution, Art I Sect 24)***

## ***State Office of Victim Assistance (SOVA) Outreach Office Locations***

### **Calhoun, Dorchester & Orangeburg Counties**

1<sup>st</sup> Circuit  
P. O. Box 2809  
Orangeburg, S.C. 29116  
Phone: 803.531.8149  
Fax: 803.531.1629

### **Allendale, Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell & Hampton Counties**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Circuits  
P. O. Box 502  
Bamberg, S.C. 29003  
Phone: 803.245.4994  
Fax: 803.245.4919

### **Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon & Marlboro Counties**

4<sup>th</sup> Circuit  
P. O. Box 439  
Bennettsville, S.C. 29512  
Phone: 843.479.2021  
Fax: 843.479.2022

## ***Resources For Victims***

***In***

***South Carolina***



***State Office of Victim Assistance  
Edgar Brown Building, Room 401***

***Columbia, S. C. 29201  
Victims' Line: 800.220.5370***

***Phone: 803.734.1900***

***Fax: 803.734.1708***

***www.sova.sc.gov***

**Adult/Children Services**

SC DSS 800.768.5700  
 803.898.7601  
 Dept of Juvenile Justice 803.896.9749  
 Guardian Ad Litem 800.277.0113  
 803.734.1695  
 Lt. Gov Office on Aging 800.868.9095  
 803.734.9900  
 National Center for Missing  
 & Exploited Children 888.356.4774

**Clothes/Food/Shelter**

American Red Cross  
 Central Chapter 803.546.1200  
 Low Country 843.764.2323  
 Pee Dee Chapter 843.662.8122  
 Golden Harvest Food Bank 803.648.0752  
 Harvest Hope Food Bank  
 Columbia 803.254.4432  
 Pee Dee 843.661.0826  
 Salvation Army  
 Midlands 803.781.1511  
 Pee Dee 843.662.4461  
 Low Country 843.763.9881

**Counseling Services**

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) 803.254.5301  
 Narcotics Anonymous (NA) 866.720-2776

Ala-teen 803-735-9944

**Court System**

Supreme Court 803.734.1080  
 Court of Appeals 803.734.1890  
 Court Administration 803.734-1800

**Fire/Emergency Services**

Central Dispatch **911**  
 Poison Control 800.922.1117

**Law Enforcement Agencies**

FBI 803.551.4200  
 Highway Patrol 803.896.7920  
 SLED 803.737.9000  
 US Marshals 803.765.5821  
 US Secret Service 803.765.5446

**Legal Services**

Lawyer Referral Service 803.799.6653  
 SC Legal Services 888.346.5592  
 SC Commission of Indigent Defense  
 (SCCID) 803.734.1343  
 US Attorney's Office 803.929.3012

**Medical Services**

Department of Health & Environmental  
 Control (DHEC) 803.898.3432

**Mental Health**

Department of Mental Health  
 Main Number 803.898.8581  
 Inpatient 803.935.5761  
 Mental Health America 800.273.8255

**Non-profit Agencies**

Council on Child Abuse 803.733.5430  
 Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)  
 803.748.7333  
 SC Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
 and Sexual Assault 800.260.9293  
 SC Victim Asst. Network 803.750.1200

**State/National Victim Advocates**

Army Victim Assistance 803.751.6316  
 Air Force Victim Assistance 803.895.1560  
 Attorney General's Office 803.734.3740  
 Department of Corrections 803.897.1733  
 Crime Victims Ombudsman 803.734.0357  
 SC Probation, Parole, & Pardon Services  
 803.734.9367

**Victim Compensation**

SOVA (victims' line) 800.220.5370  
 1<sup>ST</sup> Circuit 803.531.8149  
 2<sup>ND</sup> & 14<sup>TH</sup> Circuits 803.245.4994  
 4<sup>TH</sup> Circuit 803.479.2021