



RIGHTS & RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS OF CRIMES

MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP POLICE | 5151 MARSH ROAD, OKEMOS
NON-EMERGENCY: 517.853.4800 | EMERGENCY: 911

INFORMATION FOR ALL VICTIMS

1. You may be eligible for crime victims' compensation benefits. To apply, fill out an application from the Crime Victims Services Commission at **517.373.7373** or visit: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/safety-injury-prev/publicsafety/crimevictims/boards-and-commissions/cvs-commission>
2. If you would like to be notified of an arrest in your case or the release of the person arrested, or both, you should call the Meridian Township Police at **517.853.4800** and inform them, or visit: <https://vinelink.vineapps.com/state/MI>
3. If you are not notified of an arrest in your case, you may call the Meridian Township Police Department at **517.853.4800** for an update.
4. You can contact the Ingham County Prosecutor's Office at **517.483.6108** to obtain information about victims' rights.

INFORMATION FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. You may obtain a copy of the police incident report for your case by contacting the Meridian Township Police Department at the number listed.
2. Your legal rights include the right to go to court and file a petition requesting a personal protection order (PPO) to protect you or other members of your household from domestic abuse, which could include restraining the abuser from the following:
 - a. Entering onto premises.
 - b. Assaulting, attacking, beating, molesting, or wounding you.
 - c. Threatening to kill or physically injure you or another person.
 - d. Removing minor children from you, except as otherwise authorized by a custody or parenting time order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
 - e. Engaging in stalking behavior.
 - f. Purchasing or possessing a firearm.
 - g. Interfering with your efforts to remove your children or personal property from premises that are solely owned or leased by the abuser.
 - h. Interfering with you at your place of employment or education or engaging in conduct that impairs your employment relationship or your employment or educational environment.
 - i. Engaging in any other specific act or conduct that imposes upon or interferes with your personal liberty or that causes a reasonable apprehension of violence.
 - j. Having access to information in records concerning any minor child you have with the abuser that would inform the abuser about your address or telephone number, the child's address or telephone number, or your employment address.

Your legal rights also include the right to go to court and file a motion for an order to show cause and a hearing if the abuser or perpetrator is violating the protection order and has not been arrested.



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INFORMATION FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

1. You can have a sexual assault medical forensic examination and have evidence collected using a sexual assault evidence kit even if you do not want to participate in the criminal justice system or cooperate with law enforcement.
2. You cannot be billed for the cost of administering the sexual assault evidence kit. If you receive a bill for these services, contact the Michigan Crime Victim Service Commission at **517.373.7373**.
3. You have the right to ask the investigating law enforcement agency for the contact information for the investigating officer assigned to the case, the current status of the case, whether the case has been submitted to the prosecuting attorney for review, and whether the case has been closed and the documented reason for closure.
4. If you had a sexual evidence kit collected and released to law enforcement, you have a right to ask that investigating law enforcement agency for the following information: when the sexual assault evidence kit was sent to a forensic laboratory for testing; whether a DNA profile was obtained from the sexual assault evidence kit; whether a DNA profile was entered into CODIS; and whether a DNA profile resulted in a CODIS hit.
5. Your legal rights include the right to go to court and file a petition requesting a personal protection order (PPO) / restraining order to protect you from the perpetrator. The PPO could order the perpetrator not to have contact with you and include other specific conditions.



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LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION

Meridian Township Police Department
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864
517.853.4800 | www.meridian.mi.us

Crime Victims Services Commission
235 S. Grand Avenue #1113
Lansing, MI 48933
517.373.7373
<https://bit.ly/MichiganCVSC>

Ingham County Prosecutor's Office
Veterans Memorial Courthouse
303 W. Kalamazoo Avenue, 4R
Lansing, MI 48933
517.483.6108
<https://bit.ly/InghamProsecutingAttorney>

RESOURCES

Emergency Medical Services

University of Michigan Health – Sparrow Emergency | 517.364.100
Sparrow Emergency Center – Okemos | 517.253.5500
McLaren Greater Lansing Hospital Emergency | 517.975.6000

Domestic Violence

Women's Center of Greater Lansing | 517.372.9163
National Domestic Violence Hotline | 800.799.7233

Other Resources

Eve's House: End Violent Encounters | 517.372.5572
Michigan Crime Victim Notification Network | 800.2.770.7657
American Red Cross: Emergency Shelter | 517.484.7461
Protective Services Hotline: Child/Vulnerable Adult Abuse | 855.444.3911
Personal Protection Office | 517.483.6545

VINE (Offender Release Notification): <https://vinelink.vineapps.com/state/MI>