

AGENCIES THAT CAN ASSIST YOU:

Riverside County Family Justice Centers

Advocates are available to provide assistance with safety planning, restraining orders, related legal assistance, counseling, emergency assistance, and shelter information. <http://www.rivcofjc.org/>
Email: FJInfo@RivCoDA.org

Riverside Family Justice Center

3900 Orange St, Riverside CA 92501 Phone 951-955-6100

Southwest Family Justice Center

30045 Technology Dr. Ste. # 101, Murrieta, CA 92563 Phone 951-304-5680

Indio Family Justice Center/County Law Building

82-995 Highway 111, Suite 103, Indio, CA 92201
Phone 760-863-8363

Division of Victim Services

Riverside County District Attorney's Office

Provides crime victim assistance. Victims can receive assistance with criminal case updates and accompaniment to court, navigating the criminal justice system, help with medical bills, and emergency assistance.

Website: <http://www.rivcoda.org>

Email: inquiries@rivcoda.org

Riverside: 951-955-5450

Southwest: 951-304-5680

Indio: 760-863-8408

PARTNERS AGAINST VIOLENCE

Partners Against Violence provides advocacy, counseling, and emergency response services and needs for victims of sexual assault and their families in the Coachella Valley and desert areas.

Website: www.sbsas.org

74-333 Highway 111, Suite 103,

Palm Desert, CA 92260

Phone: 760-568-9071

24-HR. HOTLINE: 1-800-656-4673

RIVERSIDE AREA RAPE CRISIS CENTER (RARCC)

Riverside Area Rape Crisis Center covers all of Riverside County with the exception of Hemet and San Jacinto and provides advocacy, counseling, and response services for victims of sexual assault and domestic violence.

Website: www.rarcc.org E-mail: info@rarcc.org

1845 Chicago Ave. Suite A, Riverside, CA, 92507

Phone: 951-868-7273

24-HR. HOTLINE: 951-686-7273 / 888-686-7273

REACH

Reach, formerly the Center Against Sexual Assault (C.A.S.A.), serves the San Jacinto Valley and surrounding communities. Reach provides advocacy services, case management, therapy, and warm referrals to other support services for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, human trafficking, and child abuse.

Website: www.swcasa.org

1600 E. Florida Ave. #206, Hemet, CA 92544

24-HR. HOTLINE: 866-373-8300

ALTERNATIVES TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Domestic violence advocacy services.

24-hour crisis line, outreach services, family law court accompaniment, counseling, and community education.

<http://alternativestodv.org/programs/>

24-HR. HOTLINE: 800-339-7233

YOU HAVE RIGHTS

Victims have the right to an advocate or counselor and at least one other support person of the victim's choosing present at any initial medical evidentiary examination, physical examination, or law enforcement interview. Refer to the resources in this guide.

Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault can seek compensation for costs incurred through the criminal justice process by contacting the California Victim's Compensation Program on 1-800-777-9229.



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PROTECTION ORDERS

As a Domestic Violence victim, you have the right to request an Emergency Protection Order from Law Enforcement, otherwise, you have the right to go to the Family Law courthouse and file a petition with the court requesting any of the following orders for relief:

- An order restraining the restrained person from abusing the protected person and other family members,
- An order directing the restrained person to leave the household,
- An order preventing the restrained person from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the protected person,
- An order awarding the protected person custody of any minor children,
- An order preventing the restrained person from molesting or interfering with minor children in the custody of the protected person,
- An order directing the restrained person to continue financial support of any minor children,
- An order directing that either or both parties participate in counseling.

For more information about restraining orders, please use the resources listed in this guide, or visit: www.riverside.courts.ca.gov

STRANGULATION

Strangulation has only recently been identified as one of the most lethal forms of domestic violence - but can occur during a sexual assault or any other physical assault.

Unconsciousness may occur within seconds & death within minutes.

PLEASE CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.

“I have a duty to warn you that strangulation is serious and can cause internal injuries, brain damage, delayed consequences such as strokes, thyroid issues, miscarriage and/or death. Research demonstrates that if you are strangled even one time, you are 750% more likely to be killed by your partner. I strongly encourage you to work with an advocate and seek immediate medical attention.”

SYMPTOMS OF STRANGULATION

Voice changes, swallowing changes, vision changes, hearing changes, memory loss, unconsciousness, dizziness, neck pain, involuntary urination or defecation, loss of strength, tunnel-vision.

Riverside County Victim Resource Guide 2022 Domestic Violence & Non-Fatal Strangulation

Domestic Violence means that in an intimate relationship or marriage, one or both of the partners uses physical and/or sexual violence to win power and control over the other. Domestic Violence can affect heterosexual and same-sex relationships. **Domestic Violence is a crime.**

If the suspect was arrested in the incident, it is important to note that despite official restraint of the person alleged to have committed domestic violence, **the restrained person may be released at any time.**

A police report will request that charges be filed against the arrested subject. As a victim of Domestic Violence, you are entitled to a copy of the police report and to request the Riverside District Attorney file charges against your attacker.

You may also file a civil suit against the alleged perpetrator 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 you or any agency that shelters you as the victim.