



# Your Rights

Victims of violent crime in Nevada have legal rights and protections. These laws also extend to the surviving family members of a homicide victim, or the parent or guardian, or other relative of a minor, disabled or incompetent victim.

Nevada Revised Statutes recognize the following needs and rights of crime victims;

- You have the right to know the status of the case in which you are involved
- You have the right to be free from intimidation or dissuasion
- You have the right to know when your impounded property may be released.
- You have the right to receive a witness fee for lawful obedience to a subpoena.
- You have the right to understand the existing victim compensation laws and receive compensation if applicable.
- You have the right to a secure waiting area, which is not available to the defendant or his family, when you are at court.
- You have the right to be heard at sentencing
- You have the right to know when the defendant is released from custody before or during trial (upon written request).
- You have the right to know when the offender is released from prison (upon written request).

The justice system can be a complicated process leaving you with more questions than answers. You can advocate for your rights and receive the information you request. You can know what is happening to your case. You can give your opinion and share your concerns. You have the right to be heard and informed.

It may be reassuring to know that it will be possible for you to feel that you've done everything you can for self-care, recovery and healing.

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