### **Important Numbers**

Newberry County Sheriff's Office
Dial 911 for Emergencies
For 24 Hour Non-Emergencies dial
(803) 321-2222
Front Office
(803) 321-2211

Prosperity Police Department (803) 364-2121

Whitmire Police Department (803) 694-2121

## **Community Based Services**

Sistercare
24/7 Crisis Line (803) 765-9428
Office Line (803) 926-0505
https://www.sistercare.org/

SC Coalition Against DV & Sexual Assault (803) 256-2900

Pathway to Healing Hotline (803)771-7273 Main (803) 790-8208

SC Victim Assistance Network (SCVAN) (803) 750-1200

SC Network of Children's Advocacy Centers https://www.cac-sc.org/

Beyond Abuse (864) 227-1623

The Newberry County Sheriff's Office Victim/Witness Services is committed to providing services to victims and witnesses of crime to help them deal with the traumatic effects of the incident.

Some of the services we provide or assist in providing:

- Crisis intervention
- Emotional support
- Familiarization with the criminal justice system
- Preparation for court appearance
- Support while attending court
- Referral to community resources
- Assistance in seeking restitution and reimbursement
- Assistance in filing application for the crime victim's compensation fund

### **ALL SERVICES ARE FREE**

You should never be charged for these services

#### Note:

A copy of the incident report may be obtained by the victim free of charge by contacting the Newberry County Sheriff's Office

### Victim/Witness Services



James Lee Foster, Sheriff 550 Wilson Road Newberry, SC 29108

# Victim / Witness Assistance Program



- Our Victims and Witness Assistance program at the Sheriff's Office are dedicated to assist and provide services to crime and accident victims and their families, as well as witnesses or other parties involved in major incidents such as: Homicide, Robberies, Burglaries, Assaults, Stalking, Arson, Rapes, Shootings, Theft and Fraud, Vandalism, Criminal Domestic Violence and Juvenile Sexual and Physical Assaults. Our Advocates are here to help reduce confusion and provide support throughout their involvement of such incidents. They are on call 24-hours a day to provide services from the time the crime occurs, during the investigation and throughout participation in the criminal justice system.
- Any Victims or Witnesses of crime committed within the jurisdiction of the Newberry County Sheriff's Office can request and utilize the services of this program. These services are confidential and free of charge. The goal is to meet the victims/witnesses' needs from the physical, emotional and financial difficulties resulting from the trauma of their difficult situation.

# Victims' Constitutional Rights

- Be treated with fairness, respect, and dignity;
- Be free from intimidation or harm throughout the criminal and juvenile justice process;
- Be informed about victims' rights;
- Be reasonably informed about criminal proceedings;
- Be informed if the accused is arrested, released, or escapes;
- Confer with the prosecution before the case is heard in court;
- Be present at criminal proceedings where the accused has the right to be present;
- Be heard at proceedings affecting bond, bail, release, pleas or sentencing;
- Have reasonable access to documents relating to the crime before trial;
- Receive restitution from the adult or juvenile offenders; and a reasonable, prompt and final conclusion of the case





The Victim/Witness Advocate will assist with any questions or problems you may have concerning your case. As the victim or witness of a crime, you may be called upon to play an important role in the criminal justice system. To ensure that your rights as a victim and/or witness is achieved, you have several responsibilities:

- You must keep agencies informed of your legal name, current address and phone number
- You must provide details for financial impact in order to receive restitution or compensation
- You must notify the appropriate authority of your desire to be present for hearings
- You must submit your wish to make a Victim Impact Statement in a timely manner
- You must notify the appropriate authority of your desire to make an oral statement