

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM'S RIGHTS

IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, you can ask the District Attorney General to file a criminal complaint. You also have the right to go to the court having control over domestic relations and file a request for an Order of Protection.

AN ORDER OF PROTECTION MAY INCLUDE:

1. An order restraining the abuser from further acts of abuse;
2. An order directing the abuser to leave your household;
3. An order preventing the abuser from harassing you or coming around you for any reason;
4. An order awarding you or the other parent custody of, or visitation rights with your minor child or children;
5. An order directing the abuser to pay support to you and your minor children if the abuser has a legal obligation to do so.

Please call the City of Sevierville Police Department (865-453-5506) to discuss these and other domestic violence victim's rights with a police officer.