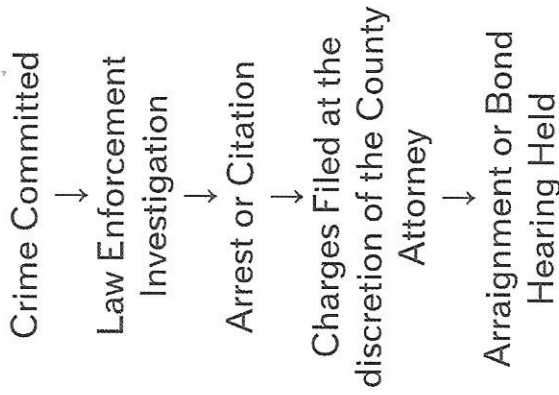


Basic Steps in the Criminal Justice System



The Victim Assistance Unit works in conjunction with the Platte County Attorney's Office and is a free service available to all victims of crime.

The Victim Assistance Unit adheres to all laws and regulations that mandate equal opportunity and treatment regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or marital status.

Contact Information:

Victim Assistance Unit
Platte County Courthouse
Second Floor
2610 14th Street
Columbus, NE 68601
402-563-4971
402-563-4981

www.plattecountyattorney.com/victim-witness-assistance

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm

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Additional Helpful Phone Numbers:

- Emergency 911
- Platte County Attorney's Office
402-563-4903
- Platte County Sheriff's Office
402-564-3229
- Columbus Police Department
402-564-3201
- Humphrey Police Department
402-923-0224
- Center for Survivors
402-564-2155

We know the court process can be very confusing and overwhelming. We would like to answer your questions and help you understand the different stages that may occur in your case.



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Our Services

- Criminal Justice liaison
- Accompaniment to court proceedings
- Crime Victim Reparations Assistance
- Personal advocacy
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) advocacy
- Protection order assistance
- Educate victims on their rights
- Community service referrals
- Assistance with (NEVCAP) Nebraska Victims of Crime Alert Portal
- Emotional support
- Safety planning
- Restitution collection assistance
- Accompaniment to medical examinations relating to victimization
- Language Line interpretation services

Mission:

Actively promote the rights and interests of crime victims by providing them with a voice and advocacy as their case moves through the criminal justice system.

Purpose:

The Victim Assistance Unit provides information, referrals, assistance, and personal and criminal justice related advocacy to victims of crime in Platte County who have suffered physical, sexual, financial, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a violent crime.

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