

For additional Restitution information or to change your address or telephone number, contact:

**Restitution Officer
(334) 832-2544**

For additional court or victim information contact:

**Victim Service Officer
(334) 832-2550**

**Victim Service Officer
Juvenile Court
(334) 240-2138**

**Monday-Friday
8:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



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RESTITUTION INFORMATION FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

WHAT IS THE RESTITUTION UNIT?

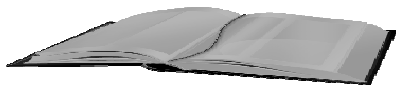
The Restitution Unit monitors, tracks, and collects restitution. The Restitution Officer is responsible for monitoring and tracking all court ordered payments made by the defendant.

WHEN DOES THE RESTITUTION PROCESS BEGIN?

The restitution process usually begins at the time of Grand Jury. As a victim, you will be asked to complete a restitution affidavit which lists your losses, including travel, missed work, property, medical, and other expenses resulting from the crime. If you do not complete the affidavit during Grand Jury, the Restitution Unit will contact you by telephone or letter to obtain this information. It is very important to respond since restitution cannot be ordered without this information.

HOW CAN THE VICTIM ASSIST THE COURT IN ORDERING RESTITUTION?

To assist the court in ordering restitution, keep your receipts, estimates, and bills for damages or injuries suffered in connection with the crime. This information, along with your name, address, and telephone number is recorded on the restitution affidavit. **Bring a copy of all paperwork when you come to Grand Jury.** If you change your address or telephone number, contact the Restitution Officer immediately to update your affidavit.



HOW DOES THE COURT DETERMINE RESTITUTION?

If convicted of a crime, a defendant may be ordered to pay restitution in an amount set by the judge. Restitution is ordered at sentencing. It may be necessary for you to testify at a restitution hearing.

WHAT IF THE VICTIM HAS INSURANCE?

If you have insurance, check with your insurance company to see if your policy will cover the expenses of your injuries or property loss. If your insurance does cover all or part of these losses, inform your insurance company that it has a right to file a restitution affidavit for its losses. However, you cannot claim what the insurance company pays you. You can only claim the amount of the deductible and other out-of-pocket expenses not covered by insurance.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF THE DEFENDANT?

If placed on probation, the defendant must follow the standards of conduct specified by the judge. In addition to any restitution ordered, the defendant is required to pay other court ordered monies.

WHAT IF THE DEFENDANT IS IN JAIL?

If sent to jail or prison the defendant probably will not be able to pay restitution until released. However, you may have a civil remedy available. You may wish to consult an attorney concerning this possibility.

WHAT HAPPENS TO ITEMS HELD AS EVIDENCE?

If any of your property is held as evidence, you must contact the assigned Deputy District Attorney at **(334) 832-2550** to sign a release before the property can be returned to you. It is usually necessary to hold your property until after the trial.

WHAT IS ALABAMA CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION?

This is financial assistance available to victims of violent crimes where a personal injury has occurred. For more information contact:

**Alabama Crime Victims
Compensation Commission
5845 Carmichael Rd.
Montgomery, AL 36117
(334) 290-4420 or 1-800-541-9388**

An application must be filed with the Commission within one year of the crime.

WHAT IF THE VICTIM NEEDS ADDITIONAL SUPPORT?

If you need additional support, contact:
VOCAL
(Victims of Crime and Leniency)
(334) 262-7197 or 1-800-239-3219

