Who Can Help You:

New York State Office of Victim Services
Provides information regarding crime victims rights, compensation applications, and local agencies that can help you.
Toll Free Number: 1-800-247-8035
New York City Office: 1-718-923-4325
On the web: www.cvb.state.ny.us

Queens County District Attorney’s Crime Victims Advocate Program
Provides information and assistance to all felony crime victims.
Phone: 718-286-6812
Location: 125-01 Queens Boulevard, Kew Gardens, NY

Safe Horizon Queens Criminal Court Reception Center
Provides services for victims of all crimes.
Phone: 718-286-6083
Location: 125-01 Queens Boulevard, Room G7, Kew Gardens, NY

Safe Horizon Queens Families of Homicide Victims Office
Provides services to family members of homicide victims.
Phone: 718-899-1233
Location: 74-09 37th Avenue - Room 412, Jackson Heights, NY

LIFENET
Provides referrals for counseling or therapy in the New York City area.
Phone: 1-800-LIFENET (1-800-543-3638)
Spanish: 1-877-AYUDESE (1-877-298-3373)
Asian LifeNet: 1-877-990-8585

The PARTNERS Program
Provides therapy to children ages 4-17 who have been affected by crime or other traumatic situations.
Phone: 718-990-2367 (main appointment line)
718-990-5479 (para español)
Location: 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY

For more information on other agencies located near you please go to:
www.stjohns.edu/bridgesproject

For more information about BRIDGES or PARTNERS contact:

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Are you the surviving spouse, child, parent, or siblings of a victim? If so, you have rights:

- **You have the RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE** after a crime.
  
  If you feel that you are being threatened by the people or person who killed your loved one, contact the District Attorney’s office (718-286-6812) to be protected.

- **You have the RIGHT TO SPEAK YOUR MIND** at the sentencing of the person who killed your loved one.
  
  Contact the District Attorney’s office to let them know you want to speak at sentencing.

- **You have the RIGHT TO KNOW** a convicted criminal’s prison status.
  
  The Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) program provides information through a 24-hour hotline (1-888-846-3469).

- **You have the RIGHT TO APPLY** for FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE for crime-related expenses.
  
  Compensation, or financial reimbursement, may be available to you for expenses such as:
  - medical visits and care
  - lost wages or support
  - transportation/moving costs
  - property damage
  - safe house or shelter use
  - mental health services
  - vocational counseling
  - crime scene cleanup
  - burial/funeral expenses
  
  You can file a claim up to 1 year after the crime. Get your claim applications from:
  - Office of Victims Services
  - Queens District Attorney’s Office
  - Safe Horizon
  - Local police departments
  - Emergency rooms

- **You have the RIGHT TO HEAL.**
  
  There is no right or wrong way to mourn the death of a loved one. Feeling angry, afraid, and/or sad is normal.

  But, if you or someone you know is having trouble with:
  - getting along with friends and family,
  - caring for children,
  - doing your job,
  - sleeping, eating, and/or concentrating,

  YOU CAN GET HELP.
  
  Counselors are available who provide confidential services for those affected by trauma and grief.

  Concerned about yourself or a loved one? Contact one of the agencies on the back of this brochure.

  Getting help does not mean you are weak or “crazy.” In fact, it can be the first step in overcoming anger, fear, and sadness.

You have rights regardless of your immigration status!

For questions and help, contact the victim assistance programs on the back of this brochure.