

# Youth and Family Advocacy

Our Washington State Certified Victim Advocates provide free and confidential advocacy services to victims, survivors, loved ones, and witnesses of traumatic events. We empower survivors by helping individuals understand their rights, identify options, and build support systems. As community-based Victim Advocates, we have privileged communication with survivors as outlined by RCW 5.60.060(7)(b).

**24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line**

**509-624-7273**

**24/7 Washington State Crime Victim Hotline**

**888-288-9221**

## **Our Washington State Certified Victim Advocates can:**

- Help you plan for safety
- Give you medical information and support
- Support you in reporting to law enforcement and/or Child Protective Services
- Support at child forensic, detective, and defense interviews and trials
- Help you with the civil and criminal legal systems
- Help you with protection orders
- Help you apply for Crime Victims Compensation
- Refer you to community resources
- Facilitate support groups to encourage positive coping/healing
- Connect you to Walker, our Courthouse Facility Dog
- Listen, support and believe you



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**In Washington State, child victims or witnesses have the following rights:**

- Receive an age appropriate explanation of process
- Receive a written statement of the rights of child crime victims
- Have an advocate or support person present
- Have a secure waiting area during court proceedings
- Have personal information protected from uninvolved outside parties
- Have an advocate make recommendations on the minor's behalf
- Receive referrals to community resources



## Resources

<b>LCS Counseling Services Intake</b>	509-747-8224
<b>Crime Check (to make a report)</b>	509-456-2233
<b>Emergency</b>	911

**All Are Welcome!**



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