

Your Rights as a Victim

It is important that victims of crime be given information about the criminal justice process and that victims of particular crimes understand their rights under the law.

These rights include the following:

- In most cases, a person arrested has the right to make bond and be released from jail prior to trial. Bonds are set by the county courts, acting under State law, not by the police.
- Misdemeanor Crimes - Many misdemeanor crimes have pre-set bonds. This means that if the person arrested can post property for, or pay the bond, they are released from jail without a hearing. Examples of misdemeanor crimes include, but are not limited to, simple assault, shoplifting (under a certain dollar amount), harassing phone calls, disorderly conduct, and public drunkenness.
- Felony Crimes - Most felony crimes do not have pre-set bonds. This means that the person arrested has to wait for a hearing before a judge before they have the opportunity to pay or post property for a bond to be released from jail. If the judge grants bond and the person arrested can post property or pay the bond, they are released from jail. Examples of felony crimes include but are not limited to, murder, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, rape, forgery, burglary, and armed robbery.
- In some cases, judges may refuse bond. This means the person arrested cannot be released. In some cases, other agencies, such as another police department, sheriff's office, or U.S. Immigration may place a "hold" on the person arrested. The person arrested should not be released until the "hold" is lifted by the agency that has placed it.
- You have the right to be notified when the accused person is arrested or released. If you wish to exercise this right, you must complete a brief form with your contact information. This form is available from the police agency responsible for your case, or from the county magistrate court.
- Upon receipt of your request for notification, you should be notified by telephone at the telephone numbers you provide when the accused person is arrested or released or when a judicial proceeding contemplating the accused person's release is scheduled. Because of time limitations, you may not always receive notification of a bond hearing.
- State law allows compensation for victims of certain crimes. For more information about victim compensation, call the Governor's Victim Assistance Help Line at the number listed in the brochure.

When you have questions or concerns about your case, use the telephone numbers in this brochure to call the appropriate agency or agencies.

Community Resource Numbers

Emory University Police Department	404.727.6111
City of Atlanta	
Police Department 24-Hour Emergency	9-1-1
Police Department Non-emergency	404-658-6666
Police Information	404-614-6544
Atlanta Department of Corrections	404.865.8001
Municipal Court of Atlanta	404.658.6940
Brookhaven Police Department	9-1-1 or 404.637.0600
Decatur Police Department	9-1-1 or 404.373.6551
DeKalb County Police Department	
24-Hour Emergency	9-1-1 or 770.724.7780
Non-emergency	678.294.2000
DeKalb County Sheriff's Office	
County Jail	404.298.8500
Field Division	404.298.8402
Warrant Unit	404.298.8200
DeKalb County Magistrate Court	404.371.2261
DeKalb County Solicitor General	
Victim Assistance Office	404.371.2201
DeKalb County District Attorney	
Victim Assistance Office	404.371.2561
Governor's Victim Assistance Help Line	800.338.6745
Applications for Victim Compensation (Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council)	1.800.547.0060 or 404.657.2222
Day League	404.377.1428
DeKalb Battered Women's Center	404.370.7670
Grady Rape Crisis Center	404.616.4861
Georgia Coalition against Domestic Violence	1.800.33.HAVEN (or 800.334.2836)
International Women's House	404.298.9960
Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence	404.370.7670
Partnership Against Domestic Violence	404.870.9600
Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation	404.521.0790
Georgia Legal Aid	404.206.5175
Raksha Network for South Asians	404.876.0828
Tapestri Refugee & Immigrant Coalition	404.299.2185
Shalom Bayit Jewish Family & Career Services	770.677.9322
Face to Face	404.614.2029
BRIDGES Deaf Advocacy Program	(videophone) 404.381.8282

Emory-Specific Resource Numbers

Emory University Police Department

24-hour Emergency & Non-Emergency	404.727.6111
Administration	404.727.6115
Records	404.727.5459

Emory Healthcare Public Safety (including safety escorts)

Emory University Hospital & Clinics (Clifton Road)	404.712.5598
Emory Decatur Hospital	404.501.5339
Emory Hillandale Hospital	404.501.6578
Emory LTAC Hospital	404.501.6578
Emory-St. Joseph's Hospital	678.843.7568
Emory Orthopedics & Spine Hospital	404.831.4207

The Carter Center Safety Escort 404.420.5106

Grady-area Campus Safety 404.557.8106

Emory Women's Center 404.727.2003

Emory Department of Title IX 404.727.0541

Emory Trustline 1.888.550.8850

Emory TIPS Line 404.727.TIPS (8477)

Faculty Staff Assistance Program (FSAP) 404.727.WELL (9355)

Emory Healthcare Employee Assistance Program <https://hr.emory.edu/eu/fsap/ehc.html>

Emory Threat Assessment Team 833.442.2369

Emory Help Line 404.727.HELP (4357)

Emory Ombuds Office 404.727.1531

Emory Office of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion 404.727.0434

Emory Counseling & Psychological Services 404.727.7450



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DeKalb County Campuses:

**Atlanta Campus,
Emory at Brookhaven Campus,
Emory Decatur Hospital Campus,
Emory Hillandale Hospital Campus,
Emory LTAC Hospital Campus,
Emory Orthopedics & Spine Hospital Campus, and
Emory St. Joseph's Hospital Campus**

**Emory University Police Department
Headquarters & Atlanta Campus Precinct
1784 N. Decatur Rd., Suite G01
Atlanta, GA 30322**

404-727-6111

<https://police.emory.edu/>

Scan the QR code for a full list of resources



<https://police.emory.edu/services/victims.html>

EPD Case #: _____

EPD Officer name & Badge
#: _____