# Canadian Victims Bill of Rights

Are you a victim of crime?
You have rights throughout the criminal justice process.

## THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION

You have the right to ask for:

- information about the criminal justice system and your case
- services available for victims
- updates on the person who harmed you and conditions on his/her release
- the outcome of your case, the sentence, how long it lasts and when the offender is eligible for parole

### THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATION

You have the right to:

- present an Impact Statement and have it considered by the court
- share your views on decisions that affect your rights

## THE RIGHT TO PROTECTION

You have the right to ask for:

- criminal justice authorities to consider your security and privacy
- protection from intimidation and retaliation
- a publication ban
- special support in court (testimonial aids)

### THE RIGHT TO RESTITUTION

You have the right to:

- ask the Court to make a restitution order against the offender
- have the restitution order entered as a civil court judgment that you can then enforce against the offender

## THE RIGHT TO MAKE A COMPLAINT

You have the right to:

- make a complaint if you feel your rights as a victim were denied or not respected by federal or provincial agencies such as the police, Crown, or victim services
- have your complaint reviewed in a timely fashion and be notified of the results





