

Sask Central Victim Services

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SCVS is an RCMP based Victims Services Program which is financial supported by the Ministry of Justice. We work with individuals who have been victimized by crime and / or traumatic events (including abuse, domestic abuse, sex abuse, suicide and attempts, fires, break and enter, theft, fraud, mental health issues, etc.).

We offer 4 core services to short and long term clients

- Information, Referrals, Support & Advocacy
- We will work with a client for as long as required (days, months and even years in some instances)

Information:

- If what the individual is going through is a court matter, we assist victims with court updates, preparation & orientation
- Further info regarding where the investigation is at, where the crown is at, the overall justice system, etc.
- About restitution and compensation
- We also pass along available resource information & materials

Referral:

- We assist individuals to self-refer to any 3rd party agency who might be able to help them
 - o Mental Health & Addictions Supports
 - o Crisis centers / shelters / hotlines, etc.
 - o Counseling including personal, family, grief, financial, etc.
 - o Family Services, etc.

Support:

- Initial trauma crisis support
- Active listening
- We help victims to complete Victim Impact Statements
- We are able to administer Emergency Intervention Orders
- We are trained to score ODARA's (Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment Tool)

Advocacy:

- We assist in giving the victim a voice when it's not being heard
- For services when unavailable or if a process is taking a long time (we act as a voice alongside our clients)

Our Region:

SCVS has a large geographical region. I along with a number of compassionate, well trained and capable volunteers cover the RCMP detachment areas of Rural Saskatoon, Outlook/Elbow, Watrous, Craik and Humboldt/Lanigan. Our Assistant Coordinator to the West covers Kindersley, Rosetown, Biggar and Unity. Sheri Watkins, our Program Coordinator covers Martensville/Warman.

Our Volunteers:

We have a base of volunteers to help us deliver our services. These volunteers are trained to deal the majority of files we come across. They are put through a vigorous 40 hour training program as well as many other workshops including ASIST, Mental Health First Aid, Child Sex Assault education and more.

How to make a Referral to SCVS:

We work closely with RCMP and also with other agencies. The majority of our referrals come from RCMP. However, we also receive referrals from 3rd party agencies (such as health care professionals, other emergency workers, schools, family services, etc.). And, we also take self-referrals from individuals.

If you would like to make a referral to Sask Central Victim Services, please call me (Sarah) at 306-463-1876 or 306-460-7359 and I will help you. I am generally in the office between 8am and 5pm, Monday through Friday. However, emergency referrals are accepted 24/7.