



Inscribed on
Crime Victims' Memorial Stone:

**Grant Strength To All Victims
Who Lie Awake With Fear.
Give Them Peace Of Heart
And Courage
And Let Them Know We're Here.**

By Jenny Keeley, 1995

The Montgomery County
Prosecutor's Office remembers those
whose lives have been changed
by the effects of crime.

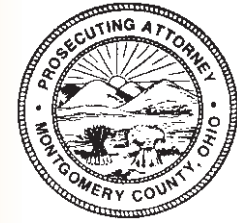
IMPORTANT NUMBERS

**CRIME VICTIM
COMPENSATION**
Toll Free
1-877-584-2846

V.I.N.E.
(Victim Information and
Notification Everyday)
Toll Free
1-800-770-0192

P.O.M.C.
(Parents of
Murdered Children)
Toll Free
1-888-818-7662

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A Message to Homicide Survivors from...

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I would like to offer my sincerest sympathy to you and your family. I realize that the loss of a loved one to a violent death is beyond comprehension. No one can be prepared for the emotional turmoil that is created by such a senseless act.

As Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney, I assure you that this office recognizes survivors as “victims of crime” and will do everything possible to reduce the trauma that has been caused by this untimely event.

A Victim Advocate with our Victim/Witness Division will be available to offer emotional support, an understanding of the criminal justice system and many other services in order to help you through this difficult time.

It is my hope that the services provided by my staff will help to ease the burden of this most painful ordeal.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Although most deaths caused by homicide can be prosecuted, we offer continued support for the homicide survivor, regardless of the possibility of criminal prosecution. We are available to provide the following services:

- Information regarding the role of law enforcement
- 24-hour crisis intervention
- Victim Compensation information and assistance with the application process
- Orientation to the criminal justice system
- Notification of scheduled court proceedings and the results
- A support group for homicide survivors
- A safe place to wait during court hearings - away from the accused and/or the accused’s family and supporters
- Assistance with post-conviction and parole issues
- Annual Homicide Victim Memorial Service

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICES?

The term “HOMICIDE VICTIM” refers to a person whose life has been taken by another individual(s).

The term “HOMICIDE SURVIVOR” refers to persons who had special ties with someone whose life was taken by another individual(s). This can include immediate family, extended family, co-workers, or close friends of the victim.

IS THERE A FEE FOR SERVICES?

No. The Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office Victim/Witness Division strives to reduce the trauma associated with victimization; therefore, we assist all victims, witnesses and survivors **AT NO COST.**

WHAT IS THE SUPPORT GROUP?

The Victim/Witness Division of the Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office recognizes the many needs of survivors and offers a safe, supportive place to talk with others who have similar experiences. All information is kept confidential within the group.

Please contact the Victim/Witness Division at 937-225-5623 for the dates and times of the support group meetings.