

Contra Costa County

The California Victim Compensation Program (CalVCP) was created to help crime victims pay bills and expenses as the result from certain violent crimes. To be able to find out your eligibility please contact your local county Victim and Witness Services office (listed first on this page). Also please note that your eligibility depends on many factors including but not limited to your reporting of the crime, cooperation with law enforcement, and if you are a legal resident of California when the crime occurred. There is no guarantee that all bills or expenses will be paid. Please also contact your local Medi-Cal office in regards to medical expenses. Though not mentioned by name, private organizations at your county level dedicated to general assistance during a crises may also be of help. We often find that local faith based organizations are of great support and aid regardless of your religious affiliation.

Contra Costa County Victim Witness Assistance

Phone: (925) 646-2474 or (510) 374-3272 or (800) 648-0600

Email: edowell@contracostada.org

Website: <http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?NID=972>

The Compassionate Friends

The mission of The Compassionate Friends is to assist families (parents, grandparents, and siblings) toward the positive resolution of grief following the death of a child of any age and to provide information to help others be supportive.

Contra Costa County Chapter

Phone: (925) 871-2604

Email: tcfcc@yahoo.com

Meeting Info: 4th Tuesday of each month from 7:30 to 9:00pm

Address: Mullen Commons, St. John Vianney Church, 1650 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Website: www.tfcc.org

Mothers Against Senseless Killing (M.A.S.K. INC.):

Aims to reverse the cycles of violence, improve the quality of lives for survivors of crimes and children, and help to restore community peace through collaborative partnerships, innovative art activities, events, and programs.

Address: P.O. Box 635, El Cerrito, CA 94530

Website: www.maskofrichmond.org

Parents of Murdered Children

POMC Chapters hold monthly meetings, provide support, advocacy and court accompaniment. Many POMC Chapters publish their own newsletters and have designed and implemented special programs to meet the needs of survivors in their area.

Contra Costa East Bay Chapter

Contact: Evelyn McGann

Phone: (510) 232-2798

Email: evmcga@aol.com

Address: PO Box 23948, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-0948

Chapter Co-Leader: Jose & Linda Aceves (510) 582-8369

First Monday of each month from 7:00 to 9:00pm

Address: Pleasant Hill Senior Center, 233 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill, California, 94523

California Crime Victims- www.californiacrimevictims.org