

## **Victims' Rights during Investigation:**

The law enforcement agency investigating the crime has the duty to:

- Provide you with information about your rights and how to request them.
- Tell you whether the suspect is an adult or juvenile.
- Tell you of the suspect's arrest, at the earliest opportunity.
- Provide you information about the initial appearance of the offender.
- Tell you how to get information about court dates.
- Provide you with information about public and private victim assistance programs, including the county victim compensation program and programs that provide counseling and other support services
- If the County Attorney's Office made the decision not to prosecute a case, the office will notify the listed victim(s) of the decision and the victim's right to confer with the prosecutor prior to the decision becoming final.
- You have the right to request the County Sheriff notify you of the escape or the release of the offender from custody on a bond.
- You have the right to request a copy of the terms and conditions of the offender's release from custody from the Sheriff's Office.