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The Office of the Victim Advocate (OVA) is charged with the promotion and protection of the constitutional and statutory rights of crime victims in Connecticut.



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OFFICE OF THE VICTIM ADVOCATE

About Us

The Office of the Victim Advocate (OVA) was statutorily established in 1998 as an independent state agency charged with the promotion and protection of the constitutional and statutory rights of crime victims in Connecticut.

The OVA seeks to ensure that the victims of crime become an integral part of the criminal justice system.

Through public education of the rights and services available to crime victims, collaboration with law enforcement and service providers, as well as court and legislative advocacy, the OVA believes that the voices of crime victims will become a necessary component of our state.

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What we do



Receive and review complaints of persons concerning the actions of any state agency or other entity that provides services to crime victims



When appropriate, the OVA may also initiate formal investigations into the circumstances of a complaint so as to remedy the concern in a systemic manner.



The OVA conducts programs of public education on the rights of crime victims.



Undertakes legislative advocacy when necessary & recommends systemic changes in state policies to ensure the proper treatment and protection of crime victims.



Explain criminal processes, answer questions and make appropriate referrals.



Host & attend events to help promote the work of the agency.

