

## **I am the victim of domestic violence and want to make a report. How do I do this?**

Please contact the law enforcement agency where the crime occurred. That agency is responsible for investigating domestic violence cases.

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## **I am the victim of a crime and I want to drop charges. Can I do that?**

All criminal complaints are prosecuted on behalf of the State of California. Only the prosecutor can issue or dismiss charges. Although the decision whether to prosecute or not prosecute is ultimately up to the prosecutor, the victim's opinion is important and the prosecutor will take those wishes into account when making his or her decisions regarding the case.

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## **I was the victim of a crime. Can you tell me the name of the defendant and the defendant's next court date?**

If the case has been submitted to our office by law enforcement and charges have been filed, we can provide you with the name of the defendant and the next court date. To obtain this information, please call (916) 874-6218 or email us at [daooffice@sacda.org](mailto:daooffice@sacda.org).

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## **I was the victim of a crime. What**

## services are available to me?

Our Victim Witness Unit offers a variety services to victims of crime. You may also call (916) 874-5701 to inquire about what services may be available to you as a crime victim.