

A STALKING.ORG REFERENCE GUIDE

Reporting Stalking to Alabama Officials

Statewide Edition

Every hotline, state agency, and court resource you need to report
stalking in Alabama.

Statewide Alabama agencies
Verified phone numbers & addresses
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GETTING STARTED

How to Use This Guide

This guide covers **statewide** Alabama resources: the agencies, hotlines, and courts that serve every county. Because Alabama's police and courts are organized locally, each section also tells you how to find the right office for your specific city or county.

Start here: the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence hotline (1-800-650-6522) can connect you to local shelters, advocates, and legal help anywhere in the state, 24/7.

Before you call: have your documentation ready — dates, what happened, any messages or photos saved, and whether a report has already been filed elsewhere.

If you're in danger: call 911 first. Every other number in this guide is for follow-up support, not emergency response.

What's inside

- Emergency & immediate-danger contacts
- Statewide Alabama agencies (ACADV, Attorney General, Crime Victims Compensation Commission, ALEA)
- Reporting to local police & county sheriffs
- Protection From Abuse (PFA) orders explained
- Step-by-step: filing a report & getting a PFA
- Specialized support (children, sexual assault, legal aid)
- A one-page master contact sheet

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ACT NOW

Emergency & Immediate Danger

If a stalker is near you right now, threatening you, or has violated a protection order, these are your first calls — before anything else in this guide.

Emergency — Police, Fire, Medical

911

Call if you are in immediate danger, right now.

ALEA Crime Hotline (State Bureau of Investigation)

1-800-392-8011

For tips and non-local-emergency crime reporting support statewide.

Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence — 24-Hour Crisis Line

1-800-650-6522

Statewide, 24/7 · acadv.org

Can't speak safely? In areas where Text-to-911 is supported, you can text instead of calling — check with your mobile carrier or alea.gov for coverage in your county.

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●Alabama — Statewide Agencies

These agencies serve every county in Alabama.

Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ACADV)

1-800-650-6522

24/7 crisis line statewide · Administrative line (334) 832-4842

acadv.org

Alabama Attorney General — Office of Victim Assistance

1-800-626-7676

(334) 242-7342 · 501 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36130-0152

alabamaag.gov

Alabama Crime Victims Compensation Commission

1-800-541-9388

For victims only · (334) 290-4420 · P.O. Box 231267, Montgomery, AL 36123-1267 · info@acvcc.alabama.gov

acvcc.alabama.gov

Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) — Special Victims Unit

334-676-7899

State Bureau of Investigation · sbi.investigations@alea.gov

alea.gov

Alabama Coalition Against Rape (ACAR)

334-264-0123

P.O. Box 4091, Montgomery, AL 36103

ALEA General Information

334-676-6000

Alabama's consolidated state law enforcement agency.

alea.gov

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LOCAL POLICE

● Reporting to Local Police & Sheriffs

Stalking is reported locally in Alabama — to the police department in the city where you live, work, or where the stalking occurred, or to your county sheriff in unincorporated areas.

Your local police department (non-emergency line)**Dial 911, or search “[your city] police non-emergency”**

Stalking can be reported at any city police department or county sheriff's office, regardless of where the stalker lives.

Your county sheriff's office**Varies by county**

In unincorporated areas, the county sheriff is usually the primary law enforcement agency.

ALEA State Bureau of Investigation — Field Offices**Birmingham 205-942-9620 · Huntsville 256-726-0401 · Montgomery 334-676-7870**

SBI can support local agencies on serious or cross-jurisdiction cases.

Good to know: you can file a report at any police department, not only the one nearest the stalker. Ask for the officer's name, a complaint or case number, and how to follow up.

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Protection From Abuse (PFA) Orders in Alabama

What it is: a Protection From Abuse (PFA) order is a civil court order that can require a stalker or abuser to have no contact with you. It is separate from any criminal case.

Cost: by Alabama law, there are no fees to request or receive a PFA order.

Where to file: the circuit clerk's office at any Alabama county courthouse. You, an attorney, or a personal representative can file on your behalf.

Alabama Administrative Office of Courts

Publishes PFA petition forms online, along with child custody and other family court forms.

alacourt.gov

Legal Services Alabama

1-866-456-4995

Free help completing and filing PFA paperwork for those who qualify.

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Step-by-Step: What to Expect

●Filing a Police Report

- 1 Go to any police department or county sheriff's office — you do not have to go to the one nearest the stalker.
- 2 Ask to speak with an officer and say clearly that you want to report stalking or harassment.
- 3 Bring your documentation: dates, messages, photos, and names of any witnesses.
- 4 Ask for the report's complaint number before you leave, and request a copy if possible.
- 5 Ask about victim assistance resources — many departments have a victim advocate or can refer you to ACADV.

●Getting a PFA Order

- 1 Go to the circuit clerk's office at your county courthouse and ask for a Petition for Protection From Abuse.
- 2 Fill out the petition with as much detail as possible — dates, incidents, and any history of the stalker's behavior.
- 3 A judge can issue a temporary order, often the same day, sometimes without the stalker present.
- 4 The stalker is formally served with the order by law enforcement — clerk staff can explain this process.
- 5 Keep a copy of the order with you, at home, and at work, and give one to building or school security if relevant.

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SPECIALIZED SUPPORT

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Alabama Department of Human Resources (child abuse/neglect)

334-242-9500

Family & Children Services · 50 Ripley Street, Montgomery, AL 36130

Alabama Coalition Against Rape

334-264-0123

Statewide support for sexual assault survivors.

VOCAL — Victims of Crime and Leniency

1-800-239-3219

(334) 262-7197 · Victim advocacy and court support statewide.

Legal Services Alabama

1-866-456-4995

Free civil legal help for qualifying survivors, including protection orders.

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QUICK REFERENCE

Quick-Reference Contact Sheet

Print or save this page — every number in this guide, in one place.

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