

A STALKING.ORG REFERENCE GUIDE

Reporting Stalking to Colorado Officials

Statewide Edition

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

Statewide Colorado agencies
Verified phone numbers & addresses
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GETTING STARTED

How to Use This Guide

This guide covers **statewide** Colorado resources: the government agencies, hotlines, and courts that serve every county. Each section also tells you how to find the right local office for your specific city or county.

Start here: the Colorado Attorney General's Victim Assistance Program (720-508-6000) and the Colorado Judicial Branch Self-Help Center can point you to the right state or local office for your exact situation.

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 Colorado agencies (Attorney General Victim Assistance, DCJ Office for Victims Programs, Colorado VINE, Courts Self-Help Center)
- Reporting to local police & county sheriffs
- Domestic violence protective orders explained
- Step-by-step: filing a report & getting a protective order
- Specialized support (child abuse, elder abuse, civil rights)
- A one-page master contact sheet

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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.

Colorado State Patrol (Victim Assistance)

303-239-4400

Denver metro line; for other regions search "[your region] Colorado State Patrol non-emergency."
csp.colorado.gov

Colorado Crisis Services

1-844-493-8255

24/7 state-run crisis line, call or text — operated by the Colorado Office of Behavioral Health.

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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●Colorado — Statewide Agencies

These government agencies serve every county in Colorado.

Colorado Attorney General — Victim Assistance Program

720-508-6000

Support and referrals for victims of crimes handled by the AG's office.

coag.gov/resources/victim-assistance

Colorado Division of Criminal Justice — Office for Victims Programs

1-888-282-1080

(303) 239-4442 · Oversight of Colorado's 22 judicial-district victim compensation programs.

dcj.colorado.gov

Colorado VINE (offender custody notification)

1-888-263-8463

Free, confidential notification if a stalker is released from jail or prison.

colorado-vine.com

Colorado Judicial Branch — Self-Help Center

Via courts.colorado.gov

Free official forms and instructions for filing a civil protection order.

courts.colorado.gov

Crime Victim Compensation (by judicial district)

Via your local District Attorney's Office

Colorado has 22 district-based compensation programs — your local DA's Victim/Witness Unit handles applications.

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LOCAL POLICE

● Reporting to Local Police & Sheriffs

Stalking is usually reported to the police department in the city where you live or work, or to your county sheriff outside city limits.

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.

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

Primary law enforcement in unincorporated parts of Colorado.

Your District Attorney's Victim/Witness Unit**Varies by judicial district**

Handles Crime Victim Compensation applications and court support, in all 22 judicial districts.

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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Civil Protection Orders in Colorado

Civil Protection Order: a court order, requested in a separate civil action, that can require a stalker to stay away from you and have no contact. Available regardless of your relationship to the stalker.

Mandatory Protection Order: automatically issued by a judge if the stalker is criminally charged, as a condition of their case.

Cost: there is no fee to petition for a civil protection order in Colorado.

Colorado Judicial Branch Self-Help Center

Free, official instructions and downloadable forms for filing a civil protection order.

courts.colorado.gov

Where to file

The civil division of your county or district court — many have a self-help center on-site to assist with paperwork.

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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 Protection Order

- 1 Go to your county or district court's civil division, or its self-help center, and ask for a civil protection order petition.
- 2 Fill out the petition with as much detail as possible — dates, incidents, and any history of the person's behavior.
- 3 File the forms with the court clerk; there is no filing fee in Colorado.
- 4 A judge can issue a temporary protection order the same day, often without the other party present.
- 5 The order is served on the other party by law enforcement — keep a copy with you, at home, and at work.

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SPECIALIZED SUPPORT

●Specialized Support

Colorado Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline

1-844-264-5437

1-844-CO-4-KIDS · 24/7, statewide, routes to the county where the child lives.

Colorado Adult Protective Services

1-844-264-5437

Same statewide hotline as above — for abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an at-risk adult.

Colorado Civil Rights Division

303-894-2997

For stalking or harassment that also involves discrimination, including at work or in housing.

dora.colorado.gov/civil-rights

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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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