

Victim Witness Assistance Program

As an advocate for the rights of victims and witnesses, TVA Police (TVAP) understands the importance of its role within the criminal justice system. To this end, TVAP has developed a Victim Witness Assistance Program.

TVAP is committed to ensure that the rights of victims and witnesses under the law—as well as fundamental human rights—are preserved and administered with equity. Every officer's goal is to treat victims of crimes and accidents with fairness, compassion, and dignity at all times. All members of the TVAP are aware that victims and witnesses are VERY IMPORTANT PERSONS and deserving of our professional assistance.

TVAP's Victim Witness Assistance Program has been created to make the experience within the criminal justice system as convenient as possible for victims and witnesses. Our Victim Witness Assistance Officers:

- Act as liaison between the police function and the victim.
- Provide information available to victims of crimes including community resources and assistance.
- Provide information about court procedures and the role of victims or witnesses in these procedures.

If you are a victim of, or witness to, a crime while visiting a TVA facility or recreational area, you should notify TVA Police immediately at one of the toll-free numbers below:

Buchanan, TN (includes Nashville, TN) Local (731) 644-9911 Toll free 1-800-839-0028

Knoxville, TN Local (865) 632-3631 **Toll free 1-800-824-3861** Muscle Shoals, AL (includes Chattanooga, TN) Local (256) 386-2444 Toll free 1-800-839-0003