Victims of Domestic Violence Know Your Rights!

- Under New York State's Human Rights Law, it is unlawful to discriminate against someone because the person is a victim of domestic violence.
- New York State law protects victims of domestic violence from discrimination when they attempt to rent or lease housing. It also provides victims with a defense in eviction proceedings and a private right of action.
- Under the Federal Violence Against
 Women Act, it is illegal for a
 landlord participating in a federally
 subsidized housing program, such
 as Section 8 housing, to deny or
 terminate voucher assistance based
 on victim status.
- It is unlawful to discriminate against a domestic violence victim in hiring, firing, condition of employment, job advancement, requests for use of leave time, or in retaliation for filing a complaint of discrimination.

What the Courts Can Do

If the person who harmed you or threatened you is a relative by blood or marriage, or is someone you've had a child with, or is someone with whom you are or have had an intimate relationship, or is someone who lives in the same household or has in the past, then you have the right to take your case to family court, criminal court, or both.

The courts can decide to provide a temporary order of protection for you, your children, and any witness who requests one, or on behalf of pets.

The family court may appoint a lawyer to help you if the court finds that you cannot afford one.

The family court may order temporary child support and temporary custody of your children.

Schoharie County Family Court

 ${\bf Schoharie Family Court@NY Courts.gov}$

(518) 453-6999

Guide to Court Remedies for Domestic

Violence can be found at:

www.charitiesccdos.org/forms/

GuideCourtRemediesDV.pdf

A Guide to Resources

In Your Community



www.scdvinfo.org

Or on Facebook at
Schoharie County Domestic
Violence Information Center

Law Enforcement/Legal

Cobleskill Police Department

serving the Village of Cobleskill (518) 234-2923

Legal Aid Society of Northeastern NY, Inc.

Advice and/or representation in Family Court matters, divorce, foreclosure, legal problems related to public assistance, food stamps, housing and employment issues (833) 628-0087 or 800-821-8347

New York State Police

(518) 234-3131

Schoharie County Sheriff's Department

(518)295-8114

Schoharie County District Attorney's Office

(518)295-2272

Schoharie County Probation

(518)295-2274/2279

SUNY Cobleskill University Police

serving SUNY Cobleskill campus (518)255-3131

Crisis Services

Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-342-3720

Domestic Violence 24 Hour Hotline

(518) 234-2231

Mobile Crisis Assessment Team (MCAT)

1-844-732-6228

Schoharie County Chemical Dependency Clinic

(518) 295-2031

Schoharie County Office of Mental Health

(518) 295-8336

Suicide Prevention Hotline

1-877-369-6699

Sexual Assault & Crime Victim Services. PPGNY

(518) 346-2266 (24 hour hotline)

IN THE CASE OF A

LIFE THREATENING

SITUATION, CALL

911

Ongoing Supports and Services

Catholic Charities of Delaware, Otsego and Schoharie Counties

Clinical Supports, Domestic Violence and Crime Victim Service, Family Support Services, OVS Attorney (518) 234-3581

CARRT Center

Child Advocacy Center of Schoharie County (518) 295-2021

Schoharie County Community Action Program (SCCAP)

Food Pantry, WIC, Supervised Visitation, Family Support Services, Employment Training, Referrals and Advocacy (518) 234-2568

Schoharie County Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (SCCASA)

(518) 234-8705

Schoharie County Dept. of Social Services (518) 295-8334

Schoharie County Office for the Aging (518) 295-2001

SUNY Cobleskill Wellness Center

Serving Suny Cobleskill Students With Health Care, Counseling And Health Education (518) 255-5225