

# SUPPORTIVE OUTREACH AND ASSISTANCE RESPONSE (SOAR)

KCDA Supportive Outreach and Assistance Response (SOAR) conducts outreach and provides support to victims of violent assaults and homicides regardless of arrest status. The response team provides assistance with victim compensation, counseling, and relevant case related information. The SOAR team also engages in community outreach to inform the public of KCDA's services and commitment to public safety.

Immediately following a violent incident or homicide, usually within the first 24 to 48 hours, SOAR counselors work with the NYC Police Department to obtain contact information of survivors or surviving family members.

Because violence can have a far-reaching affect, the District Attorney's Office assigns a SOAR counselor to reach out to and assist anyone directly affected by the crime to ensure everyone in need receives services.

### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Services provided during the immediate outreach to survivors and surviving family members include:

Emotional support, safety planning, and psychoeducation about trauma/grief

Help with understanding police protocol & what to expect during this process.

Connection to referrals for counseling and other social services

Assistance with applying for victim compensation for expenses related to funeral/burial services, medical treatment, lost essential property, relocation, and crime scene cleanup if necessary.

Obtain interpreters to communicate when needed.

SOAR also has both virtual and in-person therapy, conducted by licensed mental health clinicians.

The goal is to ensure that survivors and their families are safe, understand the criminal justice system, and can take steps to heal from this traumatic event.

Survivors and family members are connected to on-going services to continue with their healing. When a charge is made after an arrest, SOAR counselors make a direct transfer of the families to our office's Victim Services Unit (VSU) Counselors who then work with the survivors, counseling and guiding them through court and legal proceedings.

# For any questions or concerns please contact:

Kings County District Attorney's Office Victims Services Unit Hotline: (718) 250-3820 or KCDASOAR@brooklynda.org

# **New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME)**

OCME's Family Services Centers Kings County Hospital Center Campus 599 Winthrop Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11203 212-447-2030

### **Death Certificates**

Office of Vital Records 125 Worth St, NY, NY 10013 212-639-9675 (M-F, 9:00am - 3:30pm) https://www.health.ny.gov/vital\_records/

# **Brooklyn Property Office**

11 Front St, Brooklyn, NY 11201 (M-F, 8:00am - 4:30pm) 718-624-5364

## **Surrogate's Court**

94th Precinct

Kings County (Brooklyn)
2 Johnson Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201
347-404-9700
(M-F, 9:00am - 5:00pm)
www.nycourts.gov

# **Brooklyn Detective Squads**

| 60th Precinct | 718-946-3352/53       |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| 61st Precinct | 718-627-6620          |
| 62nd Precinct | 718-236-2695          |
| 63rd Precinct | 718-258-4401          |
| 66th Precinct | 718-851-5603          |
| 67th Precinct | 718-287-3225          |
| 68th Precinct | 718-439-4230 /236/237 |
| 69th Precinct | 718-257-6215          |
| 70th Precinct | 718-851-5560          |
| 71st Precinct | 718-735-0501/0502     |
| 72nd Precinct | 718-965-6336          |
| 73rd Precinct | 718-495-5429          |
| 75th Precinct | 718-827-3548/3549     |
| 76th Precinct | 718-834-3221          |
| 77th Precinct | 718-735-0663          |
| 78th Precinct | 718-636-6485          |
| 79th Precinct | 718-636-6655          |
| 81st Precinct | 718-574-0455          |
| 83rd Precinct | 718-574-1796          |
| 84th Precinct | 718-875-6687          |
| 88th Precinct | 718-636-6547          |
| 90th Precinct | 718-963-5368          |
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718-383-8545

### **Other Useful Resources**

NYS Office of Victim Services: 800-247-8035

Social Security: 1-800-772-1213

Suicide Prevention: 212-673-3000

NYC HRA Office of Burial Services: 718-557-1399

> NYS Worker's Compensation: 877-632-4996

Safe Horizon Community Program Helpline: 855-234-1042

National Crime Victim Bar Association: 202-467-8700

VINE: 1-888-VINE-4-NY (1-888-846-3469)