



Education: Advocate with your school to make accommodations to assist you to reduce the impact of sexual violence on your education and ability to access school-related programs and benefits; represent or assist you in a school investigation or disciplinary action against the person who harmed you; and enforce the rights you have under state and federal education law.



Immigration: Assess if you qualify for immigration relief due to your status as a victim of a crime; negotiate with immigration officials to allow you to stay in the United States to finish school or continue at your job even if a leave of absence is required after you experienced an assault; and challenge the use of your immigration status being used against you in any civil action against the person who harmed you, your employer, housing provider.

For Help or More Information Contact Us!



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Exploring Civil Legal Remedies for Survivors of Sexual Violence—



We can help!

If you experienced sexual violence, the legal team at the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence may be able to help you. Our legal team can explain and assess your legal rights. We can also help you identify and seek the legal remedies that can increase stability in your life following social or economic problems caused by sexual assault. Ways we may be able to help include but are not limited to:



Privacy: Proactively protect your privacy by asking medical care providers, counselors, advocates, and others to tell you when someone asks them for your records; challenge subpoenas for your private records received by third parties; and make sure that your service providers understand the laws protecting your privacy and their duty to protect your privacy under those laws.



Increase Safety: Work with your school, landlord or local housing authority, and employers to create safety plans, or ask for accommodations to increase your safety and well-being.



Housing: Negotiate with your landlord or local housing authority to allow you to terminate or transfer your lease and seek additional safety measures or reasonable accommodations in your home and surrounding area necessary for your safety and well-being following sexual assault.



Employment: Work with your employer to get leave to care for yourself following a sexual assault; access disability or unemployment insurance; request and seek enforcement of appropriate accommodations in

the workplace; enhance the safety of your work environment; and ensure that your employer follows all workplace policies and laws on responding to sexual violence.



Financial: Help you apply for public assistance or crime victim's compensation if you qualify and help determine if you can hold a third party liable for your assault and recover damages for your loss.



Crime Victim's Rights/ Navigating the Criminal Justice System: Help you understand the criminal legal system and enforce your rights under the Idaho Crime Victims' Rights Act.