

## **Notice to adult victims of family violence**

It is a crime for any person to cause you physical injury or harm, even if that person is a member or former member of your family or household.

You may report family violence to a law enforcement officer by calling the following telephone numbers:

If you, your child, or any household resident has been injured or if you feel you are going to be in danger after a law enforcement officer investigating family violence leaves your residence or at a later time, you have the right to:

- Ask the local prosecutor to file a criminal complaint against the person committing family violence; and
- Apply to the court for an order to protect you. You may want to consult with a legal aid office, a prosecuting attorney, or a private attorney. A court can enter an order that:
  - 1) Prohibits the abuser from committing further acts of violence;
  - 2) Prohibits the abuser from threatening, harassing, or contacting you at home;
  - 3) Directs the abuser to leave your household; and
  - 4) Establishes temporary custody of the children or any property.

**A VIOLATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF COURT-ORDERED PROTECTION MAY BE A FELONY.**

**CALL THE FOLLOWING VIOLENCE SHELTER OR SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS IF YOU NEED PROTECTION:**