

**The types of additional information that  
victim service providers can provide to journalists include—**

- Statistics and trends about specific types of crime and victimization (national data are important but state and local data are more relevant).
- “Myths and facts” about different types of crime and victimization that can enhance accurate reporting.
- State and federal laws related to crime and victimization, including information about victims’ constitutional and statutory rights and case law.
- Brief overviews about the dynamics of different types of victimization.
- Research-based information about crime victims and perpetrators.
- A “glossary of terms” related to different types of victimization, as well as relevant justice proceedings.
- How people can report crimes to authorities.
- Community-based and system-based resources for victim assistance.
- Reliable local, state, and national experts—including crime victims and survivors—who can offer additional insights and perspectives on the issue.