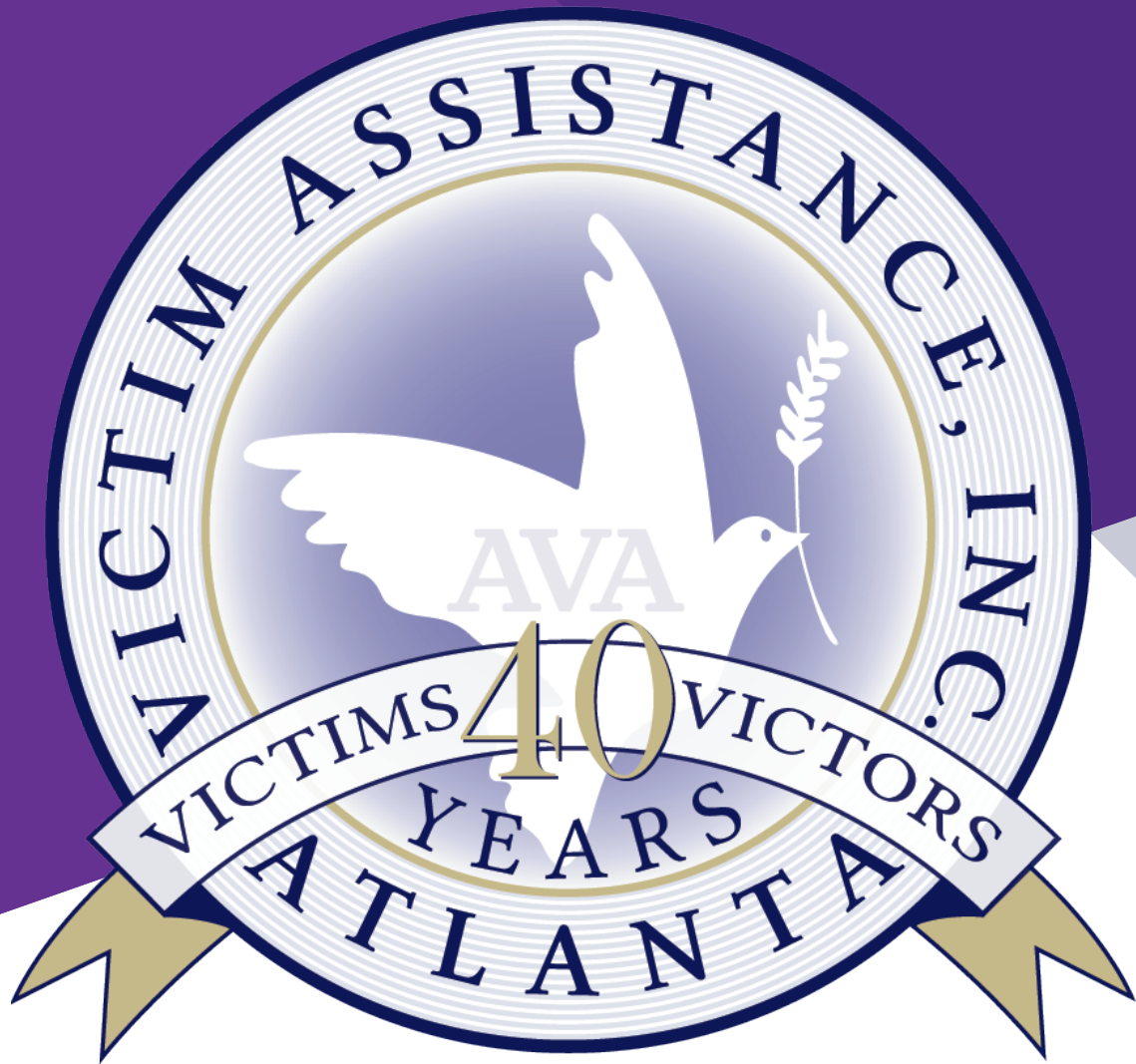


40 Years of Service



2024
IMPACT

MISSION:

At Atlanta Victim Assistance, Inc. (AVA), our mission is to advocate for the fundamental rights of victims while walking alongside them with compassion, dignity, and respect, and to aid in finding healing and justice.



Since AVA's inception in 1984, our advocates have been an essential and unique resource for more than 150,000 people in Atlanta who have received free and comprehensive support after experiencing the life-altering and devastating impacts of a crime.



Scan or click here to learn more about our history.

Who We Serve

AVA serves victims of all crime types in Atlanta. Our special victims unit focuses on survivors of a loved one's homicide, sexual assault, and gun violence. The court unit assists those impacted by domestic violence, assault, and identity theft. Our school unit offers intervention services to youth who have experienced violence. Unlike other victim service agencies, AVA supports victims regardless of the arrest status of the offender.

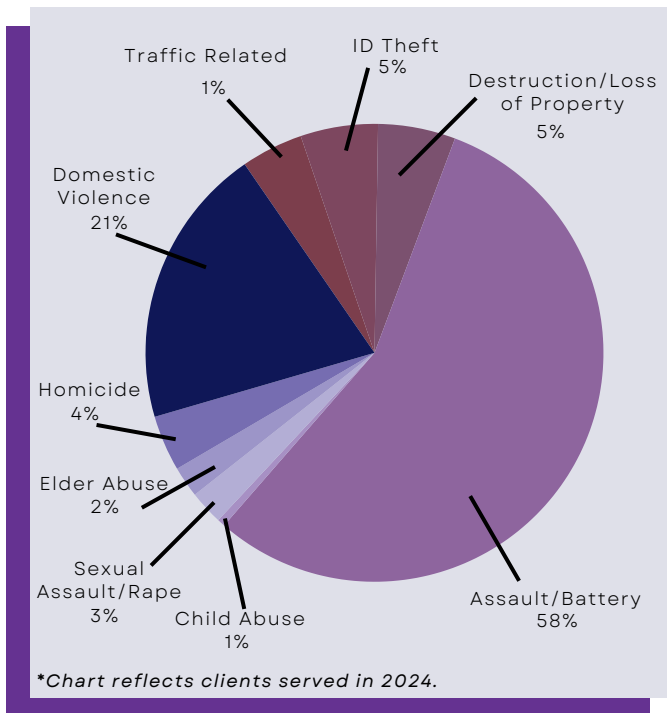
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Programs & Services

AVA uses a holistic and tailored approach—and we coordinate closely with esteemed community partners—to deliver programs and services that support individuals and families in the immediate aftermath of a crime, and which help them focus on healing and resilience long after the crime. AVA is also committed to outreach efforts that educate and connect our community with resources that promote violence prevention.

Scan or click here to learn more about our comprehensive programs and services and the community partners who enable our work.



HIGHLIGHTS



A Special Toast!

Atlanta Mayor Andre Dickens and City Council President Doug Shipman joined AVA for a special event honoring our four decades of service to the City of Atlanta. Scan or click to read more.



Community Outreach

AVA's work impacts far more lives than the individuals and their families who have been affected by crime. As an essential community resource, we are committed to education and outreach efforts focused on mitigating crime. Scan or click to check out some of our outreach efforts over the last year.



AVA's Closet

Because crime victims are sometimes forced to leave their homes, lose access to their personal belongings, or they may find themselves with limited resources, we created AVA's Closet as a safe place to help them regain essential belongings like clothing, food, and toiletries. Scan or click to learn ways to support AVA's Closet.



AVA IN THE NEWS!

40 years of AVA's impact was featured in The Atlanta Voice and The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Take a look!



Our Team

Our compassionate team members unite in our mission to support and empower survivors of crime.

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***“AVA provided me with a sense of belonging and family by supporting me.”
- Crime Survivor***

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