

# C A P

Crash  
Assistance  
Program



## CRASH REPORT

To request a copy of a crash report, you must send a request to The Office of Accident Records. The Office of Accident Records collects data on all state reportable motor vehicle crashes. The crash report is typically available 10-12 days after the crash. There is a charge for the report. Visit [https://dps.sd.gov/enforcement/accident\\_records/](https://dps.sd.gov/enforcement/accident_records/) for more information.

## CRASH RELATED REPORTS



Crashes meeting specific criteria are reconstructed. If a crash has been reconstructed, the report consists of an in-depth narrative and may include a detailed diagram and photographs. There is a cost for this report or photos; you will be notified of the cost before it is sent. The report is typically available 45 days after the crash. To request crash or reconstruction reports, include the incident number and specify whether or not you want photos. Supplemental reports generated due to the incident (such as incident or alcohol influence reports or laboratory results) may also be obtained for a fee. You may contact: SDHP Victim Witness Coordinator at 605.381.9361.

## Contact Us

VICTIM WITNESS COORDINATOR  
SD HIGHWAY PATROL  
EMAIL: [GAYLE.THOM@STATE.SD.US](mailto:GAYLE.THOM@STATE.SD.US)  
605.381.9361  
  
[HTTP://WWW.DPS.SD.GOV/  
ENFORCEMENT/HIGHWAY\\_PATROL/  
CAP.ASPX](http://www.dps.sd.gov/enforcement/highway_patrol/cap.aspx)



## YOUR INCIDENT REPORT #:

**South Dakota Highway Patrol**  
Colonel Craig Price  
Superintendent  
Phone: 605.773.3105  
Fax: 605.773.6046

**SDHP District One**  
PO Box 1797  
Aberdeen, SD 57402-1797  
Phone: 605.626.2286  
Fax: 605.626.2662

**SDHP District Two**  
5316 West 60th Street North  
Sioux Falls, SD 57107  
Phone: 605.367.5700  
Fax: 605.367.5705

**SDHP District Three**  
PO Box 2474  
Rapid City, SD 57709-2474  
Phone: 605.394.2286  
Fax: 605.394.5483

**Accident Records**  
Phone: 605.773.3868  
Fax: 605.773.6893

**Office of Highway Safety**  
Phone: 605.773.4949  
Fax: 605.773.6893

**Driver Licensing**  
Phone: 605.773.6883  
Toll Free: 1.800.952.3696  
Fax: 605.773.3018

**SD Highway Patrol**  
Victim Witness Coordinator  
Gayle Thom  
Phone: 605.381.9361  
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# SD HIGHWAY PATROL CRASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CAP)

[HTTP://WWW.DPS.SD.GOV/ENFORCEMENT/HIGHWAY\\_PATROL/CAP.ASPX](http://www.dps.sd.gov/enforcement/highway_patrol/cap.aspx)

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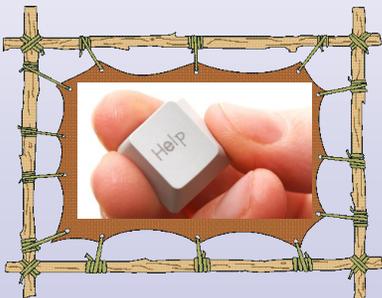
The South Dakota Highway Patrol enforces laws, investigates crimes, identifies and eliminates traffic hazards.

A strategic priority for the Highway Patrol is crash prevention and investigation. The SD Highway Patrol Crash Assistance Program (CAP) is committed to guiding individuals and their families through the time following a fatal or serious injury crash.

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positive effect on the long-term recovery of those individuals and families who have experienced a traumatic time in their lives following a crash. Criminal charges do not have

to be filed in order for those involved in a crash to receive CAP services.



***SD HIGHWAY PATROL TROOPERS AND THE CRASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WORK TOGETHER IN THESE WAYS TO SUPPORT THOSE INVOLVED IN CRASHES.***



- ⇒ Provide support, information, and assistance
- ⇒ Help obtain copies of reports and information.
- ⇒ Provide referrals to the appropriate agency and help identify resources if you have specific needs or require further information or service.
- ⇒ Provide information concerning your crash or case status.



⇒ Initiate contact with appropriate law enforcement and/ or State's Attorney.

⇒ Provide information and assistance in understanding the criminal justice system and securing your rights as a crime victim, when applicable.

## **WANT TO REQUEST CAP SERVICES?**

**Contact:**

**SDHP Victim Witness Coordinator**

**[Gayle.Thom@state.sd.us](mailto:Gayle.Thom@state.sd.us)**

**605.381.9361**

## ***HELPFUL THINGS TO KNOW***

Enlist CAP assistance to help you understand the criminal justice process, address your concerns, and request information. The CAP program is provided by the South Dakota Highway Patrol at no charge.



CAP can assist you in contacting the investigating SDHP Trooper to discuss any questions you may have regarding the crash.

Keep a daily record of all expenses and contacts related to the crash. This information may be helpful to you for a variety of reasons.

If you are a victim of crime, find out what your rights are. This information may be obtained by contacting CAP, other victim service agencies, and victim service providers in your area.

If you are a victim of crime, CAP can assist you in securing your rights by contacting the appropriate State's Attorney's Office to be kept informed about your case.

The state of South Dakota established the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund to provide monetary assistance to certain victims of violent crimes for specified financial losses as a payer of last resort. For more information or an application contact: **SD Crime Victims' Compensation: 1.800.696.9476**



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