What is it?
The New York Crime Victims Legal Network is a partnership of organizations working together to better address the civil legal needs of crime victims in a range of areas, including housing, family, employment, immigration and finances. Our goal is to develop new technology solutions to connect victims of crime with the services they need.

What will it do?
The Network's online resource, NY Crime Victims Legal Help, will connect victims of crime to a variety of services via a dedicated website with the following features:

Triage Screening Tool
The Triage Screening Tool can help you identify what your legal needs are. Just answer several questions and you will be directed to specific resources that can help you.

Legal Services Help Directory
If you know the kind of legal assistance you need, the Legal Services Help Directory can direct you to the right information and service providers.

Know Your Rights
The Know Your Rights library has information about your rights as a crime victim and other information that may help you understand your options. You can also find a number of DIY forms that may help you take the next step to resolve your legal issue.

Live Help
If you need help finding information on this website, you can use LiveHelp to chat with someone who can direct you to the right resource. The LiveHelp staff cannot give you legal advice, but they can help you find the information you need to address your legal concerns.

Advocate Gateway
Advocates have access to additional resources through the Advocate Gateway, a secure portal for professionals.
How will it work?

Implementation:

Completed assessment of civil legal needs of crime victims

Pilot launch in Erie, Niagara, and Genesee counties

Use Pilot Evaluation to determine strategies to be used in statewide expansion

Statewide rollout of NY Crime Victims Legal Help (outside NYC)

2017

2018

2018

2019