

## Can I Get An Order of Protection?

You may be able to obtain an Order of Protection if:

- ✓ You have been the victim of abuse by a present or former adult family or household member
- ✓ You have been the victim of abuse by an adult who has a continuing romantic or intimate relationship with you
- ✓ You have been the victim of stalking as defined by Missouri law

## Filing Your Petition

- ❖ Write **NEATLY**
- ❖ Fill it out **COMPLETELY**
- ❖ Explain why there is an **IMMEDIATE AND PRESENT** danger to you
- ❖ Describe the **ABUSE** in detail:
  - ✓ How it happened
  - ✓ When and where it happened
  - ✓ What injuries were caused
  - ✓ Who did it
  - ✓ What you want the Judge to do

## How Do I File For an Order of Protection?

*You can obtain the form to file for an Order of Protection from any of the following:*

*Nodaway County Circuit Clerk's Office,  
303 North Market, Maryville  
(660) 582-5431*

*Nodaway County Sheriff's Dept.  
404 North Vine, Maryville  
(660) 582-7451*

*Maryville Public Safety Dept.  
222 East Third Street, Maryville  
(660) 562-3209*

*Northwest Campus Safety Dept.  
Northwest Missouri State University  
(660) 562-1254*

*St. Francis Hospital  
Emergency Room  
(660) 562-2600*

*Children and Family Center  
Court Advocate  
Patricia Jacobs  
(660) 562- 2320  
1-866-382-7867*

## You **MAY** Receive an Order of Protection If You Were

- ✓ Hit
- ✓ Punched
- ✓ Kicked
- ✓ Choked
- ✓ Raped
- ✓ Held against your will
- ✓ Stalked
- ✓ Repeatedly followed without reason
- ✓ Repeatedly called without reason

**[note the last three also require that the actions would result in a reasonable person suffering substantial emotional distress AND that the victim suffered substantial emotional distress]**

*Forms and more information are available for downloading at [www.nodawaycountymo.com](http://www.nodawaycountymo.com)  
Go to the Domestic Violence link at the Prosecuting Attorney page under County Offices*