Order of Protection Process Bridgeview Courthouse

10220 S. 76th Ave. Bridgeview, IL. 60455

Arrival

- o Enter through the main doors and proceed through the security checkpoint.
- Go to the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court (located on the right side of the building).

• Who to talk to?

- Speak to a clerk assigned for Order of Protections.
 - Follow the signs/prompts located in the clerk's office (ask a clerk for assistance)
 - The clerk will assist you with identifying what type of Order of Protection you need.
 - There are 5 types of protective orders offered at this courthouse:
 - Emergency (domestic relations)
 - No Stalking
 - No Contact
 - o Civil
 - o Criminal
 - Please Note: Emergency and Civil Orders of Protections can also be filed via the internet (E-File). For best assistance with completing petitions for Orders of Protection by E-Filing, please contact The Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline.
 - Phone: (877) 863-6338
- Next; The Clerk's Office employee will direct you to a Domestic Violence Advocate located on the second floor. *Please Note: DV advocates are available for emotional support in-court with you.*
 - You will speak with an advocate (room 209/210) from either:
 - Pillars Community Health
 - o Phone: (708) 745-5277
 - Click here to Visit: Pillars Community Health Website

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• Arab American Family Services

o Phone: (708) 945-7600

Click here to Visit: Arab American Family Services

• Crisis Center of South Suburbia Crisis Hotline Phone:

o Phone: (708) 429-7233

Click here to visit: Crisis Center of South Suburbia Website

- Important information
 - o The hours to file for an Order of Protection begin at 8:30am until 4:30 p.m.
 - To be heard by the judge the petition packet must be completed prior to 4:00 p.m.

Emergency after-hours Order of Protection instructions

- For Order of Protection packets that are not able to be completed in person at one of the courthouse locations by 4:00 p.m., you will still be able to complete an emergency after-hours Order of Protection by visiting the Circuit Court of Cook County website. For assistance, please call the Domestic Violence Hotline. The Domestic Violence Hotline will provide instructions on how to complete the packet to utilize the after-hours emergency Order of Protection and will help you identify which Civil Order of Protection packet you will need to complete.
 - o The Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline contact information:

Phone: (877) 863-6338

- Click here to visit: Circuit Court of Cook County (Domestic Violence Division)
 - This will allow you to utilize the after-hours remote emergency Order of Protection service. (Hearings are available from 9 p.m. – 3 a.m. Mon - Fri and Weekends 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.).
- Please note: By calling The Illinois Domestic Violence hotline you will be able to get connected to an advocate. The advocate will be able to then assist you with any additional questions that you may have.