



The Oregon Crime Victims Law Center (OCVLC) is an organization whose mission it is to fight on behalf of crime victims to ensure that they and their rights are respected within the criminal justice system and by all criminal justice system partners. We endeavor through our work to promote equity, equality, and respect for the rights of all persons in the criminal justice system.

OCVLC recognizes and acknowledges the grief and anger felt by the Black community and by all communities of color in connection with the murder of George Floyd. We support the peaceful demonstrations of frustration and calls for change sweeping across our country and, indeed, across the world; we will listen to the Black community to learn what we can do to help. At the same time, we are deeply concerned about the violence and property destruction that has been caused by some participants in the demonstrations in Portland and elsewhere, for there are victims of these acts as well.

We stand with those fighting racial oppression in our communities and will continue to listen, continue to be allies, and continue to seek a fair and equitable justice system. We recognize that as integral actors within Oregon's criminal justice system, we act within a system that has historically been oppressive and unfair. We affirm that we will speak out about systemic racism and we will continue to fight for justice for all.