# Office for Victims of Crime Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program **Annual Performance Measures Report** October 01, 2021 - September 30, 2022

### **GRANTEE INFORMATION**

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### POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS

1. Number of people for whom an application was made for victim compensation benefits during the reporting period.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021: 401 474 Q2: Jan-Mar 2022: Q3: Apr-Jun 2022: 527 Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:

442

Annual:

1,844

2. Number of victims whose victimization is the basis for the application.

340 Q1: Oct-Dec 2021: Q2: Jan-Mar 2022: 342 Q3: Apr-Jun 2022: 427 Q4: Jul-Sep 2022: 368 Annual: 1,477

3. Victim Demographics					
Population	Q1	Nu Q2	mber o	of Viction	ms Annual
A. RACE/ETHNICITY				_	
American Indian or Alaska Native	8	6	10	7	31
Asian	9	15	8	11	43
Black or African American	86	70	104	94	354
Hispanic or Latino	56	38	53	34	181
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	3	3
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	127	141	171	149	588
Some Other Race	0	0	0	0	0
Multiple Races	11	15	17	18	61
Not Reported	43	57	64	52	216
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Race/Ethnicity Total	340	342	427	368	1477
B. GENDER	ı				
Male	134	144	198	145	621
Female	206	198	229	222	855
Not Reported	0	0	0	1	1
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Gender Total	340	342	427	368	1477
C. AGE	ı				
Age 0- 12	32	31	32	40	135
Age 13- 17	56	47	60	44	207
Age 18- 24	54	43	64	60	221
Age 25- 59	169	194	245	208	816
Age 60 and Older	29	27	26	16	98
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Age Total	340	342	427	368	1477

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## PERFORMANCE MEASURES

4.	Based on your program's indicate if	general procedure,	7. Number of applications approved) during the re		ication	s that	were	not			
	Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:		Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:	77							
	Only one application is us	sually counted per	Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:	334							
	Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:		Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:	140							
	Only one application is u	sually counted per	Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:	111							
	crime	, ,	Annual:	662	662						
	Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:		Reason(s) for denial	able for the reporting period:							
	Only one application is userime	sually counted per	Po	pulation	Q1	Num Q2		f Vict Q4	tims Annual		
	Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:		A. Application not filed	within time limit	1	8	4	4	17		
	Only one application is userime	sually counted per	B. Failure to report to բ	5	4	2	1	12			
5.	Number of new application	ons <b>received</b> during		e with law enforcement, ator, and/or other official	3	11	5	3	22		
	the reporting period Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:	240	D. Incomplete informa	1	1	4	1	7			
		340	E. Contributory miscor	duct	4	14	7	12	37		
	Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:	342	F. Ineligible crime		7	33	13	17	70		
	Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:	427	G. Ineligible application	56	263	105	73	497			
	Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:	368	Other		_	_	_	_	0		
	Annual:	1,477	Denial explanation:								
6.	Number of applications <b>a</b> reporting period.	pproved during the	8. Number of applications		ılt Fore	nsic I	Exam	inatio	ns		
	Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:	244	during the reporting per Q1: Oct-Dec 2021: No								
	Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:	263	to my state's process	Сарриоавіо							
	Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:	220	Q2: Jan-Mar 2022: No	t applicable							
	Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:	267	to my state's process								
	Annual:	994	Q3: Apr-Jun 2022: Not to my state's process	applicable							
			Q4: Jul-Sep 2022: Not to my state's process	applicable							
			Annual:	0							

					EXPENSE	TYPES PAID (	in dollars)									CTIMIZATIONS A CRIME TYPE		
TYPES OF CRIME	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health)	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the Renortion Period	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson																		
Assault	82	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 35,822	\$ 0	\$ 127,909	\$ 13,094	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 2,631		\$ 179,456	1	34	1	1	1
Burglary	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 95	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 95	0	1	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,155	\$ 336	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 6,491	0	0		0	0
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	31	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,008	\$0	\$ 2,079	\$ 52,895	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 105		\$ 59,087	1	16		1	1
DUI/DWI																		
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	82	\$ 0	\$ 1,361	\$ 191,781	\$ 272,136	\$ 537	\$ 930	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 466,745	1	11	1	1	1
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping	1	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 210	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$0		\$ 210	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes	19	\$ 0	\$ 61	\$ 21,279	\$ 45,406	\$ 31,647	\$ 1,365	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 1,594		\$ 101,351	1	1	1	1	1
Robbery	12	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,069	\$0	\$ 9,064	\$ 123	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 92		\$ 15,348	1	2	1	1	1
Sexual Assault	13	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,859	\$ 0	\$ 2,354	\$ 4,990	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 10,203	1	4	1	1	1
Stalking	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 462	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 462	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism																		
Total	244	\$ 0	\$ 1,422	\$ 261,819	\$ 317,542	\$ 179,840	\$ 74,404	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$ 4,422		\$ 839,448	6	69	5	6	6

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Arson																		
Assault	103	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 102,095	\$ 0	\$ 93,001	\$ 21,468	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 1,285		\$ 217,850	1	48	1	1	
Burglary	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 217	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 217	0	0	0	0	
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 490	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 490	0	1		0	
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	24	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,082	\$ 0	\$ 7,830	\$ 14,662	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 162		\$ 24,736	0	11		0	
DUI/DWI																		
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	90	\$ 3,387	\$ 1,135	\$ 226,833	\$ 356,910	\$ 553	\$ 2,532	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 591,349	1	15	1	1	
Human Trafficking	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 258	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 258	0	0	0	0	
Kidnapping	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 747	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$ 0		\$ 747	0	1	0	0	
Other Vehicular Crimes	6	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 16,578	\$ 7,500	\$ 136	\$ 747	\$0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 24,961	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	16	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 7,650	\$0	\$ 19,134	\$ 1,393	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 159		\$ 28,336	1	1	1	1	
Sexual Assault	18	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,048	\$0	\$ 2,498	\$ 21,696	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 47		\$ 26,289	1	4	1	1	
Stalking	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 394	\$0	\$ 5,405	\$ 1,190	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 6,989	0	1	0	0	
Terrorism								$\equiv$	$\equiv$									
Total	263	\$ 3,387	\$ 1,135	\$ 358,169	\$ 364,410	\$ 129,521	\$ 63,946	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 1,653		\$ 922,220	4	82	4	4	

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Arson																		
Assault	87	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 30,068	\$ 0	\$ 161,992	\$ 11,097	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 2,403		\$ 205,560	0	33	0	0	
Burglary	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,970	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 2,970	0	1	0	0	
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 693	\$ 0	\$ 720	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 1,413	0	1		0	
Child Pornography	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 122	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0		\$ 0		\$ 122	0	1		0	
Child Sexual Abuse	25	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,950	\$0	\$ 8,300	\$ 13,326	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 26,576	0	8		0	
DUI/DWI																		
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	69	\$ 0	\$ 889	\$ 199,831	\$ 218,066	\$ 291	\$ 1,908	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$0		\$ 420,984	0	10	0	0	
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	9	\$0	\$ 1,849	\$ 15,195	\$ 6,988	\$ 17,247	\$ 344	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 41,623	0	1	0	0	
Robbery	7	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$ 7,094	\$ 5,579	\$0	\$0		\$ 437	$\overline{}$	\$ 13,110	0	1	0	0	
Sexual Assault	18	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 12,282	\$0	\$ 7,777	\$ 6,290	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 337	$\equiv$	\$ 26,686	0	4	0	0	
Stalking	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 88	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	$\equiv$	\$ 88	0	1	0	0	
Terrorism												$\equiv$						
Total	220	\$0	\$ 2,738	\$ 266,111	\$ 225,054	\$ 203,422	\$ 38,631	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 3,177	=	\$ 739,133	0	61	0	0	

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Arson																		
Assault	102	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 73,241	\$ 0	\$ 198,496	\$ 13,331	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 517		\$ 285,585	1	37	0	0	
Burglary	1	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,142	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 1,142	0	0	0	0	
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 4,782	\$ 3,364	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 294		\$ 8,440	0	0		0	
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	28	\$0	\$ 2,465	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 10,303	\$ 16,674	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 216		\$ 29,658	0	14		0	
DUI/DWI	1	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 3,634	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0		\$ 0		\$ 3,634	0	0	0	0	
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	83	\$0	\$ 394	\$ 221,926	\$ 251,198	\$ 2,321	\$ 8,007	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 483,847	0	10	0	0	
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	10	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 31,734	\$ 20,105	\$ 3,963	\$ 261	\$0	\$0		\$ 384	$\overline{}$	\$ 56,447	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	11	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 9,815	\$0	\$ 19,002	\$ 5,207	\$0	\$0		\$ 68	$\overline{}$	\$ 34,092	0	1	0	0	
Sexual Assault	26	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 9,444	\$0	\$ 5,894	\$ 17,923	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$ 779	$\equiv$	\$ 34,040	0	7	0	0	
Stalking	2	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 3,360	\$0	\$0	\$ 438	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	$\equiv$	\$ 3,798	0	2	0	0	
Terrorism												$\equiv$						
Total	267	\$0	\$ 2,859	\$ 349,520	\$ 271,304	\$ 249,538	\$ 65,204	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$ 2,259	=	\$ 940,683	1	71	0	0	

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE - Aggree	gated																	
					EXPENSE TY	PES PAID (in	dollars)								TYPES OF VIO			
TYPES OF CRIME	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health )	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson																		
Assault	374	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 241,226	\$ 0	\$ 581,399	\$ 58,990	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 6,836		\$ 888,451	3	152	2	2	4
Burglary	4	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,970	\$ 0	\$ 1,454	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$0		\$ 4,425	0	2	0	0	(
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	8	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,183	\$0	\$ 11,657	\$ 3,700	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 294		\$ 16,833	0	2		0	(
Child Pornography	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 122	\$0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$0		\$ 122	0	1		0	(
Child Sexual Abuse	108	\$ 0	\$ 2,465	\$ 11,040	\$ 0	\$ 28,513	\$ 97,557	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$ 483		\$ 140,057	1	49		1	1
DUI/DWI	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$ 3,634	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$0		\$ 3,634	0	0	0	0	(
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	324	\$ 3,387	\$ 3,779	\$ 840,371	\$ 1,098,310	\$ 3,702	\$ 13,376	\$0	\$0		\$0		\$ 1,962,926	2	46	2	2	6
Human Trafficking	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 258	\$ 0	\$0		\$0		\$ 258	0	0	0	0	(
Kidnapping	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	\$ 747	\$ 210	\$ 0	\$0		\$0		\$ 957	0	1	0	0	(
Other Vehicular Crimes	44	\$0	\$ 1,910	\$ 84,786	\$ 79,999	\$ 52,993	\$ 2,716	\$0	\$0		\$ 1,978		\$ 224,382	1	2	1	1	1
Robbery	46	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 23,534	\$ 0	\$ 54,295	\$ 12,302	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 756		\$ 90,886	2	5	2	2	2
Sexual Assault	75	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 26,633	\$0	\$ 18,524	\$ 50,899	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,164		\$ 97,218	2	19	2	2	2
Stalking	6	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,754	\$ 0	\$ 5,405	\$ 2,177	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 11,336	0	4	0	0	(
Terrorism								$\equiv$										
Total	994	\$ 3,387	\$ 8,153	\$ 1,235,618	\$ 1,178,310	\$ 762,321	\$ 242,185	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,510		\$ 3,441,485	11	283	9	10	16

#### NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

1. Please explain any significant change in the number of applications received during the reporting period.

During this reporting period, there was a 5% increase in the number of victims whose victimization was the basis for the application. There was a 31% increase in the number of people filing applications for those victims.

2. The average length of time to process an application for claim eligibility for compensation

Count days from time of receipt of application to decision. 233

Please explain your state's procedure for processing an application for claim eligibility, from time of receipt of application to decision. Applicants submit their claims via the new Victim Services Portal (VSP), email, fax or regular mail. Claim information is entered into CAWeb, the programs claims processing system, and the claim is assigned to a specialist. A form is sent to the investigating law enforcement agency to verify the crime. Claims specialists review the application and the law enforcement form to make an initial eligibility decision. If all eligibility requirements are met, staff gather documentation (billing, healthcare records, employment and disability information, insurance explanation of benefits, etc.) to verify expenses listed on the application. The claim specialist then reviews all of the information received and determines the amounts to be paid to the applicant and/or the providers. Another staff person prepares a payment order and explanation of benefits forms to send to the applicant and providers. If the claim clearly does not meet eligibility requirements or there are no expenses to pay, the staff deny or close the claim. If there is some question about the applicant's eligibility under the program's statutes and rules, the claim is sent to the 5-member board for review. The board discusses the case and votes to pay in full, reduce the claim, or deny the claim. There is an appeals process for applicants who are dissatisfied with a staff or Board decision on a claim.

3. Does your state have a victim satisfaction survey?

Yes

- A. Number of victim satisfaction surveys distributed during the reporting period. 592
- B. Number of victim satisfaction surveys completed during the reporting period. 13
- C. Number of surveys that indicated satisfaction with the victim compensation program during the reporting period. 11
- 4. Please describe any emerging/major issues or notable trends that were encountered in your state that had an impact on your program's ability to meet the needs of crime victims during the reporting period.

There was a slight increase (5%) in the number of victims for whom an application was submitted, and a substantial increase (31%) of the number of people applying related to those victims. This, along with implementing a paperless processing system in October 2021, resulted in the increase in processing times. A notable trend was the continued epidemic of fatal opiate overdoses. This resulted in an increase of expenditures for the reparations program, which covers a portion of the costs related to a fatal overdose if the case is charged as a homicide. Due to the increase of expenditures, the program will maintain the same rates of coverage for fiscal year 2023.

5. Please describe in detail efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal Crime during the reporting period.

The program continued working closely with the FBI s victim specialists in Minneapolis and Bemidji, as well as staff from the US Attorney s Office, to serve victims of federal crimes. Reparations staff responded to questions from FBI specialists about reparations policies and procedures and collaborated with them on developing a mass casualty response plan. This collaborative effort helped ensure the best services for victims of federal crimes.

6. Please describe any notable activities during the reporting period that improved the process of victim compensation services.

A new claims processing system (CAWeb) was developed and installed just prior to this reporting period. CAWeb enables victims to submit applications through an on-line portal (VSP) and allowed the program to go to an entirely paperless process in Octoer 2021. Funding was secured and development began for a task management system and increased reporting functionality to be integrated into CAWeb. The upgrade is scheduled to be deployed in December 2022.

Please describe in detail ways in which your state used VOCA Administrative funds and the impact of these funds on the state's ability to improve victim compensation services during the reporting period.

The VOCA administrative funds are dedicated to the support of one clerical position with the reparations program. The person in this position sets up new reparations claims, answers phone inquiries from applicants and service providers, sends an initial letter to the applicant, and corresponds and obtains law enforcement reports from the investigating law enforcement agency. This position helps the program process claims in a timely manner.

Were there any laws, initiatives, or policy changes in your state regarding victim compensation during the reporting period? If yes, please briefly describe them and their impact. There were no changes to laws regarding victim compensation during this reporting period. A new policy was enacted to determine financial need for dependents of deceased victims receiving loss of support payments. Previously, after 3 years of payments, the dependent must meet a needs test to continue payments. To qualify, their household annual income must fall below the 185th percentage of the federal poverty level. Effective for crimes after 7/1/2021, all minor children will automatically meet the needs test and qualify for continued payments. The previous needs test will continue to apply for spouses receiving loss of support payments.

9. Please describe system-coordination efforts with prosecutors, law enforcement, courts, U.S. attorneys' offices, tribal systems, State VOCA Victim Assistance Coordinator, or other key personnel within the criminal justice system in your state to reduce barriers to victims who may apply to receive victim compensation.

As part of an OVC grant, we partnered with CSG Justice Center to conduct an assessment of the reparations program which includes examining existing policies, procedures and processes with the goal of enhancing program responsiveness, efficiency and accessibility for victims throughout the state. The project consists of three phases: 1) Assessing program s claims data along with relevant policies and procedures that impact victims access to compensation to identify gaps; 2) Develop an implementation plan based on needs and recommendations identified in the assessment phase; 3) Execute the implementation plan with the goal of enhancing victim access to reparations.

10. Please explain any public outreach efforts to improve awareness of your program.

System-coordination efforts included participating in several virtual trainings that were attended by advocates and criminal justice professionals from around the state. The trainings included information on reparations eligibility requirements, covered expenses including Native American healing ceremonies, the application process and how to appeal a claim decision.

Please list any other outcome measure(s) that are reported to the governor, legislature, or other state entity that have not been reported in this submission. Provide the actual measure(s). The data may be reported separately in your progress report.

Another outcome measure that is reported to the governor and legislature is the amount of restitution collected annually from violent offenders who were responsible for crimes committed against victims who received reparations. During this reporting period, the program recovered nearly \$571,000 from those offenders.

Please provide any additional comments that are helpful to improving the Victim Compensation state and/or federal program.

None