Office for Victims of Crime
Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program
Annual Performance Measures Report
October 01, 2018 - September 30, 2019

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 2018:   280

   Q2: Jan-Mar 2019:   253

   Q3: Apr-Jun 2019:   227

   Q4: Jul-Sep 2019:   226

   Annual: 986

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

   Q1: Oct-Dec 2018:   209

   Q2: Jan-Mar 2019:   205

   Q3: Apr-Jun 2019:   190

   Q4: Jul-Sep 2019:   190

   Annual: 794

3. Victim Demographics

Population	Number of Victims				
A. RACE/ETHNICITY	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
American Indian or Alaska Native	72	60	75	74	281
Asian	5	8	2	4	19
Black or African American	11	12	9	8	40
Hispanic or Latino	13	10	9	4	36
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	3	9	1	16
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	72	77	60	63	272
Some Other Race	2	0	2	1	5
Multiple Races	8	12	8	20	48
Not Reported	23	23	16	15	77
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Race/Ethnicity Total	209	205	190	190	794
B. GENDER					
Male	65	53	45	47	210
Female	144	152	145	143	584
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Gender Total	209	205	190	190	794
C. AGE					
Age 0- 12	34	27	24	35	120
Age 13- 17	18	28	17	15	78
Age 18- 24	22	36	34	24	116
Age 25- 59	129	102	107	106	444
Age 60 and Older	5	10	2	4	21
Not Reported	1	2	6	6	15
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Age Total	209	205	190	190	794

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

4. Based on your program's general procedure, indicate if

Q1: Oct-Dec 2018:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q2: Jan-Mar 2019:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q3: Apr-Jun 2019:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q4: Jul-Sep 2019:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

5. Number of new applications **received** during the reporting period

Q1: Oct-Dec 2018:	280
Q2: Jan-Mar 2019:	253
Q3: Apr-Jun 2019:	227
Q4: Jul-Sep 2019:	226
Annual:	986

6. Number of applications **approved** during the reporting period.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2018:	240
Q2: Jan-Mar 2019:	174
Q3: Apr-Jun 2019:	134
Q4: Jul-Sep 2019:	87
Annual:	635

7. Number of applications **denied/closed**. (i.e., applications that were not approved) during the reporting period.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2018:	131
Q2: Jan-Mar 2019:	126
Q3: Apr-Jun 2019:	83
Q4: Jul-Sep 2019:	77
Annual:	417

Reason(s) for denial or close status applicable for the reporting period:

Population	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
A. Application not filed within time limit	10	9	3	6	28
B. Failure to report to police	0	0	0	0	0
C. Failure to cooperate with law enforcement, victim/witness coordinator, and/or other official required by program	9	7	15	5	36
D. Incomplete information	60	38	32	33	163
E. Contributory misconduct	3	11	4	1	19
F. Ineligible crime	31	33	12	17	93
G. Ineligible application	18	28	17	15	78
Other	0	0	0	0	0

Denial explanation:

8. Number of applications received for Sexual Assault Forensic Examinations during the reporting period

Q1: Oct-Dec 2018: Not applicable to my state's process

Q2: Jan-Mar 2019: Not applicable to my state's process

Q3: Apr-Jun 2019: Not applicable to my state's process

Q4: Jul-Sep 2019: Not applicable to my state's process

Annual: 0

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE   Qtr:1

TYPES OF CRIME	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)											Total Paid for this Crime Type	TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE				
		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)		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 Reporting 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	64	$ 0	$ 0	$ 9,606	$ 0	$ 54,908	$ 5,534	$ 18,648	$ 1,960	▮	$ 13,809	$ 1,946	$ 106,412	0	39	0	0	0
Burglary										▮								
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect										▮								
Child Pornography										▮								
Child Sexual Abuse	75	$ 0	$ 0	$ 3,056	$ 0	$ 2,420	$ 41,119	$ 2,589	$ 742	$ 0	$ 4,077	$ 5,000	$ 59,002	0	43		0	0
DUI/DWI	5	$ 0	$ 0	$ 5,838	$ 1,924	$ 3,016	$ 3,519	$ 0	$ 0	▮	$ 0	$ 0	$ 14,296	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes										▮								
Homicide	20	$ 0	$ 0	$ 4,231	$ 58,833	$ 1,049	$ 2,222	$ 0	$ 0	▮	$ 8,771	$ 0	$ 75,105	0	9	0	0	0
Human Trafficking	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,050	$ 0	$ 0	▮	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,050	0	1	0	0	0
Kidnapping	2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,500	$ 0	$ 0	▮	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,500	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes	2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 10,000	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	▮	$ 0	$ 0	$ 10,000	0	2	0	0	0
Robbery	4	$ 0	$ 0	$ 5,100	$ 0	$ 203	$ 0	$ 0	$ 388	▮	$ 200	$ 1,000	$ 6,891	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	23	$ 0	$ 0	$ 64	$ 0	$ 5,586	$ 5,342	$ 0	$ 2,072	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 13,064	0	6	0	0	0
Stalking	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	▮	$ 0	$ 148	$ 148	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism										▮								
Total	197	$ 0	$ 0	$ 27,894	$ 70,756	$ 67,181	$ 60,285	$ 21,237	$ 5,162	$ 0	$ 26,857	$ 8,094	$ 287,467	0	100	0	0	0

* Other expense explanations

Assault	security measures
Child Sexual Abuse	security
Robbery	security measures
Stalking	Security

You added "Other" crime types: Online enticement of a minor;Hit & Run $1514.00

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE   Qtr.2

TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)													TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE				
	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 Reporting 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	64	$ 0	$ 0	$ 28,579	$ 5,000	$ 31,738	$ 10,466	$ 21,740	$ 576		$ 3,982	$ 3,307	$ 105,388	0	39	0	0	0
Burglary																		
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect																		
Child Pornography	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 17	$ 0	$ 0		$ 0	$ 0	$ 17	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	76	$ 0	$ 500	$ 1,542	$ 0	$ 3,063	$ 54,414	$ 2,104	$ 612	$ 0	$ 3,592	$ 365	$ 66,191	0	41		0	0
DUI/DWI	13	$ 0	$ 0	$ 54,140	$ 3,331	$ 10,515	$ 2,020	$ 0	$ 144		$ 0	$ 0	$ 70,150	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	28	$ 0	$ 0	$ 95,213	$ 23,017	$ 1,279	$ 668	$ 0	$ 144		$ 12,847	$ 1,295	$ 134,463	0	8	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,050	$ 0	$ 0		$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,050	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes																		
Robbery	4	$ 0	$ 0	$ 2,538	$ 0	$ 15	$ 125	$ 0	$ 0		$ 17	$ 705	$ 3,401	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	20	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 19,390	$ 2,200	$ 3,071	$ 1,282	$ 0	$ 1,088	$ 2,302	$ 29,334	0	4	0	0	0
Stalking	2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,295	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0		$ 0	$ 90	$ 1,385	0	1	0	0	0
Terrorism																		
Total	209	$ 0	$ 500	$ 182,013	$ 31,348	$ 67,296	$ 70,961	$ 26,915	$ 2,758	$ 0	$ 21,526	$ 8,064	$ 411,380	0	93	0	0	0

* Other expense explanations

Assault	security measures; attorney fees; essential personal items
Child Sexual Abuse	Security measures, replacement of bedding
Homicide	security
Robbery	security measures
Sexual Assault	Basic household essentials
Stalking	security measures

You added "Other" crime types: Hit and Run $600 paid for mental health counseling

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE   Qtr3

TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)													TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE				
	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 Reporting 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	2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 212	$ 0	$ 195	$ 0	$ 959	$ 0		$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,367	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	70	$ 0	$ 0	$ 20,273	$ 1,534	$ 85,369	$ 10,955	$ 13,627	$ 588		$ 3,189	$ 7,308	$ 142,843	0	46	0	0	0
Burglary																		
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect																		
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	84	$ 0	$ 0	$ 138	$ 0	$ 1,765	$ 68,135	$ 9,532	$ 0	$ 0	$ 17,374	$ 400	$ 97,343	0	45		0	0
DUI/DWI	11	$ 0	$ 0	$ 67,775	$ 0	$ 5,489	$ 2,145	$ 0	$ 0		$ 686	$ 0	$ 76,096	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	36	$ 0	$ 0	$ 2,953	$ 54,342	$ 0	$ 4,606	$ 3,250	$ 0		$ 30,587	$ 0	$ 95,738	0	10	0	0	0
Human Trafficking	2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 5,920	$ 0	$ 0		$ 599	$ 0	$ 6,519	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping	2	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 750	$ 0	$ 0		$ 0		$ 750	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 2,350	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0		$ 1,034	$ 0	$ 3,384	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	6	$ 0	$ 0	$ 4,578	$ 0	$ 2,484	$ 0	$ 7,584	$ 0		$ 16	$ 0	$ 14,661	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	21	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 6,574	$ 1,040	$ 1,241	$ 720	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,351	$ 10,926	0	3	0	0	0
Stalking	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0		$ 0	$ 135	$ 135	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism																		
Total	236	$ 0	$ 0	$ 95,928	$ 58,226	$ 101,876	$ 93,551	$ 36,194	$ 1,308	$ 0	$ 53,486	$ 9,193	$ 449,762	0	104	0	0	0

* Other expense explanations

Assault	Securit ymeasures; replacing exterior doors, locks etc.; attorney fees
Child Sexual Abuse	Security measures
Sexual Assault	Security measures
Stalking	Security measures

You added "Other" crime types: Online enticement of a minor/production of child pornography - paid $84 for counseling

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE   Qtr:4

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 Reporting 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
				EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)										TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE					
Arson	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 540	$ 0	▬	$ 0	$ 0	$ 540	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	50	$ 0	$ 0	$ 15,124	$ 0	$ 39,338	$ 10,552	$ 22,164	$ 732	▬	$ 3,530	$ 2,495	$ 93,934	0	31	0	2	0
Burglary										▬								
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	▬	$ 1,491	$ 0	$ 1,491	0	1		0	0
Child Pornography	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 762	$ 0	$ 0	▬	$ 0	$ 0	$ 762	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	83	$ 0	$ 0	$ 6,614	$ 0	$ 7,157	$ 55,668	$ 9,503	$ 468	$ 0	$ 7,548	$ 1,640	$ 88,597	0	46		0	0
DUI/DWI	5	$ 0	$ 0	$ 33,837	$ 0	$ 6,118	$ 145	$ 0	$ 0	▬	$ 5,657	$ 0	$ 45,757	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes										▬								
Homicide	35	$ 0	$ 128	$ 33,955	$ 19,685	$ 20,000	$ 6,570	$ 1,947	$ 0	▬	$ 16,137	$ 701	$ 99,124	0	7	0	0	0
Human Trafficking	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	▬	$ 484	$ 0	$ 484	0	1	0	0	0
Kidnapping	1	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 150	$ 0	$ 0	▬	$ 0	$ 0	$ 150	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes										▬								
Robbery										▬								
Sexual Assault	24	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 5,750	$ 8,821	$ 0	$ 2,160	$ 0	$ 210	$ 0	$ 16,941	0	4	0	0	0
Stalking	3	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 300	$ 0	$ 0	▬	$ 0	$ 1,135	$ 1,435	0	1	0	0	0
Terrorism										▬								
Total	205	$ 0	$ 128	$ 89,531	$ 19,685	$ 78,363	$ 82,969	$ 34,154	$ 3,360	$ 0	$ 35,057	$ 5,970	$ 349,216	0	91	0	2	0

* Other expense explanations

Assault	Security measures
Child Sexual Abuse	Security measures
Homicide	Shipping expenses and replacement furniture
Stalking	Security measures

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE - Aggregated

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 Reporting 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	3	$0	$0	$212	$0	$195	$0	$1,500	$0	■	$0	$0	$1,907	0	0		0	0
Assault	248	$0	$0	$73,582	$6,534	$211,353	$37,508	$76,178	$3,856	■	$24,510	$15,056	$448,577	0	155		2	0
Burglary										■								
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	1	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	■	$1,491	$0	$1,491	0	1		0	0
Child Pornography	2	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$779	$0	$0	■	$0	$0	$779	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	318	$0	$500	$11,349	$0	$14,404	$219,337	$23,728	$1,822	$0	$32,589	$7,405	$311,134	0	175		0	0
DUI/DWI	34	$0	$0	$161,590	$5,254	$25,138	$7,829	$0	$144	■	$6,344	$0	$206,299	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes										■								
Homicide	119	$0	$128	$136,352	$155,877	$22,328	$14,066	$5,197	$144	■	$68,343	$1,996	$404,430	0	34	0	0	0
Human Trafficking	4	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$6,970	$0	$0	■	$1,083	$0	$8,053	0	2	0	0	0
Kidnapping	6	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$3,450	$0	$0	■	$0	$0	$3,450	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes	3	$0	$0	$0	$12,350	$0	$0	$0	$0	■	$1,034	$0	$13,384	0	2	0	0	0
Robbery	14	$0	$0	$12,216	$0	$2,702	$125	$7,584	$388	■	$234	$1,705	$24,954	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	88	$0	$0	$64	$0	$37,300	$17,403	$4,312	$6,234	$0	$1,298	$3,653	$70,265	0	17	0	0	0
Stalking	7	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,295	$300	$0	$0	■	$0	$1,508	$3,103	0	2	0	0	0
Terrorism										■								
Total	847	$0	$628	$395,365	$180,015	$314,715	$307,766	$118,499	$12,588	$0	$136,926	$31,322	$1,497,825	0	388	0	2	0

NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

1.

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

There has not been any significant change in the number of applications received.

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. 58

Please explain your state's procedure for processing an application for claim eligibility, from time of receipt of application to decision. Once an application is received, an electronic claim file is created. A letter of introduction is sent to the claimant along with a request for any additional information required from the claimant. Staff send off for law enforcement and/or prosecution records, and send off requests for information from medical or other providers and employers, depending on the type of expenses being requested by the claimant. Once all the information has been received, the claims are prepared for review by the Board at one of its periodic board meetings (approximately 6 per year). The Board will make its decision at the board meeting, following which the claimants are notified of the outcome. If the claimant does not provide the information requested, or we lose touch with them, or the claim is self evidently ineligible (for example, outside the statutory time limits), then the claim will be administratively closed without the Board making a formal decision. Such claims can however be reopened if additional information is provided such that a Board decision is warranted.

3.

Does your state have a victim satisfaction survey?

No

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.

We have not seen any emerging or major issues that have impacted our program's ability to meet the needs of crime victims.

5.

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

We are in contact with FBI agents and US District Attorney's offices and they will refer Federal crime victims to us as need arises.

6.

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

We have not had had any significant changes in process during the reporting period.

7.

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.

We used administrative funds to pay for our executive director to attend the national training conference of the National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Boards in San Diego, CA. These training conferences are very helpful both for networking with OVC, members of the national association and peers from other state programs, and in order to share experiences, best practices and to learn from other state programs. The conference was held jointly with the National Association of Crime Victim Assistance programs and presented an opportunity to discuss cooperation and collaboration between assistance and compensation to maximize the effectiveness of services to victims of crime.

8.

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.

Our statutory regulations were updated. The most significant change was to add that Alaska residents who were the victim of violent crime other than terrorism while in a foreign country without a crime victim compensation program could be eligible for compensation. Terrorism was already covered but this extends eligibility.

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.

The compensation program continues to work with the Alaska Institute for Justice on language access issues. This is an ongoing project.

10.

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

We attended a conference for Prosecutors and Paralegals to present a workshop on the crime victims compensation program, and gave a presentation via web link to a conference for Child Advocacy Center staff.

11.

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.

One of the program's goals is to reduce financial hardship inflicted upon crime victims caused by medical bills. Our program strategy has been to negotiate financial settlements with medical providers on all bills in excess of $2500. In state fiscal year 2019 we achieved savings of $26,730 on victim's medical bills and were successful in 69% of all attempted negotiations.

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

An increase in federal funding would be welcome. Particularly, increasing the % available for administrative and training purposes from 5% to 10%. It would also help increase funding if programs did not have to deduct any restitution received from the amount certified as state funding.