

Office for Victims of Crime
Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program
Annual Performance Measures Report
October 01, 2017 - September 30, 2018

GRANTEE INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME: WV Legislative Claims Commission

POC NAME: Leslie Roberts

POC EMAIL: leslie.roberts@wvlegislature.gov

POC PHONE: (304) 347-4856

POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017:
 Q2: Jan-Mar 2018:
 Q3: Apr-Jun 2018:
 Q4: Jul-Sep 2018:
 Annual:

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017:
 Q2: Jan-Mar 2018:
 Q3: Apr-Jun 2018:
 Q4: Jul-Sep 2018:
 Annual:

3. Victim Demographics

Population	Number of Victims				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
A. RACE/ETHNICITY					
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	1	1	1	3
Asian	1	1	1	0	3
Black or African American	9	12	10	14	45
Hispanic or Latino	0	1	1	2	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	76	81	72	90	319
Some Other Race	0	1	1	0	2
Multiple Races	0	1	2	1	4
Not Reported	0	0	0	16	16
Not Tracked	15	9	17	0	41
Race/Ethnicity Total	101	107	105	124	437
B. GENDER					
Male	38	43	36	56	173
Female	62	64	68	68	262
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0
Not Tracked	1	0	1	0	2
Gender Total	101	107	105	124	437
C. AGE					
Age 0- 12	9	11	10	17	47
Age 13- 17	9	9	5	8	31
Age 18- 24	13	20	15	19	67
Age 25- 59	51	56	48	63	218
Age 60 and Older	9	10	17	11	47
Not Reported	0	0	0	6	6
Not Tracked	10	1	10	0	21
Age Total	101	107	105	124	437

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q2: Jan-Mar 2018:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q3: Apr-Jun 2018:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q4: Jul-Sep 2018:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017:

Q2: Jan-Mar 2018:

Q3: Apr-Jun 2018:

Q4: Jul-Sep 2018:

Annual:

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017:

Q2: Jan-Mar 2018:

Q3: Apr-Jun 2018:

Q4: Jul-Sep 2018:

Annual:

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017:

Q2: Jan-Mar 2018:

Q3: Apr-Jun 2018:

Q4: Jul-Sep 2018:

Annual:

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

Population	Number of Victims				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
A. Application not filed within time limit	1	5	0	1	7
B. Failure to report to police	3	1	0	0	4
C. Failure to cooperate with law enforcement, victim/witness coordinator, and/or other official required by program	2	12	5	5	24
D. Incomplete information	0	1	0	2	3
E. Contributory misconduct	12	20	2	10	44
F. Ineligible crime	2	5	1	0	8
G. Ineligible application	0	89	0	1	90
Other	34	1	33	57	125

Denial explanation:

Qtr 1: No Economic Loss

Qtr 2: Claim Withdrawn

Qtr 3: No economic loss (28) No criminal conduct (4) Duplicate Application

Qtr 4: duplicate claim (3) no economic loss (53) unjustly benefits offender (1)

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

Q1: Oct-Dec 2017: Not applicable to my state's process

Q2: Jan-Mar 2018: Not applicable to my state's process

Q3: Apr-Jun 2018: Not applicable to my state's process

Q4: Jul-Sep 2018: Not applicable to my state's process

Annual:

Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program - October 01, 2017 - September 30, 2018

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE Qtr:1

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	112	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 88,962	\$ 20,000	\$ 57,262	\$ 2,054	\$ 1,679	\$ 0		\$ 3,115	\$ 117	\$ 173,190	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Burglary	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 420	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 420	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect																		
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	12	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,574	\$ 0	\$ 350	\$ 3,236	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,239	\$ 0	\$ 6,399	NT	NT		NT	NT
DUI/DWI	10	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,090	\$ 9,431	\$ 4,614	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 167		\$ 19,301	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	32	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,712	\$ 51,091	\$ 48,250	\$ 500	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 368	\$ 1,200	\$ 103,122	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 710	\$ 0	\$ 3,265	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,975	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Robbery																		
Sexual Assault	10	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,243	\$ 0	\$ 661	\$ 887	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,786	\$ 0	\$ 9,577	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Stalking																		
Terrorism																		
Total	180	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 104,290	\$ 80,522	\$ 114,401	\$ 7,098	\$ 1,679	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,676	\$ 1,317	\$ 315,984	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT

* Other expense explanations
 Assault Milage
 Homicide Memorial Marker

Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program - October 01, 2017 - September 30, 2018

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	2	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$13	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$10,013	0	1	0	0	0
Assault	122	\$0	\$0	\$50,073	\$2,185	\$97,160	\$4,926	\$6,781	\$0		\$4,614	\$0	\$165,739	0	21	0	0	0
Burglary	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$230	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$230	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,281	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$561	\$0	\$1,842	0	0	0	0	0
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	18	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,978	\$1,095	\$816	\$0	\$0	\$1,106	\$0	\$10,996	0	0	0	0	0
DUI/DWI	10	\$0	\$0	\$4,699	\$2,086	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$334		\$1,006	\$0	\$8,125	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	21	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$85,542	\$1,228	\$571	\$0	\$0		\$208	\$0	\$87,548	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	3	\$0	\$0	\$710	\$10,000	\$35,000	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$45,710	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$987	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$987	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	15	\$0	\$0	\$5,749	\$0	\$999	\$1,928	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,291		\$9,967	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$78	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$78	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism																		
Total	195	\$0	\$0	\$61,231	\$109,814	\$144,953	\$8,520	\$7,597	\$334	\$0	\$8,786	\$0	\$341,234	0	22	0	0	0

You added "Other" crime types: Other

Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program - October 01, 2017 - September 30, 2018

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE Qtr:3

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	90	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 47,751	\$ 0	\$ 54,041	\$ 3,486	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 3,423	\$ 0	\$ 108,701	0	6	0	0	0
Burglary	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,249	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 4,830	\$ 1,361	\$ 17,440	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	15	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,880	\$ 5,298	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 1,561	\$ 0	\$ 10,739	0	0	0	0	0
Child Pornography	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 667	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 667	0	0	0	0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	17	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 268	\$ 3,383	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 934		\$ 4,585	0	0	0	0	0
DUI/DWI	9	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,845	\$ 0	\$ 6,461	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 161		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,467	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	18	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 68,714	\$ 163	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 2,689	\$ 71,566	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 25	\$ 2,337	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 136		\$ 2,498	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 710	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 710	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 163	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 163	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	24	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 7,556	\$ 0	\$ 2,405	\$ 6,945	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 16,906	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking																		
Terrorism																		
Total	182	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 72,111	\$ 68,714	\$ 68,072	\$ 21,449	\$ 0	\$ 161	\$ 0	\$ 10,884	\$ 4,051	\$ 245,442	0	6	0	0	0

* Other expense explanations

Burglary Handicap Construction
 Homicide Dependent Economic Loss

Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program - October 01, 2017 - September 30, 2018

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE Qtr:4

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	126	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 40,880	\$ 0	\$ 79,505	\$ 2,320	\$ 2,500	\$ 0		\$ 4,374	\$ 939	\$ 130,518	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,102	\$ 325	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 715	\$ 0	\$ 7,142	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	13	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,783	\$ 0	\$ 1,532	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 1,482	\$ 0	\$ 8,797	0	13		0	0
Child Pornography	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 36	\$ 0	\$ 36	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	13	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,136	\$ 893	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 285	\$ 0	\$ 4,314	0	0		0	0
DUI/DWI	10	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,845	\$ 0	\$ 792	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 441	\$ 0	\$ 6,078	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	25	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 17,718	\$ 58,978	\$ 4,000	\$ 652	\$ 2,500	\$ 0		\$ 1,237	\$ 2,800	\$ 87,885	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	6	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 710	\$ 0	\$ 686	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,396	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	5	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 246	\$ 0	\$ 194	\$ 0		\$ 205	\$ 0	\$ 645	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	19	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,498	\$ 0	\$ 1,674	\$ 1,799	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 184	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 9,155	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking																		
Terrorism																		
Total	221	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 69,651	\$ 64,761	\$ 96,141	\$ 7,521	\$ 5,194	\$ 0	\$ 184	\$ 8,776	\$ 3,739	\$ 255,966	0	13	0	0	0

* Other expense explanations

Assault Rescue Squad, Missed Work
Homicide reimbursement of family member for expenses

Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program - October 01, 2017 - September 30, 2018

PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE - Aggregated																		
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	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ 13	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 10,013	0	1	0	0	0
Assault	450	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 227,666	\$ 22,185	\$ 287,968	\$ 12,786	\$ 10,960	\$ 0		\$ 15,527	\$ 1,056	\$ 578,149	0	27	0	0	0
Burglary	8	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,249	\$ 0	\$ 6,332	\$ 745	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 5,545	\$ 1,361	\$ 25,232	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	29	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,783	\$ 5,161	\$ 6,830	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 3,605	\$ 0	\$ 21,378	0	13		0	0
Child Pornography	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 667	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 36	\$ 0	\$ 703	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	60	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,574	\$ 0	\$ 11,731	\$ 8,607	\$ 816	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,565	\$ 0	\$ 26,294	0	0		0	0
DUI/DWI	39	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 19,478	\$ 11,517	\$ 11,867	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 495		\$ 1,613	\$ 0	\$ 44,970	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	96	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 19,430	\$ 264,325	\$ 53,641	\$ 1,723	\$ 2,500	\$ 0		\$ 1,813	\$ 6,689	\$ 350,121	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 25	\$ 2,337	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 136		\$ 2,498	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicular Crimes	13	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,839	\$ 10,000	\$ 38,951	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 51,791	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	7	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,396	\$ 0	\$ 194	\$ 0		\$ 205	\$ 0	\$ 1,795	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	68	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 25,046	\$ 0	\$ 5,739	\$ 11,560	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 184	\$ 3,077	\$ 0	\$ 45,605	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 78	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 78	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism																		
Total	778	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 307,282	\$ 323,811	\$ 423,567	\$ 44,587	\$ 14,470	\$ 495	\$ 184	\$ 35,123	\$ 9,107	\$ 1,158,626	0	41	0	0	0

NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

1. **Please explain any significant change in the number of applications received during the reporting period.**
There has not been a significant change in the number of applications.
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. 210

Please explain your state's procedure for processing an application for claim eligibility, from time of receipt of application to decision. Upon receipt, an application is assigned to one of three Claim Investigators. The Investigator sends out inquiries to obtain information from law enforcement, courts, medical providers, insurers, employers, and claimants. When all necessary information has been received, the Investigator prepares a report and recommendation which is forwarded to the claimant (or claimant's attorney) for response (optional). After a response is received (or after the thirty-day response period), the claim is reviewed by a Commissioner for decision. The decision, in the form of an Order, is forwarded to the claimant (or claimant's attorney). If the claimant disagrees with the decision (usually a DENIAL), he has 21 days to request a hearing (which is held before a different Commissioner). A decision which grants an award is sent to the fiscal office for the processing of payment.
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.**
West Virginia is plagued by an opioid crisis. Crime is increasing as well and is increasing applications. Claims are getting jammed up because so many people are trying to file claims for property related crimes, which the WV Crime Victim's Compensation Fund does not cover by code.
5. **Please describe in detail efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal Crime during the reporting period.**
The WV Crime Victim's Compensation Fund works with federal partners and their Victim Advocates on several committees. Our claims investigators cultivate relationships with federal victim advocates with the U.S. District Attorney's Office and the FBI. They use our office as a resource and we can provide them with literature about the program and applications at any time.
6. **Please describe any notable activities during the reporting period that improved the process of victim compensation services.**
The Crime Victim's Compensation Fund software went through a overhaul in August 2018. This update provided better security, added some new fields and allowed for smoother processing of crime victim applications. An entire system overhaul is being looked at, as soon as the Legislative IT staff can take on a new project, likely 2021.
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.**
At this time, all VOCA funds are used to assist crime victims. We have not used Administrative funds this year.
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.**
There have been no laws, initiatives or policy changes this year.
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.**
N/A
10. **Please explain any public outreach efforts to improve awareness of your program.**
A Claims Investigator attends both sessions of the West Virginia Victim's Assistance Academy and does a presentation explaining the fund and how to apply. They also hand out literature and explain the application process and what crimes are applicable. All new advocates in the State of WV are required to attend these academies, so our office is reaching most new advocates. The Claims Investigators also network with other presenters, which include federal victim advocates, shelter advocates, child advocacy centers, CASA's, rape crisis centers, etc.
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.**
N/A

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

As medical fees rise and the State VOCA Administrators are expanding services greatly with their huge expansions of funds, the Crime Victim's Compensation Funds expenses are rising without a federal boost in funds in conjunction with the massive increase in VOCA funds for expansion.