

## Other Financial Resources

All other recognized financial resources (e.g., private, group, employer, or union health insurance providers; FBI emergency assistance) must be used before an expense can be considered for reimbursement under ITVERP.

Other federal agencies to consider *before* contacting ITVERP include:

### **U.S. Department of Labor Office for Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP)**

If you or a loved one was a U.S. government employee or contractor at the time of the incident, you may be eligible for Workers' Compensation benefits. Contact OWCP at: 877-889-5627

[www.dol.gov/owcp](http://www.dol.gov/owcp)

### **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)**

If you or a loved one was active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at the time of the incident, you may be eligible for benefits. Contact the Veterans Benefits Administration at:

800-827-1000

[www.benefits.va.gov/benefits](http://www.benefits.va.gov/benefits)

State victim compensation programs are the payers of last resort. After filing an ITVERP claim, you can inquire about other financial assistance or seek reimbursement of expenses not covered under ITVERP by contacting your state's victim compensation program at:

[www.nacvcb.org](http://www.nacvcb.org)

## Partnering Agencies

### **Federal Bureau of Investigation Office for Victim Assistance**

866-828-5320

[www.fbi.gov/stats-services/victim\\_assistance](http://www.fbi.gov/stats-services/victim_assistance)

### **National Security Division Office of Justice for Victims of Overseas Terrorism**

877-738-0153

[www.justice.gov/nsd-ovt](http://www.justice.gov/nsd-ovt)

## Contact Information

To request an application or additional information, contact the International Terrorism Victim Expense Reimbursement Program at:

Office for Victims of Crime  
ITVERP Resource Center  
810 Seventh Street NW., Second Floor  
Washington, DC 20531  
800-363-0441  
[ITVERP@usdoj.gov](mailto:ITVERP@usdoj.gov)  
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# International Terrorism Victim Expense Reimbursement Program

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Office for Victims of Crime

**OVC**

## Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

As part of the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, OVC promotes justice and healing for all victims of crime by:

- Administering federal funds to support victim services.
- Providing training for diverse professionals who work with victims.
- Developing projects to enhance victim rights and services.
- Undertaking public education and advocacy activities on behalf of crime victims.
- Coordinating with victim assistance and criminal justice agencies and professional organizations, at all levels of government and internationally, to accomplish these goals.

## International Terrorism Victim Expense Reimbursement Program (ITVERP)

ITVERP was authorized by Congress to reimburse eligible direct victims of acts of international terrorism that occur outside the United States for expenses associated with that victimization.



## Who is eligible for reimbursement?

- U.S. nationals.
- U.S. government officers, employees, and contractors.
- If the victim is a minor or is incompetent, incapacitated, or killed, then a spouse, parent, child, sibling, or legally designated representative of the victim may receive expense reimbursement on behalf of the victim, under 42 U.S.C. 10603c(a)(3).

The law requires that the victim must have suffered direct physical or emotional injury or death as a result of an act of international terrorism occurring abroad.

## Application Deadlines

For claims related to acts of international terrorism that occurred **after October 6, 2006**, the deadline to file an application is 3 years from the date of the act of international terrorism.

For claims related to acts of international terrorism that occurred **between December 21, 1988, and October 6, 2006**, the deadline to file an application was **October 6, 2009**. However, at the discretion of the OVC Director, the deadline for filing a claim may be extended based on a showing of good cause.

## What expenses are eligible for reimbursement?

**Claimant's eligible expenses associated directly with the incident may include:**

### Medical (up to \$50,000)

Victim's medical care/treatment (including psychiatric, dental, and eye care); replacement of medical devices; prescribed medications; and workplace, vehicle, and home modifications.

associated activities (meals and catering are not eligible for reimbursement). No more than two family members' travel expenses per funeral and/or memorial service are eligible for reimbursement.

### Mental Health (up to \$5,000)

Victim's mental health counseling. In the case of a victim who is deceased or is a minor, certain family members (including spouse, children, siblings, and parents of victim) are each eligible for reimbursement of mental health counseling services and may file applications separately for their expenses.

### Miscellaneous (up to \$15,000)

Temporary lodging for up to 30 days; local transportation; telephone costs; emergency travel costs for no more than two family members' transportation to the country where the incident occurred, to recover remains or to care for victim or victim's dependents; and mileage or travel for ongoing medical and mental health treatments.

### Property Loss (up to \$10,000)

Repair or replacement of the victim's property that is lost, destroyed, or held as evidence (does not include medical devices).

### What costs are not eligible for reimbursement?

- Attorney fees and legal expenses.
- Pain and suffering.
- Loss of enjoyment of life.
- Lost wages or loss of support.
- Interest or late fees for incurred expenses.

### Funeral and Burial (up to \$25,000)

Services for the deceased victim: funeral, burial, refrigeration, transport of remains, cremation, urns, markers, flowers, ornamentation, memorial services, and other reasonably