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The Suffolk County Crime Victims Center (CVC) provides vital information and multi-agency service referrals for support and asistance to victims of violent crime. CVC also links victims of violent crime and elderly or disabled victims of crime to the New York State Office of Victim Services for medical and essential property loss expenses.

Services are provided to innocent adult and child victims of assault, sexual assault, child physical and sexual abuse, motor vehicle (DWI), motor vehicle (non DWI), stalking, kidnapping, human trafficking, terrorism, arson, robbery and burglary.

# Crime Victims Center and Hotline

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Crime Victims Compensation
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#### Multi-agency Referrals for:

Criminal Justice Advocacy
Medical and Legal Referrals
Counseling Services
for Adult and Child Victims
of Violent Crime

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### Who Qualifies for Services?

Victims of violent crimes can experience mental, physical and emotional trauma that can have a life long devastating impact. Support services can help minimize the impact crime has on victims by providing information and services which enable them to make informed decisions regarding their medical and legal options. Services are provided to innocent adult and child victims of crimes, certain relatives, dependents and quardians as follows:

#### Victims who were injured because of:

Assault Hate Crime Sexual Assault Kidnapping

Child Physical Abuse Human Trafficking

Child Sexual Abuse Terrorism
Stalking Arson
Motor Vehicle-DWI Robbery

Motor Vehicle-Not DWI

## Victims who lost essential personal property because of:

Burglary/Robbery

Arson

Motor Vehicle (DWI)

Motor Vehicle (Not DWI)

## Services are also available if the victim died because of:

Burglary/Robbery

Arson

Motor Vechicle (DWI)

Motor Vechicle (Not DWI)

Other Homicide

## What Kinds of Expenses Are Compensated?

Innocent victims of crime, certain relatives, dependents and guardians of the victim can apply for out-of-pocket expenses not covered by insurance or other resources.

The Office of Victim Services offers compensation related to personal injury, death and loss of essential personal property which is related to criminal activity.

## The specific expenses OVS may cover include:

- Medical and counseling expenses
- Loss of essential personal property (up to \$500. including \$100. for cash)
- Lost wages or lost support (to \$30,000.)
- •Transportation (court/medical)
- Occupational/vocational rehabilitation
- •Crime scene clean-up (up to \$2,500.)
- •Good Samaritan property losses (to \$5000.)
- Essential personal property expenses
- Burial or Funeral Expenses

## **What Services Are Available?**

- Assistance in filing for New York State crime victims compensation claims which relate to personal injury, death and loss of personal property.
- •Bilingual services.
- Office of Victim Services.
- •24 Hour crisis support and multiagency referrals.

### Multi-agency service referrals for:

- ·Individual and group counseling.
- ·Legal and medical information.
- •Criminal justice advocacy including medical and courtroom accompaniment and post-sentencing support.
- ·Educational advocacy for minors.
- Assistance with preparation of the victim impact statement.
- Assistance with VINE registration.
- Advocacy, information and referrals for concrete services, housing, long-term medical services, employment referrals, child support enforcement and social services assistance.