

#### The Crime Victims Center

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The Crime Victims Center (CVC) provides support and services to all victims of violent crime and non-offending family members.

The CVC also assists victims of violent crime and elderly, minor, or disabled victims of crime in completion of applications for reimbursement of medical and essential property loss expenses related to crime. Services are provided to all victims of assault, hate crime, sexual assault, domestic violence, child physical and sexual abuse, motor vehicle (DWI and BWI) & (non-DWI), stalking, kidnapping, human trafficking, terrorism, arson, robbery, confrontational burglary, and surviving family members of homicide victims.

The CVC also provides comprehensive evidence- based or evidence-informed prevention education and Megan's Law community and law enforcement support services.

Rape Crisis Hotline 24/7 (631) 332-9234

Violent Crime & Hate Crime 24/7 (631) 626-3156

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24/7 Crisis Intervention

Legal Assistance & Orders of Protection
Criminal Justice Advocacy

Medical and Courtroom Accompaniment
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Services
Counseling for Children & Adults
OVS Reimbursement for Expenses

The Crime Victims Center is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the prevention & treatment of sexual abuse and the provision of services to all victims of violent crime.

Accessible services for persons

Accessible services for persons with disabilities.

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# Who Qualifies for Services?

Victims of violent crime can experience mental, physical and emotional trauma that can have a lifelong devastating impact. Trauma informed 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 guardians as follows:

#### Victims who were injured as a result of\*:

Robbery

Kidnapping

Burglary

Arson

Confrontational

Terrorism

- Assault
- Sexual Assault
- Domestic Violence
- Child Physical and Sexual Abuse
- Human Trafficking
- Hate Crime
- Motor Vehicle-(DWI & BWI
- Motor Vehicle (not DWI)

### Victims who lost essential personal property because of any crime or who are seniors, disabled, or minor victims:

- Burglary/Robbery
- Arson
- Motor Vehicle (DWI & BWI)
- Motor Vehicle (Not DWI)

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

- Homicide
- Robbery
- Arson
- Motor Vehicle (DWI)
- Motor Vehicle (Not DWI) Leaving the scene

\*Certain crimes may not require physical injury. Special services are available for elderly, minor and disabled victims of crime.

## What Kind of Expenses May Be Compensated?

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

The New York State 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 (up to \$30,000.00).
- Transportation (court/medical).
- Occupational/Vocational rehabilitation.
- Crime Scene Clean-up (up to \$2,500.00).
- Good Samaritan property losses.
- Essential personal property expenses.
- Burial or Funeral expenses.

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### What Services are Available?

- Assistance and accompaniment in filing for an order of protection.
- Assistance in filing for NYS Office of Victims Services compensation claims for reimbursement for personal injury, death, and loss of personal property.
- 24-hour bilingual crisis assistance and multi-agency referrals for comprehensive support services.
- Criminal justice advocacy including medical and courtroom accompaniment and post-sentencing support.
- Legal assistance and medical information.
- Sexual Assault Forensic Examination services and support.
- 24/7 Rape Crisis Support.
- Individual trauma-informed short and longterm counseling by a NYS Licensed Psychologist or Social Worker.
- Assistance with preparation of the victim impact statement and VINE registration (notification of inmate status).
- Educational advocacy for minors.
- Advocacy, information and referrals for: concrete services, emergency housing, long-term medical services, employment referrals, child support enforcement and other social services assistance.