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Violence?
Have you been a victim?



ASSISTANCE FOR
VICTIMS
of
VIOLENCE

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Every day, a violent crime is committed in Illinois. While many violent crimes such as murder, robbery and aggravated battery receive much of our attention, other violent crimes

such as domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and elder abuse are dealt with in private and the victims may not know where to go for help.

To ensure victims of violent crimes in Illinois get the compensation and justice they deserve, my office assists with the Illinois Crime Victims Compensation Program. The program is adjudicated by the Illinois Court of Claims with an investigation by the Illinois Attorney General's office.

Through the program, victims or their survivors are able to receive compensation for hospital and doctor bills, rehabilitation, loss of wages and tuition, and funeral/burial expenses when other sources of funding have been exhausted. The program can be a financial lifesaver for many victims who may not have the resources to cover the expenses incurred as a result of the crime.

Crime Victims Compensation applications are available at law enforcement agencies or online at www.cyberdriveillinois.com or www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov. If you or someone you know is a victim of a violent crime, I encourage you to complete an application as soon as possible to ensure you are compensated for any unmet needs resulting from the crime.

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Secretary of State & Ex Officio Clerk
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Under the Illinois Crime Victims Compensation Act:

Violent crimes covered

- Domestic violence
- Sexual assault and abuse
- Murder
- Involuntary manslaughter/reckless homicide
- Kidnapping
- Exploitation of a child
- Assault/battery
- Arson
- Driving under the influence
- Stalking

\$27,000 award cap for uncovered expenses

- Medical expenses — hospital, doctor and nursing
- Rehabilitation services
- Counseling, psychiatry services for victim and family
- Lost wages of up to \$1,250 per month
- Funeral/burial expenses of up to \$7,500
- Crime scene cleanup, temporary lodging, loss of clothing for evidence

Eligibility requirements

- Must report the crime within 72 hours (unless unable to do so) and cooperate with law enforcement.
- Cannot contribute to the injury or death of a person by engaging in wrongful conduct or provocation.
- Must complete an application within two years of the crime or one year of charges being filed.

Application

Crime Victims Compensation applications are available at law enforcement agencies or online at www.cyberdriveillinois.com or www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov.

The Attorney General's office investigates and verifies information on the application. The Attorney General will submit a report and recommendation to the Illinois Court of Claims, which will make the final decision in the case.