

Office of Justice Programs Crime Victim Services

The Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs supports a network of services to assist crime victims in Minnesota. These services include the following:

Crime Victim Reparations

Victims or their families can file a reparations claim with the Crime Victim Reparations Board for compensation in the areas of:

- Medical/dental care
- Mental health and grief counseling services
- Lost wages
- Child care
- Household services
- Funeral/burial services
- Loss of support to dependents of a deceased victim

The Crime Victim Reparations program does not cover property loss, fraud or theft.

Emergency Fund

Emergency grant money is available through local programs for expenses such as transportation to medical and court facilities, home security devices, essential personal property and crime scene clean-up.

Grants and Programming

Office of Justice Programs distributes state and federal funding to more than 160 programs serving victims.

Training and Communication

Public awareness, training, and legislative and policy development are important activities that include:

- Annual Conference on Crime Victims
- Minnesota Victim Assistance Academy
- Advocacy training and seminars on victim-related topics
- Statewide automated victim notification (VINE)

Crime Victim Justice Unit

This unit provides information and referrals, assistance in navigating the criminal justice system, and investigation of crime victim rights violations and mistreatment.

For more information on these and other services, contact:

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