

Utah Office for Victims of Crime

ANNUAL REPORT

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Anywhere... Anytime... Anyone...

...can become a victim of violent crime.

The Utah Office for Victims of Crime has reached out to thousands of victims who have suffered financial loss, physical injuries, and emotional trauma as a result of violent crime. The assistance provided by this program helps victims recover and rebuild their lives. Approximately \$475 Million have been awarded through compensation and assistance since the program's inception. No tax dollars are used to fund the compensation and VOCA victim assistance programs. These programs are funded through state and federal surcharges on fines, penalties, and forfeitures.

Crime Victim Reparations Program

Purpose: Provide financial assistance to victims of violent crime and family members of those victims who have suffered physical and psychological injury.

Range of Awards: The maximum award for homicides, attempted homicides, aggravated assaults and DUIs is \$50,000. No more than \$25,000 may be spent on non-medical benefits. The maximum award for all other crimes is \$25,000.

Reparations Claim Summary FY 2023

Claims Received	7,555
Claims Awarded	5,723
Claims Denied/Closed	1,247
Total Amount Awarded	\$5,145,067

Payments by Benefit Type

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Medical	1,794,184.13
Sexual Assault Expenses	1,514,598.01
Mental Health Therapy	716,499.37
Loss of Wages	397,063.09
Funeral	252,441.81
Dental	36,784.40
Rent Deposit	84,705.59
Inpatient Counseling	42,665.68
Relocation	72,738.92
Travel	19,453.67
Residential/Day Treatment	22,703.41
Funeral Travel	1,359.64
Replacement Services	30,074.00
Essential Property State Funds	6,074.79
Audit Fees	1,849.96
Security	38,635.39
Total Victim Payouts FY 2023	\$5,029,981.90

Applications for Reparations FY' 14 to FY 23



Victim Assistance Federal Grant Programs

Victims of Crime Act Assistance Grants

Purpose: VOCA grants provide funding that enables the state, local governments and private nonprofit organizations to enhance and expand services to crime victims, promoting development of comprehensive services to crime victims throughout the state.

Source of Funding: Federal Funds

Range of Awards: \$15,320.74 to \$729,279.60

Statistics: 122 VOCA funded programs across the state provided services to a total of 128,883 crime victims. This includes primary victims who were harmed by a crime and secondary victims such as the spouse, children, parents or siblings of the primary victim.

STOP Violence Against Women Act Grants

Purpose: VAWA grants encourage the development and implementation of effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies in an effort to combat gender based violent crimes. This grant also encourages the development and enhancement of services for victims.

Source of Funding: Federal Funds

Range of Awards: \$31,295.43 to \$161,508.93

Statistics: 25 VAWA funded agencies across the state provided services to a total of 432 crime victims. Crime categories include domestic violence, rape and sexual assault, stalking and dating violence

Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

Purpose: To support the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of rape crisis centers and other nongovernmental or tribal programs and projects to assist individuals who have been victimized by sexual assault.

Source of Funding: Federal Funds

Range of Awards: \$24,340 to \$87,775

Statistics: 10 SASP funded agencies across the State served 1,175 primary and secondary victims.

Annual Crime Victims Conference

The Annual Crime Victims Conference, sponsored by the Utah Council on Victims of Crime, is one of Utah's premier training events for professionals working with victims of crime. The 35th Annual Crime Victims Conference, held April 27-28, 2023, attracted 354 people from across the state. The Annual Conference provides participants with the most recent training on pressing issues facing individuals working with victims of crime.

Utah Victim Assistance Training

The Utah Office for Victims of Crime sponsors and assists in sponsoring numerous training events across the state. Training includes quarterly training through the Statewide Advocates for Victims Organization (SWAVO), the Utah Victim Assistance Academy, and advanced academies or specialized training events. 727 attendees participated in these training events for 2022-23.
