

CRIME VICTIM

COMPENSATION



**18th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
SERVING ARAPAHOE, DOUGLAS,
ELBERT & LINCOLN COUNTIES**

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For years victims have been neglected by the criminal justice system, which focused on defendants rather than on those who are hurt and injured. We have been striving to correct this by providing support and restitution for victims of crime in the Eighteenth Judicial District.

If you or a loved one has been victimized by a violent crime, the Victim Compensation Program may be able to help. While no amount of money can ease the trauma of violent crime, Victim Compensation can help relieve the resulting financial burden on victims and their families. If you desire such help, please contact the Victim Compensation Unit of the District Attorney's Office at 720-874-8620.

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VICTIM COMPENSATION BOARD

18th Judicial District
6450 S. Revere Pkwy
Centennial, CO 80111

(ATTN: VICTIM COMPENSATION)

Recognizing the impact of crime on innocent victims, the State of Colorado has enacted the Crime Victim Compensation Act. Funds are collected as fines from juveniles and adults who have been convicted of crimes. Awards to victims are made by the Crime Victim Compensation Board of this District, whose three members are volunteer citizens appointed by the District Attorney.

PERSONS QUALIFYING

- Victims of violent crimes
- Families and dependents of deceased victims
- Persons who are authorized to act on behalf of victims

VICTIM COMPENSATION MAY HELP PAY FOR

- Medical and hospital expenses
- Mental health counseling
- Replacement or repair of dentures, hearing aids, eyeglasses and other medically necessary devices
- Burial expenses
- Loss of earnings
- Replacement of doors, locks, windows or other security devices on residential buildings damaged during the commission of a crime

VICTIM COMPENSATION CANNOT CONSIDER CLAIMS FOR

- Repair of Motor Vehicle
- Property Loss and Damage
- Rent and Other Personal Bills

- Moving Expenses
- Loss of Cash
- Pain and Suffering

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Law enforcement authorities must be notified of the crime within 72 hours.
- Victim must cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in the apprehension and prosecution of perpetrator. There does **not** have to be an arrest or conviction to pay compensation.
- Application must be made within one year of the offense.
- The injury cannot result from the victim's own wrongdoing.
- Health and/or homeowner's insurance must be utilized if available.
- **NOTE:** The Victim Compensation Board **MAY** waive some of these requirements.

TO APPLY

- Complete and mail the attached postcard, and an application will be sent to you.
- When you receive the application, please fill it in completely and mail it to the District Attorney's Office.
- The Board meets monthly to review claims. Applicants will be notified of the Board's decision.
- Further information and/or assistance in completing your application may be obtained from the District Attorney's Office. Call 720-874-8620.

FINANCIAL LIMITS

- Some financial limitations do exist. Please contact Victim Compensation for further details.

APPLICATION REQUEST

Please send an Application for Victim Compensation to:

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME TELEPHONE _____ BUSINESS TELEPHONE _____

County where crime occurred _____ Date of crime _____