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Financial Assistance for Innocent Victims of Violent Crime

Kentucky Crime Victims Compensation Board



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Letter from the executive director

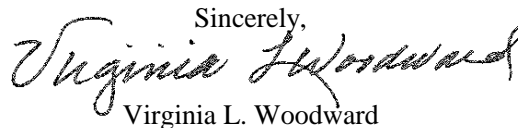
We have produced an impressive list of accomplishments this year. Even though presented with some incredible budgetary challenges, including a 13 percent decrease in revenue from court costs, we have conscientiously moved forward to educate agencies and the public about the availability of our services, as well as review procedural quality and efficiency.



In June, we conducted the very first CVCB conference in agency history, inviting representatives from the various agencies that interact with crime victims. A PowerPoint presentation has been developed which can be tailored to any audience. The agency brochure has been revised and translated into Spanish; and all application forms have also been revised. Policies and procedures have been reviewed, updated and compiled in an agency binder. We are continuing to cross train staff to accomplish maximum claims processing. The agency's first restitution officer has been put in place and work has begun to establish a robust recovery program regarding restitution and court costs. As well, a fairly exhaustive list of recovery statutes has been compiled to assist with this effort. We spent the year researching state-of-the-art database / case tracking systems across the state and began the procurement process to acquire our own system to replace the ten-year-old outdated system we currently have.

CVCB counsel, Mitchell Mattingly, was recognized with the Governor's Ambassador Award for Customer Service for his outstanding work serving as interim director and providing seamless service to victims during his tenure in 2008. Additionally, I was appointed and will be the first Kentucky representative ever to serve on the National Association of Crime Victims Compensation Boards.

It's been a challenging and impressive year, and I look forward to the opportunities next year brings.

Sincerely,

 Virginia L. Woodward

A brief agency history / description



The national Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) passed in 1984, and through the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) began disseminating the first assistance grants to the states in 1986. By then, Kentucky's Crime Victims Compensation Board (CVCB) was already more than a decade old. Established on June 19, 1976 (KRS 346), the CVCB was one of the country's first such entities with jurisdiction to assign relief for claims made by innocent victims of crime for payment or reimbursement of medical expenses, mental health counseling, funeral expenses and loss of wages resulting directly from the crime.

The Crime Victims Compensation Fund is considered the payer of last resort. In other words, the Board considers payment of only expenses not covered by any other sources, such as: medical, car or life insurance; social security benefits; Medicaid or Medicare; unemployment benefits; Worker's Compensation benefits; lawsuits and restitution.

Currently the cap for payments is an aggregate of \$25,000, with funeral expenses paid up to \$5000 and loss of wages reimbursed up to \$150 a week. Mental health counseling is reimbursed for up to two years.

Revenue sources for payment of claims include a Kentucky general fund allocation, a restricted fund that is replenished through court costs assessments statewide, and federal matching grants renewed on a yearly basis.

Restitution has previously been a very small part of replenishing the restricted fund, but a newly established Recovery Program and restitution officer provides potential for a more robust collection system in partnership and cooperation with other law enforcement agencies.

CVC Board Members

Larry E. Forgy, Lexington
07/03/2007–07/01/2011

Thomas V. Handy, London
11/19/2007–07/01/2011

Jo Ann Phillips, chair, Louisville
07/02/2008–07/01/2012

Michael Plummer, Fort Mitchell
08/19/2010–07/01/2014

James F. Sullivan, Frankfort
07/02/2008–07/01/2012



Back row from left: Michael Plummer, Larry Forgy and Tom Handy
Front row from left: James Sullivan and Jo Ann Phillips

Crime Victims Compensation Board Sponsors First State-wide Conference **Balancing the Scales:** *Possibilities*

The Crime Victims Compensation Board offered its first-ever state-wide training conference to victim-assistance professionals on June 11, 2010 at the Capital Plaza Hotel, in Frankfort. To help pay for the event, CVCB solicited funding from the federal Office for Victims of Crime; the Prosecutors Advisory Council (PAC)/Office of the Attorney General; the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet; Appriss, Inc, who administers VINE, a victim notification system; The Mary Byron Project, a domestic violence-focused non-profit; and Kentuckians Voice for Crime Victims (KVCV).



The one-day conference included sessions on compensation, restitution and new trends in technology and how they can assist victim-service providers. In a collaborative effort to take advantage of the gathering of victim-assistance professions, the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet and the Attorney General's Office offered an additional free training the day before the conference to help victim advocates enhance their skills.

Nearly 200 victim advocates, judges, prosecutors, probation and parole officers, circuit court clerks and others attended one or both days of the event. The sessions offered victim assistance professionals an opportunity to improve skills, exchange views and develop innovative ideas to more efficiently deliver services to victims of violent crime.

Anne Seymour, co-founder and senior advisor of Washington, D.C. based Justice Solutions, served as the keynote speaker. Justice Solutions is a national non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing rights, resources and respect for victims and communities hurt by crime. Seymour is also a co-founder and director of Communications of the National Victim Center (now National Center for Victims of Crime), and a well-respected leader in the area of victims' rights.

CVCB Staff

Lindsay Crawford, policy advisor, 5/01/09–Present

Larry Hembree, internal policy analyst, 12/16/09– Present

Jennifer Barrie, admin spec, 01/01/08–Present

Beth Hicks, clerk, 12/16/08–Present

Mitchell Mattingly, counsel , 08/01/00–Present

Virginia Woodward, exec dir, 5/01/09 - Present

Patti Bright, investigator, 09/16/08–Present

Martin Green, investigator, 11/16/04– Present

Janet Meyer, admin spec, (temp) 02/01/10–Present

Stephanie Vandevveer, investigator, 08/01/1999–Present

Kay Young, sexual assault program coordinator, (temp) 02/15/09–Present

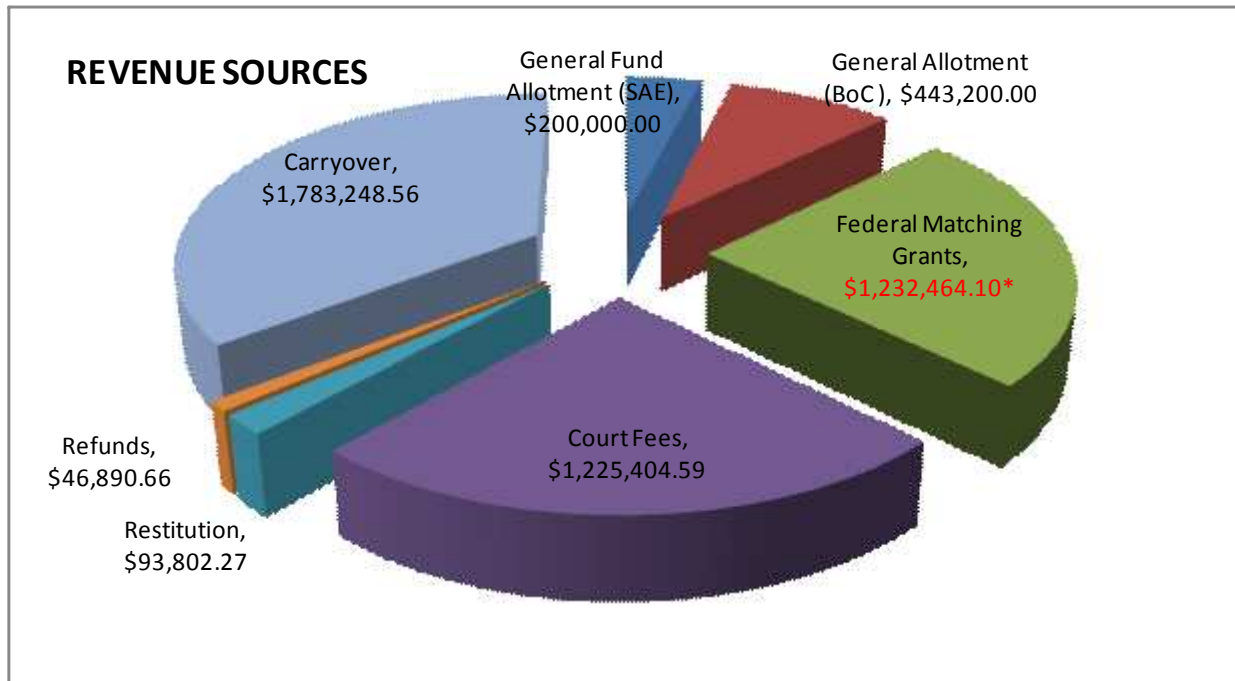
CVCB Snapshot (CV = Crime Victims; SAE= Sexual Assault Exams)

Claims received:	1584 (315 CV ; 1269 SAE)
Claims awarded:	1215 (251 CV; 1013 SAE)
Claims assigned to Board members:	350 (CV)
Claims assigned to investigators:	488 (CV)
Claims denied:	329 (87 CV; 242 SAE)

Accomplishments

- Completed revision of processor/investigator checklist
- Completed revision of sexual assault (SAFE) exam billing
- Translated brochure and application into Spanish and posted on Web site
- Policy advisor cross trained to write recommended orders
- Hired new temp employee to replace administrative specialist / receptionist
- Cross trained SAFE Coordinator to do CVCB claim intake
- Cross trained administrative assistant to investigate claims
- Continued process of instituting a robust restitution / recovery program
- Began process of procuring a new database / tracking system
- Staff and Board received training at national conference
- Established first-ever monthly calendar of board member mailing deadlines, hearing officer accountability and closure for legal review for increased efficiency
- Upgraded copier to accommodate fax and scanning options for greater efficiency
- Executive director, Virginia Woodward, appointed as the first Kentuckian to serve on the board of the National Association of Crime Victims Compensation Boards
- Coordinated with Justice and Public Safety Cabinet passage of HB 500, revising KRS 216B.400 regarding sexual assault exams and allowing for mandated payment of treatment for potential exposure to HIV
- Researched sexual assault-related post-exposure prophylaxis treatment regarding payment caps
- Completed a full office inventory not done since 2005, including archiving or destruction of non-essential files

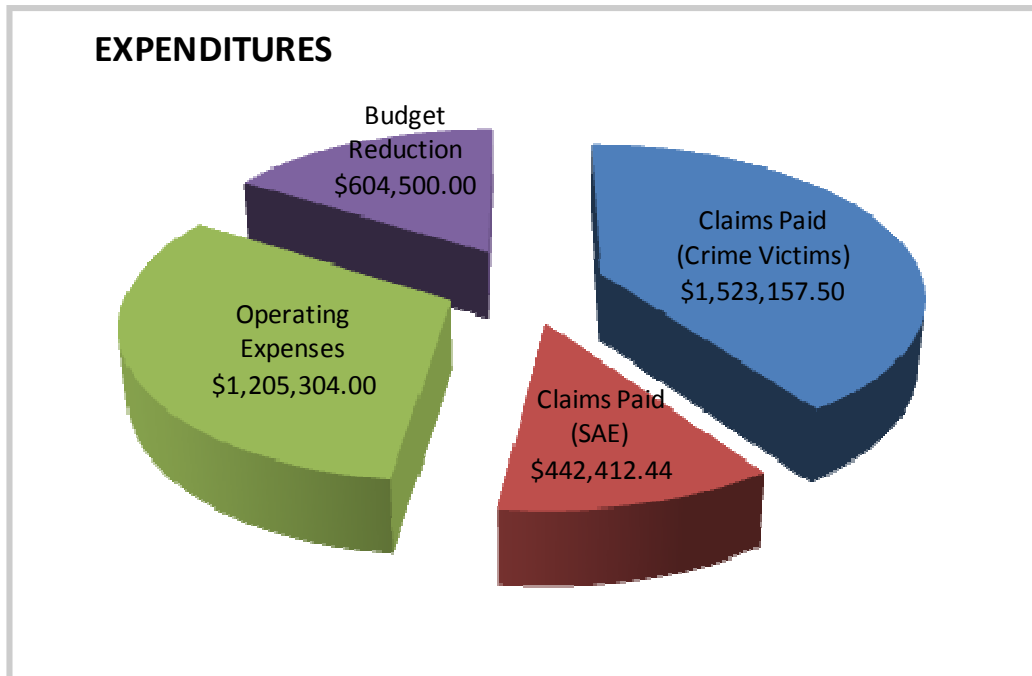
CVCB Budget



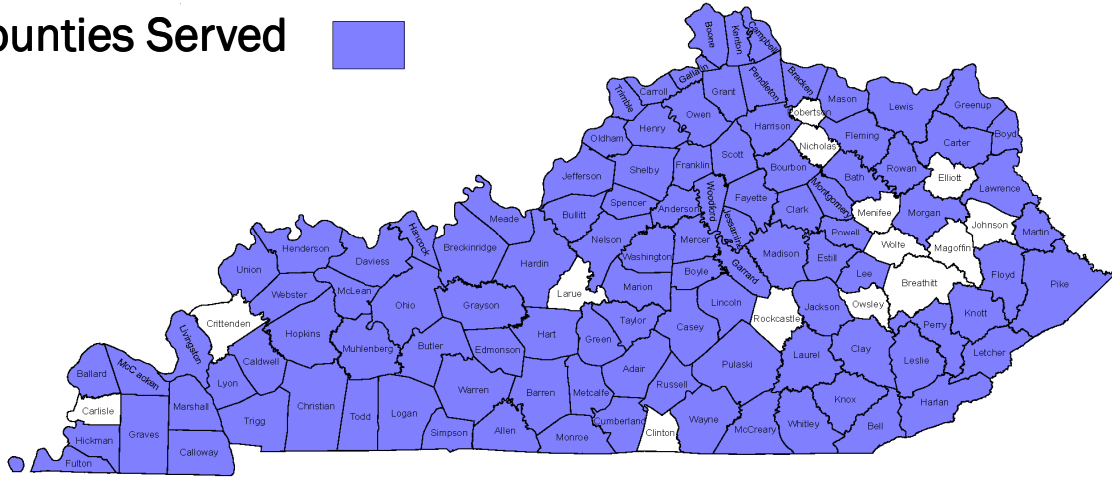
IMPORTANT NOTES:

*Federal Grant amount is reflective of change in management of three four-year reoccurring federal grants. Only one fourth of this amount was budgeted for spending in FY 2010.

Revenue (General Fund Allotment) for the Board of Claims (BoC) was included in the last annual report, but not Operating expenditures related to the BoC. FY 09 operating expenses that include BoC were \$1,028,011.00.



Counties Served



County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Adair	\$0	5
Allen	\$1,193.60	8
Anderson	\$1,558.87	7
Ballard	\$5,825.10	2
Barren	\$9,842.66	9
Bath	\$450.00	3
Bell	\$2,646.82	4
Boone	\$34,044.76	24
Bourbon	\$655.39	4
Boyd	\$17,578.07	5
Boyle	\$7,124.92	7
Bracken	\$4,739.56	3
Breathitt	\$0	0
Breckinridge	\$8,773.49	3
Bullitt	\$6,056.56	13
Butler	\$2,512.28	6
Caldwell	\$2,347.53	0
Calloway	\$27,786.25	8
Campbell	\$35,121.50	25
Carlisle	0	0
Carroll	\$635.25	2
Carter	\$1,322.15	4
Casey	\$998.46	2
Christian	\$54,852.37	28
Clark	\$29,575.82	13
Clay	\$1,727.00	4

County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Clinton	\$0	0
Crittenden	\$0	0
Cumberland	\$5,000.00	0
Daviess	\$44,663.05	50
Edmonson	\$724.40	2
Elliott	\$0	0
Estill	\$4,408.35	6
Fayette	\$208,475.71	124
Fleming	\$5,130.00	5
Floyd	\$21,577.81	7
Franklin	\$5,752.00	35
Fulton	\$47,256.84	3
Gallatin	\$1,644.00	3
Garrard	\$7,351.75	3
Grant	\$6,761.50	6
Graves	\$7,508.00	11
Grayson	\$6,154.47	1
Green	\$0	1
Greenup	\$11,565.53	0
Hancock	\$0	1
Hardin	\$19,488.01	18
Harlan	\$1,953.80	5
Harrison	\$17,678.70	2
Hart	\$178.98	2
Henderson	\$7,943.95	8
Henry	\$1,959.85	5

County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Hickman	\$8,862.05	3
Hopkins	\$11,824.11	6
Jackson	\$14,528.51	4
Jefferson	\$445,466.13	342
Jessamine	\$4,583.90	11
Johnson	\$0	0
Kenton	\$128,245.18	83
Knott	\$3,993.30	2
Knox	\$21,970.78	19
Larue	\$0	0
Laurel	\$66,819.55	17
Lawrence	\$9,572.53	6
Lee	\$5,945.00	1
Leslie	\$11,655.50	0
Letcher	\$0	4
Lewis	\$9,517.55	2
Lincoln	\$1,158.00	1
Livingston	\$350.00	2
Logan	\$31,864.48	12
Lyon	\$538.00	0
Madison	\$19,072.41	24
Magoffin	\$0	0
Marion	\$8,168.74	4
Marshall	\$2,268.00	9
Martin	\$0	4
Mason	\$1,959.15	3
McLean	\$2,224.40	3
McCracken	\$22,375.37	24
McCreary	\$10,282.00	2
Meade	\$2,726.00	7
Menifee	\$0	0
Mercer	\$18,958.08	10
Metcalfe	\$646.80	1
Monroe	\$15,878.08	1
Montgomery	\$883.00	1

County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Morgan	\$1,250.00	2
Muhlenberg	\$7,268.81	5
Nelson	\$17,892.81	7
Nicholas	\$0	0
Ohio	\$6,669.00	4
Oldham	\$8,130.00	8
Owen	\$25,000.00	2
Owsley	\$0	0
Pendleton	\$23,304.24	3
Perry	\$28,003.20	1
Pike	\$6,504.00	16
Powell	\$448.00	1
Pulaski	\$3,938.00	11
Robertson	\$0	0
Rockcastle	\$0	0
Rowan	\$5,450.00	3
Russell	\$1,150.00	3
Scott	\$35,471.88	3
Shelby	\$3,032.27	11
Simpson	\$11,553.00	4
Spencer	\$1,267.04	4
Taylor	\$15,205.59	10
Todd	\$1,076.00	4
Trigg	\$8,326.00	3
Trimble	\$919.90	3
Union	\$350.00	1
Warren	\$36,509.71	42
Washington	\$24,307.41	2
Wayne	\$15,800.00	5
Webster	\$565.20	3
Whitley	\$11,312.78	11
Wolfe	\$0	0
Woodford	\$26,275.28	1
Out of State	\$5,859.55	16



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