

CRIME HURTS EVERYONE WE CAN HELP

VICTIM REPRESENTATIVES



HOW CAN CaIVCP HELP ME?

CaIVCP is a state program dedicated to providing financial compensation for many crime-related expenses. Victims who suffer physical injury, threat of physical injury or emotional injury as a direct result of a violent crime may qualify for assistance.

CaIVCP understands that financial assistance alone does not eliminate the trauma or emotional suffering of victimization, but hopes that it can relieve some of the added pressures that arise as a result of the crime.



WHAT IS A VICTIM REPRESENTATIVE?

A victim representative is selected by a crime victim to advocate on their behalf and handle the responsibilities to obtain financial compensation. A victim representative may help with the following tasks:

- Complete the application (must be signed by the victim)
- Submit necessary documents for verification
- Receive, review and respond to all correspondence (with the exception of local Victim Witness Assistance Center advocates)
- Obtain status updates on the claim, such as reimbursement timeframes

Local Victim Witness Assistance Center advocates will obtain and submit the crime report and all other crime-related documentation needed to complete the application.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO BE A VICTIM REPRESENTATIVE?

Any person who has written authorization from the victim may be a representative including, but not limited to:

- A California licensed attorney
- A certified victim witness advocate in a local Victim Witness Assistance Center
- A legal guardian, conservator or social worker
- An advocate from a community based organization
- A friend, immediate family member, parent or caregiver

The only individuals who may NOT be a victim representative are licensed medical or mental health providers or their agents who provide treatment to the crime victim.



HOW DOES AN INDIVIDUAL BECOME A VICTIM REPRESENTATIVE?

Submit one of the following to CaIVCP:

- A completed CaIVCP application signed by the victim with the "Representative Information" section completed
- A Representative Request Form
- A signed statement from the victim designating the individual as their representative



HOW CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT CaIVCP?

Call us at: **800.777.9229**

Email us at: **info@vcgcb.ca.gov**

Visit our website for details and forms at: **calvcp.ca.gov**



CaIVCP CAN HELP VICTIMS OF CRIME SUCH AS:

- Assault
- Child Abuse
- Domestic Violence
- Drunk Driving
- Elder Abuse
- Hate Crimes
- Homicide
- Human Trafficking
- Online Harassment
- Robbery
- Sexual Assault
- Stalking
- Vehicular Manslaughter

CaIVCP CAN HELP PAY:

- Crime scene clean up
- Funeral and burial expenses
- Home or vehicle modifications for victims who became disabled
- Income loss
- Medical and dental treatment
- Mental health services
- Relocation
- Residential security

There are limits on how much can be paid for each loss.

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