

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
MICHIGAN CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION REFERENCE GUIDE

You may be qualified for assistance if you are an individual who is personally physically injured as a direct result of a crime in the state of Michigan. Or an eligible surviving spouse, parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, or other.

Eligibility for compensation the victim must:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooperate with the investigation, court hearings, and with Crime Victim Services Commission • Incur a minimum out of pocket loss of \$200.00, or a minimum two week continuous loss of earnings • Report crime within 48 hours to law enforcement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek reimbursement from other sources (health insurance, Medicaid, Short/Long term disability etc.) • File a claim with CVSC within one year from the date of injury or discovery • Be innocent of any criminal activity or misconduct leading to the victim's injury or death
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<u>Available Benefit</u>	<u>Requirements</u>	<u>Documentation Required</u>
Medical Related: Includes but not limited to hospital, medical, dental, prescriptions, ambulance, etc.	Verification from police, and medical records that medical services are directly related to date of crime.	Itemized medical bills; Insurance Explanation of Benefits.
Loss of Earnings: Maximum of \$350.00 weekly	Verification of income loss and a two week minimum loss of physical disability.	Pay stubs paid just prior to crime, including gross, net, and tax deductions; Income tax return; Written disability statement from physician; Verification of disability insurance.
Counseling: Up to 35 counseling sessions, 8 of them can be for family for non-offending members	Verification from therapist treatment is directly related to the date of crime.	Initial assessment and goal oriented treatment plan; Itemized bills; Insurance Explanation of Benefits.
Funeral and/or Burial: Maximum \$5000.00	A victim is deceased due to crime.	Itemized funeral/burial bills; Life insurance or verification of donations.
Loss of Support: Maximum of \$350.00 weekly	Victim is deceased and has eligible dependent spouse or child(ren).	Income tax returns; Child Support Order; Social Security Death Benefit determination; etc.
Grief Counseling: Maximum of \$500.00	Victim is deceased and eligible family members request grief counseling.	Itemized bills; Explanation of Benefits; Initial assessment/goal oriented treatment plan.
Crime Scene Clean-Up: Maximum of \$500	Victim is deceased and crime scene is located at the residence of the victim or a person eligible for an award.	Written estimate for clean-up or itemized bill.
Rehabilitative:	Verification that request is directly related to date of crime.	Written prescription from treating physician; Two written estimates for services requested.
Replacement Services:	Verification that request is directly related to date of crime.	Written prescription from treating physician; Notarized statement from person providing services.
Travel:	Only if necessary treatment is not available locally.	Verification of treatment not available locally and itemized medical bills.

What's not covered?

Loss of or damage to personal property

Pain and suffering

Relocation costs, living expenses, or cost of participating in a trial

Expenses paid by other sources, such as any type of public or private health insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, workers' compensation, automobile insurance or any other source

How to get an application for crime victim services compensation?

Applications are available by contacting our office at 877-251-7373, county prosecuting attorneys, victim assistance agencies, state police posts, and other agencies and care providers. Or online at <http://www.michigan.gov/crimevictims>.

Confidentiality

A person's papers and testimony before the commission are private. They may tell only whether a person's claim was approved or denied. Any other information will only be released by a court order.

Send the fully completed application and pertinent documents to:

Crime Victim Services Commission

Grand Tower, Suite 1113

PO Box 30037

Lansing MI 48909

Phone: 517-373-7373

Victim's Only call: 877-251-7373

Fax: 517-373-2439

Website: <http://www.michigan.gov/crimevictims>

