

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

## ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

### CRIME VICTIMS COMMITTEE

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the **Crime Victims Committee** and to the general public that the **Crime Victims Committee** will hold a meeting open to the public on **Wednesday, May 04, 2022**, beginning at **1:30 p.m.** at the **Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 W. Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007**. Members of the Committee may attend either in person or by telephone, video or internet conferencing.

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Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

|      | <b>Agenda Items</b>   | <b>Presenter</b>                              |
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| I.   | <b>Call to Order and Roll Call</b>  | <b>Chairperson Steve Stahl</b>                |
| II.  | <b>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</b>   | <b>Chairperson Steve Stahl</b>                |
|      | - March 09, 2022  | <b>P-F-T</b>                                  |
| III. | <b>Crime Victim Assistance Program</b><br>- Review, discussion, consideration and possible action on the FY23 program funding recommendation  | <b>Heather Bohnet</b><br><b>P-F-T</b>         |
| IV.  | <b>Crime Victim Compensation Program</b><br>- Review, discussion, consideration and possible action reallocation of the FY22 compensation benefits funding  | <b>Heather Bohnet</b><br><b>P-F-T</b>         |
| V.   | <b>Crime Victim Services Program Update</b><br>- Staff update on the Crime Victim Services Program  | <b>Heather Bohnet</b><br><b>Info</b>          |
| VI.  | <b>Summary of Current Events</b><br>Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(K), individual Committee members may present brief summaries of current events, but no discussion may occur, and no action may be taken regarding anything that is presented. | <b>Chairperson Steve Stahl</b><br><b>Info</b> |
| VII. | <b>Call to the Public</b>   |   |

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|   | <p>Those wishing to address the Committee need not to request permission in advance. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting in person must follow all federal and state Covid-19 protocols including wearing a mask and maintaining acceptable social distance. In order to facilitate virtual participation in the meeting, members of the public wishing to address the Committee will need to email our Victim Services Department at <a href="mailto:vsadmin@azcjc.gov">vsadmin@azcjc.gov</a> in advance of the meeting and provide the phone number where you can be reached. Staff will email you an acknowledgment of your request and will call you during the Call to the Public for your comment. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.</p> |
| <b>VIII.</b>  | <b>Next Meeting</b>   |
|   | <p>The next Committee meeting will be held at the call of the Chairperson.</p>  |
| <p>A copy of the agenda background material provided to Committee members is available for public inspection at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 West Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, (602) 364-1146. This document is available in alternative formats by contacting the Commission Office.</p> |   |

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ACTION-MOTION/ INFORMATION ITEM**

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| <b>Presenter</b>    | <b>Steve Stahl</b>                          |
| <b>Agenda Title</b> | <b>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</b> |

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| <b>Recommended Action</b>      | The Committee will consider approval of the minutes of its March 09, 2022 meeting. |
| <b>Details/Discussion</b>      | N/A  |
| <b>Fiscal Impact</b>           | None   |
| <b>Alternatives Considered</b> | Not Approve-Modify-Table   |

**Crime Victims Committee  
Minutes  
March 09, 2022**

A public meeting of the Crime Victims Committee of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission was convened on March 9, 2022, at 1:30p.m., at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission office, 1110 W. Washington St., Ste 230, Phoenix, AZ, 85007.

**Members Present (virtual - via GoogleMeets):**

Steve Stahl, Law Enforcement Leader, Chairperson  
Allister Adel, Maricopa County Attorney, Shawn Cox representing  
Mark Brnovich, Arizona Attorney General, Kirstin Flores representing  
Laura Conover, Pima County Attorney, Virginia Rodriguez representing  
Mina Mendez, Director, Board of Executing Clemency  
Paul Penzone, Maricopa County Sheriff, Phil Dougherty representing

**Staff Present:**

Heather Bohnet, Program Manager Crime Victim Services  
Dorinda Johns, Program Coordinator Crime Victim Services  
Andrew LeFevre, Director

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Stahl at 1:30 p.m. The roll was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

**II. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the January 12, 2022 Meeting**

Shawn Cox moved to accept the minutes, Virginia Rodriguez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Crime Victim Compensation Program**

**A. FY22 Program Benefit Funding Reallocation**

Heather Bohnet provided an update on current fiscal year and remaining funds potentially available for reallocation and recommendation for reallocation. Shawn Cox moved that the committee recommend to the full commission that they adopt the reallocation as outlined in table VS-1 in the agenda. Mina Mendez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**B. FY23 Compensation Program Funding**

Heather Bohnet reviewed information on available funds and the recommendation for total victim compensation program size for FY23. Heather Bohnet and Andrew LeFevre answered questions regarding the funding and future funding potential. Shawn Cox moved that the committee recommend to the full commission that the FY23 total victim compensation budget be set at \$4,380,000 including \$2,000,000.00 in state, \$1,480,000.00 federal and \$900,000.00. Phil Dougherty seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**C. FY23 Designation of Operational Units**

Heather Bohnet reviewed the process for the designation of operational units each year and indicated that all 15 County Attorney's offices wish to be designated as the operational units for victim compensation in FY2023. Virginia Rodriguez moved to recommend to the commission the acceptance of the 15 County Attorney's Offices as the operational units for victim compensation in FY 23. Kirstin Flores seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**D. FY23 Program Funding Allocation**

Heather Bohnet reviewed the recommended victim compensation funding allocation for FY2023. Kirstin Flores moved that the \$4,380,000.00 be allocated to operational units in accordance with table VS3 in the agenda. Shawn Cox seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Summary of Current Events**

No significant events were identified.

**V. Call to the Public**

No one requested to publicly comment by phone or email .

**VI. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting**

The next Crime Victims Committee meeting is to be held May 4, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, 1110 W. Washington St., Suite 230, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

**VII. Adjournment**

Ms. Cox moved to adjourn, Mr. Dougherty seconded and Chairperson Steve Stahl adjourned the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew T. LeFevre  
Executive Director  
Audio recording available upon request

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| <b>Presenter</b>    | <b>Heather Bohnet</b>                                    |
| <b>Agenda Title</b> | <b>FY23 Crime Victim Assistance Grant Program Awards</b> |

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| <b>Recommended Action</b>      | The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission awarding \$500,000 in FY23 Crime Victim Assistance grant funds as indicated in Table VS-1 of the agenda.   |
| <b>Details/Discussion</b>      | The funding proposal in Table VS-1 reflects the evaluation criteria and priorities approved by the Commission. A narrative is provided following this agenda item detailing the victim assistance grant program, the evaluation process, and proposed funding for FY23. |
| <b>Fiscal Impact</b>           | Significant – Distribution of \$500,000 in Crime Victim Assistance grant funds to approved agencies for FY23.   |
| <b>Alternatives Considered</b> | Not Approve-Modify-Table  |

# Crime Victim Assistance Grant Program

## FY 2023 Funding Recommendation

The Crime Victim Assistance Grant Program is established to provide grant awards to support direct services to crime victims in the State of Arizona. At the January 2022 meeting, the Commission approved a program size up to \$500,000 in victim assistance grant awards for FY23.

For the FY23 grant period, the Commission approved funding priorities that placed the highest emphasis on projects that are ineligible for DPS-VOCA assistance funding.

| <b>VOCA Ineligible</b>  |
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| Fund projects identified as VOCA Assistance <i>ineligible</i> , for a period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. Projects must meet ACJC victim assistance grant program eligibility requirements. |

### **Budget Category Prioritization**

Priority was given to projects requesting funding to support Personnel Services and Employee Related Expenses.

### **Applications Received**

On February 7, 2021, the FY23 Crime Victim Assistance Program grant application period opened. The deadline for submission of applications was Friday, March 18, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. Fifteen applications were submitted by the deadline. The following is a breakdown of applications received by funding tier:

| <b>Funding Tier</b> | <b>Applications Submitted</b> | <b>Funding Requested</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| VOCA ineligible     | 12                            | \$718,012.39             |
| VOCA eligible       | 3                             | \$52,476.11              |
| TOTAL               | 15                            | \$770,488.50             |

## **Evaluation and Scoring**

All grant application requests were evaluated in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-2702. All applications received were reviewed and scored by three individuals including ACJC staff and outside evaluators. Scoring was based on the Crime Victim Assistance Grant Program rules, application criteria, and priorities approved by the Commission.

## **FY 2023 Funding Recommendation**

### **General Overview**

ACJC Victim Services Staff recommends victim assistance grant awards totaling \$500,000 for FY23. This award total equals the \$500,000 program size approved by the Commission in January.

### **VOCA Ineligible Award Detail**

This purpose area attempts to identify and prioritize funding for projects that are ineligible under the guidelines of the DPS-VOCA assistance grant program. Of the fifteen applications submitted under the VOCA ineligible purpose area, thirteen included budget requests that were determined to be DPS-VOCA assistance ineligible and in line with the priorities established by the Commission for an award. The activities included in these applications are the gap activities this purpose area set out to identify and support. The following is a list of those VOCA Ineligible activities and associated projects recommended for funding:

- On-call time for direct victim service providers
  - A. Chrysalis Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence
  - B. Haven Family Resource Center
  - C. Kingman Aid to Abused People
  - D. North Country Healthcare
  - E. Victim / Witness Services for Coconino County
  
- Project personnel costs (other than direct service providers)
  - A. Child Crisis Arizona
  - B. Colorado River Regional Crisis Services
  - C. Homicide Survivors
  
- Civil Legal Support Services for Victims
  - A. Arizona Crime Victim Rights Law Group



- Training staff or volunteers for programs providing direct services to crime victims
  - A. Arizona Coalition for Victim Services – Arizona Victim Assistance Academy & Mobile Advocacy Training Program
  - B. Bloom365 - Trusted Adult Ally Training
  - C. City of Tempe-CARE 7 – Trauma and Resilience Training

The score team recommended funding these projects to the degree the requests were determined to be VOCA Assistance ineligible, and the extent to which projects were aligned with the ACJC victim assistance grant program rules and funding priorities for the FY23 grant period.

**TABLE VS-1 FY23 CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATION**

| Applicant Agency  | FY22 Awards          | FY23 Requested Awards | FY23 Proposed Total Grant Awards |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Apache County Attorney's Office   | \$ -                 | \$ 21,305.91          | \$ -                             |
| Arizona Coalition for Victim Services   | \$ 43,490.50         | \$ 54,260.64          | \$ 49,260.64                     |
| Arizona Crime Victim Rights Law Group   | \$ -                 | \$ 93,230.00          | \$ 49,000.00                     |
| Bloom 365   | \$ -                 | \$ 35,284.00          | \$ 30,472.00                     |
| Child Crisis Arizona  | \$ -                 | \$ 50,000.00          | \$ 50,000.00                     |
| Chrysalis Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence Inc.                       | \$ 13,000.00         | \$ 34,250.00          | \$ 13,000.00                     |
| City of Tempe - Care 7  | \$ 38,966.00         | \$ 159,731.38         | \$ 88,246.37                     |
| Colorado River Regional Crisis Services                                       | \$ -                 | \$ 27,777.98          | \$ 27,777.98                     |
| Gila County Attorney's Office   | \$ -                 | \$ 5,800.00           | \$ -                             |
| Haven Family Resource Center  | \$ 17,368.00         | \$ 25,532.00          | \$ 25,532.00                     |
| Homicide Survivors  | \$ -                 | \$ 97,808.26          | \$ 48,904.13                     |
| Kingman Aid To Abused People, Inc.  | \$ 27,656.00         | \$ 34,460.00          | \$ 34,460.00                     |
| North Country Healthcare  | \$ 32,800.00         | \$ 40,600.00          | \$ 32,800.00                     |
| Tucson Center for Women and Children DBA Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse | \$ -                 | \$ 25,370.20          | \$ -                             |
| Victim/Witness Services For Coconino County                                   | \$ 26,719.50         | \$ 65,078.13          | \$ 50,546.88                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>\$ 200,000.00</b> | <b>\$ 770,488.50</b>  | <b>\$ 500,000.00</b>             |

**TABLE VS-2 FY23 CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING DISTRIBUTION**

| <b>Funding Distribution by Organization Service Type</b> | <b>Number of Awards</b> | <b>% of Awards</b> | <b>\$ Amount Awarded</b> | <b>% of \$ Awarded</b> |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Domestic Violence/Sexual Asslt.                          | 7                       | 58%                | 214,042                  | 43%                    |
| Legal Advocacy   | 1                       | 8%                 | 49,000                   | 10%                    |
| Multiple Service Types                                   | 2                       | 17%                | 138,793                  | 28%                    |
| Notification Services                                    | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Other Specialized  | 2                       | 17%                | 98,165                   | 20%                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>12</b>               | <b>100%</b>        | <b>\$500,000</b>         | <b>100%</b>            |

| <b>Funding Distribution by Primary Service Area</b> | <b>Number of Awards</b> | <b>% of Awards</b> | <b>\$ Amount Awarded</b> | <b>% of \$ Awarded</b> |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| State Wide  | 3                       | 25%                | 128,733                  | 26%                    |
| Apache County                                       | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Cochise County                                      | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Coconino County                                     | 2                       | 17%                | 83,347                   | 17%                    |
| Gila County   | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Graham County                                       | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Greenlee County                                     | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| La Paz County                                       | 1                       | 8%                 | 27,778                   | 6%                     |
| Maricopa County                                     | 3                       | 25%                | 151,246                  | 30%                    |
| Mohave County                                       | 2                       | 17%                | 59,992                   | 12%                    |
| Navajo County                                       | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Pima County   | 1                       | 8%                 | 48,904                   | 10%                    |
| Pinal County  | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Santa Cruz County                                   | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Yavapai County                                      | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| Yuma County   | 0                       | 0%                 | 0                        | 0%                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>12</b>               | <b>100%</b>        | <b>\$500,000</b>         | <b>100%</b>            |

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| <b>Presenter</b>    | <b>Heather Bohnet</b>                            |  |
| <b>Agenda Title</b> | <b>FY22 Program Benefit Funding Reallocation</b> |  |

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| <b>Recommended Action</b>      | The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission that compensation funds for the current FY22 be reallocated to operational units in accordance with Table VS-3 of the agenda.  |
| <b>Details/Discussion</b>      | ACJC crime victim compensation program staff closely monitors county victim compensation expenditures throughout the fiscal year. Periodically it is necessary to adjust the original allocation to meet demand for compensation benefits statewide. The purpose of these adjustments is to reallocate compensation funding to those counties with enough demand to expend additional compensation funds by the end of the fiscal year. |
| <b>Fiscal Impact</b>           | Significant – Reallocation of up to \$57,000 in FY 2022 crime victim compensation funds to county programs.   |
| <b>Alternatives Considered</b> | Not Approve-Modify-Table  |

**TABLE VS-3**

**CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM  
FY 2022 CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION REALLOCATION**

| COUNTY       | REQUESTED AMOUNT  | REVISED FY22 ALLOCATION* | ARPA ALLOCATION   | EXPENDITURES REPORTED AS OF 4/25/22* | PERCENTAGE EXPENDED AS OF 4/25/22 | REALLOCATION | REVISED REMAINING ALLOCATION | REVISED TOTAL ALLOCATION | 3 YR AVG TOTAL EXPENDITURES* |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| APACHE       | \$ -              | \$ 67,080                | \$ -              | \$ 22,722                            | 33.87%                            | \$ (10,000)  | \$ 34,358                    | \$ 57,080                | \$ 72,082                    |
| COCHISE      | -                 | 72,461                   | -                 | 50,818                               | 70.13%                            | -            | \$ 21,643                    | \$ 72,461                | \$ 63,456                    |
| COCONINO     | 10,000            | 119,760                  | 18,000            | 128,181                              | 93.05%                            | 7,000        | \$ 16,579                    | \$ 144,760               | \$ 194,971                   |
| GILA         | -                 | 38,341                   | -                 | 24,923                               | 65.00%                            | -            | \$ 13,418                    | \$ 38,341                | \$ 19,568                    |
| GRAHAM       | -                 | 32,520                   | -                 | 453                                  | 1.39%                             | (27,000)     | \$ 5,067                     | \$ 5,520                 | \$ 9,357                     |
| GREENLEE     | -                 | 18,715                   | -                 | 4,000                                | 21.37%                            | (10,000)     | \$ 4,715                     | \$ 8,715                 | \$ 3,396                     |
| LA PAZ       | -                 | 35,447                   | -                 | 8,216                                | 23.18%                            | (10,000)     | \$ 17,231                    | \$ 25,447                | \$ 24,836                    |
| MARICOPA     | 660,000           | 1,659,500                | 140,000           | 1,636,875                            | 90.96%                            | 50,000       | \$ 212,625                   | \$ 1,849,500             | \$ 2,621,964                 |
| MOHAVE       | -                 | 143,725                  | 18,000            | 99,796                               | 61.71%                            | -            | \$ 61,929                    | \$ 161,725               | \$ 216,324                   |
| NAVAJO       | -                 | 93,173                   | 6,000             | 46,662                               | 47.05%                            | -            | \$ 52,511                    | \$ 99,173                | \$ 132,902                   |
| PIMA         | -                 | 464,312                  | 43,000            | 419,709                              | 82.73%                            | -            | \$ 87,603                    | \$ 507,312               | \$ 596,521                   |
| PINAL        | -                 | 181,636                  | 15,000            | 104,523                              | 53.16%                            | -            | \$ 92,113                    | \$ 196,636               | \$ 297,613                   |
| SANTA CRUZ   | -                 | 62,097                   | -                 | 41,877                               | 67.44%                            | -            | \$ 20,220                    | \$ 62,097                | \$ 61,407                    |
| YAVAPAI      | -                 | 117,659                  | 18,000            | 99,013                               | 72.99%                            | -            | \$ 36,646                    | \$ 135,659               | \$ 145,245                   |
| YUMA         | -                 | 143,574                  | 42,000            | 129,374                              | 69.72%                            | -            | \$ 56,200                    | \$ 185,574               | \$ 197,706                   |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$ 670,000</b> | <b>\$ 3,250,000</b>      | <b>\$ 300,000</b> | <b>\$ 2,817,140</b>                  | <b>86.68%</b>                     | <b>\$ -</b>  | <b>\$ 732,860</b>            | <b>\$ 3,550,000</b>      | <b>\$ 4,657,347</b>          |

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| <b>Presenter</b>    | <i>Heather Bohnet</i>                       |  |
| <b>Agenda Title</b> | <i>Crime Victim Services Program Update</i> |  |

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| <b>Recommended Action</b>      | Information Only  |
| <b>Details/Discussion</b>      | ACJC Crime Victim Services program staff will update the Committee members on the Crime Victim Services program activities. |
| <b>Fiscal Impact</b>           | N/A   |
| <b>Alternatives Considered</b> | None  |

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| <b>Presenter</b>    | <b>Steve Stahl</b>               |  |
| <b>Agenda Title</b> | <b>Summary of Current Events</b> |  |

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| <b>Recommended Action</b>      | Information Item  |
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| <b>Alternatives Considered</b> | None  |