

C A L I F O R N I A

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VICTIM COMPENSATION BOARD

News & Updates

December 2023



### Reminders

- CalIVCB will hold a public hearing on proposed regulations on Tuesday, Dec. 12 both in-person and on Zoom. You can read the full text of the regulations and get more information about the hearing on our [website](#).
- CalIVCB is closed on Monday, Dec. 25 (Christmas Day), Monday, Jan. 1 (New Year's Day), and Monday, Jan. 15 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day).
- The final day to submit applications for the Forced or Involuntary Sterilization Compensation Program is Dec. 31, 2023. Applications must be postmarked by that date.
- Are you signed up for [Morning Coffee](#)? Receive a brief daily email with news articles of interest to CalIVCB.
- If you are a Cares2 user and have not submitted your Confidentiality Agreement acknowledging the completion of Information Security and Privacy Training, it is past due and your account may be deactivated. Submit your form to [infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov](mailto:infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov) immediately to avoid a disruption in your access to Cares2.

### Forced or Involuntary Sterilization Compensation Program Deadline

The last day to send applications for California's [Forced or Involuntary Sterilization Compensation Program \(FISCP\)](#) is Dec. 31, 2023.

CalVCB launched FISCP on Jan. 1, 2022, as directed by Assembly Bill 137.

The program is aimed at compensating victims of eugenics laws that allowed state hospitals and other state-run facilities to perform medical procedures on people in their care that prevented them from physically being able to have children. The program also compensates state prisoners who underwent a sterilization procedure without their consent while in custody after 1979, when eugenics laws were repealed.



Compensation will include two separate payments. Once CalVCB determines you are eligible, we will send a first payment of \$15,000 within 60 days. CalVCB will send a second and final payment of \$20,000 no later than October 1, 2024. This compensation will not be considered taxable income for state tax purposes.

As of Dec. 5, 2023, CalVCB has received 529 applications and approved 112. Applications for the FISCP program are available for [download on the CalVCB website](#). Once completed, they can be submitted via U.S. mail, email, or fax. Applicants who need an application mailed to them can request one by calling CalVCB for assistance.

CalVCB also created a [social media toolkit](#) with graphics and suggested posts. We encourage you to share messaging for our toolkit to reach additional victims before the upcoming deadline.

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## Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Human Trafficking Prevention Month is observed in January and CalVCB is planning its outreach calendar to coincide with events, seminars, and trainings happening statewide.

We are interested in attending events statewide. Please inform and invite us to your observances by emailing [infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov](mailto:infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov).

Human trafficking victims can qualify for compensation in many payment categories, including medical, mental health, relocation, and income loss.

In Fiscal Year 2022-23, CalVCB received 441 human trafficking applications and compensated survivors nearly \$4.8 million.

- Income Loss: \$4.7 million
- Mental Health: \$30,258
- Relocation: \$15,363
- Medical: \$13,326
- Security: \$1,400



## National Crime Victims' Rights Week

National Crime Victims' Rights Week is April 21 - 27, 2024.

CalVCB would like to be involved in your remembrances and events. Additionally, we can issue your county or organization a proclamation acknowledging the work you do for victims. Email [infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov](mailto:infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov) with your request.

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## Submitting Applications

Applications from a victim or family member should be submitted once received. Suspending submittal

To better assist you with filing human trafficking applications, Outreach Specialist Cindy Kaiser can provide human trafficking application training for advocates. Email [infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov](mailto:infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov).



of an application while waiting for a crime report or other documentation may prevent the applicant from receiving critical service timely. Once the application is submitted and if documentation is needed, CalVCB can assist with requesting those documents.

For more information, or if you have questions, please call Customer Service at 800-777-9229.

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## Material Request Form

Running low on CalVCB materials?

Our publications are available to [download](#). Several are available to order using our [Material Request Form](#).

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## Trauma Recovery Center Grant Opportunity

CalVCB is now accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Trauma Recovery Center (TRC) grant.

The grant program awards funding for TRCs to provide trauma-informed services to victims of crime. Grantees will serve all victims of crime, whether or not they meet CalVCB's eligibility requirements, provided the services are consistent with

California Government Code sections 13963.1 and 13963.2 and this [Notice of Funds Available \(NOFA\)](#).

CalVCB TRC grant awards are funded by an annual appropriation of \$2 million from the Restitution Fund with additional funding from the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act. The Budget Act of 2022 also provided additional funding from the General Fund for this cycle in the amount of \$2,331,419.

The number of grants awarded will be determined by a variety of factors, including the number of qualified applicants, the amount of funds requested, and the amount of funds available. Program expenses are reimbursed after they have been incurred and invoiced monthly. Grant awards made under the 2024/25 NOFA will be for a two-year cycle effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026.

All applicants must submit an application package by email to [grants@victims.ca.gov](mailto:grants@victims.ca.gov). Applications are due Monday, January 22, 2024, by 2 p.m. PST.

Detailed information can be found on our [website](#).

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## Year-to-Year Applications Submitted by County

County	Oct. 2022	Oct. 2023	Percentage Change	Sept. 2022	Sept. 2023	Percentage Change
Alameda	198	317	up 60%	189	272	up 44%
Alpine	0	2	up 200%	0	1	up 100%
Amador	7	1	down 86%	1	2	up 100%
Butte	44	46	up 5%	24	35	up 46%
Calaveras	2	4	up 100%	1	0	down 100%
Colusa	1	1	even	2	0	down 100%
Contra Costa	53	35	down 34%	72	50	down 31%
Del Norte	0	2	up 200%	3	5	up 67%
El Dorado	20	7	down 65%	15	9	down 40%
Fresno	71	43	down 39%	84	40	down 52%
Glenn	8	12	up 50%	8	6	down 25%
Humboldt	19	19	even	16	25	up 56%
Imperial	12	4	down 67%	9	3	down 67%
Inyo	0	4	up 400%	0	0	even
Kern	17	23	up 35%	0	0	even
Kings	40	49	up 23%	19	40	up 111%
Lake	4	10	up 150%	2	7	up 250%
Lassen	2	5	up 150%	1	4	up 300%
Los Angeles	968	1,072	up 11%	928	1,118	up 20%
Madera	18	19	up 6%	17	17	even
Marin	3	2	down 33%	9	3	down 67%
Mariposa	1	1	even	2	3	up 50%
Mendocino	8	4	down 50%	12	6	down 50%
Merced	18	26	up 44%	47	8	down 83%
Modoc	0	1	up 100%	0	2	up 200%
Mono	0	1	up 100%	2	1	down 50%
Monterey	55	17	down 69%	38	15	down 61%
Napa	19	4	down 79%	11	13	up 18%
Nevada	1	6	up 500%	9	6	down 33%

Orange	111	110	down 1%	117	79	down 32%
Placer	25	30	up 20%	34	55	up 62%
Plumas	0	0	even	1	0	down 100%
Riverside	140	94	down 33%	119	129	up 8%
Sacramento	117	123	up 5%	84	116	up 38%
San Benito	10	5	down 50%	19	7	down 63%

San Bernardino	282	178	down 37%	167	181	up 8%
San Diego	154	186	up 21%	164	139	down 15%
San Francisco	95	106	up 12%	97	95	down 2%
San Joaquin	214	167	down 22%	185	197	up 6%
San Luis Obispo	16	20	up 25%	14	42	up 200%
San Mateo	18	20	up 11%	35	31	down 11%
Santa Barbara	47	67	up 43%	36	41	up 14%
Santa Clara	167	89	down 47%	171	102	down 40%
Santa Cruz	15	26	up 73%	24	15	down 38%
Shasta	112	82	down 27%	54	71	up 31%
Sierra	0	0	even	0	0	even
Siskiyou	2	6	up 200%	2	2	even
Solano	45	29	down 36%	33	30	down 9%
Sonoma	33	33	even	31	21	down 32%
Stanislaus	9	36	up 300%	41	23	down 44%
Sutter	15	9	down 40%	18	8	down 56%
Tehama	12	9	down 25%	15	14	down 7%
Trinity	6	4	down 33%	0	1	up 100%
Tulare	19	23	up 21%	18	60	up 233%
Tuolumne	4	1	down 75%	1	2	up 100%
Ventura	53	28	down 47%	46	30	down 35%
Yolo	26	15	down 42%	32	25	down 22%
Yuba	29	91	up 214%	36	66	up 83%
Non-CA County	6	16	up 167%	12	8	down 33%

### Did You Know?

- Cremation charges
- Endowment care (a one-time charge controlled by state law that ensures permanent maintenance of the grave)
- Labor cost for opening and closing the grave
- Marker, headstone or tombstone and the charge for setting the marker
- Costs to transport the body
- Storage/holding fees for the body



These are just some of the expenses CalVCB can cover under funeral and burial.

Please let us know if you have questions, comments, or suggestions for future editions. Email us at [infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov](mailto:infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov).

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