

BENEFIT REFERENCE GUIDE



Victims of violent crime may be able to receive up to \$70,000 in total compensation to help them recover.
This guide tells you:

• Who can receive benefits • How much they can receive • What information CalVCB needs •

WHO CAN RECEIVE BENEFITS?

- V** A **DIRECT VICTIM** is physically hurt, threatened with injury, or dies because of a crime.
- D** A **DERIVATIVE VICTIM** has expenses because of the direct victim's injury or death. This can be a family member, roommate or caretaker.
- P** A **PAYER** is anyone who pays or assumes liability for crime-related expenses.

REIMBURSEMENT TYPE	WHO QUALIFIES?	MAXIMUM BENEFIT
FUNERAL AND/OR BURIAL	P	Up to \$12,818

Examples of What We Need:

- Proof that the victim's death was the result of a qualifying crime.
- Receipts from funeral or burial expenses. Providers may also bill CalVCB directly.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL EXPENSES	V P	Up to \$70,000
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Examples of What We Need:

- Proof from the crime report or medical/dental records that medical/dental services are required.
- Proof that medical devices were taken, lost, damaged, destroyed or are now needed because of the crime.
- Note from a physician if in-home services are required that states the length of time care is needed, and that care from a family member or another person is medically necessary.
- Dental bills must be submitted on an [American Dental Association Claim form](#).

MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT	V D P	Up to 60 sessions and \$10,000 as detailed below
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V Session Limits:

- 60 sessions

D Session Limits:

- 60 sessions if the direct victim died because of the crime.
- 50 sessions if the derivative victim was a minor at the time of the crime.
- 50 sessions if the derivative victim was the primary caretaker of the direct victim at the time of the crime. This is limited to \$10,000 total for two caretakers.
- 30 sessions if the derivative victim does not meet the above criteria. This is limited to \$5,000.
- 30 sessions if the derivative victim became the caretaker of a minor victim after the crime. This is limited to \$5,000 and must be for the benefit of the direct victim.

Examples of What We Need:

- Itemized receipts for mental health treatment received. Providers may also bill CalVCB directly.
- A completed [Mental Health Billing Intake form](#) from the provider with their first bill.
- Proof that insurance has been billed, if applicable.

GUIDE, SIGNAL, OR SERVICE DOG	V	Up to \$10,000
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Examples of What We Need:

- Receipts for costs to buy or treat a guide, signal, or service dog that was injured or died because of the crime.

REIMBURSEMENT TYPE	WHO QUALIFIES?	MAXIMUM BENEFIT
INCOME LOSS	V D	Up to \$70,000
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disability statement from a medical or mental health provider. • Proof from a medical provider that a parent or guardian needed to be with a minor in the hospital. • Proof of income (tax return, pay stub, or statement from an employer). 		
SUPPORT LOSS	D	Up to \$70,000
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof that the person was legally dependent on the victim at the time of the crime (birth or marriage certificate, adoption records, child support records, or Social Security documents). • Proof of income (tax return, pay stub, or statement from an employer). 		
HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMPENSATION	V	Up to \$10,000 per year for a maximum of two years
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of income loss as a direct result of human trafficking through either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◊ Law enforcement report, or ◊ Sworn statement under penalty of perjury from the applicant, a human trafficking case worker, a licensed attorney, or a witness. • A completed Human Trafficking Compensation form. 		
JOB RETRAINING OR SIMILAR EMPLOYMENT SERVICES	V	Up to \$70,000
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An evaluation from the California Department of Rehabilitation. 		
RELOCATION	V	Up to \$3,418
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof from law enforcement that relocation is needed for a victim's safety. • Proof from a mental health provider that moving is needed for a victim's emotional well-being. • Receipts for relocation expenses such as rent, utility deposits, or moving expenses. • A completed rental verification form and a copy of the lease. 		
HOME SECURITY	V D	Up to \$1,000
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of expenses needed as a direct result of the crime. • Receipts for home security expenses. 		
HOME MODIFICATION FOR PARTIALLY OR TOTALLY DISABLED VICTIMS	V	Up to \$70,000
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof from a doctor that modifications are medically needed because of the crime. • A written report from a home modification specialist. • The contractor's detailed description of the work to be done, payment plan, and a copy of their license. • Receipts for home modification expenses. 		
VEHICLE MODIFICATION OR PURCHASE	V	Up to \$30,000
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof from a doctor that modifying or buying a modified vehicle is medically needed because of the crime. • A statement from the victim explaining if public transportation is available. • A bill or estimate showing the cost for modifying or buying the vehicle. • A report from a mobility specialist. • A copy of the driver's license for the person who will operate the vehicle. 		
CRIME SCENE CLEANUP	P	Up to \$1,709
Examples of What We Need: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof that the crime occurred in a residence or vehicle. • Receipts for cleanup of a home or vehicle by an approved waste cleanup company. 		

LEGEND

DIRECT
VICTIM

DERIVATIVE
VICTIM


PAYER