

# ILLINOIS CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION (CVC)

#### DO I QUALIFY?

#### Yes!

If you witnessed the shooting, a loved one was killed or injured, or you were injured, you are entitled to compensation.

#### WHAT DOES IT COVER?

#### Reimbursement for:

- Physical & mental health treatment
- Relocation
- Loss of wages
- Transportation to medical & counseling
- Replacement of items lost

#### WHAT DOCUMENTATION DO I NEED?

• Notify the police of the event you were at, which will need to be included on the police report.

(IL Attorney General's office will obtain the official report for you)

• Itemized bills for medical & mental health treatment, all insurance information

### **HOW MUCH \$ IS COVERED?**

You may apply for **up to \$45k** (for crimes on or after 8/7/2022) in compensation. Earnings are capped at **\$1250/month** and funeral expenses at **\$7500**.

#### **HOW DO I START?**

Visit <u>www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov</u>

- > Safer Communities
- > Supporting Victims of Crime Crime Victim Compensation

For additional resources and support, visit ouraftermath.org



## IL CVC APPLICATION -THINGS TO KNOW-

SS# is requested, but **NOT** necessary.

One application must be completed **per person** seeking compensation (ie: one per family member).

All other financial resources (insurance, worker's comp, public aid) **must be exhausted** before CVC will issue compensation.

If you receive \$ from other government resources (\$ received in restitution, settlement from insurance company) you may be expected to pay the CVC back.

#### **SECTION I- VICTIM & CLAIMANT**

- Part A: Victim's information (dependent, loved one, or yourself)
- **Part B:** Your information **ONLY IF** applying on behalf of a minor child or deceased relative.
- Part C: Advocate's information IF YOU are working with someone who can discuss your claim.

#### **SECTION IV- MEDICAL INFORMATION**

Counseling needs to be with a licensed clinical practitioner (psychologist-LCP, social worker-LCSW, professional counselor-LCPC), licensed professional counselor-LPC, or Christian science practitioner.

#### **HOW LONG DOES THE PROCESS TAKE?**

Depending on timing of receiving appropriate documents (including police report), files are typically processed by a claims analyst **within 90 Days**. If approved, the Comptroller's Office has **up to 90 Days** to issue payments.

#### **CLAIM NUMBER INFORMATION**

Once a claim number is issued, it should be sent to any service providers with outstanding bills. If they receive a claim number, it is **illegal** to send bills to collections while the victim is waiting for CVC to process