

## **News & Updates**

October 2023



#### Reminders

• Are you signed up for <u>Morning Coffee</u>? Receive a brief daily email with news articles of interest to CalVCB.

• 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 <u>infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov</u> immediately to avoid a disruption in your access to Cares2.

#### Las Vegas Harvest Festival Shooting Application Deadline Only One Year Away

October 1 marked six years since the deadly Route 91 Harvest Festival attack in Las Vegas, which killed and injured dozens of Californians. Victims who resided in California at the time of



the attack have until Oct. 1, 2024, to apply for financial assistance through the California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB).

To date, 3,481 victims have received nearly \$6.4 million in compensation from CalVCB. The biggest payment category is income and support loss (\$3.5 million), followed by mental health treatment (\$1.9 million), and medical compensation (\$736,000).

At the time of the Harvest Festival attack, the deadline to apply for compensation was three years from the date of the crime. However, as of January 1, 2020, victims of all violent crimes now have seven years from the date of the crime to file. Minors have seven years after the direct victim turns 18 to apply.

## TRC Regional Pilot Program Grant Awarded

CalVCB awarded a \$2.5 million grant to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner – Sexual Assault Response Team (SANE-SART) to provide trauma recovery services in Napa and Sonoma Counties.

The Northern California Trauma Recovery Center (TRC) Regional Pilot Program grant will allow for more people in rural and underserved communities to have access to specialized mental health services.

SANE-SART will partner with the Monarch Justice Center in Napa and the Family Justice Center of Sonoma County in Santa Rosa. The facilities assist victims of domestic violence, child maltreatment, human trafficking, elder abuse, and sexual assault. The grant funding will also increase the number of mental health clinicians available to treat children and adults, both in person and virtually.

The grants are funded by the 2022-23 state budget. The Northern California grant will run for 22 months ending June 30, 2025. In January, CalVCB awarded the other grant aimed at Central California locations. It provided \$2.5 million to Amanecer Community Counseling Service to offer TRC services to Kern and San Joaquin Counties.

CalVCB currently funds 22 TRCs statewide.



### Keeping Cares2 Up to Date



#### Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Share our **social media toolkit** on your own social channels, or share posts from the CalVCB **Facebook**, **X** (Twitter), **LinkedIn**, and **Instagram** pages.

Have you logged into your Cares2 account recently?

Your account will automatically deactivate if you do not log in at least once every 90 days.

To have it reactivated, or to submit any staff changes, email infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov.

Once your account is reactivated, you must log in within 24 hours. If you do not, you will need to resubmit an email request.

# Training Suggestions? Contact us with topic-specific advocate and webinar training ideas!

## Advocate Training

CalVCB holds monthly advocate webinars, which are designed to help you better understand our overall program.

We offer some topic-specific training currently, which covers funeral and burial expenses, income and support loss, and relocation.

Fill out our <u>presentation request form</u> and email it to <u>infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov</u>.

#### Material Request Form

Are you running low on CalVCB materials?

Our publications are available to <u>download</u>. Several are available to order using our <u>Material</u> <u>Request Form.</u>

#### Fiscal Year 2022-23 Application and Payment Amounts

CalVCB recently published its Annual Report. In Fiscal Year 2022-23, 39,003 people applied, which is 12 fewer than the year before. Due to an increase in compensation amounts for several categories, including funeral and burial expenses, CalVCB compensated claimants \$46,732,622.46, which is an increase of nearly \$6.4 million.

#### Applications and Payment Amount By County

County	Applied	Payment
Alameda	2,411	\$2,328,783.49
Alpine	2	\$0

Amador	44	\$16,805.29
Butte	418	\$231,667.44
Calaveras	29	\$40,003.85
Colusa	12	\$8202.76
Contra Costa	654	\$851,457.07
Del Norte	21	\$6,989.66
El Dorado	227	\$181,212.24
Fresno	729	\$1,392,571.88
Glenn	126	\$45,372.40
Humboldt	178	\$129,161.78
Imperial	87	\$54,572.15
Inyo	6	\$3,421.29
Kern	319	\$574,341.87
Kings	390	\$363,108.32
Lake	89	\$76,836.45
Lassen	33	\$38,467.09
Los Angeles	11,621	\$21,790,605.37
Madera	138	\$53,527.45
Marin	125	\$59,308.81
Mariposa	16	\$9,889.08
Mendocino	68	\$55,447.27
Merced	482	\$271,177.32
Modoc	6	\$553.38
Mono	8	\$456
Monterey	514	\$303,086.05
Napa	149	\$80,184.96
Nevada	59	\$47,350.60

Orange	1,208	\$1,780,681.41
Placer	420	\$341,547.13
Plumas	7	\$12,202.66
Riverside	1,529	\$1,627,258.93
Sacramento	1,280	\$1,855,665.94
San Benito	165	\$121,851.77
San Bernardino	2,336	\$2,342,729.19
San Diego	1,851	\$1,958,171.88
San Francisco	1,087	\$1,297,611.78

San Joaquin	2,111	\$1,250,619.73
San Luis Obispo	305	\$170,829.77
San Mateo	478	\$228,987.33
Santa Barbara	440	\$452,740.56
Santa Clara	1,706	\$899,253.50
Santa Cruz	284	\$358,055.52
Shasta	640	\$354,080.20
Sierra	1	\$6,096
Siskiyou	32	\$8,606.80
Solano	399	\$404,891.80
Sonoma	507	\$217,547.25
Stanislaus	287	\$283,472.13
Sutter	186	\$135,219.20
Tehama	158	\$143,718.49
Trinity	43	\$23,465.38
Tulare	368	\$444,859.19
Tuolumne	36	\$38,798.77
Ventura	470	\$302,412.15
Yolo	383	\$103,234.31
Yuba	530	\$289,990.20
Unknown	795	\$263,462.14



After 1979, hundreds of CA state prisoners were sterilized without proper consent. Survivors may qualify for payment from the state.



## Forced or Involuntary Sterilization Compensation Program

The Forced or Involuntary Sterilization Compensation Program runs until Dec. 31, 2023.

To increase awareness, we encourage you to share our social media posts, and to utilize our <u>social media</u> <u>toolkit.</u>

#### Did You Know?

An applicant can file an application within:

• Seven years of the date of the crime

- Seven years after the victim attains 21 years of age, or
- Seven years of the time the victim or derivative victim knew or in the exercise of ordinary diligence could have discovered that an injury or death had been sustained as a direct result of crime, whichever is later.

Once an application is accepted on behalf of the direct victim of a qualifying crime, all other associated derivative victims can apply with CalVCB at any time. In



other words, there is no filing period for a derivative victim if CalVCB has an accepted direct victim application. However, if a direct victim has not applied for CalVCB benefits, the derivative victim(s) must meet the time limits for filing an application or provide a good cause reason for why the application is filed late.

Please let us know if you have questions, comments, or suggestions for future editions. Email us at **infoadvocate@victims.ca.gov**.



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