



# SOUTH CAROLINA Victim Service Coordinating Council

## **Approved Guide for Expenditures of Monies Collected for Crime Victim Service in Municipalities and Counties** **Effective December / 2013**

**The following is a list of approved expenditures of crime victims' funds retained by county and municipal governments pursuant to Sections 14-1-206, 14-1-207, 14-1-208, and 14-1-211 exclusively for the purpose of providing victim services; including but not limited to:**

1. Personnel, salaries/ benefits, performing direct services to crime victims (Victim Advocates within law enforcement and solicitor offices, notifiers for detention centers and the summary courts);
2. Automobiles shall be used solely by the Victim Service Provider (VSP) for providing direct victim services for the life of the automobile.
3. Expenses for a victim may be reimbursed to the Victim Service Provider (VSP) only while providing direct victims services at the rate of per diem for meals and transportation
4. Computers, computer software, internet connection, website for personnel providing direct crime victim services;
5. Automated victim information and notification systems;
6. Training and conference registration, hotel accommodations for personnel providing direct crime victim services;
7. Office space, furniture, equipment (telephone, telephone lines, 800 numbers, fax, copier) and equipment maintenance for personnel providing direct crime victim services;
8. Postage, copying and printing cost for programs as relating to notification services and correspondence relating to direct victim services as carried out by the Victim Service Provider
9. Brochures for crime victims describing the crime victim services available through the entities and contact information. Reference materials.
10. Telephone charges relating directly to crime victim services;
11. Pager, cell phone expenses for personnel providing direct crime victim services;

12. Volunteer personnel and training expenses directly providing services to crime victims;
13. Office supplies for personnel directly involved in providing services for crime victims;
14. Camera, film, video tape, VCR recording equipment to support evidence documentation for domestic violence and sexual assault cases and viewing of educational materials for victims;
15. Recording or translation services directly related to crime victim services;
16. Funding for Women and Children shelters/ treatment center for crime within the county or municipality;
17. Funding for Rape Crisis Centers
18. Funding for other local organizations providing direct services for crime victims (Mental Health, etc.);
19. Matching funds for grant programs providing direct services to crime victims ( CDV grants, dedicated court grants for CDV, etc.);Emergency funding to be paid to service providers for crime victims: day care for children of crime victims required to be in court, limited rent, utilities for transitional housing for CDV victims, limited groceries, transportation, etc.);Funding for child friendly interview rooms, separate waiting rooms for crime victims;