

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
OF THE
CRIME VICTIMS COMMITTEE
OF THE
ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
AND
AGENDA**

Pursuant to A.R.S § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the **Crime Victims Committee** of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission and to the general public that the **Crime Victims Committee** will hold a meeting open to the public on **Thursday, May 19, 2011** beginning at **10:00 a.m.** at the **Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 W. Washington, Suite 250, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.**

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Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call** **Chairperson Linda Scott**
Crime Victims Committee Members:
Linda Scott, Chairperson
John Armer
Duane Belcher
Tom Horne
Barbara LaWall
Bill Montgomery
Charles Ryan
- II. Minutes of the January 20, 2011 Meeting**
- Approval of Minutes **P-F-T**
- III. Crime Victim Compensation Program** **Larry Grubbs**
- Review, discussion, consideration and possible action on the following:
 - A. Designation of Operational Units** **P-F-T**
 - B. FY12 Compensation Program Budget** **P-F-T**
 - C. FY12 Compensation Program Funding Allocation** **P-F-T**
 - D. FY12 Compensation Fund Distribution Method** **P-F-T**

IV. Crime Victim Assistance Program **Larry Grubbs**

- Review, discussion, consideration and possible action on the following:
 - A.** FY12 Crime Victim Assistance Grant Awards:
 - Government agencies eligible to serve on the ACJC **P-F-T**
 - B.** FY12 Crime Victim Assistance Grant Awards:
 - Other government, and non-profit agencies **P-F-T**
 - C.** Evaluation of Crime Victim Assistance Funding Priorities **Info**

V. Call to the Public

Those wishing to address the Committee need not request permission in advance. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

VI. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

- The next Crime Victims Committee meeting will be held at the call of the Chairperson.

VII. Adjournment

A copy of the agenda background material provided to Committee members is available for public inspection at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 West Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, (602) 364-1146. This document is available in alternative formats by contacting the Commission Office.



**CRIME VICTIMS COMMITTEE
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Request for Committee Action

Action Requested:	Type of Action Requested:	Subject:
May 19, 2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formal Action/Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Minutes of the January 20, 2011 Meeting

TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee approve the minutes of the Crime Victims Committee Meeting held on January 20, 2011.

DISCUSSION:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

Not Approve - Modify - Table

**Crime Victims Committee
Minutes
January 20, 2011**

A public meeting of the Crime Victims Committee of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission was convened on January 20, 2011 at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, 1110 W. Washington, Suite 250, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

Members Present:

Linda Scott, Chairperson, Former Judge
John Armer, Gila County Sheriff
Duane Belcher, Chairperson, Board of Executive Clemency, Erin Warzecha representing
Tom Horne, Arizona Attorney General, Ann Marreel representing
Barbara LaWall, Pima County Attorney, Dave Smutzer representing by conference call
Bill Montgomery, Maricopa County Attorney
Charles Ryan, Director, Department of Corrections, Charles Flanagan representing

Staff Participating:

Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Wendy Boyle, Executive Secretary

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Linda Scott at 1:00 PM. Roll was taken and a quorum was declared present.

II. Minutes of the November 18, 2010 Meeting

Chairperson Scott called for a motion to adopt the minutes. Commissioner John Armer moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded by Designee Charles Flanagan and was unanimously adopted by the Committee.

III. Crime Victim Assistance Program Funding Level FY2012

Larry Grubbs, Program Manager presented staff's recommendation to set the FY2012 funding level for the Crime Victims Assistance Grant Program at \$1,020,000. Mr. Grubbs stated the recommended funding level is the same amount allocated for the current fiscal year. The Committee was referred to the table on page seven of the agenda that outlined the financial status of Crime Victim Assistance Program. Mr. Grubbs explained that the funding level is subject to legislative approval.

Commissioner John Armer moved to recommend to the Commission that the funding level for the Crime Victim Assistance Program for FY2012 be set at \$1,020,000. The motion was seconded by Designee Ann Marreel and was unanimously adopted by the Committee.

IV. Call to the Public

Chairperson Scott made a call to the public. No members of the public addressed the Committee.

V. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

The next Crime Victims Committee Meeting will be at the call of the Chairperson.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



John A. Blackburn, Jr.
Executive Director

Audio recording is available upon request.

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Request for Committee Action

Action Requested:	Type of Action Requested:	Subject:
May 19, 2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formal Action/Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other	FY12 Crime Victim Compensation Program Designation of Operational Units

TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission the designation of the 15 County Attorney's Offices as operational units for the FY12 Crime Victim Compensation Program.

DISCUSSION:

The Commission is required to annually designate one operational unit for each county to receive an allocation from the Crime Victim Compensation and Assistance Fund, and to administer the Crime Victim Compensation Program for that county. Currently, the County Attorney's Offices in each of the 15 counties are the designated operational units. Staff proposes continuing the current designation of the County Attorney's Offices as operational units for FY12.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Significant – Administration of a possible \$3,900,000 in Crime Victim Compensation funds for FY12.

ALTERNATIVES:

Not Approve - Modify - Table

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TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission that total funding for the FY12 Crime Victim Compensation Program be set at \$3,900,000, and expended in accordance with the budget on page 8 of the agenda.

DISCUSSION:

See Attached

FISCAL IMPACT:

Significant – Expenditure of \$3,900,000 in Crime Victim Compensation funds for FY12.

ALTERNATIVES:

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CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM

FY12 Program Budget

In past years, the allocation of federal and state compensation funds to county programs has been made in two separate distribution allotments. This process has proved to be inefficient in managing state and federal funds to the counties and has resulted in a surplus of federal funds that must be expended before they expire and returned to the federal government. To better manage the federal and state funds, staff proposes to combine the two allotments into one annual compensation allocation awarded on the state fiscal year. The combined allocation does not have a negative impact on the counties; rather it allows staff to better manage the available resources, and to effectively spend state and federal funds.

Based on state revenue projections, the legislative appropriation for FY12 and unused federal funds, staff proposes the total program size be set at \$3,900,000 with expenditures made in accordance with the attached budget. The total program size includes \$2,500,000 in state compensation funds and \$1,400,000 in federal VOCA compensation funds from previous unspent awards.

The FFY11 federal VOCA award that would typically be allocated in September will be held until next May when it will be combined with available state funds for the FY13 compensation program.

CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM

FY12 PROGRAM BUDGET

State Compensation

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14
Beginning Balance	1,953,003	1,351,077	1,112,577	864,862
Revenue	2,219,000	2,219,000	2,252,285	2,308,592
Reversion	420,374	350,000		
	4,592,377	3,920,077	3,364,862	3,173,454
Expenditures				
Benefits	2,750,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Study	35,000	-	-	-
Sweep	456,300	307,500	-	-
	3,241,300	2,807,500	2,500,000	2,500,000
Ending Balance	1,351,077	1,112,577	864,862	673,454

Federal VOCA Compensation

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14
Beginning Balance		24,226		
Revenue				
2008 grant	168,311	109,525		
2009 grant		989,637		
2010 grant		276,611	909,939	
2011 grant			490,061	682,239
2012 grant				1,500,000
	168,311	1,400,000	1,400,000	2,182,239
Expenditures	144,085	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000
Ending Balance	24,226	-	-	782,239

*used in FY15

	FY12	FY13	FY14
County Program Size	3,900,000	3,900,000	3,900,000

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TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission the allocation of \$3,900,000 in state and federal Crime Victim Compensation funds to the operational units for the FY12 Crime Victim Compensation Program.

DISCUSSION:

The table on page 10 reflects the dollar amounts proposed for allocation to each operational unit in the 15 counties. The allocation formula includes the following process steps:

1. \$50,000 of the state funds retained in emergency reserve as required by Program Rule R10-4-102.D
2. A fixed administrative allocation from state funds to county programs
3. A base allotment of \$11,100 to county programs
4. The remaining balance of funds distributed by population

FISCAL IMPACT:

Significant – Distribution of \$3,900,000 in Crime Victim Compensation funds to county compensation programs in FY12.

ALTERNATIVES:

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CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM
FY 2012 PROPOSED CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION ALLOCATION
\$3,900,000 TOTAL PROGRAM

COUNTY	POPULATION	% POPULATION	POPULATION ALLOTMENT	PRIVATE FUNDS SPENT	60% PRIVATE FUNDS ALLOTMENT	BASE ALLOTMENT	ADMIN ALLOTMENT	TOTAL ALLOTMENT	% OF TOTAL ALLOTMENT	QUARTERLY ALLOCATION
APACHE	71,518	1.12%	\$ 36,173	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,100	\$ 7,200	\$ 54,473	1.41%	\$ 13,618
COCHISE	131,346	2.05%	66,433	-	-	11,100	11,400	88,933	2.31%	22,233
COCONINO	134,421	2.10%	67,988	-	-	11,100	11,400	90,488	2.35%	22,622
GILA	53,597	0.84%	27,109	-	-	11,100	5,900	44,109	1.15%	11,027
GRAHAM	37,220	0.58%	18,825	-	-	11,100	4,600	34,525	0.90%	8,631
GREENLEE	8,437	0.13%	4,267	-	-	11,100	2,600	17,967	0.47%	4,492
LA PAZ	20,489	0.32%	10,363	-	-	11,100	3,500	24,963	0.65%	6,241
MARICOPA	3,817,117	59.72%	1,930,649	-	-	11,100	255,800	2,197,549	57.08%	549,387
MOHAVE	200,186	3.13%	101,252	-	-	11,100	15,000	127,352	3.31%	31,838
NAVAJO	107,449	1.68%	54,346	-	-	11,100	9,800	75,246	1.95%	18,812
PIMA	980,263	15.34%	495,804	-	-	11,100	69,100	576,004	14.96%	144,001
PINAL	375,770	5.88%	190,060	-	-	11,100	17,800	218,960	5.69%	54,740
SANTA CRUZ	47,420	0.74%	23,984	-	-	11,100	5,100	40,184	1.04%	10,046
YAVAPAI	211,033	3.30%	106,738	-	-	11,100	16,200	134,038	3.48%	33,509
YUMA	195,751	3.06%	99,008	-	-	11,100	15,100	125,208	3.25%	31,302
TOTAL	6,392,017	100.00%	\$ 3,233,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 166,500	\$ 450,500	\$ 3,850,000	100%	\$ 962,500

	RECOMMENDED FUNDING	LESS ACJC VOCA ADMIN*	LESS STATE RESERVE**	EQUALS COUNTY ALLOCATION
STATE COMPENSATION FUNDS	\$2,500,000		\$50,000	\$2,450,000
FEDERAL COMPENSATION FUNDS	\$1,400,000			\$1,400,000
			TOTAL	\$3,850,000

*ACJC admin will equal 5% of FFY2011 VOCA award and be reflected in the FY13 allocation

**\$50,000 held in reserve as required by Program Rule R10-4-102.D

Source for Population: US Census Bureau 2010

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Request for Committee Action

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TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission that, beginning in FY12, all Victim Compensation program funding be distributed to the 15 county programs as a monthly expenditure reimbursement rather than through up front quarterly distributions.

DISCUSSION:

In September 2010 the compensation program implemented a reimbursement process for federal VOCA compensation fund expenditures. This process was initiated in response to the federal minimum cash on hand requirement. Since then, program staff identified the following issues associated with the expenditure of state and federal compensation funds on a statewide level:

- Historically, the Victim Compensation Program has struggled with spending all allocated state compensation funds during any given fiscal year;
- A current surplus of federal VOCA compensation funds must be spent down before those funds expire.

Coordinating a response to these issues on the county level would be inefficient and could have little impact. Instead these issues can be addressed by transitioning all compensation fund distributions to a reimbursement process. Reimbursement already provides significant assurance that federal funding sent to a county program will not be held beyond the 10 day deadline. The same process could also assure that state funding sent to a county program will not be reverted at the end of the fiscal year, and that the available balance of VOCA compensation funds can be gradually spent down.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Significant – Distribution of \$3,900,000 in Crime Victim Compensation funds to county compensation programs in FY12.

ALTERNATIVES:

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TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission the awarding of FY12 Crime Victim Assistance funds, based on the table on page 14, to the criminal justice government agencies eligible to serve on the Commission.

DISCUSSION:

Fifty-four agencies applied for grant funding, requesting a total of \$1,904,604 in Crime Victim Assistance funds for FY12. The program size established by the Commission for FY12 is \$1,020,000.

A.R.S. § 41-2407 (B) states that no more than 50% of Crime Victim Assistance Funds can be allocated to criminal justice government agencies eligible to serve as a member of the Commission. These agencies are specified in A.R.S. § 41-2404 (A) and (B). The maximum amount available for distribution to the sixteen applicants in this category is \$510,000 for FY12.

The funding proposal on page 16 reflects the evaluation criteria and priorities approved by the Commission. A narrative is provided, beginning on page 15 summarizing the Victim Assistance Program, the evaluation process, and proposed funding for FY12.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Significant – Distribution of up to \$1,020,000 in Crime Victim Assistance grant funds to approved agencies for FY12.

ALTERNATIVES:

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TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

FROM: Larry Grubbs, Program Manager
Crime Victim Services

RECOMMENDATION:

The Crime Victims Committee recommends to the Commission the awarding of FY12 Crime Victim Assistance funds, based on the table on page 14, to non-profit agencies, and other government agencies.

DISCUSSION:

(See item IV-A)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Significant – Distribution of up to \$1,020,000 in Crime Victim Assistance grant funds to approved agencies for FY12.

ALTERNATIVES:

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Table 1 Summary of FY 2012 Grant Requests & Proposed Awards					
APPLICANT AGENCY	FY11 Grant Awards	FY11 Funded FTE Positions	FY12 Grant Request	FY12 Proposed Grant Awards	FY12 Proposed FTE Positions
VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACADEMY					
Arizona Coalition of Victim Services	\$ 20,000	0.5	\$ 21,093	\$ 20,000	0.5
COMMISSION ELIGIBLE CRIMINAL JUSTICE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS					
Apache County Attorney's Office	19,200	0.5	41,383	19,200	0.6
Arizona Attorney General's Office	45,500	0.9	47,761	45,500	0.6
Chandler Police Department	19,500	0.3	87,182	19,500	0.4
Cochise County Attorney's Office	14,400	0.3	18,369	14,400	0.3
Gila County Attorney's Office	17,600	0.4	24,029	17,600	0.5
Graham County Attorney's Office	14,200	0.4	33,079	14,200	0.4
Greenlee County Attorney's Office	9,900	0.3	16,042	9,900	0.4
La Paz County Attorney's Office	17,600	0.4	25,432	17,600	0.5
Maricopa County Attorney's Office	104,400	1.9	171,650	104,400	1.9
Mohave County Attorney's Office	25,600	0.8	26,781	25,600	0.8
Navajo County Attorney's Office	25,600	0.6	52,599	25,600	0.7
Peoria Police Department	10,800	0.2	13,360	10,800	0.2
Pima County Attorney's Office	106,900	2.0	115,781	106,900	2.0
Pinal County Attorney's Office	25,600	0.4	27,615	25,600	0.5
Santa Cruz County Attorney's Office	17,600	0.4	52,764	17,600	0.6
Yuma County Attorney's Office	25,600	0.3	37,885	25,600	0.5
Sub-Total	\$ 500,000	10.1	\$ 791,712	\$ 500,000	10.9
NON-PROFIT AND OTHER GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS					
A New Leaf, Inc. - Prehab	41,600	0.8	63,545	41,600	0.7
Against Abuse, Inc.	16,000	0.5	17,595	16,000	0.5
Ama Doo Alchini Bighan, Inc. (ADABI)	0	0.0	31,061	0	0.0
Arizona's Children Association - Las Familias	8,800	0.2	12,352	8,800	0.2
Bullhead City Attorney's Office	11,800	0.2	15,072	11,800	0.2
Casa Grande City Attorney's Office	11,200	0.2	35,105	11,200	0.2
Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.	12,000	0.3	15,902	12,000	0.4
Childhelp	12,000	0.2	15,600	12,000	0.2
Chrysalis Shelter For Victims of Domestic Violence	12,000	0.2	15,134	12,000	0.3
Colorado River Regional Crisis Shelter, Inc.	15,000	0.5	25,054	15,000	0.7
Community Alliance Against Family Abuse (CAFA)	0	0.0	31,200	0	0.0
EMPACT-SPC	10,800	0.2	42,720	10,800	0.3
Haven Family Resouce Center	12,000	0.3	15,674	12,000	0.4
Homicide Survivors, Inc.	28,700	0.8	34,517	28,700	0.5
Jewish Family and Children's Service	15,500	0.2	15,500	15,500	0.3
Jewish Family and Children's Services of Southern	0	0.0	24,358	0	0.0
Kingman Aid To Abused People, Inc.	9,600	0.2	11,600	9,600	0.2
Lake Havasu City Attorney's Office	0	0.0	66,929	0	0.0
Maricopa, City of	0	0.0	25,000	0	0.0
Mesa City Prosecutor's Office	24,500	0.5	51,605	24,500	0.5
Mt. Graham Safe House, Inc	0	0.0	23,926	0	0.0
Northland Family Help Center	9,000	0.3	13,785	9,000	0.2
Page Regional Domestic Violence Services	0	0.0	32,247	0	0.0
Phoenix City Fire Department	16,000	0.2	31,849	16,000	0.2
Phoenix City Prosecutor's Office	27,200	0.4	49,584	27,200	0.4
Sojourner Center	21,600	0.6	31,111	21,600	0.7
Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault	16,700	0.3	16,628	16,700	0.3
Southern Arizona Children's Advocacy Center	17,600	0.4	25,000	17,600	0.4
Tempe City Social Services - Care 7	21,000	0.4	56,643	21,000	0.4
Time Out, Inc	13,000	0.4	30,126	13,000	0.4
Town of Gilbert Prosecutor's Office	0	0.0	19,306	0	0.0
Trauma Intervention Programs of AZ, Inc.	0	0.0	22,236	0	0.0
Tucson Centers For Women And Children - Emerge	46,100	1.5	71,518	46,100	1.5
U-Turn Foundation	0	0.0	14,861	0	0.0
Verde Valley Sanctuary	15,300	0.3	17,420	15,300	0.4
Victim/Witness Services For Coconino County	30,000	0.5	30,000	30,000	0.4
Wingspan	25,000	0.6	40,046	25,000	0.6
Sub-Total	\$ 520,000	11.2	\$ 1,112,902	\$ 520,000	11.5
TOTAL	\$ 1,020,000	21.8	\$ 1,904,614	\$ 1,020,000	22.9

Crime Victim Assistance Grant Program

The Crime Victim Assistance Program is established to provide victim assistance services to crime victims in the State of Arizona. In accordance with Crime Victim Assistance Program Rule R10-4-204, services eligible to receive funding are:

- Crisis Intervention
- Information and Referral
- Emergency Services
- Support Services
- Court Related Direct Services
- Temporary Protection Services
- Training
- Printing

These services are eligible for funding throughout the State of Arizona.

Services or expenses ineligible to receive funding are:

- Crime prevention efforts other than those aimed at providing specific emergency help after a victimization
- General public relations programs
- Advocacy for particular legislative or administrative reforms
- General criminal justice agency improvements
- Programs in which crime victims are not the primary beneficiary
- Management training and training for persons not providing direct services to victims
- Victim compensation provided under A.A.C. R10-4-101 through R10-4-108
- Homeless shelters

Applications Received

On January 31, 2011, non-profit and government agencies throughout the state were notified via electronic mail of the availability of the FY12 Crime Victim Assistance Program grant. The deadline for submission of the applications was Friday, March 11, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. Fifty-four applications were submitted by the deadline, requesting a total of \$1,904,614. Of this amount, the 16 criminal justice government agencies eligible to serve as a member of the Commission requested \$791,712; and 33 Non-profit and Other Government programs requested \$1,112,902. The total amount of funds requested far exceeding the \$1,020,000 available.

Evaluation and Scoring

The applications were evaluated pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-2702. All applications received were reviewed and scored by ACJC staff and outside evaluators. Scoring was based on the Crime Victim Assistance program rules, criteria, and priorities approved by the Commission. Applicants had to score a minimum of 700 points (out of 1,080) to be considered for grant funding. However, meeting the minimum score did not guarantee an award due to the limited funding available. Of the 54 applications submitted, all of them met the minimum score.

The applications were evaluated using the following scoring criteria:

- Services to be provided are eligible under Crime Victim Assistance Rules
- The completeness of the application, all requested information was provided
- Assistance in obtaining victim compensation
- Use of volunteers in the program

- New programs demonstrate a need for services that are not currently being met
- Collaboration efforts of the program with other agencies
- Goals and objectives are reasonable and achievable
- Performance measures clearly identify the success of the program
- Budget costs are reasonable and allowable (construction projects and land acquisitions are prohibited)
- Financial support is available to the program to match grant funds
- Existing programs demonstrate success
- Programs previously funded by the Commission have met the requirements of the grant

Also considered were those applications that met the following funding priorities established by the Commission:

- \$20,000 provided directly to the Arizona Victim Assistance Academy.
- Programs that provide unduplicated services within a 35-mile radius.
- Programs that provide multiple services to a diverse range of crime victims.
- Programs that demonstrate the highest ratio of Advocates to Victims Served.
- Programs that demonstrate the highest ratio of Victims to Services Provided.
- Programs operating in counties with the highest crime per capita rate based on the latest Uniform Crime Report. Crime data is based on all Index Crimes reported and Part II Victim Crimes only.
- Programs that demonstrate strong support of established goals and objectives and clearly identify how the success of the program will be measured.
- Programs that demonstrate a strong collaborative effort with law enforcement, prosecution, service providers, community organizations, and other social service agencies.
- Programs that demonstrate a strong component of assisting crime victims in filing victim compensation claims.

The table on page 14 displays the staff recommendation for funding allocations to Criminal Justice Government programs eligible to serve on the Commission, Non-profit programs, and Other Government programs. The table summarizes the FY11 grant awards and FTE Positions, FY12 grant requests, proposed FY12 awards, and FTE Positions for all funded programs for FY12.

In allocating funding, staff prioritized maintaining funding levels for currently funded programs, over increasing individual awards or funding a new program. Revenue projections show the Victim Assistance Program cannot sustain a \$1,020,000 total program size beyond the 2012 fiscal year. Without an infusion of additional revenue the total program size for FY13 could be as low as \$850,000.

To prepare for this significant reduction in the total program size, and the cuts it will necessitate, ACJC staff recommends a reevaluation of the funding priorities for the ACJC Crime Victim Assistance Grant program. With the reevaluation complete, these priorities will guide program staff through the difficult task of reducing or eliminating individual program funding for FY13.

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TO: Chairperson and Committee Members

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RECOMMENDATION:

Information Only

DISCUSSION:

Revenue projections show the Victim Assistance Program cannot sustain a \$1,020,000 total program size beyond the 2012 fiscal year. Without an infusion of additional revenue the total program size for FY13 could be as low as \$850,000.

To prepare for this significant reduction in the total program size, and the cuts it will necessitate, ACJC staff recommends a review of the funding priorities for the ACJC Crime Victim Assistance Grant program. The current program priorities are listed on page 16 of the agenda.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A