



U.S. Congressman

**Nick Rahall**

*WORKING FOR WEST VIRGINIANS*

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**FEDERAL AID FOR CRIME VICTIMS ARRIVES IN WEST VIRGINIA**

WASHINGTON, DC -- U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced today that the U.S. Department of Justice awarded the West Virginia Court of Claims \$180,000 for victim compensation payments.

Innocent victims of crime who are injured must report the crime within 72 hours and cooperate with the prosecution in order to be eligible for benefits. Victims or survivors can only be compensated for medical expenses incurred and wages lost as a direct result of the crime; victims will not be compensated for expenses covered by another source such as insurance or Medicaid. Benefit claims must be filed within two years. Each victim or survivor may received up to \$20,000 in the case of injury and \$30,000 in the case of death, including up to \$3,000 for funeral costs.

"West Virginia's Crime Victim Fund is doubly good -- its give innocent victims the compensation they deserve and it helps convict more criminals by encouraging the cooperation of victims in criminal investigation and prosecution."

This federal grant is 40% of the total payments made to victims through West Virginia's compensation program in 1991. The payments were funded by assessed court costs.

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AWARD

☒ GRANT  
☐ COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

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1. GRANTEE NAME AND ADDRESS (Including Zip Code)

West Virginia Court of Claims  
Crime Victims Compensation Fund  
Building 1, Room 4, 1900 Kanawha Blvd E.  
Charleston WV 25305

4. AWARD NUMBER 94-VC-GX-0054

5. PROJECT PERIOD: FROM 10/01/93 TO 09/30/95

BUDGET PERIOD: FROM 10/01/93 TO 09/30/95

1A. GRANTEE IRS/VENDOR NO. 550489243

6. AWARD DATE: March 9, 1994

7. ACTION

☒ INITIAL  
☐ SUPPLEMENTAL

2. SUBGRANTEE NAME AND ADDRESS (Including Zip Code)

8. SUPPLEMENT NUMBER

2A. SUBGRANTEE IRS/VENDOR NO.

9. PREVIOUS AWARD AMOUNT \$ 0.00

3. PROJECT TITLE

Victim Compensation Benefits

10. AMOUNT OF THIS AWARD \$ 180,000.00

11. TOTAL AWARD \$ 180,000.00

12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Check, if applicable)

☒ THE ABOVE GRANT PROJECT IS APPROVED SUBJECT TO SUCH CONDITIONS OR LIMITATIONS AS ARE SET FORTH  
ON THE ATTACHED 02 PAGE(S).

13. STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR GRANT

☐ TITLE I OF THE OMNIBUS CRIME CONTROL AND SAFE STREETS ACT OF 1968.  
42 U.S.C. 3701, ET. SEQ., AS AMENDED.

☐ TITLE II OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT OF 1974.  
42 U.S.C. 5601, ET. SEQ., AS AMENDED

☒ VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT OF 1984, 42 U.S.C. 10601, et. seq., Public Law 98-473, as amended.

☐ OTHER (Specify):

14. FUTURE FISCAL YEAR(S) SUPPORT:

SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD: N/A

AMOUNT OF FUNDS: N/A TYPE OF FUNDS:

THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD: N/A

AMOUNT OF FUNDS: N/A TYPE OF FUNDS:

15. METHOD OF PAYMENT

THE GRANTEE WILL RECEIVE CASH VIA A LETTER OF CREDIT ☒ YES ☐ NO

AGENCY APPROVAL

GRANTEE ACCEPTANCE

16. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF APPROVING OJP OFFICIAL

Carolyn A. Hightower, Acting Director  
Office for Victims of Crime

18. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GRANTEE OFFICIAL

Cheryle M. Hall, Clerk of the Court

17. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OJP OFFICIAL

*Carolyn A. Hightower*

19. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GRANTEE

19A. DATE

AGENCY USE ONLY

20. ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION CODE

FISCAL YEAR	FUND CODE	BUD. ACT.	OFC.	DIV. REG.	SUB.	POMS
X	G	V1	35	00	00	VM

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GRANT MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM, PT. I:  
PROJECT SUMMARY

☒ GRANT ☐ COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

PROJECT NUMBER  
94-VC-GX-0054

- ☐ This project is supported under Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act, 42 USC 3701, as amended.
- ☐ This project is supported under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended.
- ☒ Other: Victims of Crime Act of 1984, 42 U.S.C. 10601, et. seq., Public Law 98-473, as amended.

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2. PROJECT DIRECTOR (Name, address & telephone number)

Cheryle M. Hall, Clerk  
West Virginia Court of Claims/CVCF  
1900 Kanawha Blvd E., Bldg 1 Room 4  
Charleston WV 25305  
(304)558-3471

3a. TITLE OF THE PROGRAM

Crime Victim Compensation Grant Program

3b. POMS CODE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS  
ON REVERSE)

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4. TITLE OF PROJECT

Victim Compensation Benefits

5. NAME & ADDRESS OF GRANTEE

West Virginia Court of Claims  
Crime Victims Compensation Fund  
Building 1, Room 4, 1900 Kanawha Blvd E.  
Charleston WV 25305

6. NAME & ADDRESS OF SUBGRANTEE

7. PROGRAM PERIOD

FROM: 10/01/93 TO: 09/30/95

8. BUDGET PERIOD

FROM: 10/01/93 TO: 09/30/95

9. AMOUNT OF AWARD

\$ 180,000.00

10. DATE OF AWARD

March 9, 1994

11. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET

N/A

12. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

N/A

13. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD

N/A

14. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

N/A

15. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (See instruction on reverse)

THIS GRANT AWARD PROVIDES FUNDS FROM THE FY93 CRIME VICTIMS FUND TO ENHANCE THE WEST VIRGINIA'S VICTIM COMPENSATION PAYMENTS TO ELIGIBLE CRIME VICTIMS.

*last report -> workless medical*  
*insurance not for property (except medically necessary)*  
*40% of what State paid out 2 yrs ago 1991*  
*21 mon. behind in paying funded by assessed court costs*  
*20,000 injury 30,000 death 3,000 funeral max claims per individual*  
*2 years to file claim for compensation*  
*innocent victims, injured must report w/in 72 must cooperate w/prosecution*