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RAHALL ANNOUNCES FUNDS FOR VICTIMS

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced today the U.S. Department of Justice has awarded the West Virginia Court of Claims \$173,000 for the Crime Victim Compensation Grant Program.

The grants are awarded to those victims of crime who suffer injuries due to criminal neglect. This grant award provides funds from the Crime Victims Fund to enhance the State of West Virginia's victim compensation payments to eligible crime victims.

"The Victims of Crime Fund was set up as a result of the passage of the 1984 Victims of Crime Act," said Rahall. "It seeks to protect those who are the voiceless few when violent crimes are committed: the victim."

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