

Office of Crime Victim Services (OCVS) – Introductory Training for Victim Service Providers (ITVSP)

AGENDA



Training Title: OCVS ITVSP □ Date: July 26, 2024 □ Time: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Outline	Estimated time	Learning Objectives: Participants will:	Description/ Content
Welcome			
Topic: Crime Victim Compensation Facilitator: Keri Berling, Program Director	9:00 am – 10:00 am	1. Be aware of the CVC program and know how to apply 2. Learn basic information about the CVC program	What Is the Crime Victim Compensation Program (CVC)? Victims of violent crime and family or household members of deceased victims may have significant out-of-pocket expenses through no fault of their own. Crime Victim Compensation (CVC) helps pay for unreimbursed eligible expenses that result from the crime.
Break			
Topic: Crime Victim Rights and Enforcement Facilitator: Anne Kessenich, Victim Rights Specialist	10:00 am – 10:05 am 10:05 am – 11:10 am	1. Be able to identify new rights for crime victims under the constitutional amendment 2. Understand and be able to identify rights for crime victims under Chapter 950 of Wisconsin State Statutes 3. Understand rights enforcement options for crime victims to exercise and assert their rights	Victims of crime who come into contact with the criminal justice system are entitled to certain rights under Wisconsin statutes and the Constitution. In 2020, the Wisconsin Constitution was amended to include additional rights for victims of crime. This presentation will provide attendees with a basic understanding of the new rights afforded to crime victims as the result of the constitutional amendment known as “Marsy’s Law”.
Break			
Topic: Safe at Home Address Confidentiality Program Facilitator: Carmin Valerdi, Victim Services Specialist	11:10 am – 11:15 am 11:15 am – 12:15 pm	1. Know the basic information about the Safe at Home program and what makes a participant eligible 2. Recognize the benefits and limitations of the program and how participants use their assigned address in a real-world context 3. Understand how Victim/Witness professionals can ensure a Safe at Home participant’s address is protected	The Safe at Home program provides a legal substitute address and free mail forwarding for Wisconsinites who have experienced abuse or threats of abuse, are the parent or guardian of a person who is a victim of abuse, reside with those who have been victims, or fear for their physical safety or the safety of their child or ward.
Lunch			
Topic: SAFE Fund Facilitators: Terri Wixom, SAFE Fund Administrator	12:15 pm – 1:00 pm 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	1. Be aware of the SAFE Fund program 2. Learn basic information about the SAFE Fund program	What Is the Wisconsin Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Fund (SAFE Fund)? The Wisconsin SAFE Fund is a state-funded program that can reimburse health care providers for the cost of a forensic medical exam for victims of sexual assault.