

More Help Is Available

Victims of crime may also receive help from other programs, such as:

- ◆ Domestic Violence – NH Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline – 1-866-644-3574; www.nhcadv.org
- ◆ Sexual Assault – NH Statewide Sexual Assault Hotline – 1-800-277-5570; www.nhcadv.org
- ◆ Everyday needs and difficult times. A connection to thousands of resources available in New Hampshire. Call 211; www.211.nh

Each year the New Hampshire Victims' Compensation Program reaches out to hundreds of victims who have suffered financial loss, physical injuries and emotional trauma as a result of violent crime.

The assistance provided by this program helps victims recover and rebuild their lives.

State of New Hampshire Victims' Compensation Program

TO APPLY

PHONE:

(603) 271-1284

1-800-300-4500 (in NH only)

TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964

FAX:

(603) 223-6291

ADDRESS:

Department of Justice
33 Capitol Street
Concord, NH 03301

E-MAIL:

victimcomp@doj.nh.gov

WEB SITE:

[www.doj.nh.gov/grants-management/
victims-compensation-program](http://www.doj.nh.gov/grants-management/victims-compensation-program)



Are You A Victim of A Crime . . .

Feeling Like There Is Nowhere
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NEW HAMPSHIRE VICTIMS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

What is the Victims' Compensation Program?

The New Hampshire Victims' Compensation Program helps victims of certain crimes with costs directly connected to the crime. Family members of homicide victims, and parents and/or legal guardians are also eligible under this program. Crime-related costs are covered on approved claims, if these costs are not covered by another financial resource.

What Costs Are Covered?

Costs directly caused by the crime may be covered. Medical insurance or other available financial sources must be used first. The costs may include:

- ◆ Medical
 - ❖ Hospital
 - ❖ Vision
 - ❖ Hearing
 - ❖ Doctor
 - ❖ Dental
 - ❖ Medication
- ◆ Loss of income
- ◆ Loss of financial support for dependents in homicide victims
- ◆ Reasonable relocation costs
- ◆ Funeral and burial – (up to \$5000 and up to \$500 for grave marker)
- ◆ Counseling – (up to \$3,000 or 40 visits, whichever comes first)
- ◆ Crime scene clean-up (homicides only)
- ◆ Security systems and up to one-year of monitoring
- ◆ Reimbursement for clothing or bedding held as evidence by police (sexual assault)
- ◆ Up to 10 days of emergency funds available through your local crisis center for domestic and sexual violence victims
- ◆ Removal of identifying tattoos or markings of human trafficking

What Cost Are Not Covered?

- ◆ Costs that are not directly connected to the crime
- ◆ Property that was damaged or stolen
- ◆ Pain and suffering
- ◆ Household living expenses
- ◆ Costs that have been paid by another financial resource, such as:
 - ❖ Insurance
 - ❖ Donations
 - ❖ Court restitution
 - ❖ Charitable or free medical care

Who Is Eligible?

- ◆ A victim who suffered physical and/or emotional injury in New Hampshire. If the crime did not happen in New Hampshire, please see the National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Boards website at www.nacvb.org for contact information on the compensation program of the state where the crime happened.
- ◆ A victim of a person driving drunk, under the influence or purposely using a vehicle to hurt a victim.
- ◆ A dependent or legal representative of a deceased victim (homicide.)
- ◆ A parent or legal guardian who is responsible for the medical expenses of a child victim.

Who Is Not Eligible?

- ◆ A person whose own actions contributed to the crime
- ◆ A person injured or killed while committing a crime
- ◆ A person involved in a non-crime related accident (for example, a person is injured when another driver hits his or her car or a person who slips and falls on another person's property)

What Crimes Are Eligible?

- ◆ Assault, including domestic violence
- ◆ Child and adult sexual assault
- ◆ Human trafficking
- ◆ Child and elder abuse

- ◆ Injury or death caused by someone driving under the influence (DUI) and driving while intoxicated (DWI)
- ◆ Murder or manslaughter
- ◆ Robbery with physical injury

What Must I Do To Be Eligible?

- ◆ You must report the crime to police.
- ◆ Sexual assault victims, who report to a local hospital within 5 days of the crime and cooperate with the examination and evidence collection, are eligible even if they decide not to report to police.
- ◆ You must file the victim compensation application within 2 years from the date of the crime. In rare cases, this time frame may be waived.
- ◆ You must cooperate with police and the court during the investigation and prosecution of the crime. *The offender does not have to be convicted of a crime for you to be eligible for compensation.*

How Do I Apply?

① Complete and sign the application form. The form is available on our website at: www.doj.nh.gov (click on Crime Victims and then Victims' Compensation Program)

② Mail the completed application to:

NH Victims' Compensation Program
Department of Justice
33 Capitol Street
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③ The application form will be reviewed and more information or documents may be needed. Please respond to any request for more information as soon as possible.