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People impacted by crime in Virginia can apply for assistance with reasonable and necessary expenses that arise from the crime. These can include:

- Medical Expenses
- Funeral Expenses
- Lost Wages
- Prescriptions
- Crime-Scene Clean-Up
- Moving
- Temporary Housing
- Mileage
 - to medical appointments
 - to court-related appointments for child victims
- Loss of Support
 - From an Offender removed from the home in domestic violence or child sexual-assault cases
 - Dependents of Homicide Victims
- Counseling
 - For direct victims
 - For children who witness domestic violence
 - For the immediate family of a homicide victim

Eligibility Requirements

There are some eligibility requirements defined by Virginia law. However, there is some flexibility for child victims and other special circumstances. Contacting VVF or a local victim advocate may help in understanding these criteria.

The eligibility criteria are laid out below:

THE VICTIM

- must cooperate with law enforcement agencies and the courts
- was not involved in illegal activity which caused the crime
- did not provoke or willingly take part in the crime

THE CRIME

- was committed in Virginia, or a country where Virginia residents are not eligible for compensation
- was reported to a law enforcement agency within 120 hours (5 days), unless there is good reason for the delay
- ► Virginia Victims Fund website
- ► Contact the Virginia Victims Fund

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