



UNDERSTANDING GUAM'S CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION PROGRAM

➤ What is the Criminal Injuries Compensation Program?

If you or a loved one is a victim of a crime and suffered injury, the Criminal Injuries Compensation Program can provide financial reimbursement for crime related expenses to ease some of the financial burdens you may face.

➤ Who can apply?

Victims, Dependents, Parents, or any other persons who have incurred expenses as a result of the Victim's injury or death.

➤ How do I know if a Victim is eligible?

- a. Victim died or was injured;
- b. Crime is at least one (1) of the crimes listed in 8 G.C.A. 161.55;
- c. Crime occurred in Guam, or if crime did not occur in Guam, Victim is a resident of Guam and place where crime occurred does not have criminal injuries compensation program;
- d. Arrest made or crime reported to police without undue delay;
- e. Application made within 18 months of Victim's injury or death.

[DISCLAIMER: applicants should not assume they qualify or do not qualify for compensation. The Criminal Injuries Compensation Program reviews each case to determine eligibility; and refers all eligible cases to the Commission for final review and possible award.]

➤ **What expenses may be covered?**

- a. Medical Expenses
- b. Funeral/ Burial Costs
- c. Loss of Wages
- d. Property damage incurred as a result of the crime or incident;
- e. Any qualifying costs incurred as a result of the crime or incident;

➤ **How much compensation can the Criminal Injuries Compensation Commission award?**

- a. Medical expenses not to exceed \$20,000
- b. All other expenses not to exceed \$10,000

➤ **What is the Process?**

- a. You must complete the application form that can be provided to you by our office or you may access it online on our website at www.oagguam.org
- b. Completed applications must be submitted to our office in person or by mail
- c. You will receive a letter of eligibility or ineligibility within 20 days of submitting your application
- d. If you are determined eligible, you will be contacted by the program personnel for an interview to collect all documentation and receipts
- e. After the interview, you will be informed of the date and time of hearing before the Commission

[DISCLAIMER: incomplete or falsified applications will not be processed or accepted]

➤ **Who administers this program?**

The Attorney General's Office is responsible for staffing the program and ensuring prompt payment of awards made by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Commission.

➤ **Who are the Commission Members?**

The Commission currently consists of three (3) members. They are Pa'le Mike Crisostomo, Dr. Lisa Flores and Ms. Denise Mendiola

➤ **Who can I contact for more information?**

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