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STATE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

BASIS AND PURPOSE

Section 24-33.5-506 established the victims assistance and law enforcement fund. The monies in this fund are to be allocated to criminal justice agencies in the department of public safety to help implement and coordinate statewide victim services, to victims and witnesses assistance and law enforcement boards, to organizations whose primary purpose is to address issues related to crime victims to help implement and coordinate statewide or multi-jurisdictional victim programs and services, to other Colorado state criminal justice agencies to help implement the requirements of the state constitution relating to the rights of crime victims and any enabling legislation relating to such constitutional provision, and to the department of law for the position of victims' services coordinator.

Section 24-33.5-507(2) vests the Executive Director of the Department of Public Safety with the duty to promulgate rules and regulations prescribing the procedures to be followed in the making, filing, and evaluation of grant application, the criteria for evaluation, and other regulations necessary for the administration of the fund and allocating the monies therein.

The following rules and regulations have been adopted pursuant to Section 24-33.5-507(2) to fulfill the duties of the Executive Director.

(The law has been changed since the rules went into effect in 1985. This page represents the current law.)

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE AND LAW
ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY BOARD

(42-33.5-508)

I. Duties of the Board

A. Advise the Division concerning:

1. the evaluation of grant applications;
2. the administration of the fund; and
3. the financial gain provision

II. Grant Applications

A. Grant Applications shall be in the form designed by the Division of Criminal Justice.

B. The board shall establish priority categories for funding.

C. Applications shall include at least the following information:

1. Name of agency applying and contact person;
2. Program description;
3. Objectives of program;
4. Duration of the program;
5. Requested amount;
6. Statement concerning similar programs in jurisdiction;
7. Extent to which this is a statewide or multi-jurisdictional program;
8. Impact on other criminal justice agencies in same jurisdiction; and
9. Certification that the funds will not be used for defraying the costs of routine and ongoing operating expenses already in place within the agency requesting funds.

D. Applications shall be filed with the Division of Criminal Justice on or before the date designated in the announcement of available of funds (AAF).

E. Announcement of available funds (AAF) shall be sent to all agencies designated in C.R.S. 24-33.5-506 at least once per year. Such AAF's shall describe programs available for funding, criteria used to make awards, and the deadline for submission of grant requests.

III. Evaluation of Grant Applications

- A. The Division of Criminal Justice shall receive all filings of grant requests as described in Section II above.
- B. The Division shall review each application based on established criteria in Section IV of the rules and regulations and any other criteria as set forth in the AAF.
- C. The Division shall provide Board members with a review of each grant submitted.
- D. The board shall, by majority vote, recommend for funding to the Division of Criminal Justice those grant requests which, in the opinion of the Board, best meet the criteria for funding as found in Section IV of the Board's Rules and Regulations.
- E. The Board may set priorities for programs to be funded.
- F. The Board shall not recommend for funding more programs than there is funding available.
- G. The Board adopts Robert's Rules of Order as its procedural policy.

IV. Criteria for Evaluation of Grant Applications

- A. Recommendations of grants by the Division of Criminal Justice's Victims Assistance and Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - 1. The grant improves the implementation and/or coordination of victim services.
 - 2. The funds are not used for defraying the costs of routine and ongoing operating expenses already in place within the agency requesting funds.
 - 3. The program meets any priorities set by the Board.
 - 4. The program is multi-jurisdictional in nature.
 - 5. The program does not negatively affect other criminal justice agencies.

V. Financial Gain Provision

- A. The board is responsible for the development of policies and procedures which address the financial gain provision in the statute.