



Have you been a victim of crime?

You could be eligible for compensation

What IS VICTIMS SERVICES?

This is a scheme in NSW which provides services to those who have suffered as a result of violence.

Not everyone is eligible, as generally you must have experienced an act of violence first hand (primary victim) or if you were rescuing someone from violence or prevent someone from committing violence



What are your entitlements?

Counselling

The Approved Counselling Service can provide free individual counselling to people of up to 22 hours

Financial assistance

For immediate needs such as relocation, crime scene clean up, safety measures (The total limit is \$5,000) and funeral costs capped at \$8,000

For Economic Loss

Can cover medical expenses, rent, furniture damage to personal effects and loss of earning (the total limit is \$30,000)

Recognition payment

To acknowledge the trauma that you have experienced, depending on the type of offence, you could receive between \$1,500 to \$15,000

These are the steps



Gather evidence

Gather evidence to show loss, and/or injury such as receipts, police report, statements, medical reports



Lodge Application

Victims Services NSW can accept applications online or by post



Receive interim support

Immediate counselling can be available together with interim payments of obenefits



Decision

Victims Services of NSW will determine eligibility of benefits



PLEASE NOTE THAT DIFFERENT TYPES OF BENEFITS HAVE DIFFERENT TIME LIMITS.

A GENERAL RULE IS THAT THE APPLICATION MUST BE LODGED NO LATER THAN TWO (2) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE INCIDENT OR WITHIN TWO (2) YEARS OF TURNING 18 YEARS OLD.

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