

Information Collections Under Review

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- (1) The title of the form/collection;
- (2) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection.
- (3) Who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract;
- (4) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond;
- (5) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection; and,
- (6) An indication as to whether Section 3504(h) of Public Law 96-511 applies.

Comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the OMB reviewer, Mr. Jeff Hill on (202) 395-7340 and to the Department of Justice's Clearance Officer, Mr. Robert B. Briggs, on (202) 514-4319. If you anticipate commenting on a form/collection, but find that time to prepare such comments will prevent you from prompt submission, you should notify the OMB reviewer and the Department of Justice Clearance Officer of your intent as soon as possible. Written comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the collection may be submitted to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503, and to Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Department of Justice Clearance Officer, Systems Policy Staff/Information Resources Management/Justice Management Division Suite 850, WCTR, Washington, DC 20530.

New Collection

- (1) Audit of the National Drug Intelligence Center.
- (2) None. Office of Inspector General, United States Department of Justice.
- (3) Primary = Federal Government, Other = State, Local or Tribal Government. Information is requested in other to determine: 1. Customers satisfaction with NDIC reports, and 2. Customers opinions of the quality of NDIC reports. The results of the survey

will be a factor in the auditors' assessment of the efficiency and effectiveness of NDIC.

(4) 290 annual respondents but it is projected that only 58 will respond at .5 hours per response.

(5) 29 annual burden hours.

(6) Not applicable under Section 3504(h) of Public Law 96-511.

Public comment on this item is encouraged.

Dated: February 16, 1995.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, Department of Justice.

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Office of Justice Programs**Office for Victims of Crime**

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Victims of Crime Act Victim Compensation Grant Program

AGENCY: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime.

ACTION: Final program guidelines.

SUMMARY: The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is publishing Final Program Guidelines to implement the victim compensation grant program as authorized by the Victims of Crime Act of 1984, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 10601, *et seq.* (hereafter referred to as VOCA).

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 23, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carolyn A. Hightower, Acting Director, State Compensation and Assistance Division, 633 Indiana Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20531; telephone number (202) 307-5947. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: VOCA provides Federal financial assistance to States for the purpose of compensating and assisting victims of crime, providing funds for training and technical assistance, and assisting victims of Federal crimes.

These Program Guidelines provide information on the administration and implementation of the VOCA victim compensation grant program as authorized in Section 1403 of VOCA, Public Law 98-473, as amended, codified at 42 U.S.C. 10603, and contain the following information: Summary of the Comments to the Proposed Program Guidelines; Background; Funding Allocation and Application Process;

Program Requirements; Financial Requirements; Monitoring; and Suspension and Termination of Funding. The Guidelines are based on the experience gained and legal opinions rendered during the first nine years of the grant program and are in accordance with VOCA. These Final Program Guidelines are all inclusive. Thus, they supersede any Guidelines previously issued by OVC.

The Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime, in conjunction with the Office of Policy Development, DOJ, and the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, has determined that this rule is not a "significant regulatory action" for purposes of Executive Order 12866 and, accordingly, this rule was not reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

In addition, these Guidelines will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities; therefore, an analysis of the impact of these rules on such entities is not required by the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*

The collection of information described in the Program Requirements section has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) as required under the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3504(h). (OMB Approval Number 1121-0014.)

Summary of the Comments to the Proposed Program Guidelines

On December 17, 1993, the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) published proposed VOCA Victim Compensation Program Guidelines in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 58, No. 164, pages 66023 through 66028. These proposed Guidelines were published for the purpose of soliciting comments on the revised rules for the VOCA victim compensation grant program from all interested individuals and organizations. OVC received six letters from interested individuals and organizations and had conversations with many State VOCA compensation administrators. In total, over twenty-four different issues, questions, recommendations, and comments were received, which often reflected a variety of perspectives.

Respondents included individuals as well as representatives of State and national organizations concerned with various aspects of the implementation of State crime victims compensation benefits and the VOCA victim compensation grant program. The national organizations included the National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Boards (NACVCB) and