



# **Victim Assistance Section, Iowa Attorney General**

**Annual Report  
State Fiscal Year 2023**

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**13.32 Victim assistance grant programs — annual report.**

1. a. The department of justice shall compile an annual report relating to the victim assistance grant programs administered under section 13.31, subsections 1, 3, 4, and 6, which shall include all of the following:

(1) A mission statement and table of organization of the department of justice relating to the victim assistance grant programs, a program summary, and statistics, including but not limited to sources and uses of funds and the numbers of victims served.

(2) An itemization of out-of-state travel expenses incurred by an employee of the department of justice and an itemization of travel expenses paid to a contractor.

(3) An itemization of overtime paid to an employee of the department or a contractor.

(4) An itemization of any bonuses paid to an employee of the department or a contractor.

(5) A summary of expenditures reimbursed through the programs, including but not limited to compensation paid to nonprofit organizations for travel and training expenses, utilities, payroll, benefits, equipment repairs and maintenance, rent, communications, advertising, supplies, insurance, and other direct expenses.

b. The report shall be provided to the co-chairpersons and ranking members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on the justice system, the governor, and the legislative services agency by January 15, 2015, and each January 15 thereafter.

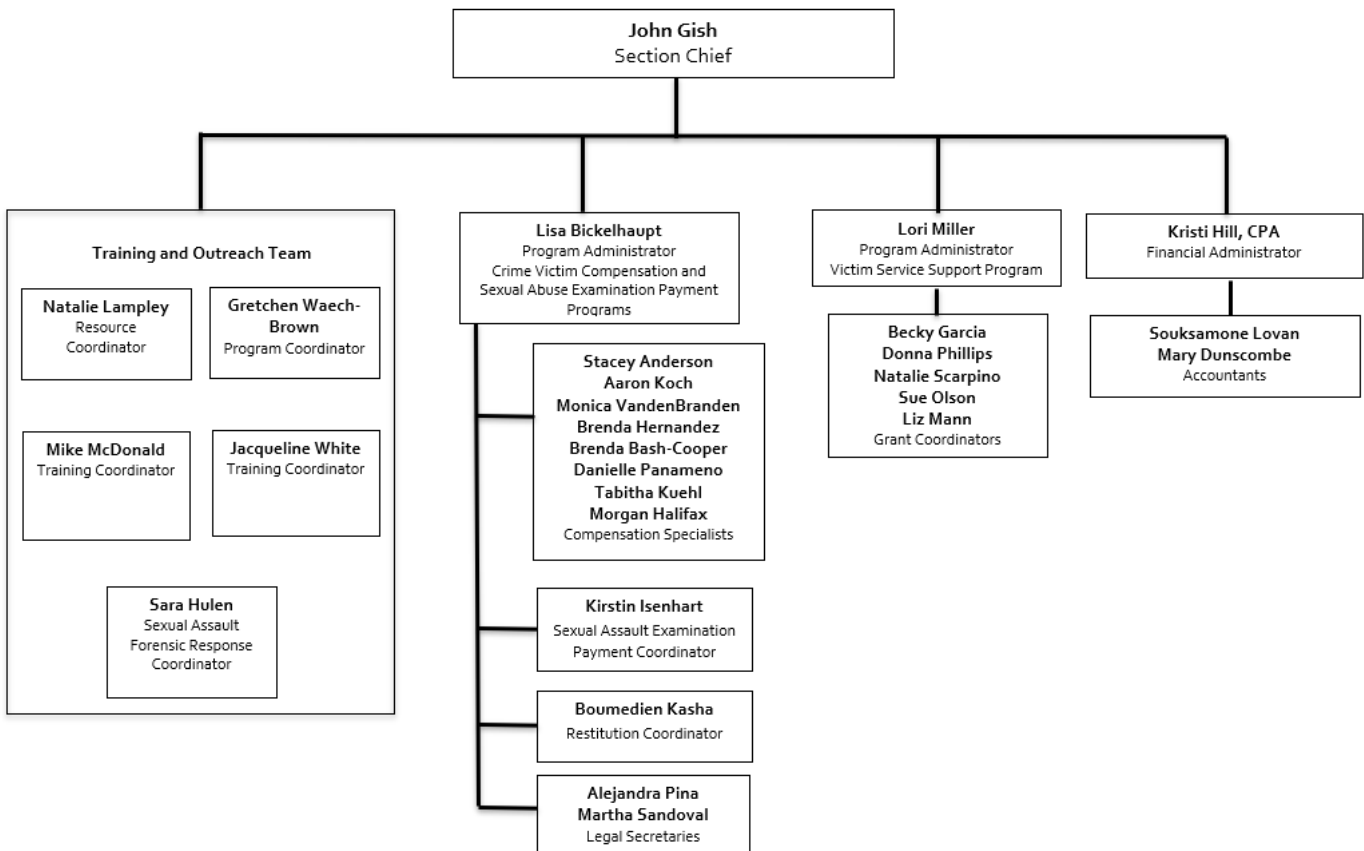
2. The department of justice shall adopt rules to administer claims for victim assistance grants described in subsection 1. The rules shall standardize the claim forms for contractors, including designating a place on the form for an itemization of services provided, mileage incurred, and expenses incurred. The rules shall further specify that the department of justice shall process the claims through the grants enterprise management office.

## I. MISSION STATEMENT.

The Victim Assistance Section delivers essential funding and victim-centered training to support Iowa’s survivors of violent crime.

## II. TABLE OF ORGANIZATION.

### Victim Assistance Section Table of Organization



**III. GRANT PROGRAM SUMMARY, STATISTICS, AND SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS.**

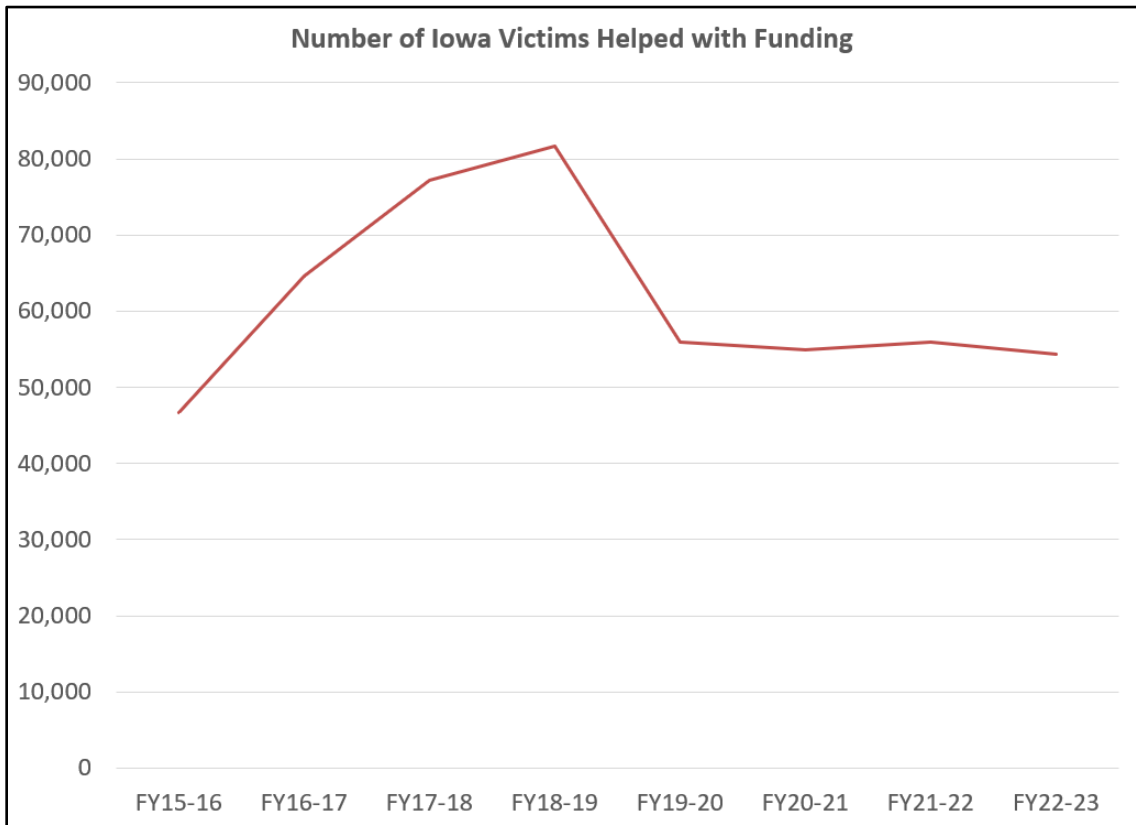
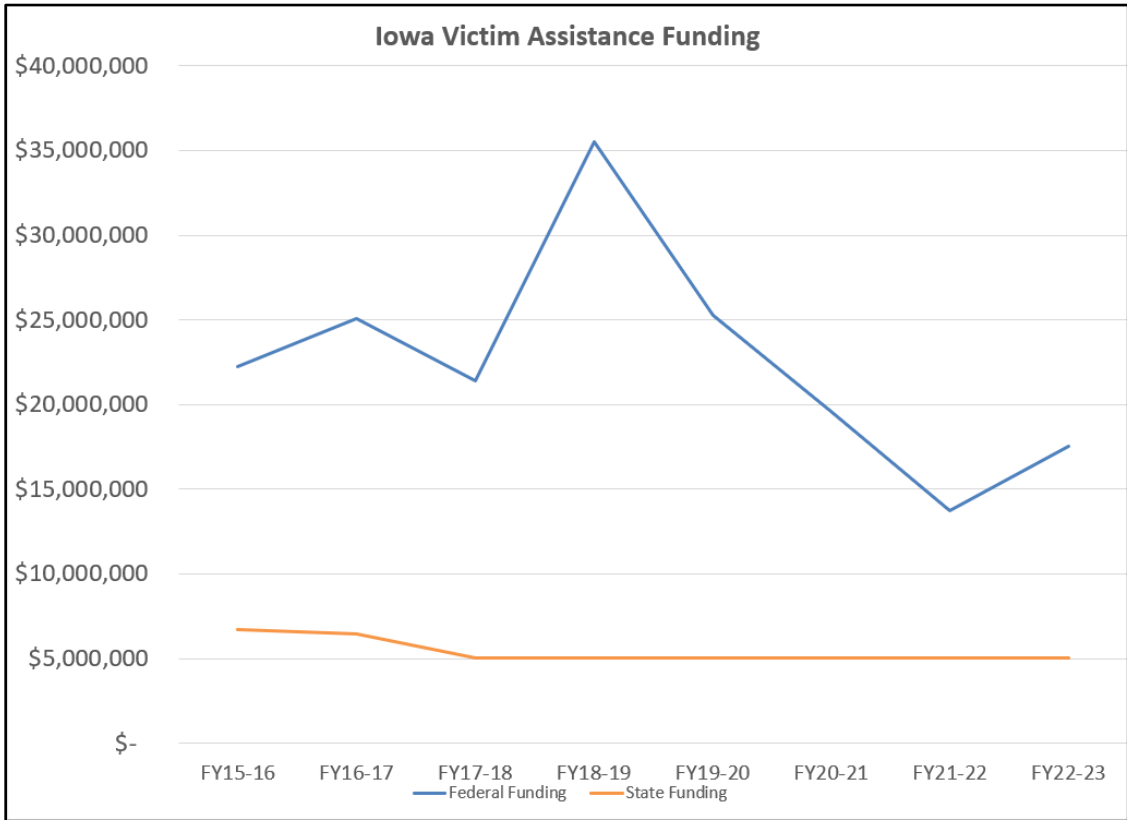
The Victim Assistance Section’s<sup>1</sup> grant program (the “Program”) focuses on effective stewardship of state and federal funds for victim services, law enforcement, and prosecution. The Program’s funding also focuses on the provision of technical assistance to crime victim programs on program development, fiscal management and services. Each federal grant program has its own specific purpose and priority areas, as well as designated uses for its funds. Grant funds support organizations and projects that connect crime victims to advocacy services, improve investigations, increase prosecution, and improve medical and court response to Iowa victims. The dollars received are distributed in accordance with the Program’s application process to victim service programs and public agencies across the state, including domestic and sexual abuse programs, community anti-violence centers, culturally specific service agencies, as well as law enforcement departments and prosecutor offices. A very small percentage of money from federal grants is used to cover some administrative costs for the Victim Assistance Section.

During federal fiscal year (2023), the Program funds 117 different projects across Iowa, helping 54,404 victims.

<b>State and Federal Award Amounts</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>
State Appropriation	\$5,016,708
Federal Sexual Abuse Services Program (SASP)	\$594,270
Federal STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)	\$1,615,113
Federal Victims of Crime Act Assistance (VOCA)	\$13,896,011
Federal Violence Prevention & Services Act (FVPSA)	\$1,454,387
<b>Total State and Federal Funding</b>	<b>\$22,576,489</b>

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<sup>1</sup> Formerly known as “Crime Victim Assistance Division” or “CVAD”.



<b>Crime Type</b>	<b>Number of Victims Receiving Assistance</b>
Domestic Abuse, female victim	23,363
Domestic Abuse, male victim	2,106
Domestic Abuse, child victim	3,996
Teen Dating Violence	137
Sexual Abuse, female adult victim	5,464
Sexual Abuse, male adult victim	612
Sexual Abuse, adolescent victim	1,549
Sexual Abuse, child victim	2,018
Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse, female victim	582
Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse, male victim	135
Arson	111
Assault	3,226
Bullying	1,718
Burglary	885
Child Physical Abuse	843
Child Pornography	80
Drunk / Intoxicated Driving	666
Elder Abuse	173
Hate Crime	254
Human Trafficking, adolescent victim	76
Human Trafficking, child victim	44
Human Trafficking, adult female victim	378
Human Trafficking, adult male victim	38
Identity Theft and Fraud	1,154
Kidnapping	71
Mass Violence	398
Robbery	360
Stalking, Harassment, and Cyber-Stalking	1,429
Survivors of Homicide, adult	1,958
Survivors of Homicide, child	186
Terrorism	6
Violation of Protective Order	277
Other	111
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>54,404</b>

**IV. GRANT-FUNDED OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR SFY 23.**

Grant funding was not used to fund out-of-state travel expenses for an employee of the Department of Justice. Grantees spent \$46,984.75 for out-of-state travel.

**V. GRANT-FUNDED OVERTIME FOR SFY 23.**

Grant funding was not used to pay overtime to an employee of the Department of Justice or contractors.

**VI. GRANT-FUNDED BONUSES FOR SFY 23.**

Grant funding was not used to pay bonuses to an employee of the Department of Justice or contractors.

**VII. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES REIMBURSED THROUGH THE PROGRAM FOR FY23.**

Below is a summary of expenditures from projects funded by grants through the Program for federal fiscal year 2023:

<b>Cost Category</b>	<b>Sum of Total FY23</b>
Advertising	\$ 20,198.76
Benefits	\$ 3,339,124.68
Client Assistance	\$ 1,118,409.62
Communications	\$ 262,565.03
Contractual Services	\$ 1,401,922.20
Equipment	\$ 77,040.90
Indirect Costs	\$ 475,034.27
In-State Training	\$ 34,724.36
In-State Travel	\$ 340,765.02
Insurance	\$ 191,360.32
Other Expenses	\$ 20,126.68
Out of State Travel	\$ 46,984.75
Payroll	\$ 16,907,430.60
Rent	\$ 536,529.25
Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 122,081.11
Supplies	\$ 276,864.91
Utilities	\$ 92,381.09
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,263,543.55</b>



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Gish".

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