

**DRAFT**

**Center for Crime Victim Services  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 15, 2023**

**Board Members Present:** Bob Paolini, Susie Carr, Richard Katzman, Alycia Post.

**Absent:** Susan Ide. **Staff Members Present:** Jennifer Poehlmann, Carol Morgan, Jodie Bacon, Maria Gibbs, Abby Gladstone-Strobel, Michelle Pelletier, Carol Brochu, Melinda Meyer.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 PM.

**REVIEW MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of April 17, 2023, and unanimously approved them as presented.

**COMPENSATION PROGRAM REPORT**

Abby Gladstone-Strobel presented Compensation reports for April 2023. A total of 37 regular claims were received this April, compared to 41 the previous April. A total of 20 sexual assault (SA) claims were received, compared to 21 the previous April. Comparing the current fiscal year (FY23) to the previous fiscal year (FY22), regular claims had increased 10.75% year-to-date, compared to the same period in the previous fiscal year; while year-to-date SA claims had decreased by 18.85%. In April 2023 claims related to Domestic Assault generated the highest expenses, which has historically been the case. The second highest compensation expense was for Homicide claims, which included large increases in payments for funeral services, travel, and lost wages, compared to the prior fiscal year. The Compensation Report was accepted as presented.

**RESTITUTION UNIT REPORT**

Michelle Pelletier presented the Restitution Unit (RU) report for April 2023. The RU's Case Managers brought in almost \$43K and more than \$33K came in via tax offsets. A total of 47 Restitution Judgement Orders (RJOs) were received from around the state; with the largest number (10) coming from Washington County. Michelle advised that Year-to-Date FY'23 collections were \$12K above the year's goal, due to some large payments. The Restitution Report was accepted as presented.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Carol Brochu presented the Financial Report through April 2023. The Financial Report was accepted as presented.

**CENTER UPDATE**

Jennifer Poehlmann provided updates on several topics and legislative efforts. National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) celebrations during the week of April 23 to April 29 had been very successful.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to adjourn.  
Adjourned at 2:10 PM.

**Next VCCVS Board Meeting Date:**

**Monday,**

**June 12, 2023**

**1:30 PM**

**In the conference room at  
60 South Main Street, Waterbury.**