

DRAFT
Center for Crime Victim Services
Board Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2025

Board Members Present: Bob Paolini, Susan Carr, Richard Katzman, Alycia Post, Susan Ide.
Staff Members Present: Jennifer Poehlmann, Jodie Bacon, Maria Gibbs, Anna Harrington, Michelle Pelletier, Carol Brochu, Gene Nelson, Megan Kinlock, Melinda Meyer. **Absent:** Diane Gagnon

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 PM.

REVIEW MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of February 10, 2025, and unanimously approved them as presented.

COMPENSATION PROGRAM REPORT

Anna Harrington presented Compensation reports for February 2025. A total of 22 regular claims were received this February, compared to 38 the previous February, and a total of 18 sexual assault (SA) claims were received, compared to 14 the previous February. Year-to-date, regular claims had decreased by 13.52% compared to the same period in the previous fiscal year, while SA claims had decreased by 1.13%. The largest compensation expenses for February 2025 were related to Aggravated Assault, Simple Assault, Domestic Assault, and Homicide, in that order. Overall, year-to-date expenses for regular claims were \$48K less in the current fiscal year than at the same point in the previous fiscal year, and year-to-date SA expenses were \$10.7K less. The Compensation Report was accepted as presented.

RESTITUTION UNIT REPORT

Michelle Pelletier presented the Restitution Unit (RU) reports for February 2025. For the first time in the current fiscal year, the RU fell a bit short of its collections goal for the month, but still expected to meet their annual goal within the next few months. In February, a total of 86 Restitution Judgement Orders (RJOs) were received from around the state, with the largest number (19) coming from Rutland County, followed by Chittenden County with 16 RJOs, and Orleans County with 10 RJOs. February collections by the RU's Case Managers totaled \$44,717, and another \$60,024 came in via tax offsets. The Restitution Report was accepted as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Carol Brochu presented the Financial Report through February 2025. She advised that revenues The Financial Report was accepted as presented.

CENTER UPDATE

Jennifer Poehlmann updated the Board on several topics and legislative issues.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to adjourn.
Adjourned at 2:22 PM.

Next VCCVS Board Meeting Date:

Monday, April 7, 2025

1:30PM

**Virtual by Zoom and in the
conference room at
60 South Main Street, Waterbury.**