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FY 2021/22 Combined Statewide Solicitor Victim Services Financial and Programmatic Report



"FY 2021/22 Combined Statewide Solicitor Victim Services Financial and Programmatic Report" (Proviso 60.8, 2021 S.C. Appropriation Act, Part 1B)

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<u>First</u>Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

- A. Appropriations:
- 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
- 2. Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ <u>8,293.94</u> (recurring) \$ <u>40,624.00</u> (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48.918.94

В.	Expenditures:	
	Personnel Service	\$ <u>48,918.94</u>
	Contractual Services	\$
	Supplies	\$
	Travel	\$
	Equipment	\$
	Training	\$
	Other	\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates <u>6</u> Full Time \Box <u>X</u> Part Time \Box
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes 🛪 No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes 🗙 No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes 🕱 No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

Ш. Victims Served:

□ Criminal Domestic Violence

Criminal Sexual Conduct

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

□ Child Physical Abuse \Box Stalking □ Child Sexual Abuse \Box Lynching □ Homicide □ Robbery □ Burglary □ Kidnapping □ Arson □ Reckless Homicide □ Hit & Run □ Underserved Population

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	×	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		4-19-19-19-10-10-1
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Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Provide information about victims' rights and the criminal justice process; assist with victim impact statements and crime victim compensation forms; assistance with courtroom procedures; provide transportation as needed: provide information about the SC Department of Corrections and the SC Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon services; provide case updates and dispositions; attend and assist with victim meetings and restitution.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Provide assistance with virtual court and zoom meetings.

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 4,400

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- □ Assaults
- □ Attempted Murder
- □ Felony DUI (death/injury)
- All of the above
- Vulnerable Adults
- □ Other_____

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IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

s Victim/Witness Brochure □ Victim/Witness Flyer KVictim Impact Statement Crime Victim Compensation Application \Box All of the above □ Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims: The victim witness brochure and victim impact statement are mailed to each victim with our initial contact letter. The crime victim compensation application and assistance in completion is provided on an as needed basis after determination of eligibility if not previously provided by the law enforcement victim advocates.

V. **Outreach:**

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

Referrals to any and all appropriate agencies including juvenile that provide any type of services to victims.

- VI. Training:
 - A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

South Carolina Solicitors' Conference Victim Advocate Forum; SCCADVASA Webinars; and CVST

Various trainings provided by the Prosecution Commission and the SC Attorney General's Office.

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

None

Services Director/Coordinator

Form developed by:

0-4-2022 Date

10-4-2022

Date

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Offices of Circuit Solicitor FY 21 Financial and Programmatic Report for Victim Services (Pursuant to Proviso 60.8, 2021 SC Appropriations Act, Part 1B) July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Second Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

- 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
- 2. Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ <u>8,293.94</u> (recurring) \$ 40,625.00 (nonrecurring)

		TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48,918.94
В.	Expenditures:	
	Personnel Service	\$ <u>48,918.94</u>
	Contractual Services	\$
	Supplies	\$
	Travel	\$
	Equipment	\$
	Training	\$
	Other	\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates <u>6</u> Full Time <u>6</u> Part Time <u>0</u>
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

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A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

	Criminal Domestic Violence	۵	Assaults
	Criminal Sexual Conduct	۵	Attempted Murder
	Child Physical Abuse	۵	Stalking
	Child Sexual Abuse		Lynching
۵	Homicide		Robbery
	Burglary		Kidnapping
	Arson	۵	Felony DUI (death/injury)
	Reckless Homicide	<u>X</u>	All of the above
۵	Hit & Run	<u>X</u>	Vulnerable Adults
۵	Underserved Population	<u>X</u>	Other: Vulnerable Victims (See Below)

Other:

<u>VWAP created a category of "Vulnerable" for victims who have the following distinctions: domestic abuse, sexual assault, under the age of eighteen or over the age of sixty-five, disabled, rural residency, transportation limitations, language barriers, law enforcement officers and families of murder victims. VWAP implements policies and provides technical, accessibility and comfort resources in consideration of vulnerable victim needs.</u>

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

- □ Criminal justice support/advocacy
- □ Courtroom assistance
- Courtroom accompaniment
- Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- □ Assistance filing crime victim compensation
- □ Shelter/Safe House Information

- □ Case file status
- □ Referrals
- Transportation
- $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$ All of the above
- X Other: Online Victim Registration

Online Victim Orientation

Virtual Participation Assistance

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

With our website, VWAP provides online Victim Registration, Victim Impact Statements and Orientation presentations to educate and encourage victims to participate in the prosecution of their case. Through the website, victims can request assistance, obtain resources, update their contact information, submit statements, forward documents and initiate contact from our office.

<u>VWAP assisted victims and their families with connectivity and developed protocols and etiquette for virtual attorney meetings, court proceedings, and parole/pardon hearings.</u>

<u>VWAP assisted victims and their families in acquiring resources form SCVAN Emergency Funds, Area</u> <u>Churches Together Serving (ACTS) and other community service agencies.</u>

<u>VWAP has a Spanish-speaking advocate on staff who provides interpretation and other translation services for the Solicitor's office. This advocate assists General Sessions Court, Summary Court, law enforcement agencies and community agencies upon request. VWAP also provides contact letters and informational materials with Spanish translations.</u>

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance

Program during the reporting period:

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With the development of the department's website, we are providing an additional line of communication for victims. Victims can register and update their contact information, submit statements and documentation for case and court proceedings and request contact from our office; complete Victim Impact Statements and obtain General Session orientation and Family Court information. Victims have easy access to their rights, resources and providers. The website has a "Newsworthy" section to highlight victim initiatives and a "Memory Board" to memorialize loved ones.

<u>VWAP developed and facilitates the Solicitor's Victim Impact Program that consist of victims, survivors, law</u> <u>enforcement and interested community members who discuss the consequences of impaired behaviors and</u> <u>poor decision-making. Due to COVID-19, the program went to a virtual format October 5, 2020. During this</u> <u>report period, six meetings were conducted with 134 attendees. The attendees report a better understanding of</u> <u>how poor choices can negatively affect the community. The presenters report appreciation for the opportunity</u> <u>to make a difference in the community.</u>

<u>VWAP's Volunteer/Intern Program has grown through partnerships with USC-Aiken, USC-Beaufort.</u> <u>Limestone College, Aiken Technical College, Aiken County Public Schools, SC Vocational Rehabilitation and community volunteers. During this report period, four interns assisted VWAP. One of the interns completed their required hours virtually. The Volunteer/Intern Program is instrumental in assisting the advocates, records management and special projects.</u>

<u>VWAP's Children's Corner provides a safe, colorful, entertaining and comforting environment of children</u> who visit the Solicitor's office. VWAP maintains a "Pantry" to provide refreshments, diapers, toiletry packets and journals for victims.

<u>VWAP maintains an electronic Resource Library with over 600 entries.</u> This resource is shared with circuit advocates. Aiken County LEVA personnel and the Juvenile Arbitration Program.

<u>VWAP was instrumental in the design and implementation of the South Carolina Mother Against Drunk</u> <u>Driving license plate.</u> The proceeds from the plate are a source of financial support for Mother Against Drunk <u>Driving SC.</u>

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period:

Approximately 2,500 victims were served and approximately 27,500 contacts were made.

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 X All of the above
 X Other: Domestic Violence Victim Services Directory Card and Emergency Pocket Cards

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

<u>VWAP created a Domestic Violence Victim Service Directory Card in collaboration with the Solicitor's Office</u> <u>Domestic Violence Unit and Aiken County Victim Services. The card contains county and national resources for</u> <u>victims of domestic violence. The Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons includes the card as a resource for</u> <u>their clients. The publications are distributed at bond hearings, in-person meetings and included in contact</u> <u>mailings.</u>

V. Outreach:

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Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

VWAP participated in the first North Augusta Domestic Violence Awareness Walk

The Aiken Chapter of the American Sewing Guild facilitates our Sew Love Project, which provides Carry bags for victims in transition.

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Able South Carolina Disability Benefits & Employment Workshop What Solicitors' Offices Need to Know About the Military Special Victims' Counsel Program 2021 SC Solicitors Annual Conference

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

VWAP participated in the South Carolina Commission on Prosecution Coordination Victim Advocate Core Training by presenting "South Carolina Victims' Rights and Statutes"

VWAP presented at the Cumbee Center Volunteer Training

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10/4/2022 Date 10/4/22____

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Offices of Circuit Solicitor FY 21 Financial and Programmatic Report for Victim Services (Pursuant to Proviso 60.8, 2021 SC Appropriations Act, Part 1B) July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Third Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
 Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ 8,294.00 (recurring)
\$ 40,625.00(nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$_48,919.00_

Expenditures:	
Personnel Service	\$ 163,521.00
Contractual Services	\$
Supplies	\$ 287.00
Travel	\$540.00
Equipment	\$ 4,079.00
Training	\$
Other	\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates <u>4</u> Full Time Part Time <u>Part Time</u>
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes No 🗅

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

Criminal Domestic Violence	Assaults
Criminal Sexual Conduct	Attempted Murder
Child Physical Abuse	Stalking
Child Sexual Abuse	Lynching
Homicide	Robbery
Burglary	Kidnapping
Arson	Felony DUI (death/injury)
Reckless Homicide	All of the above
Hit & Run	Vulnerable Adults
Underserved Population	Other

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	O	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Met with victims along with prosecutors for trial prep; assisted with completing VIS and victim compensation applications; explained how the cases move through the justice system; updated them with the progress and upcoming activity dates for their case. Referrals to agencies for assistance with shelter and food; sexual trauma services

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance

Program during the reporting period:

Referrals to Midlands Fatherhood Coalition, Emergency Financial Services and Childcare facilities

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: ____1,136_____

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

□ Victim/Witness Brochure □ Victim/Witness Flver □ Victim Impact Statement □ Crime Victim Compensation Application All of the above □ Other _____

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims: Via U.S. Mail, in person office visits, email and fax

V. **Outreach:**

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period: Echo Housing programs, United Ministries, Sante-Wateree Community Action, Pregnancy Center

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

VSP Basic Certification, What Can We Do For You – Webinar, Multi-Disciplinary Response to abuse, Solicitor's Conference seminars.

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

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Fourth Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

- 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
- 2. Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ <u>8293.94</u> (recurring) \$ 40625.00 (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations	\$	<u>48918.94</u>	
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В.	Expenditures:	
	Personnel Service	\$ <u>48918.94</u>
	Contractual Services	\$
	Supplies	\$
	Travel	\$
	Equipment	\$
	Training	\$
	Other	\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates <u>8</u> Full Time $\Box \underline{4}$ Part Time $\Box \underline{5}$
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes X No

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes 🗆 No X

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law? End of the calendar year (2022)

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Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

Criminal Domestic Violence	□ Assaults
Criminal Sexual Conduct	□ Attempted Murder
Child Physical Abuse	□ Stalking
Child Sexual Abuse	□ Lynching
□ Homicide	□ Robbery
□ Burglary	□ Kidnapping
Arson	□ Felony DUI (death/injury)
Reckless Homicide	X All of the above
 Reckless Homicide Hit & Run 	X All of the aboveVulnerable Adults
□ Hit & Run	□ Vulnerable Adults

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	X	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Contact victims; provide VIS and all necessary and/or applicable forms and applications; assist victim(s) with Questions and concerns related to the judicial system and court process; complete referrals to provider agencies as applicable; provide publications

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Donation option offered through diversion and intervention programs to provide necessary items and supplies to the local crisis center(s), transitional shelter(s), McLeod-Nurse Family Partnership, and several local Children's Center(s) and Home(s).

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 2104

III. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 X All of the above
 Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

All publications are available in each office location. Flyers, posters, and referral cards are located throughout each office location in visible areas. Victim Impact Statements are mailed to each victim. Victim Services and the Victim Bill of Rights are located on our website. This past year we went live with the Victim Impact Statement webform that can be submitted online through our website.

IV. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

We partner as a referral source with Pee Dee Coalition, Pee Dee Healthy Start, McLeod-Nurse Family Partnership, Vocational Rehabilitation, Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Agencies, and several other nonprofit organizations located in the Fourth Circuit.

V. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

South Carolina Solicitors' Association Annual Conference; Victim Advocate Training – SCCPC; OVSEC Training Modules; Pee Dee Outreach Training

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

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5TH Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

- 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
- 2. Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ 8,294.00(recurring)
\$ 40,625.00(nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48,919.00 **B.** Expenditures: \$71,760.00 **Personnel Service Contractual Services** \$ Supplies \$ \$ Travel Equipment \$ Training S fringe \$28,704.00 Other

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates 9 Full Time XXX Part Time
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes XX No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes 🐹 No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes XX No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

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III. Victims Served:

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A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

	Criminal Domestic Violence	۵	Assaults
	Criminal Sexual Conduct		Attempted Murder
	Child Physical Abuse		Stalking
۵	Child Sexual Abuse		Lynching
	Homicide		Robbery
	Burglary		Kidnapping
	Arson		Felony DUI (death/injury)
	Reckless Homicide	¥	All of the above
	Hit & Run	X	Vulnerable Adults
0	Underserved Population		Other

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

	Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
	Courtroom assistance		Referrals
۵	Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
o	Victim Impact Statements Assistance	K	All of the above
	Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
	Shelter/Safe House Information		
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Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

All advocates, advocate assistant and interns provided all services listed above, as well as crisis intervention to include physical mediation between victim and defendant families.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance

Program during the reporting period:

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D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 7,695

One advocate wrote a recommendation letter for a victim based on resilience in dealing with death of family member while working through college. Lastly, one advocate traveled several counties over to attend the memorial service for a victim form developed by:

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Department of Crime Victim Compensation (DCVC)

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IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 All of the above
 Other Victim services related periodicals from collaborative agencies.

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims: All publications listed above wererdistributed upon request, at initial contact with victim or representative and/or by other victim service provider.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period: Outreach services were provided by collaborating with other victim service providers throughout South Carolina and the United States. Services include transportation, shelter and therapy assistance.

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

SEVAN, SCCADVASA, SGCPC and additional trainings approved by CVST within the Attorney General's office.

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

SCCPC Victim Advocate Core Training, Interstate Compact for Juveniles, Agency department quarterly information sharing.

Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

10/6/2022

Date

10/6/2022

Date

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Offices of Circuit Solicitor FY 21 Financial and Programmatic Report for Victim Services

Pursuant to Proviso 60.8, 2021 SC Appropriations Act, art 1B) July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

_6th___ Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
 Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ 8293.94 recurring) \$ 40,625.00 (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$48,918.94

B. Expenditure	11 - Printonsi \$ 10,510.	
Personnel Se	e \$ 68.486	38 (salary & fringe)
Contractual S	ices \$	so (surary & minge)
Supplies	\$	
Travel	\$	
Equipment	\$	
Training	\$	
Other	\$	

II. Victim Services Personnel:

1. Number of victim advocates 10^* Full Time $\Box X$ Part Time \Box

*See Attachment

2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes D No X - A copy is filed within the Solicitor's Office

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

- A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:
- Criminal Domestic Violence
- Criminal Sexual Conduct
- Child Physical Abuse
- Child Sexual Abuse
- □ Homicide
- □ Burglary
- 🗆 Arson
- Reckless Homicide
- 🗆 Hit & Run
- Underserved Population

- □ Assaults
- □ Attempted Murder
- □ Stalking
- □ Lynching
- □ Robbery
- □ Kidnapping
- □ Felony DUI (death/injury)
- X All of the above
- X Vulnerable Adults
- X Other _Fraud, Forgery, Identity Theft

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

- X Criminal justice support/advocacy
- X Courtroom assistance
- X Courtroom accompaniment
- X Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- X Assistance filing crime victim compensation
- □ Shelter/Safe House Information

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- □ All of the above
- Other

X Transportation

X Case file status

X Referrals

- Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:
- See

Attachment

C.	List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/With
	Assistance Program during the reporting period:
	See Attachment
D.	Total number of victims served during the reporting period:1300
Che	eck below publications distributed to crime victims:
	X Victim/Witness Brochure
	□ Victim/Witness Flyer
	X Victim Impact Statement
	X Crime Victim Compensation Application
	□ All of the above
	X Other _brochures from other agencies: SCDC, PPP, DCVC. Safe Passage (DV She
	Legal Services
Prov	vide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to cr ms:
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Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

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VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

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B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

See attached

Victim Services Director/Coordinator Linda Macon

Solicitor's Signature Randy Newman, Jr.

Date

Date

II. Victim Services Personnel:

We currently have ten (10) full time persons who are Victim Services Specialists. Of these ten persons (that includes the Director), there are four (4) that are assigned Paralegal duties. Despite their assigned duties, all VSS personnel are required to receive the training hours. The funding for four of the VSS is through a VOCA grant. The breakdown for the circuit is as follows:

Chester County – 1 VSS and 1 VSS/Paralegal Fairfield County – 1 VSS and 1 VSS/Paralegal Lancaster County – 3 VSS and 2 VSS/Paralegal

The Director is situated in Chester County, but travels the circuit, as needed.

During the 2021-2022 time period, there was a turnover of staffing in the Victim Services Unit in both Chester and Lancaster Offices. An employee in the Chester Office transferred to a new position on April 1, 2022. Two employees left the Lancaster Office on November 8, 2021, and January 7, 2022. Therefore, there was a need for the Director and other VSS to work in the neighboring counties to cover the needs of the victims.

B. Describe services provided to crime victims in detail.

The services provided are following the Victims' Bill of Rights as mandated in the SC Code 16-3-1505. The services provided are based on this mandate and include, but are not limited to, case status updates, assistance in completion of Victim Impact Statements and Victim Compensation Application, Courtroom orientation and accompaniment, pre-trial interviews, referrals to service providers, such as domestic abuse shelters, counseling services, legal aid services, family court order of protections as well as post-trial debriefing. When needed, our office can provide transportation to and from court and/or pre-trial interviews for victims requiring that service.

Our office has a brochure that outlines the services offered by the 6th Circuit Victim Services program. This brochure provides a list of terms with definitions. It also has a list of reference numbers for agencies that the victim may wish to contact.

Our process for notifying victims involves sending each a letter along with a form used as a Victim Impact Statement. The information from the returned Victim Impact Statement is placed into the computer database system. The Victim Services Provider assigned to that case is then responsible for following up to make sure that any necessary documentation is obtained (Medical bills, signed medical waiver form, insurance company reimbursements).

Oftentimes, the VSS has been required to investigate the whereabouts of the victim. This may involve searching through social media sites, contacting our local law enforcement victim advocate (LEVA) for additional information.

Post-trial, each victim receives an additional letter with the information about the disposition of the court proceeding. This letter expresses our gratitude to the victim for the assistance given to our office in the prosecution of the case. A survey form is sent to the victim to receive their feedback on the services offered by our office. Although we receive very few responses to that survey form, we continue this practice so that we can gauge the feelings of the community to determine the strengths and weaknesses of our program.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance program during the reporting period.

I do not believe that the services provided by our office are not unique from any other program offered from any other Solicitor based Victim Services Unit. Our office does continue to seek out funding sources so that we can continue to maintain an adequate staff to cover the services that the victims need. Our office maintains a generous supply of coloring books, pens, pencils, stuffed animals to give to our child victims.

Two of our newly hired Victim Services Specialists are bi-lingual and able to communicate with our Spanish-speaking victims.

For victims or victim survivors who do not live in the local vicinity, our office will use Microsoft Team, Zoom and Webcam to communicate with them about case status.

Even though restrictions are relaxed due to the waning of the COVID pandemic, our office still maintains safety protocols to ensure the safety of the staff and the public.

IV. Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

The Victim Impact Statement is mailed to the victims when the case reaches our office along with the cover letter explaining its purpose.

V. Outreach

Our office has participated in Community Events sponsored by local churches and law enforcement agencies. Staff members from the Diversion Programs Unit and Victim Services Unit attend these events to share information about the services provided by this office. Our office has purchased a portable tent, stadium chairs and table covering so that we are visible at these events. Copies of brochures are distributed along with promotional items, such as cups, pens, crayons, coloring books, embossed with the office name and address.

VI. Training

a. List the specific types of DCVS approved trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period.

The VSS has participated in training opportunities sponsored by the SC Commission on Prosecution Coordination via Zoom or Webcam as well as the annual Solicitor's Conference. The VSS are encouraged to take advantage of training opportunities sponsored by local law enforcement agencies, and Non-Profit Agencies.

b. List DCVS approved and/or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and/or facilitated during this reporting period.

Our advocates continue to participate in the South Carolina Victim Advocates Forum and serve on different committees. However, we have not coordinated or facilitated any programs or trainings during this period.

Linda M. Macon, Victim Services Director

October 5, 2022

October 5, 2022

Date

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Randy Newman, Jr., Solicitor

Date



Offices of Circuit Solicitor FY 21 Financial and Programmatic Report for Victim Services (Pursuant to Proviso 60.8, 2021 SC Appropriations Act, Part 1B) July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

7th	Judicial Circuit										
I.	Financial:										
	A. Appropriations:1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission\$ 8293.93 (recurring)2. Allocation of funds from DCVC\$ 40625 (nonrecurring)	ng)									
	TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48918.93										
	B. Expenditures: \$ 48918.93 Personnel Service \$ Contractual Services \$ Supplies \$ Travel \$ Equipment \$ Training \$ Other \$										
II.	Victim Services Personnel:										
	1. Number of victim advocates 5 Full Time \Box 5 Part Time \Box										

2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes 🛛 No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes 🗷 No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes 🗷 No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

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Victims Served: III.

Criminal Domestic Violence

Criminal Sexual Conduct

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

□ Assaults

Attempted Murder

	Child Physical Abuse		Stalking
	Child Sexual Abuse		Lynching
	Homicide		Robbery
	Burglary	0	Kidnapping
	Arson		Felony DUI (death/injury)
۵	Reckless Homicide	R	All of the above
	Hit & Run		Vulnerable Adults
	Underserved Population		Other

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

0	Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
	Courtroom assistance		Referrals
	Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
	Victim Impact Statements Assistance	Ø	All of the above
	Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
	Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Our work begins with the notification of post-arrest bond hearings and continues throughout the progresssion of the court case. Our advocates meet with victims to discuss pre-court matters and assist with crime-related needs. Our advocates accompany victims to court. They share dispostions with victims who weren't able to attend. Advocates also share victim information with the DOC.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance

Program during the reporting period:

We are still struggling with the impact of COVID. We utilized virtual meetings to plan for court, conduct motion hearings and complete guilty pleas.

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 8,500 +

Check below publications distributed to crime victims: IV.

- □ Victim/Witness Brochure
- D Victim/Witness Flver
- D Victim Impact Statement
- Crime Victim Compensation Application
- x All of the above
- □ Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

VIS statements are shared with victims on a daily basis. Brochures and crime victim compensation applications are shared as needed. We often meet with victims after the crime when medical bills start to accumulate. The meeting is a good time to discuss the financial impact of the crime, complete the victim's compensation applicationand get the medical record releases signed.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Domestic violence and sexual assault training

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

South Carolina Solicitor's Conference, Interpersonal Violence Conference hosted by SAFE Homes

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Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor Signature

10-5-2022 e 10-5-2022

Date

Date

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8th Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

- 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
- 2. Allocation of funds from DCVC

<u>\$ 8,293.94</u> (recurring) <u>\$ 40,625.00</u> (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: <u>\$48,918.94</u>

В.	Expenditures:		
	Personnel Service		\$ 48,918.94
	Contractual Services		\$
	Supplies		\$
	Travel		\$
	Equipment		\$
	Training		\$
	Other		\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates 6 Full Time
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

- A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:
- Criminal Domestic Violence
- Criminal Sexual Conduct
- □ Child Physical Abuse
- Child Sexual Abuse
- Homicide
- □ Burglary
- □ Arson
- Reckless Homicide
- Hit & Run
- Underserved Population

- Assaults
- Attempted Murder
- □ Stalking
- □ Lynching
- Robbery
- □ Kidnapping
- Felony DUI (death/injury)
- X All of the above
- Ullipsic Vulnerable Adults
- Other
- B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- □ Criminal justice support/advocacy
- Courtroom assistance
- Courtroom accompaniment
- D Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- Assistance filing crime victim compensation
- Shelter/Safe House Information

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

See attachment

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

See attachment

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 2287

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure

- Case file status
- □ Referrals
- Transportation
- X All of the above
- □ Other

D Victim/Witness Flyer X Victim Impact Statement **X** Crime Victim Compensation Application □ All of the above □ Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims: Victim Impact Statements and Brochures are mailed to the victim.

Outreach: V.

> Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period: See attachment

- VI. Training:
 - A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

See attachment

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

10/5/22 Date 10/5/22

B. Services Provided to Victims

Types of services provided to victims of the Eighth Circuit include but are not limited to: assisting with completing victim impact statements, arranging pre-trial consultations, facilitate meetings with our prosecutors and investigators, courtroom orientation and courtroom accompaniment.

Advocates assist with registering victims with the Department of Corrections, Probation, Pardon and Parole, the Department of Juvenile Justice and will attend Parole Hearings with victim at their request. Advocates provide intervention with employers, schools and network with many agencies in our community, on the victim's behalf.

The advocates in the Eighth Circuit work closely with the law enforcement victim advocates in their circuit to implement necessary measures to protect our victims, early on. Advocates assist with Order of Protections and making referrals to our domestic violence shelters. We have seen an increase in bond revocations due to law enforcement advocates providing our office documentation and incident reports where the offender had a no contact order in place, already.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Our office through a Grant with Meg's House is able to provide victims with assistance in family court when asking for protection orders.

V. Outreach

Our advocates assisted with a book bag drive project that provides school supplies for children in our circuit.

One of our advocates wrote scholarships for victims to attend Victim Rights Week and is responsible for the memory board that is displayed every year with pictures crime victims.

Our advocates assisted with two fundraisers, "No More Lies and Bruises", for a local women's shelter and "Dancing with the Stars", which supports Beyond Abuse, that supports our victims of sexual assault.

VI. Training

Our advocates have participated in many trainings that will enhance their ability to serve victims of crime including the hours received at Victim's Rights Week and the Solicitor's Conference.



9th Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

1.	Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
2.	Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$8,293.93 _(recurring) \$40,625 (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48,918.93

В.	Expenditures:	
	Personnel Service	\$ 76,278.71
	Contractual Services	\$
	Supplies	\$
	Travel	\$
	Equipment	\$_656.00
	Training	\$
	Other	\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates Full TimeX 19 Part Time

- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes X I No I

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes X□ No □

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes X No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP bours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

X□	Criminal Domestic Violence	X□	Assaults
X□	Criminal Sexual Conduct	X□	Attempted Murder
X□	Child Physical Abuse	X□	Stalking
X□	Child Sexual Abuse		X 🗆 Lynching
X□	Homicide	X 🗆	Robbery
X□	Burglary	ΧD	Kidnapping
XΠ	Arson	Х□	Felony DUI (death/mjury)
Χ¤	Reckless Homicide		$X \square$ All of the above
Χ¤	Hit & Run	X 🗆	Vulnerable Adults
X□	Underserved Population	D (Other

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	X	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

This program complies with Act 141 and provides services stated in the Victims' Bill of Rights: Advocate's make a reasonable attempt to notify each victim of his or her rights to submit a victim impact statement; informs victims and witnesses of applicable procedures and practices in the criminal justice system; informs victims of their rights to legal counsel and any available civil remedies; returns victims personal property as soon as possible; informs victims of financial assistance and compensation available; makes a reasonable attempt to keep each victim informed of the status and progress of a case; discuss is the case with the victim and confers about the disposition; makes a reasonable attempt to notify each victim of each hearing; makes a reasonable attempt to notify victims and witnesses of cancelled and rescheduled proceedings in a timely manner; intercedes with victims and witnesses employers, as well as victims creditors,

landlords, schools and other parties; assist victims with medical release forms; assists victims with requests for HIV/Hepatitis testing of defendants in Criminal Sexual Conduct cases; schedule and attend meetings with victims and witnesses for the solicitor and assistant solicitors for pretrial, during trial, and post-trial; attends parole and post-conviction relief hearings and submits parole and pardon opposition letters to the South Carolina Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services office; arranges all travel for out of town victims and witnesses; acts as liaison between victims, witnesses, law enforcement, and the solicitor and assistant solicitors; refers victims and witnesses who have been threatened to proper law enforcement agencies; takes reasonable and appropriate steps to minimize inconvenience to victims and witnesses; familiarizes and prepares victims and witnesses with courtroom and courtroom procedures; provides referrals to counseling, social service agencies, shelters, housing and other victim assistance providers; forwards victim and witness information to the South Carolina Department of Corrections, South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services, and the South Carolina Attorney General's Office after the conclusion of a case; provides assistance to victims in obtaining restitution; provides assistance with the South Carolina Victim Compensation Fund application for eligible victims; provides moral and emotional support to victims and witnesses throughout the process of the case, including, pretrial, during all court proceedings, and post-trial proceedings; assists eligible victims with emergency assistance through the South Carolina Victim Assistance Network Emergency Fund and South Carolina Victim Assistance Network Legal when needed; arrange transportation for victims and witnesses to meetings and court when necessary.

Our office has bi-lingual advocate who is fluent in Spanish to assist with our Hispanic victims and witnesses.

We have two advocates dedicated to Criminal Domestic Violence cases and child victim cases. In addition, our unit assists with the Victim Impact Panel for the Juvenile Arbitration Program when needed.

Since COVID-19, advocates assist victims and witnesses with logging into virtual court proceedings and/or conference calls for hearings when needed.

Advocates also schedule virtual meetings and conference calls with victims, witnesses, and our solicitor and assistant solicitors, when needed.

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Advocates participate in staffing murder/death cases with the Homicide Early intervention and Advocacy Multi-Disciplinary Response Team to prevent duplication in services.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Our bilingual advocate is available to assist with Spanish speaking victims and witnesses for all services that are available to victims and witnesses; advocates coordinate out of office meetings, virtual meetings for victims and witnesses; coordinate conference calls with victims for court proceedings and meetings for the convenience of victims and witnesses; advocates assist victims with obtaining restraining orders and orders of protection when requested by a victim; assist victims and witnesses with information regarding U-Visa's when appropriate; comply with local and statewide speaking engagements and training when requested; and, assist with the coordination of the Juvenile Arbitration Victim Impact Panel when needed.

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 6,113

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 X All of the above
 Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

Guide For Survivors of Homicide; Survivors of Homicide Support Group meeting schedules; Solicitor's Office Victim Witness brochures and booklets; Trident United Way brochures.

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V. **Outreach:**

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

We have participated in virtual panel discussions, attended virtual Homicide Support Group meetings, attended the National Day of Remembrance and the virtual Silent Witness Ceremony, attended meetings with My Sister's House (Domestic Violence Shelter) and attended virtual community meetings. We also participated in the local Black Expo.

VI. **Training:**

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Domestic Violence Human Trafficking Victim Advocate Core Training (by our new advocate) **VINE** Automated Notification System **U-Visa Training Crime Victims and Trauma**

List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Advocate/Law Enforcement Mandated Reporting to DSS

Town Hall Virtual Meeting on Domestic Violence

Core Advocate Training – SC Commission on Prosecution Coordination

ices Director/Coordinator

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Seanles - Chick Street

Solicitor's Signature

10/7/2022

Date



10th Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

1.	Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission	\$ 40625.00	(recurring)
	Allocation of funds from DCVC	\$ 8203.04	(nonrecurrin

Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$_8293.94 (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48918.94

B.	Expenditures:	
	Personnel Service	\$ 48918.94
	Contractual Services	\$
	Supplies	\$
	Travel	\$
	Equipment	\$
	Training	\$
	Other	\$

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates ___5___ Full Time □ ___5__ Part Time □ _____
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes x No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes x No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes x No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

□ Criminal Domestic Violence

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

□ Assaults

		_	
	Criminal Sexual Conduct		Attempted Murder
	Child Physical Abuse		Stalking
	Child Sexual Abuse		Lynching
	Homicide		Robbery
	Burglary		Kidnapping
	Arson		Felony DUI (death/injury)
	Reckless Homicide	x	All of the above
	Hit & Run	x	Vulnerable Adults
	Underserved Population	x	Other Financial Crimes and Identity theft
B.	Check below the types of services provided by the	1e V	/ictim/Witness Assistance Program

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	x	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Providing referrals and information to victims; attending court hearings with victims, explaining the proceedings to them; provide restitution information (coordinate with the prosecutor in obtaining restitution through the justice process); plan and attend DV monthly meetings and DV council meetings; attend CART (child abuse response team) meetings; provide local referral information for DV counseling and housing assistance. Assist in completing Crime Victim Compensation forms.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period: Work with director of Foothills Alliance to bring Roma, the courthouse "therapy" dog, to our office and to the courtroom when allowed and necessary to provide support for victims.

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: _____3202_____

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

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□ Victim/Witness Brochure □ Victim/Witness Flyer D Victim Impact Statement □ Crime Victim Compensation Application x All of the above x Other additional victim input form, medical releases when needed...

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

We send a packet of information and forms to victims, to include: Victim Impact Statement, additional input form (specific types of cases), Criminal Justice System overview document, introductory letter which outlines our services to victims as well as the SC Victim's Rights guidelines. We send medical release forms and victim compensation applications when needed. Business cards are mailed to provide a tangible reminder of our availability.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

Due to the pandemic, our office has had limited opportunities to provide any outreach services. We were able to provide clothing to some children who were involved with cases this year.

VI. **Training:**

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Advocates attended the Solicitor's Conference this year. Due to limited funding, none of the advocates were able to attend additional training.

List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Merri Parker assisted in planning and organizing the victim advocates' portion of training at the Solicitor's Conference this year.

Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

Date

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Date



11th	J	udicial Circuit						
I.	Financial:							
	1.	Appropriations: Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission Allocation of funds from DCVC	\$ 40,625.00 \$ 8,293.93	_(recurring) _(nonrecurring)				
		TOTAL Appropriat	tions: \$ 48,918.93					
	B .	Expenditures:		-				
		Personnel Service	\$_48,918.93					
		Contractual Services	\$	_				
		Supplies	\$					
		Travel	\$					
		Equipment	\$					
		Training	\$					
		Other	\$	_				
				_				

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates 7.5 Full Time \Box 7 Part Time \Box 1
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes 🛎 No 🗆

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes 🛎 No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes 🛎 No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

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Victims Served: III.

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

Criminal Domestic Violence Criminal Sexual Conduct

- Child Physical Abuse
- Child Sexual Abuse
- Homicide
- Burglary 圖
- Arson 甬
- 畾 **Reckless Homicide**
- Hit & Run 巖
- □ Underserved Population

- Assaults
- Attempted Murder
- Stalking
- Lynching
- Robbery
- Kidnapping
- Felony DUI (death/injury)
- \Box All of the above
- Vulnerable Adults
- Other ______
- B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- □ Criminal justice support/advocacy
- □ Courtroom assistance
- □ Courtroom accompaniment
- D Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- □ Assistance filing crime victim compensation

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

- □ Shelter/Safe House Information
 - Our office provides support to crime victims and/or their families by helping them navigate through the Criminal Justice system by keeping them informed, explaining each legal step, and providing them with the different services they may need to assist them during each step of the process including counseling, courtroom support and preparation, and transportation to and from meetings and/or court hearings.
- C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 4892

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- □ Case file status
- □ Referrals
- □ Transportation

- All of the above

□ Other

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

- □ Victim/Witness Brochure
- □ Victim/Witness Flyer
- Victim Impact Statement
- Crime Victim Compensation Application
- □ All of the above
- Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

The victim impact statement is provided at the onset of the case so that our office has victim contact information, information regarding restitution and any information the victims wish for us to consider regarding how their case has affected them. Crime Victim Compensation publications are provided if the victims are requesting restitution and domestic violence resources are shared to victims needing assistance as a result of a domestic violence case.

V. **Outreach:**

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

Our office provides counseling referrals, financial assistance referrals, and legal aid referrals to crime victims and/or their families. We even provide assistance to victims who may need to file for an U-Visa to remain int he United States so they can have an opportunity to receive justice as a victim of certain crimes without fearing they may be deported or worrying about their legal status.

VI. **Training:**

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Trainings provided during Victims' Rights Week, Solicitor's Conference and various virtual trainings that are provided throughout the year such as "Legislative Updates," "Basics of Communicating with Victims," "Trauma Informed Care," "Human Trafficking," and "Victims and Technology."

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Rhanda W. Potterson Niveratt Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

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____12____ Judicial Circuit

I. Financial:

A.	Appropriations:		
	Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission	\$ 8294	(recurring)
	Allocation of funds from DCVC	\$ 40,625	(nonrecurring)
	TOTAL Appropriat	ions: \$ 48,919	
B.	Expenditures:		
	Personnel Service	\$ 81671	
	Contractual Services	\$	
	Supplies	\$ 300	
	Travel	\$ 1000	
	Equipment	\$	
	Training	\$ 600	
	Other	\$	

II. Victim Services Personnel:

- 1. Number of victim advocates __4___ Full Time D __4___ Part Time D _____
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes X

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

Criminal Domestic Violence		Assaults
Criminal Sexual Conduct		Attempted Murder
Child Physical Abuse		Stalking
Child Sexual Abuse		Lynching
Homicide		Robbery
Burglary		Kidnapping
Arson		Felony DUI (death/injury)
Reckless Homicide	X	All of the above
Hit & Run		Vulnerable Adults
Underserved Population		Other

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	X	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Our goal is to ensure crime victims understand the criminal justice process in relation to their specific case. Send out victim statements & DCVC applications. Assist with completing DCVC applications as needed. Accompany victims during court hearings and meetings. Provide information to victims and transportation to those that need assistance.

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance

Program during the reporting period: We offer an informative victim class about the process of cases and what to expect. We assist victims looking for housing opportunities and/or counseling. Provide child care to victim's children during court hearings or meetings. Assisted with promotion a new Parents of Murdered support group in our area.

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 2814

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 X All of the above
 Other ______

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

After our office receives the warrant and incident report the advocate gathers the victim information and mails off the victim impact information. This initial letter contains the office victim impact paperwork and DCVC application with instructions.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

We created a class to help inform victims of South Carolina criminal judicial process and related resources. We hope by gaining knowledge and perspective it will help victims to feel empowered.

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

We attended the annual SC Solicitors Conference to obtain the 12 VSP hours as required. 2022 DV, Sexual Assault, Stalking and Harassment Training. Core training 1A & 1B.

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period: None

Victim Services Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

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Offices of Circuit Solicitor FY 21 Financial and Programmatic Report for Victim Services (Pursuant to Proviso 60.8, 2021 SC Appropriations Act, Part 1B) July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Fir	nancial:	
A. 1. 2.	Appropriations: Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission Allocation of funds from DCVC	\$ 8,293.93 (recurring) \$ 40,625.00 (nonrecurring
в.	Expenditures: TOTAL Appropria Personnel Service Contractual Services Supplies Travel Equipment Training	ations: \$ 48,918.93 \$ 48,918.93 \$
	Other	\$

II.

- 1. Number of victim advocates Full Time D Part Time D
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes XX Non

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes XX No D

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes XX No D

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

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III. Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

- Criminal Domestic Violence
- Criminal Sexual Conduct
- D Child Physical Abuse
- D Child Sexual Abuse
- D Homicide
- D Burglary
- D Arson
- Reckless Homicide
- D Hit & Run
- Underserved Population

- Assaults
- Attempted Murder
- D Stalking
- D Lynching
- Robbery
- D Kidnapping
- Felony DUI (death/injury)
- Ullipsical Vulnerable Adults
- XX All of the above
- D Other
- B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- Case file status Criminal justice support/advocacy D Referrals Courtroom assistance
- Courtroom accompaniment
- Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- Assistance filing crime victim compensation
- Shelter/Safe House Information

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

- C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 5,849

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XX All of the above

Transportation

- Other -

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

- Dictim/Witness Brochure
 Dictim/Witness Flyer
 Dictim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Applicatio
- X All of the above
- Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

All victims are contacted by letter from the Solicitor telling them of the services offered and enclosing a victim impact form to be completed and returned to the Solicitor's Office by the victim.

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Domestic Violence	Stalking and harassment Legal				
White Collar	Updates				
Sexual Assault	DUI/Felony DUI				
Family Court	Fines, Fees Assessment funding				

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

Trained office on Victim Advocate duties as part of office wide training.

Setvices/Director/Coordinator

Solicitor's Signature

Date

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I. Financial:

A. Appropriations:

Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission
 Allocation of funds from DCVC

\$ 8,294.00(recurring) \$ 40,625.00 (nonrecurring)

TOTAL Appropriations: \$ 48,919.00
B. Expenditures:
Personnel Service
Contractual Services
Supplies
Travel
S

II. Victim Services Personnel:

Equipment

Training

Other_

- 1. Number of victim advocates 8 Full Time D Part Time D
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes xa No D

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes xo No o

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes xo No o

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

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ш. Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

- Attempted Murder Criminal Sexual Conduct Child Physical Abuse □ Stalking Child Sexual Abuse Lynching Homicide □ Robbery G Kidnapping **G** Burglary □ Felony DUI (death/injury) $x \square$ All of the above Reckless Homicide □ Vulnerable Adults □ Hit & Run Underserved Population
- B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- Criminal justice support/advocacy
- Courtroom assistance
- Courtroom accompaniment
- Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- Assistance filing crime victim compensation
- Shelter/Safe House Information

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period: Our office has the first Family Justice Center in South Carolina. We are certified through the Alliance for Hope. The center is house at our headquarters in Okatie and consists of a multidisciplinary team of professionals that assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and vulnerable adult population within the 14th Circuit. Representatives from the following organizations/programs are available in the FJC: Hopeful Horizons, Child Abuse Prevention Association, Lowcountry Legal Volunteers, Lowcountry Alliance for Healthy Youth, Bikers Against Child Abuse and the 14th Circuit SAFE Program

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x All of the above

Other _____

- Criminal Domestic Violence Assaults Other ______

Transportation

Case file status

Referrals

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: __2,856____

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 x All of the above
 Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

We meet with crime victims at bond court and then have a follow up meeting with the ASOL and members of community partners so we can better serve victims.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

All the advocates in the 14th Circuit have taken the new child protocol training required by the state to work with our Child Advocate Centers in the state.

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

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Victim Services Director/Coordinator

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15th Judicial Circuit

	A. Appropriations:	
	1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission	\$ 8,294.00 (recurring)
:	2. Allocation of funds from DCVC	\$ 40,625.00(nonrecurring
	TOTAL Appropriation	ons: \$ 48,919.00
	B. Expenditures:	
	Personnel Service	\$ 48,919.00
	Contractual Services	\$
	Supplies	\$
	Travel	\$
	Equipment	\$
	Training	\$
	Other	\$

- 1. Number of victim advocates <u>11</u> Full Time <u>10</u> Part Time <u>1</u>
- 2. Is there an updated job description on file in human resources for victim advocates?

Yes IX No I

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes 🛛 No 🗆

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes 🛛 No 🗆

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

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D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: 13,900

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□x All of the above □x Vulnerable Adults clients □ Criminal justice support/advocacy □ Case file status □ Referrals Courtroom accompaniment Transportation $\square x$ All of the above

- B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:
- Courtroom assistance
- Victim Impact Statements Assistance
- Assistance filing crime victim compensation
- Shelter/Safe House Information

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

Shelter/safehouse only information able to be given is the lack thereof

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

- X Other Spanish speaking

□ Other

Criminal Domestic Violence

- Criminal Sexual Conduct
- Child Physical Abuse
- Child Sexual Abuse
- □ Homicide

Victims Served:

- □ Burglary
- □ Arson

III.

- Reckless Homicide
- □ Hit & Run
- Underserved Population

□ Assaults

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

- Attempted Murder
- □ Stalking
- Lynching
- □ Robbery
- Kidnapping
- Felony DUI (death/injury)

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- None

Describe Services Provided to Crime Victims in Detail:

Our program provided victim impact statements to all victims of crime; assisted with filing for victim's compensation; intervened with employers and/or creditors on behalf of victims; provided status reports and general case information from incident date to disposition as appropriate and necessary in General Sessions cases, Magistrates' court cases, and juvenile cases. This information was provided by telephone, e-mail, and hard copy correspondence. We also assisted in the preparation of victims and witnesses for testifying in court proceedings or hearings, provided courtroom orientations, and accompanied victims and witnesses to court. We, further, made referrals to other community resources for assistance with counseling, social services, etc.; civic organizations, schools and universities. We arranged travel by plane, bus, train, and automobile for out-of-pocket expenses. We also prepared restitution verification forms and provided them to the local Probation and Parole Office to ensure expedient receipt of restitution by victims. We accompanied victims to parole hearings and forwarded all victim contact information necessary to the South Carolina Department of Corrections, and South Carolina Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services for continued post-disposition victim notification.

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

x Victim/Witness Brochure
 ∪ Victim/Witness Flyer
 victim Impact Statement
 x Crime Victim Compensation Application
 All of the above
 x Other _____

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

_Brochures and impact statements are mailed at the time the file is received by the Solicitor's office for

prosecution - CB Comp Apps are provided after initial assessment of case when it can be determined if the

police department has already forwarded one. Brochures are distributed at Hoedown, Loris Bog Off, Trunk or Treat, and other community outreach events.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

Harvest Hoe Down, Bog-Off, Trunk or treat on courthouse grounds

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

Sexual Assault, Solicitor's Conference, Domestic Violence, Core Trainings

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

None

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eenth Judicial Circuit						
Financial:						
A. Appropriations:						
		\$_8,293.94	(recurring)			
2. Allocation of funds from DCV	2	\$_40,625.00	(nonrecurring)			
	TOTAL Appropriati	ons: \$ 48,918.94				
B. Expenditures:						
Personnel Service		\$ 48,918.94				
Contractual Services		\$				
Supplies		\$				
Travel		\$				
Equipment		\$				
Training		\$				
Other		\$				
Victim Services Personnel:						
1. Number of victim advocates	_19 Full Time 🗹 _18	Part Time 🗹1				
2. Is there an updated job description	on on file in human resourc	es for victim advocates	?			
Yes ⊠No □						
	 Financial: A. Appropriations: Line Item Appropriation by Pro Allocation of funds from DCVO B. Expenditures: Personnel Service Contractual Services Supplies Travel Equipment Training Other	Financial: A. Appropriations: 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission 2. Allocation of funds from DCVC TOTAL Appropriation B. Expenditures: Personnel Service Contractual Services Supplies Travel Equipment Training Other	Financial: A. Appropriations: 1. Line Item Appropriation by Prosecution Commission \$ _8,293.94			

If no, please ensure that within two months of this report the updated job description for victim advocates are on file with human resources.

3. Have victim advocates received their Victim Services Provider Number (VSP#) through the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Crime Victim Services, Training, Provider Certification, and Statistical Analysis (DCVS)?

Yes ⊠No □

If no, please ensure the process has started and within two months of this report the victim advocates have received their VSP#.

4. Are victim advocates current and in compliance with their VSP certification with DCVS according to State law?

Yes ⊠No □

If no, when do you anticipate the victim advocates becoming current and in compliance with their VSP hours according to State law?

III. Victims Served:

A. Check below the types of victims served by victim advocates during the reporting period:

Criminal Domestic Violence	۵	Assaults
Criminal Sexual Conduct		Attempted Murder
Child Physical Abuse		Stalking
Child Sexual Abuse		Lynching
Homicide		Robbery
Burglary		Kidnapping
Arson		Felony DUI (death/injury)
Reckless Homicide	Ø	All of the above
Hit & Run		Vulnerable Adults
Underserved Population		Other

B. Check below the types of services provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance Program during the reporting period:

Criminal justice support/advocacy		Case file status
Courtroom assistance		Referrals
Courtroom accompaniment		Transportation
Victim Impact Statements Assistance	$\mathbf{\nabla}_{\mathbf{A}}$	All of the above
Assistance filing crime victim compensation		Other
Shelter/Safe House Information		

Describe services provided to crime victims in detail:

The 16th Circuit Victim Advocates make every effort to contact victims and inform them of their rights. They ensure that victims are prepared and address any special needs/services needed. Victims are kept informed of all prosecutorial proceedings, which include bond hearings, guilty pleas and trials. Advocates schedule appointments for victims to meet with prosecutors, accompany victims to meetings and provide transportation for them as needed. Victim Advocates in the 16th Circuit been handling some meetings via Zoom because of the lack of transportation or living out of state. We still do utilize WebEx in cases where victims cannot make or think that they will have a difficult time making through a court hearing. In all, the 16th Circuit provided 12,747 services to 2,620 victims during the fiscal year.

Services to the victims include assistance with completing Victim Impact Statements and Victim Compensation Claims, transportation, and making referrals and scheduling appointments with medical and/or mental health providers. Advocates provide courtroom orientation, information regarding criminal justice procedures and hearings, as well as accompany victims to various court hearings if requested. Advocates intervene on behalf of the victims with employers, creditors, schools and other parties to prevent further difficulties for the victims as they participate in the prosecution process. After a case reaches its conclusion and as appropriate, victim contact information is sent to one or more of the following agencies: S.C. Department of Corrections, S.C. Department of

<u>Probation, Parole and Pardon Services, S.C. Board of Juvenile Parole, Department of Juvenile Justice and the</u> <u>Attorney General's Office. If a victim has elected not to be present for court proceedings the victim is contacted</u> <u>by letter and informed of the case disposition and victim information is forwarded to the appropriate agencies for</u> <u>future notifications.</u>

C. List and describe any unique services to crime victims provided by the Victim/Witness Assistance

Program during the reporting period:

During this reporting period, advocates are continuing to assist victims with attending court hearings virtually and met with them online or will meet them at their home or wherever that victim feels the most comfortable. The Domestic Violence Advocates advise victims to notify law enforcement when Orders of Protection, Permanent Restraining Orders or bond conditions are violated. The advocate then makes the prosecutors aware so that the proper actions can be taken to keep the victim safe. We strive to develop new ways to serve and protect victims of York and Union Counties.

D. Total number of victims served during the reporting period: ____2,620_____

IV. Check below publications distributed to crime victims:

Victim/Witness Brochure
 Victim/Witness Flyer
 Victim Impact Statement
 Crime Victim Compensation Application
 MAll of the above
 Other

Provide information on how and when the publications noted above are distributed to crime victims:

A Victim/Witness Brochure and Victim Impact Statement are included in the initial contact letter that is mailed to all victims. Domestic Violence flyers are publicized and available for review. We inform all victims about the process and availability of Crime Victim Compensation. We will also check with the arresting agency to see if a DCVC application has been done. If one has, we get a copy for out file. If there is a need, we assist victims in completing and submitting and or resubmitting an application.

V. Outreach:

Describe the types of Outreach Services provided to crime victims during this reporting period:

_ We had a victim whose husband and brother were both murdered and she has been hosting a National Day of Remembrance. During the reporting period, our Solicitor spoke during this event. I have also put her in touch with other agencies in the community to bring some awareness and understanding to the cases similar to hers, since there was mental illness involved. Also, as part of our outreach services we had an advocate work especially hard to fight for a victim that was about to lose his home because he was unable to pay his mortgage. She went above and beyond and fought hard for this victim and as a result he was able to keep his home and she received the Advocate of the Year award for all her hard work and dedication to serving victims in our Circuit.

VI. Training:

A. List the specific types of DCVS Approved Trainings attended by the victim advocates during this reporting period:

The advocates for the 16th Circuit attended various trainings at different times during the reporting period. Some of those trainings were as follows: VSP CORE Training through not only the Prosecution Commission but Victim's Rights Week, Adult and Child Sexual Assault, Equitable Decision making; Military Justice System, SC Immigrant Victim Coalition, Results of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and the Law, Victim's Rights Week, and the SC Solicitor's Conference (where multiple training sessions are offered

B. List DCVS approved and or other training events, if any, the victim advocates may have coordinated and or facilitated during this reporting period:

I am the Chair of the Solicitor's Advocate Forum and is on the several different committees to include the Conference Planning Committee, which is in charge of planning 12-14 hours of VSP training during the annual Solicitor's Conference as well keeping other advocates across the state informed to any up-coming trainings for them to receive hours.

Victim Services Director/C

Solicitor's Signature

10-10-2022

Date

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