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Human Trafficking Victim Fund

Purpose

The Human Trafficking Victim Fund was created by 2014 Iowa Acts, chapter [1097](#). The Fund is administered by the Office of the Attorney General. Iowa Code section [915.95](#) establishes the Fund and requires moneys in the Fund to be awarded as grants to programs that provide services and support to human trafficking victims, including public outreach and awareness programs and service provider training programs. Moneys are also used to reimburse the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) for employing an instructor to provide domestic abuse and human trafficking prevention training throughout the State.

Funding

Receipts to the Fund are generated by a human trafficking victim surcharge established in Iowa Code section [911.2A](#). The \$1,000 surcharge is imposed when an adjudication of guilt or a deferred judgment has been entered for certain acts of prostitution, human trafficking, pimping, or pandering in violation of Iowa Code section [725.1\(2\)](#), [710A.2](#), [725.2](#), or [725.3](#). In the event of multiple offenses, the surcharge is imposed on each applicable offense. The surcharge was created by the same Act that created the Fund and took effect January 1, 2015. The Fund receipts and expenditures vary year to year. **Figure 1** summarizes total revenue and expenditures in FY 2022, FY 2023, and FY 2024.

Figure 1 - Human Trafficking Victim Fund Revenue and Expenditures

	Actual FY 2022	Actual FY 2023	Actual FY 2024
Resources			
Beginning Balance	\$ 30,171	\$ 17,471	\$ 15,717
Revenue			
Surcharge Receipts	22,827	8,447	4,172
Total Resources	<u>\$ 52,998</u>	<u>\$ 25,918</u>	<u>\$ 19,889</u>
Expenses			
Advertising & Publicity	\$ 18,741	\$ 10,000	\$ 0
Outside Services	132	200	0
Rentals	2,700	0	0
Travel & Subsistence	13,930	0	0
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	25	0	0
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 35,528</u>	<u>\$ 10,200</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 17,470</u>	<u>\$ 15,718</u>	<u>\$ 19,889</u>

Related Statutes

Iowa Code sections [915.95](#), [911.2A](#), [725.1](#), [710A.2](#), [725.2](#), and [725.3](#)

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