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Human Trafficking Victim Fund

Purpose

The Human Trafficking Victim Fund was created by 2014 Iowa Acts, chapter [1097](#) (Sex Offenses and Human Trafficking Act). 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 2023, FY 2024, and FY 2025.

Figure 1 — Human Trafficking Victim Fund Revenue and Expenditures

	<u>Actual FY 2023</u>	<u>Actual FY 2024</u>	<u>Actual FY 2025</u>
Resources			
Beginning Balance	\$ 17,471	\$ 15,717	\$ 19,889
Revenue			
Surcharge Receipts	8,447	4,172	8,767
Total Revenue	<u>25,918</u>	<u>19,889</u>	<u>28,656</u>
Total Resources	<u>\$ 25,918</u>	<u>\$ 19,889</u>	<u>\$ 28,656</u>
Expenses			
Advertising & Publicity	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Outside Services	200	0	0
State Aid	0	0	14,142
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 10,200</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 14,142</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 15,718</u>	<u>\$ 19,889</u>	<u>\$ 14,514</u>

Related Statutes

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

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