## Attorney General's Office Crime Victim Assistance Division

The Crime Victim Assistance Division (CVAD) was established by statute in FY90. Staff has grown from 6 employees in FY90 to 20 employees in FY02. The Compensation Fund established in Iowa Code Chapter 915 and comprised entirely of state and federal criminal fines and penalties funds all CVAD operations. Two FTEs for the victim and witness coordination functions of the AG Area Prosecution Division also receive funding beginning in FY02 from the Compensation Fund but do not dedicate any time to the CVAD programs.

FY	CVAD staff	FY	CVAD staff
90	6	97	13
91	7	98	16
92	8	99	16
93	8	00	17
94	11	01	20
95	11	02	20
96	13		

The staff of the CVAD operates three programs. The staff dedicated to each program is explained in the following summary histories.

## **Crime Victim Compensation Program**

The Crime Victim Compensation Program (CVC) was transferred to the Attorney General's in FY90. At that time, the program had a backlog of over 300 cases and a processing time of 24 weeks. The following table shows the caseload and processing time for the program over the past 12 years.

FY	Number of Claims	Claims approved	Claims denied	Processing time	Compensation Staff*
90	1173	1215**	107	10 weeks	4
91	1238	1073	148	7 weeks	5
92	1511	1397	185	6 weeks	6
93	1501	1304	163	6.6 weeks	6
94	1983	1566	280	8.3 weeks	8.5
95	1703	1592	219	8.4 weeks	8.5
96	2135	1879	235	6.7 weeks	9
97	1995	1753	220	6.4 weeks	9
98	2548	2226	296	6.2 weeks	11
99	2804	2530	289	5.9 weeks	11
00	2749	2440	262	5.8 weeks	12
01	3152	2741	325	6.8 weeks	14.5
02~	1682	1274	190	8.5 weeks	14.5

\* Includes Crime Victim Compensation Program administrator, investigators, and support staff.

\*\* Includes backlog cases from FY89 when the program was administered in DPS.

~ Includes actual numbers from the first six months of FY02.

## **Sexual Abuse Examination Program**

The Sexual Abuse Examination Payment Program (SAE) was transferred to the CVAD from the IDPH in FY91. The CVC staff also processes the SAE claims. Approximately .5 FTE is dedicated to this program. Case processing time is six weeks. The following table shows the SAE caseload over the past 11 years.

FY	Cases	FY	Cases
91	1059	97	1178
92	1318	98	1270
93	1333	99	1371
94	1300	00	1722
95	1349	01	1729
96	1220	02~	864

~ Includes actual numbers from the first six months of FY02.

## **Victim Services Grant Program**

The Victim Services Grant Program (VSG) was established in FY90 when federal and state grant funds that support community-based local victim service programs were transferred from three other state departments to the CVAD. The following table shows the total amount of grants administered over the past 12 years and the staff dedicated to the VSG.

FY	Amount of Grants	Staff*
90	\$915,555	2
91	\$1,405,095	2
92	\$2,083,130	2
93	\$2,195,610	2.5
94	\$2,387,785	2.5
95	\$2,377,606	4
96	\$2,601,932	4
97	\$3,639,696	5
98	\$6,866,744	5
99	\$6,235,284	5
00	\$6,062,580	5
01	\$7,478,187	5.5
02	\$7,318,942	5.5

\* Includes the division director, VSG program staff, and support staff.