

OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS - CRIME VICTIMS FUND

(Dollars in thousands)

	Pos.	FTE	Amount
2003 Obligations.....	\$604,455
2004 Appropriation Enacted (without Rescission).....	625,000
2004 Rescission -- Government-wide Reduction (.059%)	-3,688
2004 Appropriation Enacted (with Rescission).....	621,312
2005 Total Request.....	675,000
Change 2005 from 2004.....	53,688
Adjustments to Base:			
Increases.....	...		53,688
Net, Adjustments to Base.....	53,688
2005 Current Services.....	675,000
2005 Total Request.....	675,000
Change 2005 from 2004.....	53,688

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<u>Comparison by activity and program</u>	<u>2004 Appropriation Enacted (w/ Rescission)</u>			<u>2005 Current Services</u>			<u>2005 Request</u>			<u>Program Improvements/Offsets</u>		
	<u>Perm Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Perm Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Perm Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Perm Pos.</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Crime Victims Fund.....	\$621,312	\$675,000	\$675,000 ^{1/}

1/ This amount reflects the proposed 2005 obligation limitation for the Crime Victims Fund of \$675 million, including \$50 million for the emergency reserve.

The Crime Victims Fund is financed by collections of fines, penalty assessments, and bond forfeitures from defendants convicted of federal crimes. These funds support victim assistance and compensation programs around the country and advocates, through policy development, for the fair treatment of crime victims. The Office for Victims of Crime administers formula and discretionary grants for programs designed to benefit victims, provides training for diverse professionals who work with victims, develops projects to enhance victims' rights and services, and undertakes public education and awareness activities on behalf of crime victims. Victim assistance funds help support more than 4,000 local victim service agencies, such as domestic violence shelters, children's advocacy centers, and rape treatment programs. Compensation funds supplement state efforts to provide reimbursement to victims for out-of-pocket expenses resulting from crime, including medical and mental health counseling costs, lost wages, and funeral expenses.