

TITLE 80 - CRIME VICTIM'S REPARATIONS COMMITTEE
CHAPTER 1 - DEFINITIONS

001 Purpose – To outline common terms used by the Crime Victim’s Reparations program staff and Committee while conducting business.

002 Act – Act means the Nebraska Crime Victim's Reparation Act, Nebraska Revised Statutes §81-1801 to 81-1842.

003 Applicant – Applicant means any victim or other eligible party who has applied for compensation under the Act. An applicant may also be referred to as claimant.

004 Application – Application means a form provided by the Committee and filed with the Committee, containing a verified statement by the applicant setting forth facts justifying compensation, together with any other documentation required by the application form or the Committee.

005 Claimant – An individual who has filed a claim for compensation under the Act.

006 Commission – Commission means the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice.

007 Committee – Committee means the duly appointed Crime Victim's Reparations (CVR) Committee.

008 Compensation – Compensation means any monetary award made by the Committee or Hearing Officer to an applicant or to any other person or entity on behalf of an applicant.

009 Dependent – Dependent means (a) a relative of a deceased victim who was dependent upon the victim's income at the time of death, including a child of a victim born after a victim’s death and (b) for the purposes of this definition and due to limited availability of funds under the Act, dependent means a relative who was dependent upon the victim for more than half of his or her support at the time of death.

010 Eligible – Eligible, as used herein, means someone who is not prohibited from receiving compensation as outlined in the Act.

011 Hearing Officer – Hearing Officer means the Executive Director of the Commission or any person or persons licensed to practice law in Nebraska who are designated by the Committee and approved by the Commission to make claim decisions and conduct hearings on behalf of the Committee.

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012 Licensed Provider – Licensed provider means facilities rendering medical, mental health counseling, and/or pharmaceutical services as authorized by law in relation to the criminal act for which the victim owes payment.

013 Maintenance – Maintenance of the victim means the providing of care to the victim because the victim is not able to care for himself/herself. Requirement for such care must be prescribed by the licensed medical provider in writing.

014 Offender – Offender means a person who caused the personal injury or death to the victim as a result of the criminal act.

015 Out-of-Pocket Expenses – Expenses that are directly attributable to the crime and are eligible for reimbursement under the Act.

016 Personal Injury – Personal Injury means actual bodily harm.

017 Relative – Relative means spouse, parent, grandparent, step-parent, natural born child, step-child, adopted child, grandchild, step-grandchild, brother, sister, half- brother, half-sister or spouse's parents.

018 Victim – Victim means an individual, as identified in the Act, who suffers personal injury or death from a criminal act attempted or committed in Nebraska, a Nebraska resident or non-resident who suffers personal injury or death from a terroristic act attempted or committed in Nebraska, and Nebraska residents who suffer personal injury or death from a terroristic act attempted or committed in another state, nation, country or territory. Victim means an individual who suffers emotional trauma as a result of witnessing the actual attempted or committed criminal act.