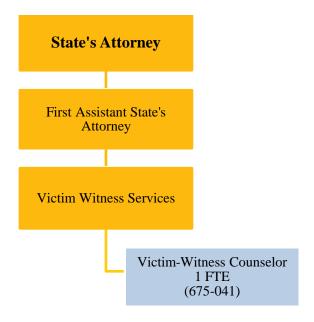
# VICTIM ADVOCACY GRANT Fund 675-041



Victim Advocacy Grant (675-041) position: 1 FTE

## MISSION STATEMENT

To guide victims through the judicial process and to assist victims with the management of problems created by victimization by providing support, education, courtroom advocacy, assistance with obtaining restitution, and referrals to community-based service providers.

## **BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

The victim advocacy grant, managed by the State's Attorney's Office, provides funding towards the salary of the Victim Advocacy Program Victim-Witness Counselor. The counselor serves as the first point of contact between felony crime victims and the judicial system. The counselor assists the State's Attorney with meeting statutory obligations imposed under the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. The funding source for this program is a grant from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and matching funds from the Champaign County Board. Increase in expenditures would correlate to salary increases for non-bargaining employees.

#### FINANCIAL

		Fund 675 Dept 041	2016 Actual	2017 Original	2017 Projected	2018 Budget
331	54	JUSTC-CRIME VICTIM ASSIST FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL SHARED REVENUE	\$45,314 \$45,314	\$34,525 \$34,525	\$34,525 \$34,525	\$34,525 \$34,525
371	80	FROM GENERAL CORP FND 080 INTERFUND REVENUE	\$21,250 \$21,250	\$21,250 \$21,250	\$21,250 \$21,250	\$17,000 \$17,000

		REVENUE TOTALS	\$66,564	\$55,775	\$55,775	\$51,525
511	3	REG. FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES PERSONNEL	\$56,102 \$56,102	\$57,019 \$57,019	\$57,019 \$57,019	\$51,228 \$51,228
		EXPENDITURE TOTALS	\$56,102	\$57,019	\$57,019	\$51,228

#### **FUND BALANCE**

FY2016 Actual	FY2017 Projected	FY2018 Budgeted
-\$4,343	-\$5,587	-\$5,290

The fund balance displays as negative, because this grant is funded on a reimbursement basis. The negative fund balance is covered through the cash management of this grant operating out of a combined funds portfolio, wherein the County provides for the expenditure and is later reimbursed.

## FULL TIME EMPLOYEE HISTORY

FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018
0.8	1	1	1	1

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The Victim Advocacy Program Victim-Witness Counselor provides ongoing information and assistance to the victims of these crimes as the cases proceed through the judicial process. At the beginning of each felony case, the counselor provides the crime victim with notice of charges, upcoming court dates, and available services, including local sources for counseling and other relevant social services. Throughout the course of the case, the counselor provides ongoing services for felony crime victims including court-related support; court orientation; court escort and accompaniment; case status information; assistance with writing victim impact statements; assistance with restitution and evidence; arraigning witness fees; hotels and transportation for out of town court witnesses; and case disposition information. The counselor also provides support to victims after the final disposition of the case by keeping victims apprised of offender prison release dates and assisting with information regarding collection of restitution.

### **OBJECTIVES**

Provide information and assistance to victims and witnesses regarding the criminal justice process in accordance with statutory requirements.

## PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018
Indicator	Actual	Projected	Budgeted
Number of New Felony Crime Victims Served	800	768	600
Number of Ongoing contacts w/ Felony Crime Victims through judicial process of a case	1,850	1,875	1,825