

1870 California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board

The governing body of the California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board (VCGCB) consists of three members: the Secretary of the State and Consumer Services Agency who serves as the chair, the State Controller, and a public member appointed by the Governor. The mission of the VCGCB is to serve claimants and stakeholders through effective assistance and the timely resolution of claims. The primary objectives of the VCGCB are to:

- Compensate victims of violent crime and eligible family members for certain crime-related financial losses.
- Review and act upon civil claims against the state for money or damages.
- Resolve bid protests with respect to the awarding of state contracts for the procurement of goods and services.
- Provide for reimbursement of counties' expenditures for special elections called for by the Governor to fill vacant seats in the Legislature and Congress.
- Determine the eligibility of individuals for compensation for pecuniary injury sustained through erroneous conviction and imprisonment.
- Determine expenses and allowances to be paid to legislators, elected state officers, and members of the judiciary while traveling on official state business.
- Process claims for the Missing Children Reward Program to assist local law enforcement agencies or other parties involved in the identification and recovery of missing children in California.
- Provide for reimbursement to claimants for personal injury and property damage as a result of a natural or environmental disaster.
- Assist with the administration of the California State Employees Charitable Campaign.
- Process claims through the Good Samaritan Program to private citizens who are injured rescuing another person, preventing a crime, or assisting a law enforcement officer.

3-YR EXPENDITURES AND POSITIONS (Summary of Program Requirements)

	Positions			Expenditures		
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
11 Citizens Indemnification	121.8	137.1	137.1	\$124,685	\$140,026	\$148,596
12 Quality Assurance and Revenue Recovery Division	28.1	31.3	31.3	8,298	9,336	9,418
31 Civil Claims Against the State	11.8	11.9	11.9	1,098	1,375	1,410
41 Citizens Benefiting the Public (Good Samaritans)	-	-	-	-	20	20
51.01 Administration	109.4	109.1	113.1	9,428	9,702	10,566
51.02 Distributed Administration	-	-	-	-9,950	-10,238	-10,566
51.03 Executive Office Administration	4.5	4.0	-	522	536	-
71 Counties' Special Election Reimbursements	-	-	-	1,719	1,112	-
TOTALS, POSITIONS AND EXPENDITURES (All Programs)	275.6	293.4	293.4	\$135,800	\$151,869	\$159,444
FUNDING				2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
0001 General Fund				\$1,719	\$1,112	\$-
0214 Restitution Fund				107,074	117,195	125,771
0890 Federal Trust Fund				25,909	32,187	32,263
0995 Reimbursements				1,098	1,375	1,410
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS				\$135,800	\$151,869	\$159,444

LEGAL CITATIONS AND AUTHORITY

Government Code Sections 900 et seq., 13900 et seq., and 13920; Penal Code Sections 1202.4 and 4900 et seq.; Public Contract Code Sections 10306 and 12102; and others.

DETAILED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

	2008-09*			2009-10*		
	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions
Workload Budget Adjustments						
Other Workload Budget Adjustments						
• Employee Compensation Adjustments	\$-	\$48	-	\$-	\$76	-
• Retirement Rate Adjustment	-	-10	-	-	-10	-
• Legislation With An Appropriation	1,112	-	-	-	-	-
• Miscellaneous Adjustments	-	-16,808	-	-	-8,149	-
Totals, Other Workload Budget Adjustments	\$1,112	-\$16,770	-	\$-	-\$8,083	-
Totals, Workload Budget Adjustments	\$1,112	-\$16,770	-	\$-	-\$8,083	-

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	2008-09*			2009-10*		
	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions
Totals, Budget Adjustments	\$1,112	-\$16,770	-	\$-	-\$8,083	-

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS (Program Objectives Statement)

11 - CITIZENS INDEMNIFICATION

This program reimburses certain expenses of victims of crime in California who are injured or threatened with injury and suffer financial hardship as a direct result of a violent crime. The victim of a qualifying crime, and eligible family members, may file a claim with the VCGCB for program benefits.

12 - QUALITY ASSURANCE AND REVENUE RECOVERY DIVISION

This program serves victims of crime in California by maintaining the fiscal stability of the Restitution Fund through the recovery of monies owed from restitution fines and orders. The Division's primary emphasis is to educate the criminal justice community (the judiciary, district attorneys, chief probation officers, and court administrators) on the importance of the consistent imposition and collection of restitution fines and orders. The program also partners with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Franchise Tax Board, and the Attorney General's Office on restitution-related activities.

31 - CIVIL CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE

This program receives, investigates, and processes claims for money or damages filed against the state.

41 - CITIZENS BENEFITING THE PUBLIC

This program reimburses persons for certain expenses who sustained injury or losses as a result of a direct action that benefited the public, such as the prevention of a crime or a rescue of a person in immediate danger of injury or death (Good Samaritans).

71 - COUNTIES' SPECIAL ELECTION REIMBURSEMENTS

This program provides reimbursement for expenses authorized and necessarily incurred in conducting special elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a legislative vacancy at the federal or state level.

DETAILED EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM (Program Budget Detail)

		2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS				
11	CITIZENS INDEMNIFICATION			
	State Operations:			
0214	Restitution Fund	\$98,776	\$107,839	\$25,310
0890	Federal Trust Fund	25,909	32,187	1,613
	Totals, State Operations	\$124,685	\$140,026	\$26,923
	Local Assistance:			
0214	Restitution Fund	\$-	\$-	\$91,023
0890	Federal Trust Fund	-	-	30,650
	Totals, Local Assistance	\$-	\$-	\$121,673
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS				
12	QUALITY ASSURANCE AND REVENUE RECOVERY DIVISION			
	State Operations:			
0214	Restitution Fund	\$8,298	\$9,336	\$9,418
	Totals, State Operations	\$8,298	\$9,336	\$9,418
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS				
31	CIVIL CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE			
	State Operations:			
0995	Reimbursements	\$1,098	\$1,375	\$1,410
	Totals, State Operations	\$1,098	\$1,375	\$1,410

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	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS			
41 CITIZENS BENEFITING THE PUBLIC (GOOD SAMARITAN)			
State Operations:			
0214 Restitution Fund	\$-	\$20	\$-
Totals, State Operations	\$-	\$20	\$-
Local Assistance:			
0214 Restitution Fund	\$-	\$-	\$20
Totals, Local Assistance	\$-	\$-	\$20
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS			
51 ADMINISTRATION			
ELEMENT REQUIREMENTS			
51.01 Administration	9,428	9,702	10,566
51.02 Distributed Administration	-9,950	-10,238	-10,566
51.03 Executive Office Administration	522	536	-
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS			
71 COUNTIES' SPECIAL ELECTION REIMBURSEMENTS			
Local Assistance:			
0001 General Fund	\$1,719	\$1,112	\$-
Totals, Local Assistance	\$1,719	\$1,112	\$-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES			
State Operations	134,081	150,757	37,751
Local Assistance	1,719	1,112	121,693
Totals, Expenditures	\$135,800	\$151,869	\$159,444

EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY (Summary By Object)

	1 State Operations			Expenditures		
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
PERSONAL SERVICES						
Authorized Positions (Equals Sch. 7A)	275.6	308.8	308.8	\$15,738	\$16,950	\$17,312
Estimated Salary Savings	-	-15.4	-15.4	-	-841	-859
Net Totals, Salaries and Wages	275.6	293.4	293.4	\$15,738	\$16,109	\$16,453
Staff Benefits	-	-	-	5,956	6,119	6,147
Totals, Personal Services	275.6	293.4	293.4	\$21,694	\$22,228	\$22,600
OPERATING EXPENSES AND EQUIPMENT						
				\$24,606	\$26,491	\$15,151
SPECIAL ITEMS OF EXPENSE						
Claims:						
Victims of Crime				\$82,110	\$95,379	\$-
10 Percent County Rebates				5,671	6,639	-
Citizens Benefiting the Public (Good Samaritans)				-	20	-
Totals, Special Items of Expense				\$87,781	\$102,038	\$-
TOTALS, POSITIONS AND EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations)				\$134,081	\$150,757	\$37,751
2 Local Assistance						
				Expenditures		
				2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
Victims of Crime Claim Payments				\$-	\$-	\$100,897
Criminal Restitution Compacts				-	-	14,137

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2 Local Assistance

	Expenditures		
	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
County Rebates	-	-	6,639
Citizens Benefiting the Public (Good Samaritans)	-	-	20
Counties' Special Election Reimbursement	1,719	1,112	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (Local Assistance)	\$1,719	\$1,112	\$121,693

DETAIL OF APPROPRIATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS (Reconciliation with Appropriations)

1 STATE OPERATIONS	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
0001 General Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	0	0	0
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$-
TOTALS, GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$-
0214 Restitution Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$47,392	\$47,308	\$34,728
Allocation for employee compensation	726	46	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-52	-10	-
Adjustment per Section 15.25	-78	-	-
002 Budget Act appropriation	20	20	-
011 Budget Act appropriation (transfer to Equality in Prevention and Services for Domestic Abuse Fund)	(300)	(400)	-
011 Budget Act appropriation (Transfer to General Fund)	-	(50,000)	-
Government Code Section 13964	56,394	63,192	-
Government Code Section 13963(f)	5,671	6,639	-
Totals Available	\$110,073	\$117,195	\$34,728
Unexpended balance, estimated savings	-2,999	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$107,074	\$117,195	\$34,728
0890 Federal Trust Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$32,187	\$32,187	\$1,613
Budget Adjustment	-6,278	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$25,909	\$32,187	\$1,613
0995 Reimbursements			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Reimbursements	\$1,098	\$1,375	\$1,410
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations)	\$134,081	\$150,757	\$37,751
2 LOCAL ASSISTANCE	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
0001 General Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Chapter 509, Statutes of 2007 - County Special Election Costs	\$1,765	\$-	\$-
Chapter 37, Statutes of 2007 - County Special Election Costs	878	-	-
Chapter 338, Statutes of 2008 - County Special Election Costs	-	234	-
Prior year balances available:			
Chapter 37, Statutes of 2007 - County Special Election Costs	-	878	-
Totals Available	\$2,643	\$1,112	\$-
Unexpended balance, estimated savings	-46	-	-
Balance available in subsequent years	-878	-	-

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2 LOCAL ASSISTANCE	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$1,719	\$1,112	\$-
0214 Restitution Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
101 Budget Act appropriation	\$-	\$-	\$20
102 Budget Act appropriation	-	-	14,137
Government Code Section 13964	-	-	70,247
Government Code Section 13963(f)	-	-	6,639
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$91,043
0890 Federal Trust Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
101 Budget Act appropriation	\$-	\$-	\$30,650
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$30,650
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (Local Assistance)	\$1,719	\$1,112	\$121,693
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations and Local Assistance)	\$135,800	\$151,869	\$159,444

FUND CONDITION STATEMENTS

	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
0214 Restitution Fund ⁵			
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$106,317	\$113,799	\$29,092
Prior year adjustments	4,381	-	-
Adjusted Beginning Balance	\$110,698	\$113,799	\$29,092
REVENUES, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS			
Revenues:			
130800 Penalties on Felony Convictions	63,050	65,000	65,000
130900 Fines-Crimes of Public Offense	8,239	6,000	6,000
142500 Miscellaneous Services to the Public	2	2	2
161000 Escheat of Unclaimed Checks & Warrants	214	207	207
161400 Miscellaneous Revenue	1	1	1
164300 Penalty Assessments	53,909	54,751	55,589
164400 Civil & Criminal Violation Assessment	1,893	2,152	2,152
Transfers and Other Adjustments:			
TO0001 To General Fund per pending legislation	-	-30,000	-
TO0001 To General Fund per Item 1870-011-0214, Budget Act of 2008	-	-50,000	-
TO3112 To Equality in Prevention and Services for Domestic Abuse Fund per item 1870-011-0214, Budget Act of 2007 and 2008	-300	-400	-
Total Revenues, Transfers, and Other Adjustments	\$127,008	\$47,713	\$128,951
Total Resources	\$237,706	\$161,512	\$158,043
EXPENDITURES AND EXPENDITURE ADJUSTMENTS			
Expenditures:			
0650 Office of Planning and Research			
State Operations	-	-	285
Local Assistance	-	-	9,215
0690 California Emergency Management Agency			
State Operations	-	285	-
Local Assistance	10,215	9,715	500
0820 Department of Justice			
State Operations	229	339	351
Local Assistance	6,355	4,855	4,855
0840 State Controller (State Operations)	34	31	-
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	2007-08*	2008-09*	2009-10*
State Operations	107,074	117,195	34,728
Local Assistance	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91,043</u>
Total Expenditures and Expenditure Adjustments	<u>\$123,907</u>	<u>\$132,420</u>	<u>\$140,977</u>
FUND BALANCE	\$113,799	\$29,092	\$17,066
Reserve for economic uncertainties	113,799	29,092	17,066
