

## OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL STATE OF ILLINOIS

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June 30, 2017

Michael G. Nerheim, State's Attorney Lake County State's Attorney's Office 18 N. County St. - 3rd Floor Waukegan, IL 60085

Dear Mr. Nerheim:

I am pleased to announce a FY18 Violent Crime Victims Assistance Act (VCVA) grant award for your organization in the amount of \$31,000.00. The term of the grant agreement is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

At this time, the State does not have an approved budget for FY18. This means that until a budget bill including a VCVA appropriation is passed by the General Assembly and signed into law by the Governor, no funds can be released. We will mail and process agreements so that everything is in place when funds are available, but please prepare for a delay in payments.

A Grant Monitor will contact you in the next few weeks to discuss any revisions of the Goals and Objectives that may be necessary to complete the agreement. Please be prepared to tell your Grant Monitor how you will use the funds, the total salary and benefits of the funded staff, and how you want to allocate those funds between salary and benefits.

Through the VCVA Program, the Office of the Illinois Attorney General is working to ensure more efficient and effective services for victims of violent crime and their families. Organizations like yours continue to help victims navigate the sometimes-difficult criminal justice system, recover from the effects of violent crime, and rebuild their lives.

I am confident that working together we can provide the comprehensive, high quality services crime victims across Illinois deserve.

Thank you again for your ongoing commitment to victim services in our State.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Crime Victim Services Division