



CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARD

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FACT SHEET

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CLAIMS ARISING FROM HOMICIDE

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Board will consider three types of claims as the result of a death arising from an act of violence: funeral expenses, maintenance and personal injury (Injury Known as Mental or Nervous Shock).

FUNERAL EXPENSES

When a person dies as the result of a crime, the Board will consider reimbursing the funeral expenses for costs not covered by any other sources. Please note that the funeral expense claim should be made by the person who is able to provide proof of payment documentation.

The Board **will** consider the following:

- services of the funeral director
- services of a clergyman
- the casket
- the cemetery plot
- the grave marker
- notices in newspapers
- death and birth certificates

The Board **does not** pay for

- thank you cards and postage
- flowers
- food
- cars and police escort
- clothes for relatives or the victim
- legal or accounting fees for settling the estate

MAINTENANCE

The Board will also consider providing financial support for dependants of a deceased victim if they were supported financially in whole or in part by the victim at the time of his/her death.

The Board requires proof of financial support of the dependant by the deceased victim. The Board will request documentation such as Income Tax Assessments, the Birth Certificate (Long Form) for minor dependants, and other relevant documentation confirming spousal and/or child support.

PERSONAL INJURY (INJURY KNOWN AS MENTAL OR NERVOUS SHOCK)

The Board will consider a pain and suffering award to a survivor of a deceased victim only if the injury known as mental or nervous shock can be established. For information regarding eligibility for starting a claim to consider one's psychological injury, please refer to the information sheet *Injury Known as Mental or Nervous Shock*.

For further information or to request an additional claim package please call the Board.

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