

VICTIMS FOR JUSTICE **FAST FACTS**

TAX ID 92-0110889





\$24,119.44

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED



557

HEARINGS ATTENDED



19

JOINED SUPPORT GROUP



3984

SERVICES PROVIDED

RACE/ETHNICITY

26% AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE

3% NATIVE HAWAIIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER

GENDER

24%

MALE

3% ASIAN

8% BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN

2% HISPANIC/LATINO

37% WHITE

11% MULTIPLE

10% UNKNOWN

75.6%

FEMALE



RECEIVING SERVICES FOR 2-5 YEARS



LENGTH OF TIME SINCE

4%

RECEIVING SERVICES FOR OVER 5 YEARS



RECEIVING SERVICES FOR A YEAR OR LESS



RECEIVING SERVICES FOR OVER A YEAR



40 CITIES SERVED



87 CLIENTS HELPED **WITH VCCB APPLICATIONS**



16

0.4%

TRANSGENDER

CLIENTS HELPED WITH VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT





ABOUT US:

Before the 1980's, victims did not have formal rights within the legal system. There was the defense, representing the accused, and the prosecution, representing the state. The victim was not seen as having a role in the process. In the mid-80's, a national movement began, with the objective of establishing constitutional victims' rights. Victims For Justice (VFJ) was part of this movement, working to secure these rights for all victims in Alaska.

VFJ was founded in 1985 after the loss of Janice Lienhart and Sharon Nahorney's parents and their aunt, brutally murdered during a home invasion. Following the murder, a hearing was held but was closed to the public, denying all rights of the family to defend their lost loved ones. Directly following the hearing, Lienhart and Nahorney aggressively fought in the victims' rights movement in Alaska. The two wanted to create a place where victims of violent crime could get professional assistance while also coping with their grief and trauma.

Today, VFJ specializes in assisting victims of violent crime navigate the court process by explaining what legal rights they have as victims, setting up notifications for trials dates, accompanying them to court hearings or attending on their behalf, writing meaningful victim impact statements, and being the liaison between the client, law enforcement and attorneys. VFJ also provides referrals and helps clients file claims with the Victims of Crime Compensation Board. These are some of the services we provide, please visit our website to view full list.

