

# The Crime Victim Certification Steering Committee (CVCSC)



The Crime Victim Certification Steering Committee (CVCSC) was convened by the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) to assist in implementing and monitoring the Safety and Access for Immigrant Victims Act (RCW 7.98) across the state of Washington.

## Who is involved on the committee?

- Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys (WAPA)
- Municipal and District Court Judges Association
- Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC)
- Washington Immigration Solidarity Network (WAISN)
- Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence (WSCADV)
- Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs (WCSAP)
- Asian Pacific Institute on Gender Based Violence (API-GBV)
- American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)
- Northwest Immigrant Rights Project (NWIRP)
- Administrative Office of the Courts
- Seattle City Attorney's Office
- Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC)
- Department of Children, Youth, & Families (DCYF)
- Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)
- Attorney General's Office
- Department of Labor and Industries
- YWCA of Walla Walla
- Department of Commerce

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## What is the committee working on?

### 1 Training

Development and implementation of training for law enforcement, prosecutors, victim advocates, state agency personnel, court personnel, and the community including information on U and T visas, legal protections for immigrant survivors, and promising practices in working with immigrant crime victims.

### 3 Monitoring

The committee will be monitoring compliance with RCW 7.98 including data collection and reporting from certifying agencies.

### 2 Information

The committee will be disseminating information about RCW 7.98, will establish a mechanism for individuals to report concerns and recommendations for implementation, and will develop a searchable database of certifying agencies and officials in the state of Washington.

### 4 Reporting

The committee will identify implementation issues and recommendations to report to the legislature and governor.

## Committee Goals



Implementation



Training



Outreach/  
Access



Monitoring