For Crime Victims and Families of Deceased Crime Victims

(英語) Information on Mie Prefecture's Consolation Payment System for Crime Victims, etc.

Consolation payments are made to families of deceased crime victims who suddenly lost their lives because of intentional crimes, such as murders, as well as to crime victims who have suffered from severe injuries, illnesses or mental disorders caused by crimes in order to help them reduce their financial burdens.

Crimes Covered by the Consolation Payment System

The consolation payment system covers <u>crimes</u> committed "in Japan" or "on Japanese ships/airplanes outside Japan" which <u>caused loss of life or physical harm</u>. (Except for crimes of negligence ***Only crimes committed on and after April 1, 2019 are covered by the system**.)

Condition for Payment

Consolation payments are made only to crime victims or families of deceased crime victims who lived in Mie Prefecture when the crimes were actually committed.

Rejection of Payment

There are cases where no consolation payment is made, for example: Olf the criminal is a relative (within the third degree of kinship) of the crime victim or the primary member of his or her family. (Except in the case where the crime victim used to take actual care of a person under 18)

Olf the criminal act was triggered by the crime victim.

Olf it is regarded as inappropriate under normal social conventions to make a consolation payment to the applicant.

Procedure and Deadline for Application

[Procedure] Please send your application forms by post or bring them directly to the following place of application.

[Deadline] We accept your application for just one year after you get informed about the crime. (Note: You are no longer eligible to make your application if seven or more years have already passed since the occurrence of the crime.)

[Place of application] Division of Life and Traffic Safety, Department of Environmental and Social Affairs, Mie Prefecture 13 Komei-cho, Tsu-shi 514-8570 Phone: 059-224-2664

[Consultation service] Mie Comprehensive Support Center for Crime Victims (public interest incorporated association) Phone: 059–213–8211



You can download the application forms, etc. here.

(Mie Prefecture's website)

Types and Amounts of Consolation Payments and Those Eligible to Receive Them Consolation Payments to Families of Deceased Crime Victims 600,000 yen

< Those eligible for consolation payments of this type >

The primary member of the family of a deceased crime victim (*1) who lived in Mie Prefecture when the crimes were actually committed

- *1 <u>Primary member of the family of a deceased crime victim</u> … Among the members of the family of a deceased crime victim (① to ①) shown below, someone indicated by the smallest number, also referred to as the "primary member of the family of the victim," is eligible for a consolation payment of this type.
 - 1 Spouse (1) (also in the case of de facto marriage) of the deceased crime victim
 - 2 Any of the children (2), parents (3), grandchildren (4), grandparents (5) and siblings (6) of the deceased crime victim who used to live their daily lives under the financial support from the victim
 - 3 Any of the children (⑦), parents (⑧), grandchildren (⑨), grandparents (⑩) and siblings (⑪) of the deceased crime victim who do not meet the condition mentioned in "2" [Note]. The numbers shown above indicate who is more or less eligible to receive a consolation.

[Note] The numbers shown above indicate who is more or less eligible to receive a consolation payment of this type in the family of a deceased crime victim.

[Note] If the first eligible primary member of the family of a deceased crime victim does not apply for a consolation payment of this type, the next potentially eligible family members are not qualified to make an application.

Consolation Payments for Severe Injuries or Illnesses 200,000 yen Those eligible for consolation payments of this type >

Crime victims who have suffered from severe injuries or illnesses caused by crimes (Note: Applicants are required to have been diagnosed by a doctor as needing medical treatment for one or more months and hospitalization for three or more days in total.)

OConsolation Payments for Mental Care 50,000 yen

<Those eligible for consolation payments of this type >

Crime victims who have suffered from mental disorders caused by the <u>specified crimes</u> (*2) (Note: Applicants are required to have been diagnosed by a doctor as needing medical treatment for three or more months and leave of absence for three or more days in total.)

※2 <u>Specified crimes</u> …The "specified crimes" cover the following types of crimes including attempted ones (like attempted murders). Attempted murder, robbery, rape, indecent assault, abduction and human trafficking.

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Documents Required for Application (Description in English and Original Japanese Title)

- "Application Form for a Consolation Payment (to Someone in the Family of a Deceased Crime Victim) Made by Mie Prefecture"
 「三重県犯罪被害者等見舞金(遺族見舞金)給付申請書」
- "Declaration of Damage Caused by the Crime" 「犯罪被害申告書」
- "Notice of Determination of the Recipient of a Consolation Payment (to Someone in the Family of a Deceased Crime Victim) Made by Mie Prefecture"
 「三重県犯罪被害者等見舞金(遺族見舞金)受給代表者決定申出書」
- "Application Form for a Consolation Payment (for Severe Injuries or Illnesses as well as for Mental Care) Made by Mie Prefecture"
 「三重県犯罪被害者等見舞金(重傷病・精神療養見舞金)給付申請書」
- OAccompanying documents (residence certificate, certificate of filing a victim report (due to theft, etc.) and medical certificate or postmortem certificate, etc.)
 * For further information on the application forms and accompanying documents mentioned above, please check the website of Mie Prefecture.

Cancellation and Return of Consolation Payments

OEven after your application is approved, we will cancel the consolation payment to you if it has turned out that you are not eligible to receive the payment or you have gained our approval by making a false report or committing a fraud.

OAfter the cancellation of the consolation payment to you, you must return it to us if you have already received it.