

APPROVED FOURTH DISTRICT VICTIMS' RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING July 7, 2025

Committee		Fourth District Victims' Rights Committee Meeting
Date Time Location		July 7, 2025 1:00-2:00 pm Virtual: https://utah-gov.zoom.us/j/88233404467?pwd=QMqJbxmAOrHyyWB3WWObLBdONJPb2d.1
Members Present		<u>Virtual Attendance:</u> Sandi Johnson, Kevin Thurman, Irv Hale, Debbie Jacobson
Staff & Visitors		<u>Staff:</u> Katie Fox <u>Visitors:</u> Christiana Wagstaff, Amy Taylor, D.F.
Agenda Item		Welcome & Introductions/Establish Quorum
Notes		Sandi Johnson welcomed the Committee. Sandi Johnson established that a quorum was present.
Agenda Item		Approve Minutes from 06.02.2025 Meeting
Notes		Sandi Johnson inquired if everyone had a chance to review the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion: Debbie Jacobson made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2025 meeting. Irv Hale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Agenda Item		Review of Complaints
Notes		<p>1. B.S. Complaint</p> <p>The Committee discussed B.S.'s complaint. The Committee received additional information from B.S. that was reviewed prior to the meeting. According to the complaint, B.S. reported the crime in July of 2024 and has had no communication from the Saratoga Springs Police Department since October of 2024 despite multiple messages being left for detectives and victim advocates. B.S. listed violations of their right to be informed and assisted, the right to clear explanations of legal proceedings, and a speedy disposition of the entire criminal justice process. Kevin Thurman recused himself from discussing or voting due to his involvement in disciplinary actions within the Saratoga Springs Police Department. The Committee discussed the lack of communication from the Saratoga Springs Police Department. The Committee also discussed that the right to clear explanations about legal proceedings applies once the courts or prosecutors get involved in a case.</p> <p>Motions: Debbie Jacobson made a motion that the Committee find the complaint alleged a violation of the right to be informed and assisted in the criminal justice process and the right to a speedy disposition of the criminal justice process. Also, the Committee does not find the complaint alleged a violation of the right to clear explanations regarding legal proceedings since the case had not been filed or referred. Irv Hale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Action Items: Sandi Johnson will prepare letters to the Saratoga Springs Police Department and B.S. inviting them to the next meeting. Sandi Johnson will request information from the Saratoga Springs Police Department about their communication with the victim, the investigation's status, and the reason for the delays in the investigation. Katie Fox will send the letters and coordinate their attendance.</p> <p>2. D.F. Complaint</p>

		<p>The Committee discussed D.F.'s complaint. D.F. was present in the meeting. D.F. listed several subjects of the complaint but clarified that they were confused with the questions and had listed everyone that knew of the crime. D.F. listed violations of their right to be treated with dignity, respect and sensitivity, and the right to be informed and assisted in their role in the criminal justice process. The Committee discussed what qualifies as a "criminal justice agency" under the victims' rights statutes. It was determined that Quality Youth Services and the Utah Office for Victims of Crime (UOVC) do not qualify as "criminal justice agencies." The Pleasant Grove City Police Department was a criminal justice agency, and the Committee focused their discussion on potential victims' rights violations.</p> <p>Motions: Sandi Johnson made a motion to find the complaint alleged a violation of the victim's right to be informed and assisted as to their role in the criminal justice process by the Pleasant Grove City Police Department, but not as to the remaining violations or listed subjects. Kevin Thurman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Action Items: Sandi Johnson will prepare letters to the Pleasant Grove City Police Department and D.F. inviting them to the next meeting. Sandi Johnson will request information from the Pleasant Grove City Police department about their follow-up efforts and communications with D.F. Katie Fox will send the letters and coordinate their attendance. Katie Fox will also reach out to UOVC to see the status for D.F.'s claim for reparations and assist D.F. with connecting to UOVC for resources.</p>
Agenda Item		Public Comment
		Public comment was given during the discussion of the complaints.
Agenda Item		Schedule Next Meeting and Adjourn
Notes		<p>Irv Hale made a motion to adjourn. Debbie Jacobosen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The committee adjourned.</p> <p>Next Meeting: August 4, 2025, 1:00 pm- 2:00 pm Zoom link: https://utah-gov.zoom.us/j/88233404467?pwd=QMqJbxmA0rHyyWB3WW0bLBdONIPb2d1</p>