Victims' Services - Funding from SCDC to DPS or Attorney General

Included in the Department of Corrections' (SCDC) October 29, 2019 letter to the House Legislative Oversight Committee (LOC). This information was provided in response to the following question in LOC's October 8, 2019, letter to the Department of Corrections: "5. Please provide the balance for the funds sent to the Department of Public Safety or Attorney General for each month from the last three years to show the source of the money and where money was sent."

In addition to providing the information in this document, SCDC provided the following response:

• Please see attached Victims' Services Transfers.

VICTIMS' SERVICES TRANSFERS FOR STATE VICTIMS' ASSISTANCE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FY19

117.93. (GP: Victims Assistance Transfer) The Department of Corrections shall transfer \$20,500 each month to the Office of Attorney General for distribution through the State Victims Assistance Program.

	FY17			FY18		FY19 (3)		
	Amount		Revenue	Amount	Revenue	Amount		Revenue
Month	Paid	Revenue	Source	Paid	Source	Paid	Revenue	Source
July	20,500	22,583	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	57,561	PI Service Funds
August	20,500	22,183	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	101,874	PI Service Funds
September	20,500	24,438	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	29,832	PI Service Funds
October	20,500	26,176	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	47,463	PI Service Funds
November	20,500	38,311	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	66,160	PI Service Funds
December	20,500	17,945	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	45,497	PI Service Funds
January	20,500	26,510	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	45,009	PI Service Funds
February	20,500	22,709	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	45,009	PI Service Funds
March	20,500	23,774	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	64,648	PI Service Funds
April	20,500	22,505	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	59,888	PI Service Funds
May	20,500	37,410	Work Release	20,500	State Appropriated	20,500	47,518	PI Service Funds
June _	20,500	28,347	Work Release	20,500	_State Appropriated	20,500	25,822	PI Service Funds
Totals ₌	246,000	312,890		246,000	=	246,000	636,281	=

Statute Title 24, Ch. 3, Article 1, Section 24-3-40, 2(a)

reads: if the prisoner is engaged in work at paid employment in the community, five percent must be placed on deposit with the State Treasurer for credit to a special account to support victim assistance programs established pursuant to the Victims of Crime Act of 1984, Public Law 98-473, Title II, Chapter XIV, Section 1404, and fifteen percent must be retained by the department to support services provided by the department to victims of the incarcerated population;

Proviso reads:

(GP: Victims Assistance Transfer) The Department of Corrections shall transfer \$20,500 each month to the Department of Public Safety (2017, 2018) or the Office of the Attorney General (2019, 2020) for distribution through the State Victims Assistance Program.

This proviso has been in place since FY 2011, resulting in over \$2.2 million dollars in subsidy to the State Victims Assistance Program.