

ICJC Victim Services Subcommittee

January 21, 2026

2:00 p.m. MST

3056 W. Elder Street Boise, Idaho 83705

Commission Conference Room

OR

Via Zoom

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
 - a. 2:03pm
 - b. Members present = Brittney Thorndyke, Aleshea Boals, Jackie Smith, Jodi Marhoefer, Lauren Atwood, Patricia Buchholz, Sherri Coronado and Sara White
2. Approval of the Minutes from September 2025 and November 2025 meeting – **ACTION ITEM**
 - a. September 2025 – Patricia Buchholz motioned to approve meeting minutes from September 2025, Aleshea Boals 2nd the motion, no one opposed
 - b. November 2025 – Sherri Coronado motioned to approve meeting minutes from November 2025, Jackie Smith 2nd the motion, no one opposed
3. Welcome new committee member, Sara White with the Ada County Sheriff's Office
 - a. Sara has been with the ACSO for 7 ½ years in her role as a victim coordinator
4. Update from Subcommittee Teams
 - a. Enhancing VWC training consistency
 - i. Idaho Network of Children's Advocacy Centers worked with VWCs around the state to record presentations/trainings on various VWC related topics
 1. Hope to have these available for viewing by April
 - ii. Budget cuts have had an impact on agencies around the state being able to send VWCs to trainings
 - b. Bridging the gap between sentencing and post-conviction/appellate victim services

- i. IDOC's IT is currently working on a dashboard where IDOC and COPP victim coordinators can pull lists of new folks coming into their custody
 - 1. IDOC and COPP will then screen those lists for victim info and reach out to local prosecutor's office for victim info if there is none
 - 2. Once victims have been identified IDOC and COPP will send out notice of rights letters to victims
 - a. Letters will explain what they help victims with, what to expect as far as parole hearings, and what victims will and will not be notified of
 - b. Will also have a section to remind victims to always keep their contact info up to date to ensure they are receiving notices
 - ii. IDOC and COPP both have areas on their websites where victims or VWCs can go to update a victim's contact info
 - c. One-stop shop for resources
 - i. AGs VWC created QR code that folks can post to their websites / in signatures
 - 1. The QR code will take victims to AG's victim services webpage
 - ii. AGs office website is trying to mirror info on other agency websites
 - 1. Has a list of victim coordinators around the state
 - a. List is based off IVWA membership list
 - iii. Discussion on why the AGs office is a good central location for this info to be held
 - 1. AG's IT department is managing the site at no cost
 - 2. Is a state department website making it easier for victims in smaller counties to find information
 - 3. Members encouraged to go look at the web page and if you see info needing to be added let Aleshea know
 - iv. Seeks and speaks (adult sexual assault crimes)
 - 1. Sara at ACSO is working on one for Idaho
 - 2. Gives victims more info on this is what happens if you want to report a sex offense
 - 3. Explains to victims the difference between crime advocate and victim witness coordinator
 - 4. Outlines the different types of medical / forensic exams that will be conducted
5. General discussion about things going on in victim services around the state
- a. Presentation to ICJC on subcommittee work we have been doing
 - i. April 3rd from 9am to noon
 - ii. Brittney will send out an invite
 - b. Legislation to change victim right's statue
 - i. Virtual meeting tomorrow, Jan 22nd to discuss impacts / concerns
 - c. SART now available in Gem County
 - d. How can we educate the public and allow them to have confidence in our system
 - i. KCPO posts information on big sentencings for transparency
 - 1. This has caused some frustration on behalf of citizens feeling disappointed in various sentences being handed down
 - ii. Mention of the quote "You do not find justice here"
 - 1. Justice found in the resources and support
 - e. How can we better support victims?
 - i. Even if we have upset victims we can still show up and do our best for them and support them

- ii. Let legislators know our role, we soften the blow to victims and make it a bit more palpable for them
- iii. We can forget that our victims sometimes wear a uniform. We need to be giving the same support regardless of their position in the community
 - 1. Goes for anyone in our community – someone's status does not mean better services

6. Adjourn

- a. 2:55pm

*Next Meeting - February 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.