

## Non-Profit Allowable Victim Assistance Fines, Fees, and Assessment Fund Assessment Fund Lease Process and Procedures

If a non-profit wish to use a portion of donated Victim Assistance Fines, Fees, and Assessment Funds towards the lease of a building, the following lease process and procedures must be adhered to and the non-profit must always contact SOVA initially for review.

1. The non-profit **MUST provide direct service to crime victims**
2. The non-profit **MUST adhere to all donation guidelines** as outlined on the SOVA Donation Form (located at [www.sova.sc.gov](http://www.sova.sc.gov) under the auditing tab)
3. The non-profit **will be allowed 150 square feet per person** providing direct services
4. The non-profit will **be allowed to pay lease for those personnel only that provide direct service to crime victims.** *(The non-profit MUST forward a copy of all job descriptions to SOVA for review and accountability purposes)*
5. If all personnel within the leased building provide direct service to crime victims 100% of the time, **the lease MAY be paid at 100%** *(The non-profit MUST forward a copy of all job descriptions to SOVA for review and accountability purposes)*
6. If the donated funds are received and used for a lease agreement, **the non-profit MUST forward a copy of the lease agreement** and ensure it outlines (1) the total amount of rent and (2) square footage for the portion of building used by the non-profit agency
7. The non-profit **MUST contact SOVA prior to utilizing Victim Assistance Fines, Fees, and Assessment funds annually if used for lease**

### Allowable Direct Service Square Footage (sq. ft.) Calculation:

$$150 \text{ sq ft per provider} \times \underline{4} \text{ (# of direct service providers)} = \underline{600} \text{ Allowable Sq. Ft.}$$

### Allowable Lease Percentage Calculation:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Allowable Sq. Ft} \\ \hline 600 \end{array} \div \begin{array}{r} \text{Total Leasing Sq. Ft.} \\ \hline 1100 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} \text{Total Allowable Lease \%} \\ \hline .54 / 54 \% \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Total Amount of Lease} \\ \hline \$ 2,500.00 \end{array} \times \begin{array}{r} \text{Total Allowable Lease \%} \\ \hline 54 \% \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} \text{Total Allowable Lease (\$)} \\ \hline \$ 1,350.00 \end{array}$$

**CONTACT SOVA TO DISCUSS ALL LEASE  
PROCESS AND PROCEDURES**