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OFFICE OF THE ARIZONA ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to announce that the Attorney General's Office is preparing to present the annual Attorney General's Distinguished Service Awards. The awards will be presented in Phoenix at Arizona's Victims' Rights Week recognition event honoring *National Crime Victims' Rights Week* sometime during the week of April 7-13, 2019.

On behalf of the Attorney General, I invite you to nominate candidates whose service to crime victims merits recognition in one of the several categories outlined in the attached materials. We ask that you consider how well the nominees meet not only the letter but also the "spirit" of the Distinguished Service Award categories. In addition to direct service providers, we encourage you to consider members of other professions - such as the media, the judiciary, health care, and others - for recognition as dedicated and deserving professionals serving crime victims.

Please bring the work of these special individuals or groups to our attention, even if they have been nominated in years past and not selected by completing the attached nomination form.

An individual may submit more than one nomination. Individuals and groups may nominate themselves. **The deadline for nominations is Friday, January 18, 2019.**

The Distinguished Service awards provide an opportunity for those of us involved in victim services to reflect on what we do and what we have accomplished, and to re-energize our efforts for the work yet to be done. It is a time of celebration and learning of individual and group achievements encouraging each of us to strive for excellence in fulfilling our responsibilities to victims.

Thank you for your assistance in the nomination effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirstin Flores".

Kirstin Flores
Director

2019 ATTORNEY GENERAL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO CRIME VICTIMS

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:

Thank you for your interest in the Arizona Attorney General's Distinguished Service Awards. The Attorney General's Office of Victim Services requests that a **letter of nomination** and completed **Nomination Form** be submitted to assist in the nomination process. Each nomination must be mailed and postmarked to our office by **Friday, January 18, 2019**. Recipients of the 2019 Distinguished Service Awards will be selected on the basis of the content of the submissions and the selected nominees will be invited to the National Crime Victims' Rights Week event during the week of April 7-13, 2019 in Phoenix.

AWARD CATEGORIES:

In recognition of commitment, exemplary service, and contribution to preserving and protecting victims' rights to justice and due process, and to improving the treatment of crime victims, nominations are being sought from the following award categories:

Advocacy/

Direct Services:

Where an individual or group of individuals has evidenced passion and perseverance in facilitating victim justice and healing by both promoting and ensuring victims' legal rights as well as crucial services to meet victims' needs for recovery from the shattering effects of crime. [Nominees for this category may be professional service providers or volunteers.]

Service

Coordination:

Where a group of individuals or an organization has been instrumental in establishing comprehensive, coordinated, multi-disciplinary approaches to serving crime victims within its community or jurisdiction.

Innovative

Practices:

Where an individual, a group of individuals, or an organization has developed programs to serve victims in a new way, provided services where none previously existed, or used technology to assist victims.

Leadership:

Where an individual, a group of individuals, or an organization -- while endeavoring to assure better treatment of crime victims -- has exercised principles and practices of effective leadership (vision, initiative, commitment, excellence, service-to-others, cooperation, integrity, etc.), thereby serving as a model or setting an example for others.

NOMINATION INFORMATION:

Please attach a letter of nomination, not to exceed two (2) pages, about why your nominee should be honored for the appropriate category. Include in your letter:

- Relationship of nominee to your organization or other relevant programs.
- Specific activities undertaken by your nominee on behalf of crime victims and what makes those activities or efforts exemplary and beneficial to crime victims.
- Impact of your nominee's efforts including influence on attitudes, policies, practices, etc.; uniqueness of your nominee's contribution.
- If your nominee is a paid professional in the victim service field, an explanation of how his or her contributions qualify as "beyond the call of duty."
- Length of nominee's involvement in such efforts or activities.

NOMINATION FORM

AWARD CATEGORY [check one]:

☐ Advocacy Direct Services ☐ Service Coordination ☐ Innovative Practices ☐ Leadership

NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Name of Nominee: _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Affiliation/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Street Address or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: (_____) _____

Nominee's Supervisor, Agency/Program Director, or Organization Contact: _____

Contact Telephone Number: (_____) _____

NOMINATOR INFORMATION:

Name of Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Affiliation/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Street Address or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip Code

Email Address: _____

Telephone Number: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Nomination form(s) and letter(s) must be submitted no later than **Friday, January 18, 2019 to:**

Arizona Attorney General
Office of Victim Services – CAP BLDG, Attn: Awards Committee
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Questions can be addressed to Kennesha Jackson at 602-542-8451