VICTIMS' RIGHTS BRIEF

For Arizona's Justice System Administrators, Practitioners and Advocates



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The Victims' Rights Brief is published by the Arizona Attorney General, Office of Victim Services. The goal in generating the Brief is to promote justice and healing for crime victims by sharing information and fostering sensitivity within the justice system.

To learn more about victims' rights visit us at www.azag.gov/victim-services.

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"There are no problems we cannot solve together, and very few that we can solve by ourselves."

Lyndon B. Johnson (1908-1973)

National Crime Victims' Rights Week

April 21-27, 2013 is National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW), sponsored by the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC).

Since 1981, NCVRW has challenged the nation to confront and remove barriers to full justice for victims of crime. Each year, communities across the country revisit the history of the victims' rights movement and recommit themselves to advancing the progress already achieved.

The 2013 NCVRW theme, "New Challenges, New Solutions" reflects the spirit that launched the victims' rights movement, inspired its progress, and renews our field's power to meet new challenges.



Inside this issue is a partial listing of the events occurring nationally and around our state to observe National Crime Victims' Rights Week. We invite you to participate and support events to renew your own commitment to your work and honor victims in their recovery.

National

Wednesday, April 24, 2:00 PM (EST) National Crime Victims' Service Awards Ceremony

Each year, OVC pays tribute to crime victims and survivors as well as honoring individuals and organizations that have demonstrated outstanding service for victims. The award recipients, who are selected from public nominations in nine categories, are extraordinary individuals, organizations, teams, and programs that provide services to victims of crime.

The awards ceremony will be held in Washington, D.C., and is open to the public. For more information or to register to attend, visit the OVC website at http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrw/events.html.



New Challenges National Crime Victims' Rights Week

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Arizona Events

Maricopa County

Tuesday, April 23, 11:00 AM

Stand Up Live, 50 West Jefferson St., Phoenix

The Governor's Office, Arizona Attorney General's Office, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Arizona Department of Corrections, Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections and the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council (APAAC) are pleased to invite you to attend their 2013 Victims' Rights Week Event.

The event is a joint effort of the six agencies to recognize NCVRW, celebrate the accomplishments in Victims' Rights, and recognize those who have gone above and beyond for victims of crime. There will be a keynote speaker and lunch will be served.

Seating is limited, and you must RSVP to attend. Please RSVP online to reserve your place at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2013NVRlunchregistration. The deadline to RSVP is Wednesday, April 10. Join these agencies and "Stand Up for Victims".

Thursday, April 25, 4:00 PM ASU Nursing Building - NH12, Room 110 550 N. 3rd St., Phoenix

In recognition of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, the Arizona Attorney General's Office of Victim Services and Arizona State University's School of Criminology and Criminal Justice will be hosting an event at the Arizona State University (ASU) downtown campus.

The featured speakers will be two local detectives who will share their expertise in cybercrimes, identity theft and victimization. The event is free and open to students and the general public. Refreshments will be provided. To attend, please RSVP at https://www.azcrimevictims.eventbrite.com/ by April 24.

Saturday, April 27, 10:00 AM 6060 North 7th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85013

MOMA's house and Bethany Bible Church invite you to host a table at the Community Awareness Fair in honor of Victims' Rights Week.

Please go to <u>momashouse.org</u> to register for a table or call (480) 309-9853 for additional information.

Navajo County

Friday, April 26, 2013, 8:00 AM

NPC, 1611 S. Main St., Snowflake, AZ

Join the Navajo County Attorney's Office for their 4th Annual Victims' Rights Symposium. The Keynote Speaker will be Beth Thomas (*Child of Rage*). Workshops will include: What Happens After Sentencing?, Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault on the Reservation, and Lethality Assessment.

For more information visit:

www.navajocountyaz.gov/attorney/victimssymp.aspx www.facebook.com/victimssymposium

To register, visit:

www.ncaovictimssymposium.eventbrite.com

Pima County

Tuesday, April 23, 5:30 PM

University of Arizona, Tucson

Take Back the Night (UA Oasis Program) march & rally against sexual violence. March: MLK Student Center, 5:30 pm. Rally: UA Women's Plaza, 6:00 pm. Contact Megan McKendry at (520) 626-1829 or McKendry@health.arizona.edu

Friday, April 26, 4:00 PM

Pennington Street Fair, Pennington St. and Scott St., Tucson

End Sexual Violence Photo Booth (SACASA & City High School). Students will take your picture with your anti-harassment message. Contact Manuel Abril, (520) 327-1171 x 1975 or Rowan Frost, (520) 327-1171 x1974 for more information, or visit: http://www.sacasa.org/upcomingevents.htm.

Saturday, April 27, 6:00 PM

Children's Memorial Park (Oracle and River), Tuc-

Homicide Survivors' Candlelight Vigil for National Crime Victims' Rights Week. Free and open to the public. Call Carol Gaxiola at (520)740-5729 or visit www.azhomicidesurvivors.org.

Saturday, April 27. 10:00 AM

The Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway Blvd., Tucson

Step Up, Speak Up, End Bullying PSA Contest Showcase and Awards Event. View anti-bullying video award winners. Visit www.endofbullying.com