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THE FOLLOWING IS A BROADCAST EMAIL TO ALL OVS FUNDED VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

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Dear Colleague:

Please feel free to share the information below from the National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) to anyone else you think may be interested.

***This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. Congressional Victims Rights Caucus (<http://vrc.poe.house.gov/>).***

*Over the past decade, the Caucus has provided leadership on countless Federal issues that improve victims' rights and services, and has been instrumental in protecting Federal funding for victim services. The bipartisan Caucus established and led by Congress Members Ted Poe (R-TX) and Jim Costa (D-CA) now has more than 70 members. It has truly made a "decade of difference" for crime victims and those who serve them.*

*The Caucus' Annual NCVRW Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> in Washington, DC. We are preparing a scrapbook of "letters from the field" thanking the Caucus and its Members for their leadership and strong support of victims' rights and services, including its work on behalf of VOCA , VAWA, Human Trafficking, its annual awards recognizing local, state and national victim advocates and organizations and allied professionals and many other crime victims' issues.*

*NAVAA invites you and your organization to join with colleagues by expressing your appreciation in a one page letter of thanks to the Caucus for all of their efforts. Please send your letter (on your organization's letterhead) to Anne Seymour at [annesey@atlantech.net](mailto:annesey@atlantech.net) any time **before April 1<sup>st</sup>**. Thank you for supporting this project – it's so fitting that we honor a Caucus that, for the past ten years, has honored survivors and advocates.*

On behalf of the New York State Office of Victim Services, thank you for your commitment to providing the highest quality services to innocent victims of crime in New York State.

Sincerely,

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