

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

Dear Colleague:

The theme of this year's **National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW)** is "Serving Victims. Building Trust. Restoring Hope." and will take place April 10-16, 2016. The New York State Office of Victim Services is pleased to again provide a central location on the OVS homepage events calendar for announcing events planned during this important week.

To help promote NCVRW observances in your community and to assist us in assembling a comprehensive and informative state wide calendar, we invite you to complete and return the attached *2016 NCVRW Event Application* to announce any NCVRW event(s) being sponsored by your organization or allied organizations in your community. Please complete all required fields within the form as well as a separate *Event* tab for each event you wish to announce.

OVS will accept announcements for the NCVRW calendar through April 8th. However to help build awareness and generate attendance at NCVRW events across the state, we encourage you to submit your announcements as soon as possible. Submissions may be returned via email to our Program Outreach Specialist, Blake Kush at blake.kush@ovs.ny.gov

If you have any questions or need additional information about the attached form or the OVS NCVRW Calendar of Events, please contact Blake at the above email or by phone at (518) 485-2761. Additional National Crime Victims Right Week information, including a comprehensive resource guide, is available on the federal Office for Victims of Crime website at: <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrw>.

We look forward to helping you promote this special week to honor crime victims all across New York State.

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.

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