COMMEMORATIVE CALENDAR

Throughout the year, communities gather to hold events that honor and support victims. These events are an important step toward raising awareness of victims’ rights. Build on your NCVRW outreach throughout the year by highlighting relevant awareness events in your community.

The following calendar cites organizations that provide resources to support commemorative activities, but they are not always the sole sponsor of the awareness events. Use the commemorative calendar to think strategically about how you and your partners can support awareness events. Whether for one day or an entire month, these public recognitions are powerful tools for honoring the work of those in the victim services field and raising awareness.

The Office for Victims of Crime publishes a continually updated listing of national, state, and local victim-related events (https://ovc.ojp.gov/events). Browse this free tool periodically to learn about additional awareness events as dates are finalized, and see what communities across the country are doing. We encourage you to add your own NCVRW meetings, ceremonies, and forums, as well as other victim-related events and training opportunities throughout the year.

January

National Mentoring Month
MENTOR
617–303–4600
www.nationalmentoringmonth.org

National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month
Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice
800–851–3420
www.ovc.ojp.gov/trafficking

Stalking Awareness Month
Stalking Prevention, Awareness, and Resource Center
www.stalkingawareness.org/stalking-awareness-month-2021

National Human Trafficking Awareness Day
January 11, 2021

February

African American History Month
U.S. Library of Congress
https://fricanamericanhistorymonth.gov

National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month
Break the Cycle
424–265–7346 (Los Angeles)
202–849–6289 (Washington, DC)
www.breakthecycle.org/teenDVmonth

Identity Theft Awareness Week
February 1–5, 2021
Federal Trade Commission
www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/identity-theft-awareness-week

March

National Consumer Protection Week
February 28 – March 6, 2021
www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/national-consumer-protection-week

National Youth Violence Prevention Week
April 12–16, 2021
National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere
866–343–SAVE (866–343–7283)
https://nationalsave.org/nyvpw
April

National Child Abuse Prevention Month
Administration for Children and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
800–394–3366
www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth

Sexual Assault Awareness Month
National Sexual Violence Resource Center
877–739–3895
www.nsvrc.org/saam

Global Youth Service Days
April 23–25, 2021
Youth Service America
www.gysd.org

National Crime Victims’ Rights Week
April 18–24, 2021
Office for Victims of Crime
Office of Justice Programs
U.S. Department of Justice
800–851–3420
www.ovc.ojp.gov/ncvrw

May

Older Americans Month
Administration for Community Living
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
202–401–4634
https://acl.gov/oam/

Law Day
May 1, 2021
American Bar Association
800–285–2221
www.lawday.org

June

National Correctional Officers’ and Employees’ Week
May 2–8, 2021
American Correctional Association
800–222–5646
www.aca.org

National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls
National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center
May 5, 2021
855–649–7299
www.niwrc.org

National Police Week
Concerns of Police Survivors
May 9–15, 2021
573–346–4911
www.policeweek.org
www.nationalcops.org

Peace Officers’ Memorial Day
May 15, 2021
Concerns of Police Survivors
573–346–4911
www.policeweek.org
www.nationalcops.org

National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls
National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center
May 5, 2021
855–649–7299
www.niwrc.org

National Missing Children’s Day
May 25, 2021
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
800–THE–LOST® (800–843–5678)
https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/events/missing-childrens-day/about-missing-childrens-day

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
June 15, 2021
National Center on Elder Abuse
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
855–500–3537
https://ncea.acl.gov
July

World Day Against Trafficking in Persons
July 30, 2021

September

National Campus Safety Awareness Month
Clery Center for Security on Campus
484–580–8754
https://clerycenter.org/initiatives/ncsam

National Suicide Prevention Week
September 5–11, 2021
American Association of Suicidology
202–237–2280
www.suicidology.org

World Suicide Prevention Day
September 10, 2021
International Association of Suicide Prevention
800–273–TALK (800–273–8255)
www.iasp.info

September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance
September 11, 2021
Corporation for National and Community Service
800–942–2677
www.nationalservice.gov/serve/september-11th-national-day-service-and-remembrance

National Hispanic Heritage Month
September 15–October 15, 2021
U.S. Library of Congress
www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov

October

National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims
National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children
September 25, 2021
513–721–5683
www.pomc.org

National Bullying Prevention Month
PACER Center
952–838–9000
www.pacer.org/bullying/nbpm

Crime Prevention Month
National Crime Prevention Council
443–292–4565
www.ncpc.org/programs/crime-prevention-month

National Cybersecurity Awareness Month
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
202–282–8000

National Domestic Violence Awareness Month
National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
303–839–1852
https://ncadv.org/

America's Safe Schools Week
October 17–23, 2021
National School Safety Center
805–373–9977
www.schoollforsafety.us/safe-schools-week
November

National Native American Heritage Month
U.S. Library of Congress
https://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov

Tie One on for Safety
November 1, 2021–December 31, 2021
Mothers Against Drunk Driving
877–ASK–MADD (800–275–6233)
www.madd.org/the-solution/drunk-driving/tie-one-on-for-safety

International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day
November 20, 2021
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
888–333–AFSP (888–333–2377)
https://afsp.org/find-support/ive-lost-someone/survivor-day

December

National Impaired Driving Prevention Month
Mothers Against Drunk Driving
877–ASK–MADD (800–275–6233)
www.madd.org