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*Office for Victims of Crime*

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Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to present the *2020 National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) Resource Guide*, developed by the Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The materials in this year's resource guide are designed to support your efforts to raise awareness and build partnerships in order to reach all victims during NCVRW (April 19–25, 2020) and throughout the year. Visit the NCVRW website, [www.ovc.gov/ncvrw](http://www.ovc.gov/ncvrw), for more information on this year's event and related materials.

Each April, we celebrate the accomplishments of the victims' rights movement and reflect on how far we have come. This year's theme—*Seek Justice | Enforce Victims' Rights | Inspire Hope*—challenges us all to raise awareness of victims' rights, and inspire hope for victims, survivors, and communities for future progress and greater healing. We look forward to honoring the trusted victim service providers, allied professionals, survivors, and volunteers who have spearheaded efforts across the Nation that serve victims with unwavering compassion, empathy, and vigor.

In recognition of NCVRW, we invite you to join us in renewing your commitment to respond to crime and violence by helping victims find not only support, recovery, and justice, but also a sense of hope for their future.

On behalf of the Office for Victims of Crime, thank you for all your efforts and your steadfast commitment to victims of crime.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jessica E. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jessica E. Hart

Director

Office for Victims of Crime