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 creating hope for the future.

The Office for Victims of Crime publishes a National Calendar of Victim Assistance-Related Events (https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ovccalendar). This continually updated calendar offers extensive listings of national, state, and local victim-related events. Browse this free tool periodically to learn about additional awareness weeks 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.gov/trafficking

Stalking Awareness Month
Stalking Prevention, Awareness, and Resource Center
www.stalkingawareness.org/stalking-awareness-month-2020/

Tax Identity Theft Awareness Week
February 3–7, 2020
Federal Trade Commission
www.consumer.ftc.gov/homepage-tax-id-theft-awareness-week

February

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

March

National Consumer Protection Week
March 1–7, 2020
www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/national-consumer-protection-week

National Youth Violence Prevention Week
March 30–April 3, 2020
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

Sexual Assault Awareness Month Day of Action
April 7, 2020
National Sexual Violence Resource Center
877–739–3895
www.nsvrc.org/saam/day-of-action

Global Youth Service Days
April 17–19, 2020
Youth Service America
www.gysd.org

National Crime Victims’ Rights Week
April 19–25, 2020
Office for Victims of Crime
Office of Justice Programs
U.S. Department of Justice
800–851–3420
www.ovc.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/2020/older-americans-month-2020

Law Day
May 1, 2019
American Bar Association
800–285–2221
www.lawday.org

June
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
June 15, 2020
National Center on Elder Abuse
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
855–500–3537
https://ncea.acl.gov

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

National Correctional Officers’ and Employees’ Week
May 3–9, 2020
American Correctional Association
800–222–5646
www.aca.org

National Police Week
May 10–16, 2020
Concerns of Police Survivors
573–346–4911
www.policeweek.org
www.nationalcops.org

Peace Officers’ Memorial Day
May 15, 2020
Concerns of Police Survivors
573–346–4911
www.policeweek.org
www.nationalcops.org

National Missing Children’s Day
May 25, 2020
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
800–THE–LOST® (800–843–5678)
https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/events/national-missing-childrens-day

June
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June 15, 2020
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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
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https://ncea.acl.gov

September
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Clery Center for Security on Campus
484–580–8754
https://clerycenter.org/initiatives/ncsam
National Suicide Prevention Week
September 6–12, 2020
American Association of Suicidology
202–237–2280
www.suicidology.org

World Suicide Prevention Day
September 10, 2020
International Association of Suicide Prevention
800–273–TALK (800–273–8255)
www.iasp.info

September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance
September 11, 2020
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, 2020
U.S. Library of Congress
www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov

National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims
September 25, 2020
National Organization Of Parents of Murdered Children
513–721–5683
www.pomc.org

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

National Domestic Violence Awareness Month
National Resource Center on Domestic Violence
800–537–2238
https://dvawareness.org

America’s Safe Schools Week
October 17–23, 2020
National School Safety Center
805–373–9977
www.schoolsafety.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–December 31, 2020
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 21, 2020
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