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1 October Survivors Reminded to Apply for Nevada Victims of Crime Program Within 6 Months

Shooting Survivors Help Promote Application Date in PSA

With the six-month anniversary of 1 October approaching, survivors of the shooting are reminded that they have until October first of this year to apply for assistance with the Nevada Victims of Crime Program.

A group of Las Vegas survivors of the Route 91 festival shooting worked with Clark County and the Vegas Strong Resiliency Center to produce TV and radio public service announcement to educate survivors everywhere about the Nevada Victims of Crime Program, and to encourage them to reach out to the Vegas Strong Resiliency Center. An application for the Victims of Crime Program is posted on the resiliency center's website at www.VegasStrongRC.org.

"We encourage anyone who was present at the festival during the shooting, even if you live outside of Nevada, to apply for assistance from our program in the next six months," said Michelle Morgando, Program Coordinator for the Nevada Victims of Crime Program. "Many people may not have eligible expenses today but that could change in the future. It's not uncommon for victims of violent crime to seek assistance such as counseling a year or more after an incident. We don't want anyone to lose out on getting help with co-pays and other eligible expenses through our program."

The Nevada Victims of Crime Program will reimburse victims of the shooting for out-of-pocket expenses resulting from the crime such as medical bills and mental health counseling not covered by insurance. Survivors of victims who died in the incident also are eligible to apply for assistance from the Nevada program. Applications for the Nevada Victims of Crime program must be submitted within one year of the date of the incident, or by **Oct. 1, 2018**, in order to be eligible for assistance.

Staff from the Nevada Victims of Crime Program, the Legal Aide Center of Southern Nevada, Clark County's Social Service Department and other agencies are available daily at the resiliency center, which serves as a one-stop resource for anyone struggling with effects from 1 October. A counselor also is on-site daily. The Vegas Strong Resiliency Center is located at 1524 Pinto Lane and is open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. It can be reached by phone at (702) 455-2433 (AIDE) or toll-free at (833) 299-2433 and by email at: vegasstrongresiliencycenter@clarkcountynv.gov. It also has a Facebook page at: www.Facebook.com/VegasStrongResiliencyCenter.

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“The Vegas Strong Resiliency Center is a place of healing and support for anyone affected by the violence that occurred on 1 October,” said Clark County Assistant County Manager Kevin Schiller. “We are very grateful to the local survivors who participated in our PSA project. Our hope is their voices will help encourage other survivors across the country to reach out to the resiliency center. We don’t want anyone to miss the opportunity to apply for the Nevada Victims of Crime program if they are eligible for it.”

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