

Victims' Rights and the Media

- You have the right to say "no" to an interview.
- You have the right to select the spokesperson or advocate of your choice.
- You have the right to select the time and location for media interviews.
- You have the right to request a specific reporter.
- You have the right to refuse an interview with a specific reporter even though you have granted interviews to other reporters.
- You have the right to say "no" to an interview even though you have previously granted interviews.
- You have the right to release a written statement through a spokesperson in lieu of an interview.
- You have the right to exclude children from interviews.

- You have the right to refrain from answering any questions with which you are uncomfortable or that you feel are inappropriate.
- You have the right to know in advance what direction the story about your

- victimization is going to take.
- You have the right to ask for review of your quotations in a storyline prior to publication.
- You have the right to avoid a press conference atmosphere and speak to only one reporter at a time.
- You have the right to demand a retraction when inaccurate information is reported.
- You have the right to ask that offensive photographs or visuals be omitted from airing or publication.
- You have the right to conduct a television interview using a silhouette or newspaper interview without having your photograph taken.
- You have the right to completely give your side of the story related to your victimization.
- You have the right to refrain from answering reporters' questions during trial.
- You have the right to file a formal complaint against a reporter.
- You have the right to grieve in privacy.
- You have the right to suggest training about media and victims for print and electronic media in your community.
- You have the right at all times to be treated with dignity and respect by the media.



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VAAC Victims Rights Week

2002

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

• Friday, April 19, 2002

Opening Event MADD CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

For all Victims of Crime
 Presented by Mothers Against Drunk Driving

St. Matthews Church 7:00 p.m./Info: call 743-4040

• Saturday, April 20 - Wednesday, April 24

RESOURCE FAIR AT AVENUES MALL

Information Exhibits for Crime Victim Services and Programs
 Presented by the Greater Jacksonville Victim Serving Organizations & Agencies

• Tuesday, April 23

"THE THREE R'S IN DEALING WITH TRAUMA IN SCHOOLS: READINESS, RESPONSE & RECOVERY"

National satellite teleconference
 Presented by Partnerships for Preventing Violence

11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Department of Children and Families
 5920 Arlington Expressway

• Thursday, April 25

"A TRIBUTE TO VICTIMS"

at Friendship Park

5:30 p.m. — Musical Prelude

6:00 p.m. — Program
 Presented by Compassionate Families

• Friday, April 26

"TERRORISM: THE NEW CHALLENGE FOR AMERICA — A LOCAL PERSPECTIVE"

"BEING SAFE IN UNSAFE TIMES"
 A Seminar conducted by Chief Gordon Bass, JSO

at Hilton Hotel (Southbank)

8:00 a.m. — Registration

Noon — Award Luncheon

"BRINGING HONOR TO VICTIMS"

at Hilton Hotel (Southbank)
 Presented by The Mayor's Victim Assistance Advisory Council



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