

National Crime Victims' Rights Week Annual Awards Nomination Form

(JACKSONVILLE, FL)

THEME: "Justice Isn't Served Until Crime Victims Are"

APRIL 10 – 16, 2005

The Mayor's Victim Assistance Advisory Council (VAAC) will sponsor the 19th annual observation of National Victims' Rights Week in Jacksonville. Individuals and organizations that have demonstrated outstanding achievements on behalf of crime victims and victims' rights will be recognized. The Mayor's VAAC will present victims' rights awards in the following categories:

COURAGEOUS VICTIM – A victim of crime who has shown the courage to speak out and make a difference regarding fair treatment of victims in the criminal justice system and in our community.

OUTSTANDING VICTIM ADVOCATE – A person or organization that has demonstrated excellence, compassion, and dedication in working for the welfare of victims, improvement of victims' services, and protection of victims' rights.

JUDICIAL VICTIM ADVOCATE – An individual (prosecutor, judge, or other judicial professional) who has demonstrated sensitivity and responsiveness to victims' rights.

LAW ENFORCEMENT VICTIM ADVOCATE – An individual (police officer, correctional officer or other professional) who has demonstrated sensitivity and responsiveness to victims' rights.

MEDIA – An individual, corporation or organization that has demonstrated respect for the dignity of victims of crime and sensitivity to victim issues.

A VAAC Selection Committee will choose the winner in each category. Winners will be honored at our annual awards event during Victims' Rights Week. Persons submitting nominations may be contacted for additional information and/or to present the awards.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Please submit a nomination form for the one most outstanding candidate of your choice in one category on official nomination form. You may nominate more than one person. Please do a separate nomination form for each person. Your Nominee can be a paid professional, a volunteer, or an organization. Include at least, two (2) of the following general areas of consideration in your nomination:

- Uniqueness of Contribution
- Impact of Service on/in the Community
- Amount of Time Spent on this Achievement

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2005

Direct all inquiries to:

Loretta Brienza at 301-4834 or Dr. Shannon H. Perry, at 630-6300.

2005 VICTIMS' RIGHTS AWARD OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 18, 2005

AWARD CATEGORY (check one):

- Courageous Victim Outstanding Victim Advocate
 Judicial Victim Advocate Law Enforcement Victim Advocate
 Media

Name of Nominee: _____

Agency: _____ Phone: _____

Position: _____ Years of Service: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Name of Nominator: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Nominee Reference & Phone: _____

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*A nominee reference is an additional witness to the nominee's performance.

Mail or e-mail return Nomination Form to: Attention:

Dr. Shannon H. Perry, VAAC Coordinator

403 West 10th Street

Jacksonville, FL 32206

Phone: 630-6300/Fax: 630-0770/Vaac@coj.net

Application must be received by March 18, 2005

Nominee's Qualifications: (use additional sheets if necessary, add nominee's name on each additional sheet)

Victims' Crime Week...

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Assistance Advisory Council (VAAC), I appeal to each of you to become more aware of the plight of crime victims so you may be better prepared to assist someone you know who has been victimized. Volunteer at one of the various organizations and agencies that provides direct services to crime victims. For those who may prefer to be involved on the prevention side, serve as a

mentor, coach, or tutor to the youth of our community through your neighborhood schools and youth associations.

This year's theme for Crime Victims' Rights Week is "Justice Isn't Served Until Crime Victims Are." Please join with VAAC to assure that Justice is truly served by helping us serve the needs of Crime Victims. Watch for further details of events and

activities coming up during Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 10-16. **Become Aware. Become Involved.**

VAAC meets the first Wednesday of each month at City Hall and is open to the public. Contact Gwen Rhodes at the City of Jacksonville Victim Services Center (630-6300) for details on attending and for information on Victims' Rights Week.

Editor's note: Glen Mitchell's son, Jeff, was killed in November 1993 in a robbery attempt as he waited for his father outside the library at Terry Parker High School following a student/teacher fund raising event. Glen has served on the Mayor's VAAC since 1998.

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