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PIMA COUNTY ATTORNEY BARBARA LAWALL ANNOUNCES APRIL EVENTS TO RAISE AWARENESS OF VICTIMS' RIGHTS AND CRIME PREVENTION

TUCSON, ARIZONA - April is Sexual Assault Awareness and Child Abuse Prevention Month. April is also the commemoration of National Crime Victims' Rights Week (April 22-28), whose 2012 theme reminds us of the importance of "Extending the Vision: Reaching Every Victim."

Pima County Attorney Barbara LaWall commends the work of local organizations to prevent violence and raise awareness about victims' rights. She encourages community members to participate in the array of events and activities offered.

"April is a time for the community to come together and reflect on the violence – particularly physical and sexual violence – that affects too many of our sisters and brothers, daughters and sons, and neighbors and coworkers. By participating in these events, we honor those who have been victimized while rededicating ourselves to creating a better community that provides safety and security for everyone," said LaWall.

The Pima County Attorney's Office is pleased to provide a list of April events, which are open to the public, available on our website at www.pcao.pima.gov.

Listed below are a few events where PCAO is a collaborating partner.

- Tuesday, April 10th 6:00 p.m. Take Back the Night. Geronimo Plaza, Main Gate Square, U of A. Come reclaim the right for women – and all people – to be able to walk safely down the street without fear of violence. Sponsored by UA Oasis Program and Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault.



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- Tuesday, April 24th 4:00 p.m. Preventing Dating Violence presentation by Bobbi Sudberry, Executive Director of Kaity's Way. TPD West Division, 1310 W. Miracle Mile. Come hear Bobbi Sudberry's heart-wrenching yet inspiring story of why she created an organization in her daughter Kaity's memory. Sponsored by Homicide Survivors and the Pima County Attorney's Office.
- Saturday, April 28th 10:00 a.m. Step Up, Speak Out, End Bullying PSA Showcase and Awards Event. The Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway Blvd. Come view the anti-bullying PSAs created by children and adults throughout the community and recognize the award winners. For more information visit www.endofbullying.com.

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