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US Attorney General Eric Holder awards the Americans Overseas Domestic Violence Crisis Center with the National Crime Victims Service Award

US Attorney General Eric Holder recognized nine individuals and one organization for outstanding work on behalf of crime victims in an awards ceremony hosted by the Department of Justice in Washington DC on April 16th.

The Attorney General's annual victims' service awards are presented as a prelude to the nation's observance of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 18-April 24, 2010. This year's theme - "Crime Victims' Rights: Fairness. Dignity. Respect." - highlights the importance of affording crime victims these rights and recognizes individuals and organizations that have demonstrated a commitment to this effort.

The recipients of the awards were nominated by their colleagues in the victim service and criminal justice fields. Their awards recognize their courageous responses in the aftermath of a crime, as well as their professional efforts to better serve the needs of victims with disabilities; to assist U.S. citizens victimized outside the United States; and to ensure that victims receive the compensation and other services available to them at the state and local level. The following awards were presented by the Attorney General:

National Crime Victim Service Award: Honors extraordinary efforts in direct service to crime victims.



Recipient: Americans Overseas Domestic Violence Crisis Center (AODVC), Portland, Ore., assists Americans who are survivors of domestic violence overseas. The center provides a continuum of services, including long-term case management, safety planning and relocation, legal assistance, professional counseling, and assistance with basic needs.

For more information on the other award winners, please click here:

<https://ovcncvrvw.ncjrs.gov/Awards/advancedGallerySearch.aspx>