



**2019 Report**

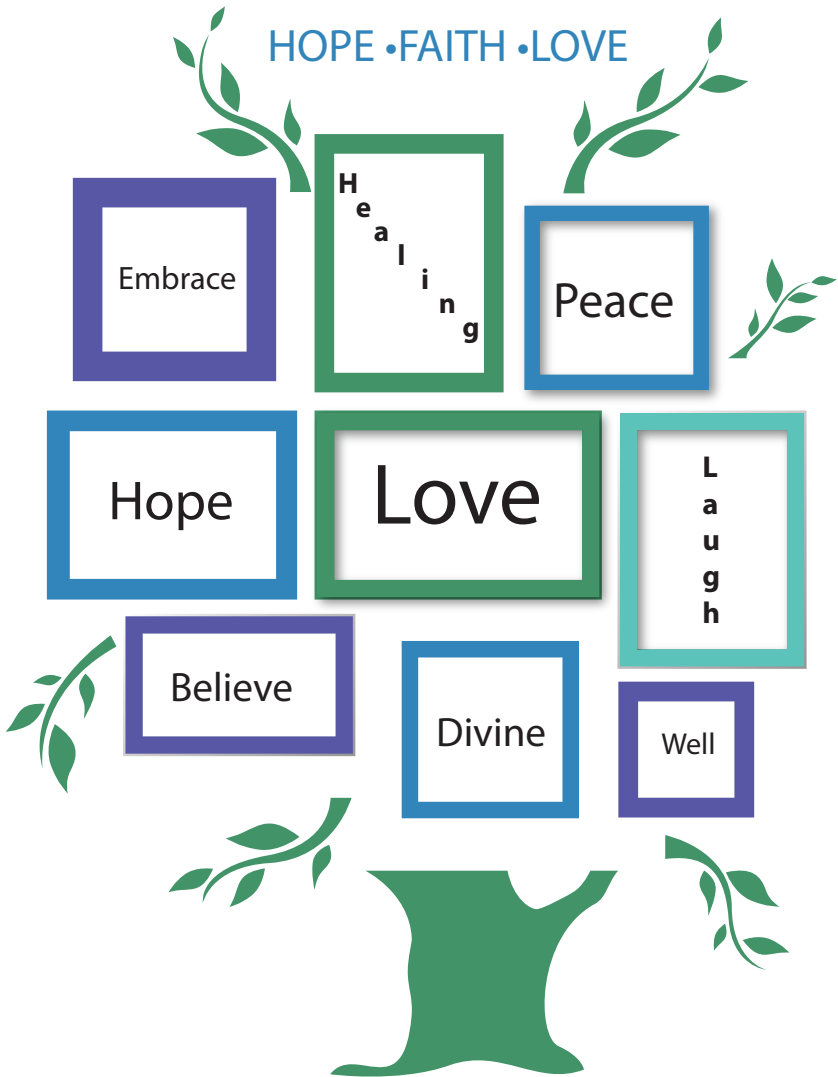
**CRIME SURVIVORS**

AWARENESS | PREVENTION | ADVOCACY | HEALING

*Celebrating 16 Years*

**2003-2019**

HOPE • FAITH • LOVE



**HELP US GROW!**

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# Our Cause

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Crime Survivors is to provide hope and healing to victims and survivors of crime through advocacy and the support of resources, information, and empowerment from the critical time after a crime occurs through the challenges and successes of surviving and thriving.

## VISION

Crime Survivors' vision is for victims of crime to recover from their experience mentally, physically, emotionally, and financially, by receiving respect, support, and protection from law enforcement, the judicial system, and the community.

## VALUES

- We believe that no one should feel abandoned or alone and that every person is deserving of love, respect and dignity.
- We believe that the best way to help others with hope and healing is to work in partnership with our community, law enforcement, elected leaders, and members of the media.
- We believe that all of us together can lift each other out of darkness and into the light of a restored heart and life.
- We believe that every broken heart, every hurt, every wound can be healed with love and a strong community of support.
- We believe in hopeful healing.
- We believe that with faith, there is always hope.



# Awareness. Prevention. Advocacy. Healing.

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Crime Survivors works in your community to make victims' rights a top priority. We facilitate communication and cooperation across various public service, government, and non-profit organizations to ensure that victims' rights are understood, and that the services victims are entitled to are received. If you think you are not receiving the assistance you should, please contact us.



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**Help us grow!**





## A Letter From Patricia Wenskunas Founder / CEO

In the beginning, Crime Survivors was just a thought, a dream, a promise to victims that they would not feel alone in their healing. Although it started as a commitment by one person, it grew to include the efforts of many board members, volunteers, supporters, and donors.

It grew because of YOU. Each survivor we help, each service provider and partner we train, each person in law enforcement we educate, is one more person who knows what it takes to help victims survive and thrive.

### *Helping Victims Feel Safe Again*

Over the past sixteen years, many people and companies have contributed time, talent, and treasure to create the Crime Survivors Resource Center. Our offices and meeting space allow our nonprofit to offer more and better services year-round. Thank you for your part in that success.

The heartbreak and healing cycles of a survivor begin whenever a crime is committed. Thousands of victims of violent crime have been helped by Crime Survivors, including families of those murdered, victims of attempted murder, domestic violence, rape, sexual assault, child abuse, burglary, robbery, and elder abuse. Our work has no end in sight, but we have focused our efforts on helping victims get their perpetrators incarcerated, while assisting each victim to recover mentally and physically.

What else can you do? Keep doing what you do best. Be a volunteer, donate when you can, and encourage others to donate and volunteer.

Know that your work is appreciated by me, our board of directors, and the survivors who feel the positive impact of your efforts. I thank God every single day for the commitment of people who won't give up until every survivor feels safe, again.

### *Accomplishments*

Over the past sixteen years providing services for survivors, the Crime Survivors Resource Center (CSRC) has distributed more than 435,000 Crime Survivors, Inc., Resource Guides, 2,875 meal baskets, 8,250 child and adult victim emergency bags, 2,750 backpacks of school supplies to child victims of crime, and 20,000 holiday gifts for survivors and their family members.

CSRC has helped thousands of victims of violent crime, distributed thousands of dollars in direct aid to victims, and contributed thousands of dollars toward legal support for survivors.

We have distributed more than 4,000 "Let's Meet Officer/Deputy Frank" books, and 7,500 "What's Happening in Court" books. Additionally, CSRC has provided direct services including case management, and wrap-around services and resources. These resources help child survivors understand police and judicial procedures and provide a sense of normalcy during an incredibly difficult time.

### *What Is Needed Now*

I encourage you to review this annual report, and more importantly, to join us as a volunteer and supporter on the journey of hope and healing. With faith, there is hope...

**Patricia Wenskunas**  
**Founder / CEO**

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## A Letter From Randy A. Burba Chairperson of The Board

### Answering a Calling

Serving those who have been victimized by violent crime is a calling that few are blessed to receive. Most people do not want to talk about the effects of victimization, most do not want to acknowledge the horrible things human beings do to each other. Crime Survivors recognizes these situations and answers the calling to be a support system, to speak out for the voiceless, to help the helpless, and work tirelessly helping victims of violent crimes survive and thrive. In 2019 it was, by all accounts, a very successful year in pursuit of our mission. We helped many victims on their journey to surviving and thriving. I wish there was no need for us to have success but as long as there are victims who need assistance, we will do all we can to provide that help.

In our second year of the resource center being operational we increased our local programming and wrap around services to help even more persons in need. One of the most unique things about the services we provide to victims is the ability to tailor those services to individual needs. This is rare in philanthropic organizations and requires a nimble organization with engaged leadership. Law enforcement partnerships continue to grow and multiply the number of persons actively supporting victims. We celebrated many of our law enforcement partners and service providers at our annual gala in August 2019. Hearing the stories of how so many went above and beyond in the service of victims was an incredible reminder that we are not in this alone.

Our founder and CEO, Patricia Wenskunas, again accomplished incredible amounts of work in furtherance of our mission; new sponsors, new donors, and a record number of victims assisted. She works tirelessly and no task is too small or too big; as long as it helps victims, she will find a way to make it happen. The amount of credibility she brings to the mission is unparalleled and it is clear that victims make a connection with her that is real and unbreakable. The board is honored and privileged to be a part of the guiding infrastructure for our organizations important work.

With a solid foundation in place, we are looking forward to growing in our ability to serve even more victims. Looking back on the past accomplishments is truly rewarding, particularly the incredible 2019 we had. However, looking forward to new opportunities to work with our great partners, donors, family, friends, and all who give for this tremendous cause, brings an even greater level of excitement and hope.

In service,

Randy A. Burba  
Board Chair



## A Letter From Frances Rodriguez Treasurer of The Board

### Treasurer's 2019 Financial Statements

As Treasurer for Crime Survivors Resource Center ("CSRC"), I have been blessed with the opportunity to be part of this organization. My connection to CSRC is deep and very personal. In 1997, my brother-in-law was murdered by an evil person with a heart filled with pure hate, and my sister was left without her beautiful husband. She and our family were completely heartbroken. From this horrible and painful experience grew my desire to help other crime victims. In my search for healing and answers, I located Crime Survivors and its founder, Patricia Wenskunas. Patricia is, and always has been, a person filled with the utmost integrity, a loving heart, and an unstoppable passion for understanding, helping, and hope in an effort to give healing to crime victims. She works tirelessly to help them in any way possible. The diametric opposite of my brother-in-law's killer, Patricia is a person abounding with love for others. CSRC's other Board members are all very caring individuals committed to helping victims of crime.

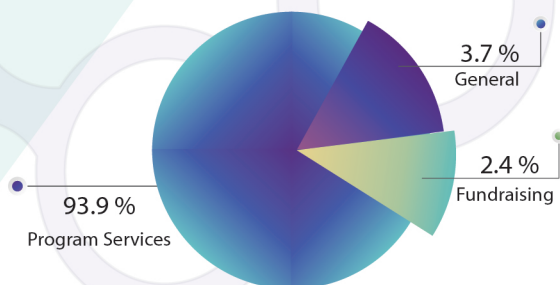
Shortly after becoming a CSRC Board member, I also became its Treasurer, as I have accounting experience. As CSRC's treasurer, I learned quickly and am proud to attest that CSRC is uniquely and consistently transparent as to its finances and its financial statements. I have a personal obligation in maintaining the financial integrity and reputation by ensuring that all financial activities are reported accurately and truthfully. Every penny is accounted for and reported. Furthermore, in keeping with our goal of providing the highest level of transparency, I found the documentation and flow of reported income and expenditures as provided to the organization's retained bookkeeping/accountancy firm of Riordan & Associates, to be a clear and accurate representation of the organization's financial activities.

I am very pleased to report that the financial statements for this non-profit have been balanced and filed for the year ending December 31, 2019. CSRC received revenue for the year 2019 from both individual and corporate contributions, also from grants, trade-barter and in kind. All monies were used in providing programs, support services, educational trainings, advocacy, healing events and fundraising events.

I hereby attest that CSRC's 2019 financial statements are sound and have been prepared and presented in a manner consistent with standardized accounting protocols and transparency as to this organization's financial activities.

Respectfully,

Frances Rodriguez  
Treasurer



Crime Survivors Revenue Breakdown Total Income \$604,723



# Our Work

## 2003-2019

8,250

Child & Adult  
Victim Emergency  
Bags

2,875

Meal Baskets  
to Survivors  
& Families

7,750

"What's  
Happening in  
Court" Books  
Distributed

435,000

Resource Guides  
Distributed

20,000

Holiday Gifts to  
Survivors &  
Families

4,000

"Let's Meet  
Officer/Deputy  
Frank" Books  
Distributed

2,900

Backpacks &  
School Supplies  
Distributed

1,150

Easter Egg  
Celebration  
Program

1,800

Halloween Harvest  
Pumpkin Carving  
Trick or Treat  
Program

3,400

Thanksgiving  
Baskets  
Distributed

9,500

Individual Donors  
Sponsors  
& Supporters for  
Programs

2,400

Individual  
Volunteers

4,250

Cookie Baskets  
Thanksgiving  
Gratitude  
Healing Program

5,125

Have Attended  
Awards Banquet  
"Gala"

15,000

Have Attended  
Superhero  
Run Walk  
Health & Safety  
Expo

Survivors Hope  
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Financial Support

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Trainings

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Program with  
Los Angeles  
County Sheriff's  
Department

Legal Support at  
Parole Hearings

Marsy's Law  
Trainings

Thousands of  
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Gift Cards  
Distributed  
Directly to Victims  
of Crime

Hundreds  
Attended  
Miniature Golf  
Tournament

Therapy &  
Counseling

Self Defense  
& Safety Classes

Monthly  
Support Groups

Art for Healing  
Classes

Monthly Service  
Provider  
Roundtables

Healing Program

Thousands of  
Victims of Crime  
& Families Helped  
through our  
Program Support

**AWARENESS  
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# Programs, Trainings & Hope and Healing Events

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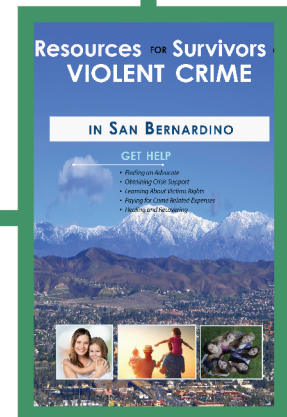
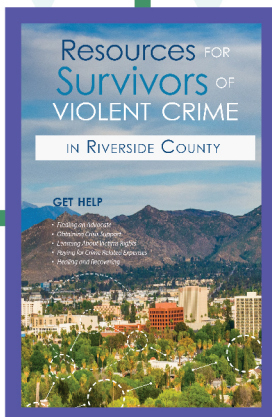
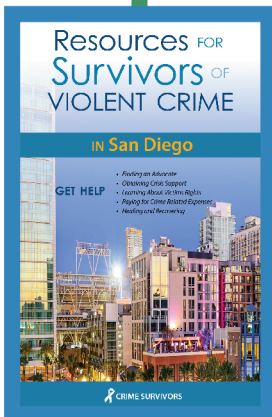
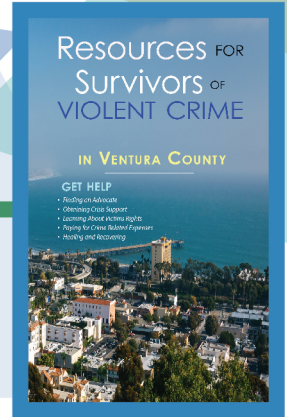
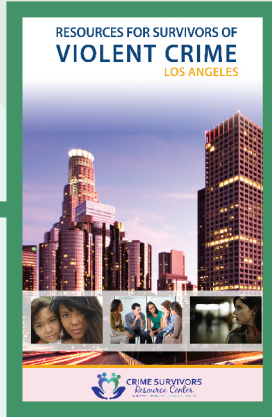
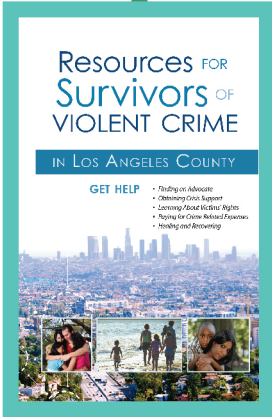
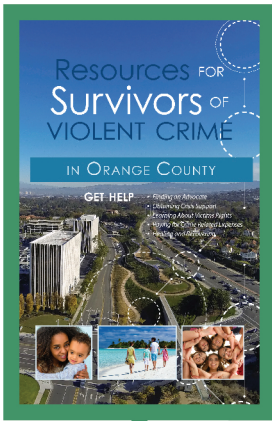
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# Resource Guides





# Survivors:

## What does this program mean to you...?

"**This program** means a lot to me because it has helped me get through my situation. It has also helped me through counseling and they were there when I had to do my statement to the judge. It is still helping me and I get to call and talk to someone if I need it. Thank you so much. Without this program, I would not know what I would have done." -Krystal and Yolanda

"**This program** would be such a blessing for my girls and me. I am a single parent of three beautiful girls. We are still in hiding from D.V. I struggle every month just to provide basic necessities. Birthdays and holidays have become a thing of the past, since I am raising them alone. We all know that just being/ staying together is our gift. One of my daughters has been a victim of sexual assault, as I have as well. It is a struggle every day for her, as she is still healing from the effects of this. Thank you so much for this opportunity, it means the world to me knowing there is still nice people willing to help me. Thank you for your help." -Traci

"**I want** to take the time to say thank you. If you help us this will mean that you bring a little bit of joy that the Lord graciously gives. This program helps us when we are in a crisis or in need. It is a blessing to help us and the Lord will regard you. Thank you for all of your help." -Giovana

"**Crime Survivors** has given me so much support and my life back. Prior to joining Crime Survivors, I was always afraid and depressed. Hearing other survivors has helped me to use my voice and not be the victim I once was. They have given me hope and faith in myself, now I am happy with my grandkids. Thank you Patricia, and Crime Survivors for your support and letting me know I am not alone. Thank you, it's a true blessing to feel free. God bless." -Cindy

"**This program** has really brought me and my two little girls hope. To know that there are still people out there who care and understand. All of the sadness and struggles us victims go through. Also those healing classes are so helpful. I would like to thank everyone in this program." -Jovana

"**As we** continue to rebuild our lives, holidays are just not feasible at this time. We have been incredibly blessed to have had help in escaping our abuse, and for all the resources and support Crime Survivors has provided. This program would mean being able to provide my children a holiday this year. We are grateful to be safe and have the ability to continue healing. Finances are incredibly tough as I continue to look for a full-time position. We would greatly appreciate being considered for the Elf's Holly Day Program. My children know how hard it has been to get where we are and they do not ask for much. This program would mean so much to them and myself. Thank you for your consideration." -Danyelle

"**It has** been a year since the crisis happened, and being with the Dausu program, with Romy, has really helped me and my children. I just want to tell you guys thank you for having a survivor program for families like mine, that give us hope that things will get better. One that provides programs and special groups to help us cope, and help us remember that we matter and are important. Organizations like yours is what makes a difference and gives us strength that we can pull through. I have grown so much and I have seen a change for the good in my children, so a BIG thank you." -Shelia

"**It is** a blessing to have programs to help families who suffered a loss through a crime. It is nice that there are people to turn to." -Jennifer

"**This program** will bring joy to my children on Christmas morning. As well as food on the table without having to worry if it is enough food for one night. I really appreciate everything you guys do." -Diana

"**This program** means hope and celebration of freedom from the bondage of my oppressor!" -Tallisha

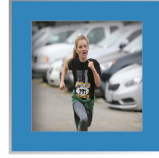
"**This program** is special to us, specifically for our kids. It is nice to have good supporters and donors. Thanks for your support!" -Adame's Family

"**This program** is so meaningful to me because it has brought so much joy and happiness to me and my family. In all honesty, this program has created one of the best memories I will share with my daughters during the holidays, and the wonderful experiences we have been fortunate to have. Whenever I stumble across pictures of the fun times with my family and Crime Survivors it brings positivity. I am thankful for them and all they do for us and the other families. Crime Survivors Organization and Patricia Wenskunas have changed my life, to inspire me to live as a SURVIVOR not a victim. I love to give back when I can, but during times when needed I am humble to ask for assistance. My daughter Ava recently lost her father, who was the one who abused me. We are grieving differently, but I can say I forgive him so that I can live on each day to be a stronger woman and mother to my daughters. Thank you for your time." -Ivette

"**This program** brings hope for me and happiness for my family." -Kenisha



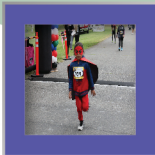
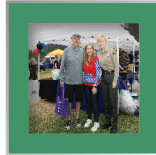
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**Inspiration**



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# Survivors:

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"**This program** brings hope for me and happiness for my family." -Kenisha "I am truly touched by the support and donations of families in the community who provide help through this program. Being a single parent, with no family within a 2,000-mile radius is extremely challenging. I have my son 100% of the time and I am working full-time to make ends meet. Christmas is a very tough time and your support helps brighten our holiday season. Your help is so much appreciated and creates a lasting impact for both myself and future generations, like my son." -Kaitlyn

"**May our** Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you all for what you do for families in many hardship situations. I cannot stop thanking you all enough for everything you all make possible! My kids and I placed in 3rd step with Human Options for Victims of Crimes. Our exit day is near so we will need to be moving into our own apartment very soon. We are currently facing, and going through a difficult hardship at this time and don't have many things. With that being said we would truly appreciate anything on your part, or hearts to bless us with." -Erika

"**It is** very comforting knowing that we have a big family with Crime Survivors who care for us during these special times of the year. Thank you Crime Survivors family for caring for us." -Nancy

"**Your program** helped our healing so much that we are able to move on with our lives since the event. But, also the presents my family receives from your organization are the only gifts my boys will get. I have a sixteen, eleven and a nine-year old." -Joanna

"**This program** builds me up during this time of year. Being a single mom to three boys, after surviving abuse from their father, this program just brings smiles to our faces. It helps me see I am not alone in this process and others have been through similar situations like mine. Thank you for all that you do" -Marilyn

"**This organization** means a lot to me because in time of need for me and my children, they were there. Especially around Christmas time, my kids look forward to going there and seeing families going through the same situation." -Leonor

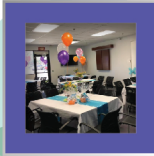
"**This program** has done a lot for my family and me. I have been a part of this group for a year and a half now. I fell on hard times when I had to relocate and take the stand against someone who tried to stab me and killed my sister in front of my niece and me. I also had to take in my niece. This program helped my niece and children go to a championship track meet. As well as provided them with Thanksgiving food and toys. I appreciate everything. I also appreciate the support programs and classes provided. Thank you!" -Sade

"**Crime Survivors** has been a constant in our lives for several years. My entire family looks forward to all of the functions. It is empowering for all of us to share, listen and relate with other survivors. It lets us know we are not alone. We are constantly encouraged and feel safe with our Crime Survivor family. We are so grateful and feel blessed to be a part of it. Thank you from our whole heart!" -Leslie

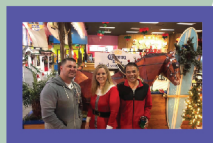
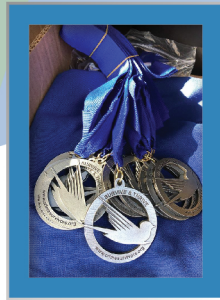
"**Without the** assistance from the donors, I would be unable to provide a decent Christmas for my family. I was the victim of an attempted murder and had to relocate. I have severe spine and neck issues that have also prevented me from returning to work. The holidays are a difficult time for my family and me, both financially and emotionally. We have several family members currently being hospitalized in the ICU. It is a true blessing that the holidays will be one less worry because of the generosity of the donors that support our family. Thank you!" -Daniel

"**This program** helps me give my five children a happy holiday so they don't feel sad for being out on our own. I appreciate all you guys do for us. You are a blessing in disguise. Thank you!" -Mariela

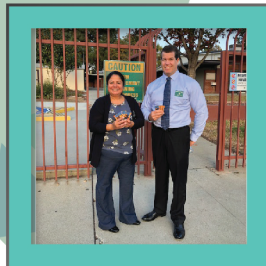
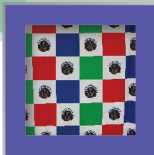
"**This program** gives hope and encouraging moments to know that we are not alone, and that there is support for the families." -Teresa



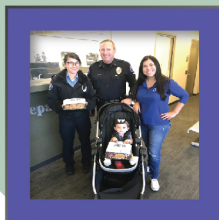
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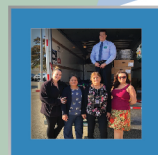
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# Survivors:

## What does this program mean to you...?

"**This program** means so much to me. With this program I know that I can let go of my stress and worries to enjoy the holidays with my three daughters. Due to this program I know that I have that extra support and foundation to pull me and my children through the holidays. Thank you to all of those who place smiles on my children and myself, that otherwise would not be possible!" -Amber

"**We are** so grateful for Crime Survivors. It has truly been a blessing to our family, and to be able to bring joy into our son's life after all he has been through. We pray and ask the Lord to continue to bless Patricia, and this organization for all she does for those who are survivors. Thank you sincerely and God bless." -Cantero

"**This program** means the world to me and my kids. I am a single mom with two kids and their only provider. Their father is currently incarcerated. This program is very touching to me and my kids." -Yoneyba

"**This is** an amazing program because they are here to help the families that have been through a hard life situation. But now we do the best to start living a normal and better life. May God bless this program!" Danny

"**As survivors** of a crime it is traumatizing, exhausting and distressing. So it means the world when people come together to show support and kindness to survivors, so they can enjoy the holidays; it fills my heart with joy. Thank you tremendously!" -Oudree

"**Every year** and throughout the whole year it is special knowing this organization helps focus and show that we are not alone in these tragedies. We feel happy there are special people caring for more families." -Nancy

"**This program** means a lot to me, as my past has haunted me. Currently I am homeless so this Christmas has been hard for me and my family." -Kayla

"**I am** currently working at a school district. We will be closed for three weeks in December and unfortunately without pay. I will not be able to afford to buy any gifts for my girls. It would mean so much to me if I could provide a gift this Christmas to my daughters without assistance from donors or supporters. Thank you." -Daisy

"**This program** means a lot to me, knowing that I was not alone in not seeing the red flags...at first I felt as if it was my fault because I did not notice things right away that others may have seen as warning signs...but after watching the videos and knowing others have gone through the same things helped me to begin healing by not blaming myself." -Melanie

"**Thank you** for doing this during these tough times, it really means so much to me. Holidays are always stressful but I get some relief going to your events. It allows my kids to go out and have fun doing something we normally would not be able to do. I have so much appreciation for you and your support. Thank you so much." -Amanda

"**This program** means a lot to me. It shows me that there are good people out there. People who want to help those who have witnessed the unpleasant side of people. There are not a lot of truly good people out there now a days and it gives me hope to have come across this program. I have been struggling for years and finally reached out for help to the right people. I thank them and this program for showing me kindness during these dark and trying times. Thank you all for your amazing acts of kindness and help." -Railene

"**I want** all of the sponsors to know we look forward to this event all year. To be able to be safe around other people that know how much it hurts to lose a child to homicide. I want to be able to give my children a gift, to see them smile...maybe not think of the past but make new friends, laugh and be excited! I promise you I cry daily but on the event day I will cry a tear of joy!" -April

"**We would** like to share that at a time when our family has suffered at the hands of heinous violent crimes, we have turned to our community for support. We are very fortunate to have met organizations like Crime Survivors, full of people who care and who are willing to help survivors through the darkest of times. Thank you for your generosity and support." -Rosalva

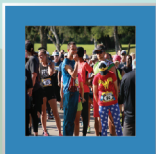
"**This program** is a blessing and a lifeline during this difficult time. I am so grateful to have been connected with Patricia; a mentor, a survivor just like me and a true angel in the worst time of my life. Without this program and the resources available to victims like me, I am scared to know where I would be. Thank you!" -Melissa

"**As a** single mom of three, this program helps me a lot with the classes and programs they offer." -Merissa

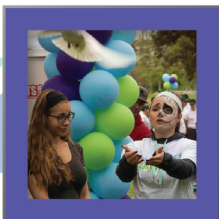
"**As a** victim of crime, me and my children are praying to be reunited with my first love and fiancé. To be safe and have a home all together. We never want to look over our shoulders again." -Jacalyn

"**Programs like** this are a wonderful blessing to the community, especially families who have experienced trauma and difficult circumstances. Thank you!" -Melinda

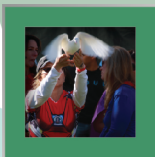
"**With everything** my children and I have been through, this has been the biggest blessing for us. To know that there is still hope out there for us and that we are not alone on such special holidays. Thank you for so much love and support." -Stephanie



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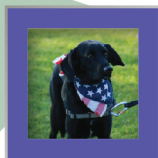


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# Survivors:

## What does this program mean to you...?

"**This program** means a lot to our family. It would make it possible for my children to be able to receive Christmas gifts and bring joy to their lives." -PS

"**This program** has helped me and my family through very difficult times. It has connected me with others going through similar situations. I have learned so much and have become a stronger, better person through all your support. Thank you for everything!" -Yolanda

"**Myself and my** four children are now safe because of the victims of crime program. We have a five year restraining order from my ex-husband/ father of my four children. We have been relocated here to Orange County from Los Angeles. As well as survive this horrific ordeal because of all these programs and support. When our safety was compromised we left with our clothes, bedding and beds. We had to start all over again and I thank and appreciate all that has been offered to me and my four children." -Sandra

"**Gracias por todo.**" -Alma

"**This program** brings a lot of helpful support to my family during the holidays. This program brings smiles to my children's faces during the gifts events." -Shermaine

"**This program** allows me not to worry so much about providing a little gift for my children. They have seen their mother getting physically assaulted. This program allows my children to feel like they will have a gift for Christmas because there is not enough money for a tree or gifts. My family likes this program because it gives us hope!" -Angelica

"**Since being** told about this program, it has really helped me realize how blessed we are to have such caring people in this world." -Linda

"**This program** is a great time for me to be able to put a smile on my kid's faces this year, which means so much to me based on previous events. -Brandi

"**This year** was emotionally harder. I am going to trial in early 2020. 2019 has been a hard year... I am trying to stay positive and hopefully Crime Survivors gives us a place to be happy and enjoy the moment and remove us from our struggles." -Jennifer

"**I know** deep in my heart that I cannot provide the Christmas my kids deserve and they understand also. So I am grateful that programs like this one exist...this program means the world to people like me and families like mine! It provides a situation that would allow my kids and I to feel happy for once! I am sure that is what any mother would want! I am overcome with emotions as I think of all the joy your program brings to families that have been having a tough time this during this time of the year" -Ahlia

"**Crime Survivors** means the world to my family. They have been by our sides, supporting us for almost 10 years now. Without Crime Survivors my children would have gone without Christmas for several years. Thank you Crime Survivors and all the donors and supporters. It is because of you we have a very Merry Christmas." -Cherie

"**It means** so much to know that you have people you barely know or who do not know who you are, there to support you in a time of need." -Evlinda

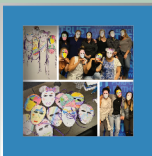
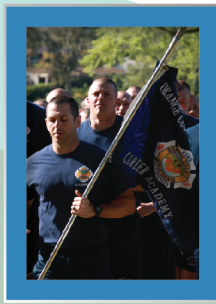
"**This program** would be a chance to provide my children with our first real Christmas together as a family. After what happened, I was able to get a job and start my life over. I was able to get a small apartment for my children but the bills have piled up. Therefore, I unfortunately cannot afford gifts or groceries to fill the fridge. This program would mean the world to my children. Thank you!" -Kashmir

"**This program** means a lot to me because it has helped me a lot through the holidays and being able to make something happen for my family. This program makes the holidays better." -Luzvianeth

"**Your help** means a lot to my kids. We are very thankful." -Vanessa

"**Crime Survivors** is just trying to survive the hurt, pain, sadness and emptiness you feel during the holidays. Crime Survivors has brought joy in me and my daughter's life and now we share the joy and laughter with her children. They always talk about the fun they have at Boomers. The joy on their faces, to see they are happy makes me forget about Brandon, their uncle, not being here. Thank God for good people still in this cruel world." -Angelar

"**Thank you** so much for blessing our family! Crime Survivors has been a constant in our lives for 6 years and we are so grateful for the connections and strength and love we share with our fellow survivors!! Thank you for blessing us and making our holidays special!! We love you! Merry Christmas!!" -The B Family





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