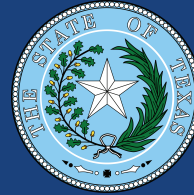


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## CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY SHAREN WILSON RAISES AWARENESS FOR CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS & RESOURCES

(Fort Worth, TX) -- This week is National Crime Victims' Rights Week, created to raise awareness of the rights of crime victims, and the resources that are available to them.

The Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office will launch three videos this week highlighting the types of resources for victims through our office, including our specialized team of Victim Assistance Coordinators. Tarrant County first recognized the need and created this office, staffed by trained social workers, in the 1980s, before it was later required by state law. These coordinators are available to crime victims and the family members of murder victims to assist them in navigating the often confusing criminal justice process with compassion.

*"The hard truth is, people don't come to the Criminal District Attorney's Office because something good has happened to them," said CDA Sharen Wilson. "From the receptionist to the trial attorney, and everyone in between, we need to be ready to listen to victims, to be sensitive to what they're going through, and to recognize that we are their voice."*

The three videos will post to the office's Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube pages throughout the week. For more information on National Crime Victims' Rights Week, please visit: <https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrw2020/>. For more information about Tarrant County CDA Victim Services, visit: <http://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/criminal-district-attorney/victim-services.html>

To view the Crime Victims' Rights Week videos, please visit:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIZTKg2woBqMhvvHzkrbywQ>

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