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FAIRFAX COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY STEVE DESCANO ANNOUNCES RETURN OF GRANT OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY-BASED VICTIMS' SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS

Fairfax County, VA -- Fairfax Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano announced today the return of the Community Partnership Grant Program, available to Fairfax-based non-profit organizations that provide services to support youth victims of crime, as well as victims of sexual or domestic violence.

Organizations can apply for grants of up to \$10,000. Applications are due by November 15th.

"Victims of these types of crime need community-based services to heal from their trauma," CA Descano said. "The work that these organizations do is essential to individuals who have been victimized, and these grants will help them recover and rebuild their lives."

The Commonwealth Attorney's Office first introduced the Community Partnership Grant Program last year, with United Community's Progreso Center, Women for Afghan Women (WAW), and SafeSpot each receiving grants of \$8,000.

"We're grateful to Commonwealth's Attorney Descano and his office for this grant, which will dramatically help us improve our reach and services," United Community President and CEO Alison DeCourcey said at the time.

CA Descano is committed to maintaining this grant opportunity annually, with funding acquired through Virginia Code 19.2-386.14. **Organizations interested in applying can learn more here:** <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/commonwealthattorney/community-partnership-program-grant-application</u>

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