Working on Trauma Scenes with Law Enforcement
Resources

Wednesday, August 16, 2017
11:15 AM – 12:30 PM
Mission Statement

The Victim Crisis Response Team is a dedicated group of trained volunteers who assist local law enforcement agencies and other emergency personnel in responding to the immediate needs of victims. It is our goal to ensure that victims and witnesses of crime are treated with dignity, respect, fairness, compassion, courtesy, and sensitivity.

History of our Team
*est. 1997*
Participating Agencies

- Appleton Police Department
- Fox Crossings Police Department
- Fox Valley Metro Police Department
- Freedom Police Department
- Grand Chute Police Department
- Hortonville Village Police Department
- Kaukauna Police Department
- Menasha Police Department
- Neenah Police Department
- Outagamie County Sheriff’s Department
- Seymour Police Department
- Shiocton Police Department
- Winnebago County Sheriff’s Department

How we are Funded

Wisconsin Department of Justice - Victims of Crime Act Grant

501(c)3 Tax Exempt Organization - 2017

How We Work

- Affiliated with 13 area police departments
- On-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.
- “Paged” out by County Dispatch
- 2 VCRs respond (ideally)
VCRs Respond to Victims of…

- Homicide
- Robbery / Burglary
- Domestic Violence
- Physical Assault
- Sexual / Physical Abuse
- Elder Abuse
- Drunk Driving
- Sexual Assault
- Property Crime

On-Scene Services Provided

- Physical Support
- Emotional Support
- Information and Resources
- Child Care
- Follow-Up Offered

TIMELY & APPROPRIATE RESPONSE

- A key factor influencing how well a victim of crime recovers from trauma is a timely and appropriate response.
- 3 Major Needs victims have following a crime:
  - To Feel Safe
  - To Express Emotions
  - To Know What Comes Next
Additional VCR Services

- Call Back Program
- After the Fact Impact Contacts
- Volunteering
- Specialized groups
  - Sex Trafficking, LEAAP, CART

Becoming a VCR

- Application
- Orientation Meeting
- Background Checks
- 20+ hours of training
- Individual Interviews
- Connection with mentors
  - Shadowing

Warm Fuzzies Board
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