



APRIL 2022

Victims Services Program

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Is Victims Services Awareness Month

Since 1981, National Crimes Victims' Rights Week is celebrated every year in April. This year is dedicated to learning about the rights, access, and equity of all victims.

As the Valdez Native Tribe Victims Services continues to establish our program in the community, it is our commitment to **renew confidence** that all victims have the rights and services they need to recover from the crime through "Rights Access and Equity:"

Victims Services is **committed** to supporting victims through services that increase access to care. If you or someone you know has been harmed, suffered loss, or have been physically or emotionally abused as a result of someone committing a criminal offense, Valdez Native Tribe Victims Services Program is here to help.

Call [907-835-1144](tel:907-835-1144)

RIGHTS
ACCESS
EQUITY
for all victims



Helping crime survivors find their justice by:

- **Enforcing victims' rights**
- **Expanding access to services**
- **Ensuring equity and inclusion for all**

If you or someone you know is a **victim of crime or child abuse**, call the **National Office for Victims of Crime** at **1-202-307-5983**.

Important Dates

Good Friday

April 15

Easter

April 17

File Those Taxes

April 18

VSP Gathering Circle

April 20

Earth Day

April 22

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Gathering Circle

Victims Services Program Awareness

April 20, 2022 from 6-8pm

Join us on Facebook Live as we sit down with Victims Services Staff to learn more in-depth details about our program services, how they may benefit you, and answer any questions you may have.

24/7 Crisis Hotline

(907) 835 - 1144

- You need someone to talk to
- You need information & resources
- You don't know what to do next
- You are a victim of a crime of trauma
- You are a family member of a victim



Food Bank Dates

April 10th from 1-3pm

April 24th from 1-3pm



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Scan the QR code for more information

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Mental Health Services



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alaska Native Foster Parents are Needed!

Call 907-255-7413 for additional information.

EVENTS

Parenting Classes

May 25 - 29, 2022, 6 pm

Dinner Provided

Location: VNT Main Hall

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The Americans with Disability Act prohibits disability discrimination. Alaska has additionally implemented the Alaska Human Rights Law. It prohibits employment practices that discriminate on the basis of disability. The Law covers all public and private employers regardless of size, except for nonprofit educational, charitable, and religious associations (AK St. Sec. 18.80.010). A disability is defined as:

- A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.
- A history of being misclassified as having such an impairment.
- Having an impairment that does not substantially limit a major life activity but is treated by the person as constituting such a limitation.
- Having an impairment that substantially limits a person's major life activities only as a result of the attitude of others toward the impairment.
- Having no impairment, but being treated by others as having such an impairment.
- A condition that may require the use of a prosthesis, musculoskeletal, special sense organ, respiratory including speech organs, cardiovascular, reproductive, digestive, genitourinary, hemic and lymphatic, skin, and endocrine.
- A mental or physiological disorder, including intellectual disability, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness, and specific learning disorders.

If you feel you have been discriminated against by an employer, there are resources to assist you. The Disability Law Center of Alaska is an independent non-profit law firm that provides legal advocacy for people with disabilities in Alaska. They are able to help with Social Security applications, disability-related employment discrimination, Medicaid appeals, special education, access to voting, and complaints to DVR, TVD, and Independent Living Centers. You can also file a complaint with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. If you feel you have been discriminated against in any form by an employer and need assistance, contact the Disability Law Center of Alaska and EEOC and see if they can assist you.

