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Saluting Employees

TDCJ staff attends National Crime Victims' Rights Week service

Representatives from TDCJ's Victim Services Division, along with other victim service organizations and supporters from throughout Central Texas, gathered at Austin's Central Christian Church on April 6 to honor victims of crime and those who advocate on their behalf.

Held in conjunction with the 2017 National Crime Victims' Rights Week, this event highlighted the courage demonstrated by crime victims and their families, as well as the dedication of their advocates as they navigate their way through the criminal justice system. The theme of this year's Victims' Rights Week was "Strength. Resilience. Justice." and the keynote address was given by Andrea Sparks, director of the Governor's Child Sex Trafficking Team.

More information can be found in the *Connections* newsletter or by going to <https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/nevrw/> on the Web. ●



TDCJ Victim Services Program Specialist Carol Ellis (left) and Children Advocacy Centers of Texas Program Administrator Lindsey Jordan review the National Crime Victims' Rights Week event program.