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NONPROFIT COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS OFFERS SERVICES TO THOSE AFFECTED BY THE OCTOBER 1 LAS VEGAS ATTACK

Santa Ana, Calif. (October 5, 2017) – Community Service Programs (CSP), a nonprofit dedicated to providing aid to those who have been victimized by tragedy, extends their outreach to Orange County community members who attended, or have a loved one who attended, the Route 91 Harvest Festival after the tragic shooting that took place on October 1.

CSP will provide victims with supportive services, including therapy referrals, emergency assistance, employer notification/intervention, funeral/burial assistance, Victim of Crime Compensation Application Assistance, and more. To access victim services in Orange County, North Orange County residents are encouraged to contact Claudia Torres, Victim Advocate, at ctorres@cspinc.org or 714-773-4575. South Orange County Residents may contact Rasta Bagheri, Victim Advocate, at rbagheri@cspinc.org or 949-975-8105.

The Victim of Crime Compensation program may be able to help victims pay for expenses such as medical bills, funeral expenses, mental health treatment, or lost wages. Victims may apply for help whether or not they were injured in the attack. Victims are encouraged to apply whether they currently have expenses or not. Even if there are no expenses today, we encourage you to apply now. CSP Victim Advocates can assist with the application, which can be downloaded at <https://victims.ca.gov/lasvegas/>.

For Mental Health Services, victims are encouraged to contact:

- Community Counseling and Supportive Services (CCSS) for no-cost, trauma counseling services: (714) 645-8000
- SAMHSA's Disaster Distress Helpline- 24/7 national hotline that provides immediate over the phone crisis counseling: (800) 985-5990
- Crisis Prevention Hotline provides 24/7 services to those in crisis: (877) 7-CRISIS or (877) 727-4747
- OC Links is an information and referral line for behavioral health services 855-OC-LINKS or 855-625-4657
- Crisis Assessment Team (CAT) for behavioral health crises where a psychiatric evaluation is needed :(866) 830-6011

In addition, the Orange County Department of Education has a link available on their website to help kids cope with crisis: <http://newsroom.ocde.us/five-things-to-keep-in-mind-when-helping-kids-cope-with-crisis/>.

To learn more about the programs and service CSP offers please visit www.cspinc.org

About Community Service Programs

Community Service Programs (CSP) is a non-profit agency committed to serving children, adults and families living in Orange County who are involved with or at-risk of involvement with the justice system. CSP's model programs assist over 125,000 community members annually, including abused children, struggling families, acting out adolescents, victims of crime, and those in need of mediation services. For more information on CSP and its programs, visit www.cspinc.org.

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