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VICTIM SERVICES PERTH JOINS VICTIM SERVICES HURON, STRENGTHENING SUPPORT FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES

CLINTON, ON – Victim Services Huron and Victim Services Bruce Grey Perth are pleased to announce the joining of Perth County with Huron County effective May 1, 2024. This will result in a stronger, more comprehensive support network for victims of crime and tragic circumstances, ensuring that individuals and families receive the highest level of support and care across the regions.

"By combining resources, expertise, and community partnerships, the newly formed organization will be better equipped to address the evolving needs of the communities served. The organization will align with other community stakeholders that currently serve both Huron and Perth Counties," said Deborah Logue, Executive Director of Victim Services Huron, and current Interim Executive Director of Victim Services Bruce Grey Perth.

The merger will officially take effect on May 1st, at which point services in Perth County will operate under the umbrella of Victim Services Huron to become Victim Services Huron Perth. The current region of Bruce Grey Perth will become Victim Services Bruce Grey. Services will continue uninterrupted during the transition period, and clients can expect the same level of support and assistance from the dedicated staff and volunteers.

"Victim Services Bruce Grey Perth and Victim Services Huron have long been dedicated to supporting individuals during some of the most challenging moments of their lives," said Wendy Pratt, Board Chair of Bruce Grey Perth Victim Services. "By redefining our service boundaries, this merger represents a significant step forward in our ability to provide comprehensive and compassionate care to those in need across our counties. Together, we will continue to uphold our mission of empowering victims and promoting healing and resilience within our communities."

Both organizations express their gratitude to their supporters, partners, and volunteers who have contributed to their respective missions over the years. Together, they look forward to continuing their vital work in building safer and more resilient communities.

For more information about Victim Services Huron Perth or Victim Services Bruce Grey, please visit their websites www.victimserviceshuron.ca or www.victim-services.com.

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Victim Services Huron Perth is a registered charity that works closely with police, emergency medical services, and social service advocates to ensure members of our community are supported during and immediately after a crisis or traumatic event.