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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## BECOME A VOLUNTEER WITH THE VICTIM SERVICES DIVISION OF THE PIMA COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

(Tucson, Arizona) – Barbara LaWall, Pima County Attorney, is pleased to announce that The Victim Services Division is seeking dedicated northwest community members to become advocates for youth, educating them about preventing sexual and relationship violence.

The Victim Services Division will be working with the Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault (SACASA) to hold a *Train the Trainer Program*. The training is designed for people living in the greater Marana and Oro Valley area, including the surrounding unincorporated communities.

Come to <u>one</u> of the following informational sessions and learn more about this amazing opportunity to influence the youth in northwest Pima County.

- Friday, January 29, 2010 from 9:00am-12:00pm or
- Thursday, February 4, 2010 from 6:00pm-8:00pm

Both informational sessions will be held at:

Marana Operations and Police Substation 5100 W. Ina Rd. (Ina and 1-10)

Anyone interested in volunteering must attend one of the two informational sessions listed above. After the informational session, the two-day educator training will be held on February 25 and 26, 2010. During this training you will learn about:

- The facts about sexual violence and its impact on our youth, families, and communities.
- The connections among and between bullying, sexual harassment, relationship violence, child sexual abuse, and rape.
- How to respond to a disclosure of sexual violence.
- Easy steps everyone you can take to help reduce sexual violence.
- How to share this information with youth, parents, and other professionals.

Please call 740-5525 for more information about volunteering and to sign up for one of the information sessions.

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