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## Press Release



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## NORFOLK DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE RECEIVES \$115K GRANT TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF DRUNK DRIVING CRASHES

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Boston:- The Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance (MOVA), recently awarded the Norfolk District Attorney’s Office a \$115,000 grant to increase services available to victims of drunk driving crashes in Norfolk County.

Each year, MOVA awards funding to agencies that provide free services such as counselling, crisis intervention, case management and advocacy to victims, witnesses, and families impacted by OUI incidents. The funding comes from the Drunk Driving Trust Fund (DDTF) which collects fines imposed by the courts on convicted offenders for operating under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

“There is a great need for this in Norfolk County. Most of the major high-speed roadways in the state pass through our county – 95, 495, 90, 128, Rte. 3 – and we have a high volume of motor vehicle homicides and serious injury crashes,” Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey said. “They are complex and often difficult cases. These funds help us dedicate resources and personnel with special training and experience. MOVA deserves credit for recognizing the complexity and importance of these cases and making this kind of support available.”

“Crashes caused by impaired drivers leave devastating physical and emotional effects on victims and their families,” said Liam Lowney, MOVA’s Executive Director. “While awareness and prevention campaigns are more commonplace during the holiday season, survivors of these senseless acts require specialized services to assist in their recovery every day. We are thrilled to fund the work of the Norfolk District Attorney’s Office to help those impacted by these traumatic events.”

Services will be provided through the Victim Witness Program of the District Attorney’s Office. To learn more about these services please call (781) 830-4800 or visit [www.mass.gov/NorfolkDA](http://www.mass.gov/NorfolkDA).

To learn more about the Drunk Driving Trust Fund visit MOVA’s website at [www.mass.gov/DDTF](http://www.mass.gov/DDTF) or call (617) 586-1340.