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**For Appriss employees, Domestic Violence Awareness Month
a reminder of the importance of their work**

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky (October 5, 2010) - October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Since 1987, NDVAM is a time for domestic violence victims and those who serve them to speak out in a unified voice to combat domestic violence, and to challenge all people in America to support the countless programs that provide support and services to victims.



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At Appriss, the Louisville-based technology company, awareness of domestic violence is a constant. As the provider of Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) service, Appriss leaders and employees know that their work is key to helping domestic violence victims.

In fact, Appriss' best known service was developed in response to a domestic violence situation. Mary Byron had been raped at gunpoint by her ex-boyfriend, who was later arrested. Mary and her parents asked to be notified if he got out of jail, but he was released without their knowledge and he murdered Mary on her 21st birthday.

The community was outraged, and a solution, VINE[®], or Victim Information and Notification Everyday, was in place a year after Mary's murder. Now crime victims may get information automatically and register for notification on an offender's release.

"We are always aware that what we do here does not just involve numbers and technology," Mike Davis, Appriss CEO said. "Behind every phone number or e-mail is someone who may be frightened for their safety."

VINE was just the beginning. Today, VINE Protective Order[®] helps domestic violence petitioners stay informed on the status of their protective order, including the dangerous time when the respondent is served with the order.

For the eleventh year, the team at Appriss has prepared a National Domestic Violence Awareness Month guide to help customers promote greater public awareness about crime victims' rights, needs, and services, including VINE and VPO. A PDF of the guide is available to download at www.appriss.com.

Appriss has also responded to requests from law enforcement, developing the online tool JusticeXchange[®], which lets law enforcement professionals have real-time access to information across jurisdictions, and Sex Offender Solutions, which allows citizens to track the whereabouts of sex offenders in their neighborhoods.

About Appriss

Founded in 1994, Appriss is a national leader in providing government agencies at all levels with information and communication solutions. Appriss helps keep communities

safe through information management technology, including tracking sex offenders' whereabouts and providing JusticeXchange, which connects criminal justice agencies nationwide.

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