



# SAMOA VICTIM SUPPORT GROUP TOOMAGA MO E PUAPUAGATIA

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## PRESS RELEASE

### SVSG Acknowledges Current Sponsors and Supporters for 20th Anniversary Celebration in June 2025

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Apia:

SVSG is set to celebrate its 20th anniversary with key events in June 2025, and the organization has already witnessed the generosity of its partners and supporters who have contributed to this significant milestone.

A variety group of business partners from the private sector, along with supporters from communities and across Samoa, have come together to provide both monetary and in-kind donations for the SVSG celebration.

The theme for the 20-year celebration highlights two decades of partnerships, and the saving of lives, in Samoa. SVSG believes that its journey has been made possible thanks to the support of all its partners. Individuals, church communities, and local also international groups will participate in this celebration of SVSG's work over the past twenty years.

The celebration will officially kick off with a special service, or 'faigalotu,' on June 15. This will be followed by a parade in Apia town on June 19. The main SVSG forum, focusing on human rights and partnerships, is scheduled for June 20, concluding in the SVSG Celebration Ball on the 21 June 2025.

President Siliniu Lina Chang expressed her heartfelt gratitude to all the individuals, communities, development partners, and businesses, both local and international, for their generosity. SVSG would not have had the courage to move forward with this 20th anniversary celebration without the support of its partners. *“E lagona ai lava le loto fa’afetai.”* said Siliniu.

This June celebration will also coincide with Samoa's national independence festivities, marking two decades of collaborative partnerships between SVSG and its supporters.

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Ensuring that victims of crime and those in need are well supported to be safe and in control to restore their lives

**2016: With and for Girls Award – Star Foundation of London**

**2017: Innovation & Excellence Team Award – Samoa Public Service**

**2018: Finalist, International Children’s Peace Prize 2018 – Kids Right Foundation of Amsterdam, Netherlands**

**2018: Human Rights Champion in Samoa – UNESCO**

**2019: Innovation for Sustainable Development Award – Commonwealth Secretary-General**

**2020: Nominated Person(s) of the Year – Samoa Observer**

**2021: Outstanding Contributions to Human Rights Promotion & Protection – Samoa Office of the Ombudsman/NHRI**

**2023: Healthy Islands Best Proposal Award – World Health Organization**