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**District Attorney's Victim Services Program holds Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for
Their New Teddy Bear Room**

(Woodland, CA) – District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on Thursday, January 21, 2010 his office hosted an official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to introduce the most recent addition to the Yolo County District Attorney's Office. Approximately 40 to 50 people attended the event, including Yolo County Supervisor Helen Thomson and Joe de Ulloa, Interim Executive Director of the Yolo County Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Center.

This new addition was made possible thanks to Crime Victims United of California (CVUC) who generously donated the "Teddy Bear" room to the Yolo County District Attorney's Victim Services Program.

The "Teddy Bear" room had previously been used as office space. Victim Services Acting Program Coordinator Laura Valdes coordinated the event. "With the renovation of this small 9x11 foot room, it will now serve a true purpose of assisting District Attorney advocates in providing their clients a calming, private, and meditative place," stated Valdes. "Here, they can now prepare themselves for the difficult position of having to testify in court about an incident that turned their lives into unimaginable turmoil and unexpected grief."

CVUC is the only organization of its kind – using education, legislative advocacy and political action to enhance public safety, promote effective crime reduction measures and strengthen the rights of crime victims. Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig applauded the efforts of CVUC. "The work CVUC does for victims throughout the State of California is exceptional and tangible for victims faced with difficult situations. They work to make victims' realities a little bit more bearable. We are very fortunate to have such a powerful driving force for victims in Yolo County," stated Jeff Reisig.

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