



# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## **Department of Public Safety**

Ohio Department of Public Safety • Cathy Collins-Taylor, Director  
[www.publicsafety.ohio.gov](http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov)



**EDUCATION • SERVICE • PROTECTION**

Ted Strickland, Governor

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**September 30, 2009**

**Contact: Lindsey Bohrer, Public Information Officer  
(614) 752-6585**

### **OHIO KICKS OFF EFFORTS TO RAISE AWARENESS DURING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

*Clothesline Project to be on display throughout October at Rhodes Tower*

**What:** Kick-off of Domestic Violence Awareness Month

**Where:** Rhodes State Office Tower Lobby  
30 East Broad Street, Columbus

**(Media Note: All members of the media will need to check in with Kim Johnson, Ohio Building Authority, prior to shooting video and/or photographs in the Rhodes State Office Tower).**

**When:** 2:30 p.m., Thursday, October 1, 2009

**Who:** Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray  
Ohio Department of Public Safety Director Cathy Collins-Taylor  
Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services Executive Director Karhlton Moore  
Father of Domestic Violence Survivor

Domestic violence impacts us all. The Attorney General's Office, Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) and other partners will be observing Domestic Violence Awareness Month throughout October to raise awareness for this crime as well as for resources that are available for victims.

In 2008, ODPS' Office of Criminal Justice Services awarded more than \$7 million between STOP Violence Against Women Act, Justice Assistance Grant and Family Violence Prevention and Services Act funding to approximately 157 programs to address the alarming problem of intimate partner violence in Ohio communities.

Last year, 58,465 cases of domestic violence were documented by law enforcement in the Attorney General's annual Domestic Violence Report. The number of violent incidents that actually occurred always will remain unknown.

###