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Letter of Invitation

To whom it may concern,

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about a new program of the South Carolina Victim Assistance Network (SCVAN). The South Carolina Identity Theft Network, awarded by the Maryland Crime Victims Resource Center, will be funded by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), through the Crime Victims Fund. The South Carolina Identity Theft Network is looking to establish a Statewide Coalition to help expand and improve the outreach and capacity of victim service programs to better address the rights and needs of victims of identity theft in South Carolina. I look forward with great excitement to the opportunity to build a Statewide Coalition that will involve all the stakeholders in the criminal justice, education, non-profit and for-profit systems.

As a first step to the creation of a Statewide Coalition, we would like to invite you to attend our Inaugural Summit on December 9, 2011 at the Russell House University Union (University of South Carolina, Columbia), to provide all interested partners the opportunity to share common interests, available resources, and dreams for the improvement of services to identity theft victims in South Carolina. Thereafter, through the coordination of workshops and meetings and the facilitation of collaborative efforts, the Statewide Coalition will develop a common vision to move forward and help each other better serve identity theft victims. Through our dedicated work, this year can mark a new beginning!

I look forward to each and everyone of your participation in this most important activity.

Sincerely,

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