



Corey's
NETWORK INC
A FOUNDATION FOR HOPE

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Named in Honor of
Corey Laykovich
9/16/1990-7/28/2013

Corey's Network has
been a fully functioning
501c3 since June 1, 2014

Our Brochure

Corey's Network, Inc.

MISSION STATEMENT:

To provide immediate support and advocacy for the Surviving Victims of Homicide

These services include (but are not limited to):

1. Funds for the cost of funerals and connecting victims with providers in partnership with Corey's Network, Inc.
2. Referrals to counseling and other social services as needed for the family.
3. Educational services in reference to law enforcement and court procedures.
4. Navigation of media coverage
5. Bi-weekly G.R.I.E.F. to Relief seminars designed to empower victims.
6. Yearly Vigil for All Unsolved Homicides
7. Creation of Reward Flyers for unsolved homicides free of charge.
8. Use of Social Media outlets to further exposure for unsolved cases.

Operating 24 hours a day.

Corey's Network, Inc.
Kansas City, MO.



Meeting the immediate needs of Kansas City's Surviving Victims of Homicide since 2014

If you are a surviving victim of homicide, we are here to help you!

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Corey's Network, Inc. FaceBook

WHO ARE WE?



Corey's Network, Inc. was formed on June 1, 2014, and named for homicide victim Corey Laykovich (9/29/90-7/28/2013).

Corey's Network, Inc. (CNI) is a free-standing advocacy program serving the Kansas City Metropolitan area. We will respond to needs on either side of the Kansas/Missouri border and beyond. Our advocates and volunteers are trained and professional. Our phones are answered 24 hours a day.

Without an advocate, families are often left to find resources on their own. They are alone when they talk with police and facing the media. Additionally, they must find their own way to pay for the funeral.

After extensive research, it was found that many funeral homes will not pick up the body of a homicide victim until the funeral is paid in full. In most counties, it is their practice to wait for a limited time, then when that period of time has elapsed, they must ask the family for permission to cremate the body. This not only violates the surviving victims a second time, but in some cases, it is against their religious beliefs for the body to be cremated. In other cases, the prosecution of a case could be strengthened by exhuming the body, and cremation would make this impossible.

The goal of Corey's Network, Inc. is to ease the financial burden of funerals for families of homicide victims. We believe every person killed by violence deserves a dignified and respectful funeral. We partner with local funeral homes to enable families to say goodbye to their loved ones.

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

Corey's Network, Inc. does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, or any other factor prohibited by law in its programs, activities, or services.

STATEMENT OF LEGAL COOPERATION

CNI cooperates with all law enforcement, as well as state and local agencies in the process of investigating a crime.

Additionally, we will cooperate with reimbursement programs and insurance companies. Any funds received from Corey's Network, Inc. will be received after other benefits are exhausted, and will be delivered directly to the service provider.

If it is found that a death has been caused during the commission of an illegal activity or due to gang affiliation, we will be unable to provide funds or fundraising activities. (The only exception is if the victim is under the age of 12).

G.R.I.E.F. to Relief Seminar Bi-Weekly

This Seminar concentrates on 5 areas of growth:

1. Groups in the area
2. Reporters and Media relations
3. Investigation and Police practices
4. Enforcement/Court Procedures and Processes
5. Forward Movement

This is not a support group. It is an educational program focusing on community services.

"When people say, 'If there's anything I can do...' keep in mind, they really mean it! They may not know what you need, but they really want to help. So, let them! You will both be better for the experience."

-Michelle Norris

Corey's Mother and Co-Founder
Corey's Network, Inc.

REWARD FLYERS

If your loved one's murder has not been solved, CNI will create a Reward Flyer for your loved one at no cost to you. Additionally, we will honor your loved one at our Yearly Vigil for Unsolved Homicides.



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About us

Corey's Network provides immediate support and advocacy to the surviving victims of homicide in the Kansas City Metropolitan Area.



Our Four Strategies for this are to assist with:

Connecting victims with Counseling and other necessary services

Understanding the Investigation and Court processes

Connecting and navigating the Media

Funeral Costs

Service Overview

CNI Averages

- 60 clients a year for services and 50 clients a year for funeral costs

Additionally, we have identified

- OVER 700 unsolved homicides since 1970.

Additional Services

G.R.I.E.F to Relief
Seminars

Creation of Unsolved
Homicide Flyers

Yearly Unsolved Homicide
Vigil

Bereavement Block
Curriculum / Presentations

G.R.I.E.F to Relief Seminar

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Groups in the area

Reporters

Investigators

Enforcement

Forward

JUSTICE FOR Kyle Gerhardt and Kristopher Lunsford-Barrett !!
UNSOLVED MURDER-Kansas City, MO




Kyle Gerhardt and Kristopher Lunsford-Barrett were murdered Mar. 1, 2021 at Anderson and Norton Ave. KCMO. Family and friends are looking for answers and fighting for justice !
 #IfYouKnowSomethingSaySomething

REWARD UP TO \$25,000



816-474-TIPS
CRIME STOPPERS
 KCcrimestoppers.com

REMAIN ANONYMOUS • RECEIVE CASH REWARDS

TIPS HOTLINE
816-474-8477

WEB TIPS
KCcrimestoppers.com

FREE MOBILE APP
P3Tips.com

JUSTICE FOR Alex Benson !!
UNSOLVED MURDER-Kansas City, Mo.



Alex Benson was murdered January 14, 2025 in the 6300 block of Manchester Avenue in KCMO.
 Family and friends seek answers and validation!
 #JusticeforAlexBenson
 #IfYouKnowSomethingSaySomething

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Unsolved Homicide Flyers



Yearly Vigil for Unsolved Homicides 2024

DISPELLING BELIEFS
ABOUT GRIEF

The Bereavement Blocks

Research Based Presentation Based on Stage Theories of Grief

Kubler-Ross Grief Cycle-This stage theory of grief suggest that we go through a series of predictable stages after the loss of a loved one. These stages are meant to be descriptive and don't necessarily apply to everyone or happen in the order presented.

The Dual Process Model of Grief incorporates both loss-oriented and restoration-oriented coping strategies.

Tonkin's Model of Grief- According to this model, which remains among the most popular theories of grief, in the initial stages of bereavement, grief tends to be all-consuming. As time goes on, the grief remains, but instead of consuming a person's entire world, the grief grows smaller, and other areas of the individual's life grow larger.

Meaning reconstruction theory- This particular theory asserts that reconstructing meaning is central to the grieving process, and it describes grieving as an effort to recreate a sense of self in the face of the loss.



Each Color
Represents a different
“stage” of Grief
creating a tower:

Each stage has 9
different
“manifestations”.



One Die is used for the activity: This reflects the different colors in the tower.



Two people (or more) can participate

They will be asked to roll the die, take the color they have rolled, and read the stage of grief and manifestation aloud. Afterwards, they are invited to share how this particular stage affects them.

This model
allows
participants
to explore
feelings of
grief and
make
discoveries:

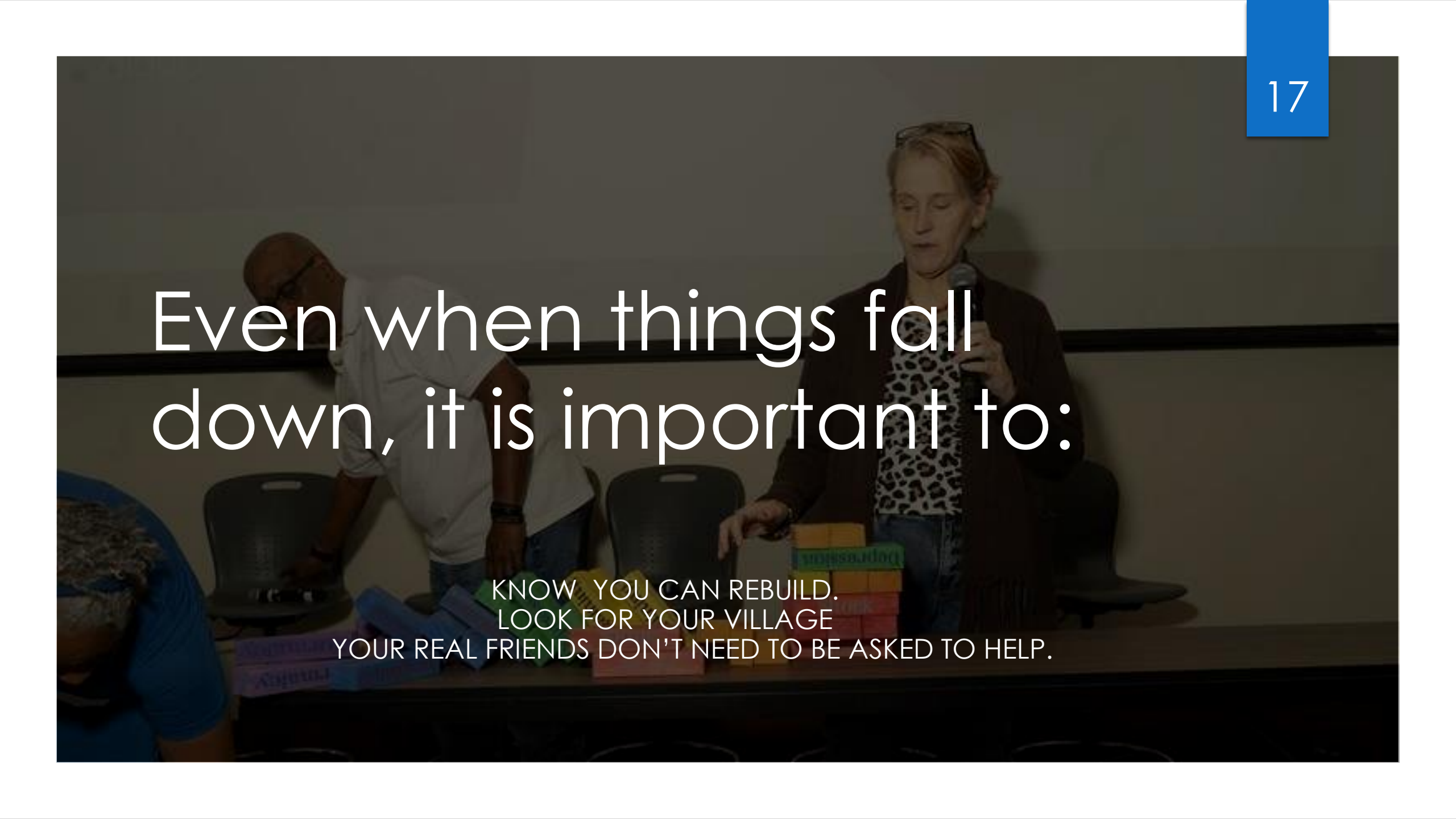
The randomness of rolling the dice shows that the way that grief happens is random daily.

The changing color scheme as the exercise continues shows the way grief changes us.

No matter how perfectly the “game” is played, you cannot remove all the blocks in the tower.

It helps us understand that though we may experience grief differently, there are some universal truths.

When the tower falls (and it will) we all must rebuild, but nothing will ever be exactly like it used to be.

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a dark cardigan over a leopard print top, stands behind a table and speaks into a microphone. On the table are several stacks of colorful blocks (yellow, green, red, blue) and some papers. In the background, a man in a white shirt is leaning over the table. The scene appears to be a presentation or a workshop.

Even when things fall down, it is important to:

KNOW YOU CAN REBUILD.
LOOK FOR YOUR VILLAGE
YOUR REAL FRIENDS DON'T NEED TO BE ASKED TO HELP.

Value Provided



We agree that there should be prevention programs!



However, as long as there are people that will commit crime, there will be a need for Corey's Network, Inc.

Thank you

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