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Strong commitment to uphold peace in families from SVSG Savaii Village Representatives

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Samoa Victim Support Group (SVSG) Village Representatives in Savai'i gathered this morning at the SVSG office in Tuasivi for their first meeting of the year, coming together to reaffirm their roles as first respondents to protecting peace, harmony, and safety within their communities.

SVSG President Siliniu Lina Chang applauds the leadership by Chairman Gafa Samu and the Executive Committee *“Our Village Representatives in Savaii continue to demonstrate true leadership and compassion. They are always ready to assist when families are in crisis, and many even travel to Upolu to visit the children at the Campus of Hope, bringing food, essential items, and comfort. This commitment reflects the heart of SVSG, greatly acknowledged and appreciated by our Group,”* said President Siliniu.

SVSG extends its appreciation to all Village Representatives for their unwavering service in community outreach, referrals, and awareness initiatives, and their commitment to upholding peace, dignity, and protection across Savaii.

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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

2026 Noble Peace Prize Nomination