



As its February 17, 2026 Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Essex approved the following proclamation:

Proclamation

Victims and Survivors of Crime Week
May 10 to 16, 2026

That the correspondence from Windsor Essex Child/Youth Advocacy Centre (WECYAC) asking Council to consider proclaiming Victims and Survivors of Crime Week in the Town of Essex be received and supported; and

That Council proclaim May 10 to 16, 2026 as Victims and Survivors of Crime Week in the Town of Essex by adopting the following resolution:

Whereas, crime affects not only the immediate victims, witnesses, and survivors, but also deeply impacts their families and the broader community;

Whereas, child and youth victims, witnesses, and survivors of crime and their families deserve empathy, meaningful support, and dedicated resources to assist in their recovery journey;

Whereas, the Windsor Essex Child/Youth Advocacy Centre (WECYAC) provides essential services including navigation, referrals, ongoing support, monitoring, advocacy, and specialized intervention for children, youth, and families impacted by crime or violence, promoting justice and healing; and

Whereas, Victims and Survivors of Crime Week offers an opportunity to recognize WECYAC's essential contributions, increase community awareness, and emphasize the importance of supporting victims, witnesses, and survivors.

Therefore, I, Sherry Bondy, Mayor of the Town of Essex, on behalf of the Town Council and community at large do hereby proclaim May 10 to 16, 2026 as Victims and Survivors of Crime Week in the Town of Essex.

Sherry Bondy
Mayor of the Town of Essex