Collection of U-visa News Articles
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The following news articles are provided as references that may assist law enforcement better understand their role as U-visa certifiers.


Detective Stacey Ivie from the Alexandria (VA) Police Department discusses the advantages of the U-visa for law enforcement and answers several frequently asked questions posed by her peers regarding the U-visa.


In this article, the City of Cleveland’s efforts to expand the use of the U-visa are chronicled, including working with the Cleveland Police Department to issue a U-visa protocol.


This article highlights the story of Graciela Beines, a victim of crime, and how assistance that she received from police, advocates, and others led to a U-visa. The article also links to a video of Ms. Beines describing her experiences.

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In this article, the author details the history of the U-visa, including the administrative barriers that have led to the U-visa being an underused tool for law enforcement.

5. Ellison, Katherine, A Special Visa Program Benefits Abused Illegal Immigrants, N.Y. TIMES (Jan. 8, 2010) http://www.nytimes.com/2010/01/08/us/08sfimmigrant.html?pagewanted=all (“... police certification of the visas was a powerful tool in creating bonds among wary residents who have long been the silent victims of a range of crimes, like the robberies of illegal immigrants known on the streets as ‘amigo checkings.’”).


17. Meltzer, Erica, Boulder DA Stan Garnett Takes a Stand on Crimes Against Immigrants, DAILY CAMERA (Oct. 16, 2011), [http://www.dailycamera.com/boulder-county-news/ci_19121370](http://www.dailycamera.com/boulder-county-news/ci_19121370) (“Garnett said he believes more cases are being reported since his office actively reached out to groups that work with immigrant communities.”).
