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support and advocacy programs. Portland medical oncologist Bruce Dana, America Cancer Society Northwest Division board member, said scientists are making important strides.

"Right now the society is funding \$2.9 million in breast cancer research here in the Pacific Northwest and over \$46 million nationwide," he said. "Further research will get us closer to finding a cure—even developing a vaccine that could be given to high-risk women."

Organizations and businesses can sponsor their own team of walkers. In addition, more than 100 volunteers are needed to help at the event with registration, traffic, information and other functions.

A pledge form can be downloaded from the Internet site at www.cancer.org. For more information call 503-795-3963.

A SHOW OF UNITY

Walk as One, a program to create awareness of community diversity, will begin 11 a.m. May 19 at the Rose Quarter Commons. The annual event raises money for the National Conference of Community and Justice, which promotes understanding and respect regardless of the differences that might separate people—"religion, race, culture, age, sexual orientation or otherwise."

Coffee, juice, fruit and bagels will be served during registration at 9:30, and a warm-up exercises will follow at 10:45. Walkers then will head over the Steel Bridge, through downtown Portland, across Waterfront Park and back to the Rose Quarter.

The event will end with a multicultural festival from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Portland Police Chief Mark Kroeker will participate.

For more information call 503-231-2436 or e-mail portland@nccj.org.

INSTITUTE SEEKS TO IMPROVE CRIME VICTIM SERVICES

In 2001, more than 40,000 Oregonians were victims of violent crimes, including robbery, child abuse, assault, rape, domestic violence, kidnapping and homicide.

The Oregon Crime Victim's Compensation Program was enacted in 1977 to ease the financial losses of those victims and their families. Only 10 percent of crime victims received that compensation last year. A new survey of crime victims intends to find out why so few people—particularly underserved populations—get the help they need at such a critical point in their lives.

Portland State University's Regional Research Institute for Human Services mailed 2,000 questionnaires last month to Oregonians who survived a violent crime and applied for crime victim's compensation. An additional

3,000 surveys were mailed to community agencies and advocacy groups for distribution to other crime victims.

"People who have been victimized by crime have a unique understanding of what they and their families needed to make it through a life-changing ordeal," research associate Debra Elliott said. "Our hope with this survey is to hear from as many victims as possible to document their ideas about how to improve Oregon's response to future victims of violent crimes."

Surveys are due July 31. Results from the final needs assessment report will be released by the Oregon attorney general's office in early 2003.

For copies of the survey call 866-391-8823 or print a copy from the Internet at www.rii.pdx.edu/pgCrimeVictims.shtml.

FOXWORTH REPLACES PARESI

Portland Police Bureau North Precinct Cmdr. Derrick Foxworth was promoted May 17 to the rank of assistant chief. He replaces Mark Paresi, who soon will lead the North Las Vegas Police Department.

As part of his duties Foxworth will serve as the bureau's liaison to the Sexual Minorities Roundtable. Co-chairman Christopher Webster praised the appointment.

"Cmdr. Foxworth certainly has his work cut out for him, and I know that he is up for the job," he said. "I look forward to working with him."

Roundtable co-chairman Norm Costa added: "I have interacted with Cmdr. Foxworth



Roni Lang thinks Cmdr. Derrick Foxworth will be effective in his new role as the Portland Police Bureau's liaison to the Sexual Minorities Roundtable

on a regular basis since 1995. I have found him to be respectful and responsible to the sexual minority community."

Co-chairwoman Roni Lang thinks Foxworth will make an effective assistant chief. His experience is a strong asset that will benefit the bureau, she noted.

"I have worked with him a little on the Sexual Minorities Sexual Crisis Response Team," Lang told *Just Out*. "He is a dedicated police officer and will fit into the SMRT and do a great job." □

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