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**Chief Muir Given Crime Fighting Award**

(Great Falls) – Fight Crime: Invest In Kids *Montana*, led by Montana’s police chiefs, county attorneys, and sheriffs, honored Missoula Chief of Police Mark Muir at the Montana Association of Chiefs of Police annual meeting and training session June 12<sup>th</sup> in Great Falls with the prestigious Fight Crime: Invest in Kids *Montana*’s Champion’s Award.

Fight Crime: Invest in Kids State Director, Dave Curry, presented the award.

Curry said, “Preventing crime up front and early rather than waiting for children to commit crimes later in life is in the best interest of our children and our communities. Chief Muir shares that vision and has worked tirelessly with policymakers and the public to encourage them to make wise investments in early prevention programs. He never misses a chance to talk about the importance of getting kids started on the right track in life.”

Western Regional Director Martha Brooks also on hand to help present the award added, “We are pleased to honor Mark Muir for his commitment to early intervention and prevention programs that help give kids the right start in life. His work with Fight Crime: Invest in Kids has made a difference to thousands of kids and we are so proud of his commitment to them.”

Chief Muir, a member of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids since 2008, was specifically honored by Fight Crime: Invest in Kids *Montana* for his work on child abuse and neglect prevention, quality early childhood and care programs, and after school programs. Proven programs, such as the ones Muir has worked on, not only save taxpayers money but also are the most powerful weapons against crime and keep kids from becoming criminals in the first place.

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*Fight Crime: Invest in Kids Montana is a statewide, bipartisan, anti-crime non-profit organization led by over 5000 police chiefs, sheriffs, county attorneys, other law enforcement leaders and violence survivors nationally and over 80 members in Montana.*