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WALKER TO RECOGNIZE LOCAL CRIME VICTIM SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS

MILWAUKEE – County Executive Scott Walker will be joined by District Attorney John Chisholm this morning at a ceremony celebrating the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) to kick off National Crime Victims’ Rights Week events. Walker will present “Rebuilding Lives Service Awards” to twenty-five government and community-based organizations in the Courthouse rotunda.

“The Rebuilding Lives Service Awards are a small way for us to show our appreciation to these groups and highlight the good work they do in our community,” said Walker.

Groups receiving certificates of recognition: Department of Justice, Office of Crime Victims Services, Victim/Witness Services Division – Milwaukee County District Attorney’s Office, Office of the Sheriff – neighborhood-based anti-delinquency program, Milwaukee Police Department – Sensitive Crimes Division, Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault – City of Milwaukee Health Department, Alma Center, Asha Family Services, Catholic Charities, CHAI – Jewish Family Services, Child Protection Center – Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin, The Healing Center, Hmong American Friendship Association, IndependenceFirst, Kids Matter, La Causa, Inc. – Family Support Programs, MargaretAnn’s Place, Milwaukee Women’s Center – division of Community Advocates, Northcott Neighborhood House, The Parenting Network, Pathfinders, Project Ujima – a collaborative effort of Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin – Medical College of Wisconsin and Children’s Service Society, Safe Streets Initiative – Marquette University Law School – Restorative Justice Initiative, Sexual Assault Treatment Center, Sojourner Family Peace Center, and Survivors of Homicide – Career Youth Development, Inc.

The National Center for Victims of Crime works in partnership with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime (OVC). Twenty-five years after the passage of VOCA, the victim services field has much to celebrate.

Helpful resources:

Visit the National Center website at www.ncvc.org.

National Crime Victim Helpline: 1-800-FYI-CALL offers direct advocacy, information on available programs and services for victims, and referrals to more than 16,000 organizations that serve crime victims throughout the United States.

DATE: Friday, April 24, 2009
TIME: 11 am
LOCATION: Milwaukee County Courthouse Rotunda
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