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## InVEST Team Receives 2016 Community Service Award

Last night the Leon County Sheriff's Office Intimate Violence Enhanced Service Team (InVEST) was recognized at the annual Domestic Violence Awareness Month Candlelight Vigil and Survivor Speak Out. Our InVEST Team received the 2016 Community Service Award for their special contribution to domestic violence survivors and their children.

The LCSO InVEST Team is the lead and sole agency participating in the InVEST program in Leon County. InVEST was created specifically to reduce and prevent domestic violence homicides in Florida. The InVEST Team is made up of several detectives specially trained in dealing with domestic violence, dating violence and sexual assault. In addition, every deputy is trained to ask certain questions in these investigations so they can provide the enhanced services needed by the victim.

Since June of 2015 the Leon County Sheriff's Office has made over 550 referrals to the Refuge House through the InVEST Program.

"I would like to thank Ms. Meg Baldwin and the Refuge House for this recognition. We are very proud of our InVEST Team and the hard work they have done. This program is a key in our continued effort to reduce violent crime and keep our citizens safe."

*Sheriff Mike Wood*



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