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## **EXTERNAL MEMO**

Date: 01-18-24

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To: Mr. Ryan Eggleston  
City Manager  
City of Cooper City

From: Captain Christopher De Giovanni   
Cooper City District Chief  
Department of Law Enforcement

Subject: Police Chief's Report – Commission Meeting January 18, 2024

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As requested at the June 14, 2022, commission meeting, please accept this memorandum as advanced notice of my police chief's report for the upcoming commission meeting. This report will follow the same flow of my prior reports, which is aimed at highlighting information pertinent to the city's main public safety concerns: traffic / schools, code, and crime. In addition, a community involvement and vacancy update will be included.

### **I. Traffic / School Report**

- a. **Safety Town Initiative** – we are excited to rollout a new initiative geared towards our elementary-aged students this year: Safety Town! We will be working with our schools and community partners to teach our Cooper City children important life safety lessons in partnership with Memorial hospital at Tree Tops Park. We've reached out to each of our elementary schools to coordinate the schedule for this new initiative.
- b. **Aggressive Driving Enforcement Campaign** – our traffic team will be continuing to staff evening and weekend enforcement campaigns in 2024 to proactively target aggressive driving and speeding throughout our city. These operations will focus on our main thoroughfares to help combat the identified pattern(s) of traffic accidents, while including some of our interior roadways to address specific resident concerns.

## II. Code Report

- a. The **commercial plaza initiative** continues with weekly maintenance compliance sweeps. No major concerns or developments.
- b. The monthly **gate compliance checks** continue with no major concern.
- c. **Parking Enforcement Team** – this team officially launched with their first enforcement patrol on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024. They will be focusing on enforcement of handicap and fire lane violations in the commercial plazas, as well as sidewalk concerns in the residential areas.

## III. Crime Report

- a. **Burglary Arrest** – on January 16, 2024, we were alerted to subjects committing vehicle burglaries in the Rock Creek and Flamingo Gardens neighborhoods. Our deputies quickly located a vehicle matching the description for the suspects, and they successfully took them into custody at NE Lake Blvd & Hiatus Rd. One of the subject's was found to be on probation for burglary with an out-of-state warrant for the same. We are able to recover and return stolen property as a result of the apprehension.
- b. **STARS Program:** the STARS grant program officially opened for applicants January 1, 2024. It is listed on the city's website and has been actively shared with our community partners. To date, we have received over a half dozen grant applications, along with additional applications of interest. Further, on January 17, 2024, the Rock Creek HOA voted unanimously to participate in the STARS program.

## IV. Community Involvement / Misc. Report

- a. **Fingerprinting, New Service Offered** – friendly reminder, as of January 15, 2024, we now offer fingerprinting as a new, free service for our residents! If you live in Cooper City and have a verifiable address, you may contact our station to book your free appointment (954-435-2000). Currently, we will be offering traditional fingerprinting services, but we are researching to add a digital option later this year.
- b. **Crafting with a Cop Initiative** – on February 7, 2024, we will be hosting our next "Crafting with a Cop" event at the district station from 6P-7:30P. Check our Facebook page for the Eventbrite information, as seating is limited (follow us @ Cooper City BSO).
- c. **Shred-A-Thon / Operation Medicine Cabinet** – on March 23, 2024, 10A-1P, we will be hosting the next Shred-A-Thon / OMC at the Cooper City BSO District station.

## V. Vacancy Report

- a. I have two sworn vacancies, and two non-sworn vacancies.