



**Broward Sheriff's Office  
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## **EXTERNAL MEMO**

Date: 02-05-25

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To: Mr. Alex Rey  
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 February 11, 2025

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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. **Day of Love & Service** – on February 14, 2025, many of our schools will be hosting a *day of love and service* within our community. Our deputies will be visiting each of these campuses to show our support and appreciation while ensuring the safety of all.
- b. **Aggressive Driving Enforcement Campaign Continues in February** – our traffic team will be continuing to staff evening and weekend enforcement campaigns in February to proactively target aggressive driving and speeding throughout our city. Aggressive driving will not be tolerated in Cooper City.

## II. Code Report

- a. The **commercial plaza initiative** continues with weekly maintenance compliance sweeps. Regular and ongoing compliance cases are being opened to maintain standards.
- b. Code Enforcement is working with the city's contracted arborist to start working on commercial plaza site plan reviews. This project in 2025 will be aimed at finalizing the commercial plaza revitalization plan.
- c. The monthly **gate compliance checks** have continued monthly. No new or major issues to report.

## III. Crime Report

- a. **Animal Abuse** – on December 28, 2024, a report was made of unknown subjects riding an off-road vehicle intentionally running over Egyptian Geese. The case is still being actively worked, and there is a \$5000 reward courtesy of Broward Crime Stoppers for any information leading to the apprehension of the subject(s). We are asking for the public's help. If you know anything about who committed this heinous crime, please contact:
  - Special Victims Detective Charoudis Dimos at 954-321-4243
  - Anonymous tips to Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477)
- b. **48% reduction in crime, January 2025** – Cooper City continues to see a reduction in crime. As shared in the last report, part one crime significantly decreased, again, for the year-to-year review.<sup>1</sup> 2025 is showing to follow the same trend with the January 2024 to January 2025 comparison. We want to encourage the public to continue partnering with us by reporting any suspicious activity, locking their doors and following crime prevention principals, and taking advantage of our free home security surveys.

## IV. Community Involvement / Misc. Report

- a. **Senior Safety Seminar** – on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, our Crime Prevention Deputy hosted a safety seminar for our seniors at the Community Center. The training covered *Romance Scams* to help inform our precious seniors of the common scams aimed to exploiting and taking advantage of the elderly. These seminars are held throughout the year in a proactive approach to protect our residents and prevent crime altogether.
- b. **Crafting with a Cop** – on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, our Community Involvement Specialist is hosting a new *crafting event* for our residents. If you'd like to partake in a fun craft (rock painting) while getting to know your local deputies, please sign up via our Facebook (@CooperCityBSO)!

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<sup>1</sup> There was a 12% decrease in part one crime last year. Highlights included a 57% reduction in vehicle burglaries, 9% reduction in residential burglaries, and a 5% reduction in auto thefts for 2023 cf. 2024. The Cooper City RTCC was involved in (83) cases last year resulting in (32) proactive arrests and (18) investigative leads.

- c. **Crime Prevention Program** – our team has scheduled another *FREE catalytic convertor etching and painting* opportunity for the public on Saturday, March 22, 2025.
  - This FREE program is a crime prevention program aimed at curbing catalytic convertor theft through proactive marking and registration.
  - To learn more or to sig-up, visit us on Facebook (@CooperCityBSO)
- d. **Shred-A-Thon & Operation Medicine Cabinet** – we hosted a Shred-A-Thon / OMC at the Cooper City BSO station on January 25, 2025, from 10A-1P. This was a free crime prevention service for our residents, and it was overall another great success:
  - We served (429) vehicles and (540) people.
  - 5300lbs of sensitive paperwork was safely disposed of.
  - This is an important fraud prevention event for our community.

**V. Vacancy Report**

- a. *As of the date of this report*, I have four sworn vacancies and no non-sworn vacancies.