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## **EXTERNAL MEMO**

Date: 03-27-24

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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 April 9, 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. **D.U.I. Checkpoint** – the DUI operation hosted in Cooper City on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> was very successful. In total, six people were arrested, twenty-six vehicles were towed, and seventy-three citations were issued to violators. Of special note, one of the arrestees had three prior DUI arrests which helps to highlight the importance and impact of this operation.
- b. **Aggressive Driving Operations** – starting in April, the aggressive driving operations throughout the city will ramp back up. These operations will take place at various dates/time, to include weekends, to address identified patterns of concern. We would like to remind the public the importance of refraining from distracted and aggressive driving behaviors, e.g., following too closely and excessive speed.

## 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.

## III. Crime Report

- a. **LPR Arrest** – on March 13, 2024, we received a LPR alert of a vehicle entering our city. Our **PSU and CST** detectives quickly located the vehicle, detained the driver, who was arrested on various counts, to include being in possession of cocaine.
- b. **CST Investigation / Seizure** – our CST detectives successfully concluded an investigation, which was worked in collaboration with our regional partners, that resulted in the confiscation of a large amount of narcotics. Approximately, \$116K was seized under the forfeiture act.
- c. **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 fourteen grant applications.
  - i. **Rock Creek has officially signed and completed all necessary documents and is moving forward with the project(s).**

## IV. Community Involvement / Misc. Report

- a. **Tip-A-Cop @ First Watch** – we would like to thank everyone who came out and supported this event on March 19, 2024. With the city and public support, we successfully raised approximately \$1400. To date, we've raised over \$4500 for Special Olympics!
- b. **Shred-A-Thon / Operation Medicine Cabinet** – the event hosted on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> was relatively successful despite the challenge caused by the weather. Overall, we served 268 vehicles in the safe shredding of 11,935lbs of documents, plus the intake of 137lbs of controlled / non-controlled substances. We look forward to scheduling the next one!
- c. **Eid al-Fitr** – we will be assisting Nur-Al-Islam with additional presence and security during their celebration and observation of the final day of Ramadan (April 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>). We wish our Muslim neighbors a meaningful breaking of the fast and reflection.
- d. **Passover** – my team and I would also like to wish our Jewish neighbors a safe and meaningful Passover observance. Our deputies will be conducting extra patrols in and around our religious institutions during this holy day / week to ensure the safety of our community (April 22<sup>nd</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>).

## V. Vacancy Report

- a. I will have one sworn vacancy, and no non-sworn vacancies by April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.