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EXTERNAL MEMO

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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 March 12, 2024

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. **Cooper City Elementary** – a very special thank you to our teachers and students at Cooper City Elementary who collected and donated over fifty brand new stuffed animals to the Cooper City law enforcement team in honor of Broward's "Day of Service and Love". These stuffed animals will be distributed to our road deputies to hand out to children in crisis, etc.
- b. **D.U.I. Checkpoint** – we are coordinating with our regional partners to setup a **DUI checkpoint** within Cooper City on *Saturday, March 16th*, in the area of Sheridan St. and Palm Avenue. We would like to remind our residents about the importance of driving sober and celebrating responsibly, e.g. arrange designated drivers, or third-party rideshares.
- c. **Traffic Education Video Series** – to help educate the public about frequent traffic violations, and applicable state laws, we will be partnering with our Community Affairs team to create a traffic education video series. We hope this extra effort, coupled with enforcement, will benefit the community.

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 new team, which launched on January 15, 2024, has conducted weekly volunteer patrols throughout our city, logging over a half dozen thus far. Their efforts have helped to address parking violations in our commercial plazas.

III. Crime Report

- a. **LPR Arrest** – on February 27, 2024, we received a LPR alert of a vehicle with a stolen tag entering our city. The **Cooper City Real-Time Crime Center Sergeant** communicated this actionable intelligence to our field team, helping our **PSU deputies** locate and arrest the offender. The driver was not only in possession of a stolen tag, but he had multiple felony warrants for his arrest, to include: fleeing / eluding and reckless driving.
- 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 eleven grant applications.
 - i. **Monterra**: The Monterra community is officially a member of Cooper City STARS, as their newly installed and strategically placed LPRS were successfully integrated with our Real-Time Crime Center on Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

IV. Community Involvement / Misc. Report

- a. **Tip-A-Cop @ First Watch** – on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, we will be partnering with Cooper City's new *First Watch* to host a Tip-A-Cop event from 8A-10A. We encourage the public to attend, where they can not only support a local business, and meet their deputies, but support Special Olympics in the process!
- b. **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.
- c. **Ramadan** – we would like to take a moment to wish a meaningful and safe reflection for our Muslim residents during this month of Ramadan. Our deputies will be providing extra patrols to support our Muslim neighbors during this sacred time.

V. Vacancy Report

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