

MEMORANDUM



TO: ERICK W. ZINSER,
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY/CHIEF OF POLICE

FROM: KRISTIE L. GRUENWALD, COMMANDER

SUBJECT: COMFORT KIT EVENT

DATE: AUGUST 8, 2023

On Tuesday, August 1, 2023, the Novi Police Department partnered with residents at Meadowbrook Commons to make comfort kits for police officers to provide to kids on scenes. Novi Police Dispatchers identified a need for officers to have a means to provide a blanket and stuffed animal to kids in the field at critical incidents. To meet that need, they partnered with JoAnn Fabric to have fleece "tie" blankets and Beanie Babies donated to create a "comfort kit" that officers can keep in their patrol vehicles. Forty comfort kits were created from this initiative that were immediately implemented into patrol vehicles.

