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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Flagler County Sheriff's Office 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas with a Deputy Event**

It's Christmas time and the Flagler County Sheriff's Office is gearing up for their 10<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas with a Deputy event. The event focuses on providing Christmas gifts for underprivileged children in the Flagler County community.



Carol Skelton, Kathy Vazquez, Larry Jones, Sheriff Staly, Lou Miceli, Althea Civil, and Mary Dinardi.

Christmas with a Deputy is scheduled for Friday, December 15th at City Centre in Palm Coast, located at 145 City Place. The event kicks off with activities including crafts and games at the Chiumento, Dwyer, Hertel and Grant law office building. Each participating child receives gift bags filled with goodies and their very own Santa hat with their name on it in glitter. Then, approximately 100 law

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enforcement vehicles with lights and sirens blaring will form a convoy and head to the Palm Coast Target with 125 children at 6:30 p.m. for holiday shopping. Target is located at 5100 East Highway 100.

Christmas with a Deputy was founded by retired FCSO Sergeant Larry Jones. The program is made possible by donations received from the community and the members of the Flagler County Sheriff's Office. From July thru December FCSO employees donate to the Christmas with a Deputy fund through payroll deductions. This year the agency raised \$8,950.00, which was presented to the charity.

Children are selected to participate in the event by nominations from FCSO employees and Flagler County School District staff.

“Christmas with a Deputy is a great way to give back to the community and really reinforce the positive relationship between children and law enforcement,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “I am proud of everyone who donated to make this event possible and I am really looking forward to seeing the children’s eyes light up. This is really what Christmas is all about.”

Any media outlets wishing to cover this event should contact Brittany Kershaw at (386) 586-2637 or by emailing [bkershaw@flaglersheriff.com](mailto:bkershaw@flaglersheriff.com).

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