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Laura G. Passanesi  
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Re: Sergeant Rick Vidiri  
Deputy Roberta Barker  
Deputy Teddy Floyd

Dear Ms. Passanesi:

I would like to nominate Sergeant Rick Vidiri, Deputy Roberta Barker and Deputy Teddy Floyd for the Crime Prevention Unit of the Year award. This unit consists of a three sworn officers and our agency is extremely proud of all that this unit has accomplished throughout the year. I have included a list of events, projects and meetings that they have coordinated and participated in throughout the year.

Sincerely,

DERYL LOAR, SHERIFF

Captain Don Smith  
Law Enforcement Operations

Attachment



Indian River County has 135,167 full time residences. The Crime Prevention Unit consists of two full time deputies and a sergeant. This is our curriculum for the year.

1. Establish Neighborhood Watch Programs. Over 75 neighborhood watch programs within Indian River County. Our unit hosts Neighborhood Watch Coordinators meetings every month and provide programs to the group.
2. Incorporate home and business security inspections which are done on one to one basis or in large groups.
3. Personal safety talks to the community and to business offices. Refuse to be a victim.
4. Drug awareness programs taught through out the community. 18 feet of drug displays.
5. Mock bank robberies
6. Incorporating the Eddie Eagle Program (gun safety)
7. Attending Crime Stoppers meetings in Saint Lucie County on monthly basics.
8. Participating in talks with the public via radio, television or newspaper.
9. Bank security seminars done every couple of months.
10. Identity theft programs.
11. Internet safety talks
12. Bike safety programs (Bike Rodeos)
13. Stranger Danger talks.
14. Implementation of CPTED in new communities.
15. Attend Homeowner Association Meetings.
16. Maintaining liaison with community groups.
17. Target Programs to address community perceptions or misperceptions of crime in Indian River County.
18. Establish priority crime prevention programs by the use of analytical crime data- base on crime type and geographical data;
19. Establish disaster preparedness programs.
20. Commercial/personal security programs.
21. Fingerprinting our youth.
22. Maintain liaison with all concerned staff members to ensure a continuous coordinated response to the acceleration of the agencies Crime Prevention Unit.
23. Started Citizen's Alumni Programs. (Continuing education)
24. National Night Out.
25. Back to School Book Bag Bash. Gave out over a thousand book bags with school supplies in bags.
26. Tours of the Sheriff's Office to the public.
27. Work on special problems. (POP) Problem Oriented Policing.
28. Use Mc Gruff to strengthen our relationships with the kids in our community.
29. Run Operation Medicine Cabinet twelve times in one year. (Getting drugs out of the residence so kids do not have access to them.)
30. Giving out bicycle helmets to our youth.
31. Purchased magnets in the shape of our patrol cars with the non- emergency phone numbers and emergency phone number so citizen's can get a hold of dispatch without going though our phone menu. Theses magnets are given out at all of our talks or meetings with the public. Ideal spot for the magnet is the refrigerator.
32. Participate in number numerous parades though out the year.