

# Community Outreach Monthly Report February 2016



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*Partnerships with the community are key to the mission of the Sheriff's Office*

The Sheriff's Community Outreach Unit is housed at the West Precinct and conducts outreach related activities throughout the county. The unit is staffed by one Sergeant and one Program Assistant.

The Outreach Unit is responsible for monitoring and tracking community events and ensuring consistency in outreach efforts. The monthly Outreach report provides a summary of the various outreach activities, crime prevention efforts and community collaborations which have taken place.

The Clark County Sheriff's Office is committed to supporting and assisting local businesses, schools and citizen groups that are interested in establishing and/or continuing crime prevention and educational programs that will benefit our great community. Working together, we can continue our collective efforts to reduce crime and the fear of crime for all who live, work or visit our wonderfully diverse communities. The Outreach Unit is a critical function to ensure that the Sheriff's Office delivers on that commitment.

## Community Partnerships

Clark County Sheriff's Office via the Outreach Unit partners with the following community groups, either by serving on boards, attending meetings, or helping to coordinate various events. Each partnership is intended to fulfill CCSO's Mission and Vision for Clark County:

- YWCA
- YMCA
- NACCC- Neighborhood Association Council of Clark County
- Regional SRO (School Resource Officer) meeting
- Safe Communities Task Force
- Citizen Advisory Meeting
- Prevent!
- Lutheran Community Services
- Neighborhood Association Mtgs.
- Community Services NW
- PAL- Police Activities League
- STAT-Student Threat Assessment Team



## OUTREACH EFFORTS



**D**espite minimum staffing levels, deputies continue to conduct outreach activities. The Outreach Unit tracks the deputies monthly outreach activities in these specific categories:

**Neighborhood Watch-** Neighborhood Watch is a neighborhood-based crime prevention program. There were no NW presentations this month.

**Neighborhood Association contacts-** Deputies are assigned as liaisons to active Neighborhood Associations. The deputy liaisons contact the president of the NA on a monthly basis and attend meetings as requested.

**Citizen Ride-A-Long-** The Sheriff's Office offers ride-a-longs to citizens who meet the requirements. In February, West Precinct had six ride-a-longs and Central Precinct had two.

**Presentations-** Deputy Boyse gave a presentation on February 1st at Gaiser Middle School. There was a PAL event at Hazel Dell Elementary on February 24th. There were tours of the West Precinct for Cub Scouts on February 18th and 27th. Deputy Phillips was a guest speaker at the Truman NA mtg. on February 25th (see photo and comment below). He is their assigned NA liaison.

**Community Events-** Deputy Robertson attended the Career Fair at Battle Ground High School; Deputy Granneman attended the Hockinson Heights Elementary Community Fair & Book Swap on February 18. These type of events give the opportunity for deputies to have positive interaction with kids.



# VOLUNTEERS



## DISABLED PARKING PATROL

*The Disabled Parking Patrol Volunteers have a limited commission that allows them to monitor and enforce Handicapped Parking Access Statutes.*

Disabled Parking 2016	FEBRUARY
Volunteer Hours	38
Warnings	26
Infractions Issued	10

There are currently nine volunteers.

## NEIGHBORS ON WATCH- NOW

*Neighbors on Watch is a volunteer program that allows citizens to patrol in pairs, adding extra eyes and ears to the community. It is a high visibility, no confrontation program. Volunteers commit to four hours of service each month after completing required training.*

NOW Volunteer hours FEBRUARY	2016
Patrol	163
Administrative	380.25
Travel	129.75
<b>Volunteer TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>673</b>

The NOW Academy graduation was February 17th. This brings our total NOW volunteers to 34. Sheriff Atkins presented NOW Co-Chairman Dan Enright with an Exemplary Performance award for the tremendous amount of work he has done setting up and coordinating our inaugural academy. We also owe a huge thank you to our veteran NOW members for stepping up to instruct, encourage and run each academy session. The new volunteers will start their mentoring patrols with current NOW volunteers.



# PROGRAMS



## **S.A.L.T. (SENIORS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TOGETHER)**

*The S.A.L.T. program is a nationally recognized community policing initiative between seniors, law enforcement and service providers. This program provides crime prevention education and awareness for seniors through meetings, events and a monthly free newsletter.*

The annual spaghetti luncheon was held on February 15th. There were approximately 100 in attendance. In addition to a great spaghetti lunch served by local law enforcement, we had a prescription drug drop-off and a paper-shredding event. They also received free paper products from Georgia Pacific. This is a really fun event to do for the seniors of our community and they are very appreciative.

The monthly S.A.L.T. Times newsletter is distributed to 854 through the mail and 135 via email. The newsletter and more information about the S.A.L.T. program can be accessed online at <http://www.clark.wa.gov/sheriff/community/salt.html>.



## **BUSINESS & SECURITY MANAGERS MEETING**

*The Security Managers meetings provide information on relevant crime and security issues and also establish networking relationships between the Sheriff's Office and the public security sector.*

The Security Managers meetings are now held quarterly. The next meeting is March 3rd.

## **EXPLORER POST #893**

*The Clark County Sheriff's Office, in partnership with Learning for Life, has sponsored law enforcement Exploring since 1971. The Explorer program offers youth a fun, hands-on opportunity to learn about careers in law enforcement while developing their growth and character.*

In February, Explorers had three regular meetings and one leadership meeting. On February 15th Explorers helped with two events; some were role players for an Active Shooter training and others helped with the S.A.L.T. Spaghetti Luncheon.