### **POLICE BEAT**



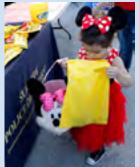
## Town Hall Lobby an Official 'Meetup Spot'

The Surfside Police Department is offering a safe location for buyers and sellers of items that are listed and exchanged on the internet. The Town lobby near the Police Dispatch is a designated "Meetup Spot." A sign, donated to the Town by OfferUp, is on the lobby wall (see at left). The safe location is a strong deterrent to criminal intent and activity. If the parties involved in an internet exchange know law enforcement is watching, they are less likely to engage in a crime. The Surfside Police Department is a designated location on the OfferUp app as a suggested place to complete an in-person transaction.



## Surfsiders Enjoy Halloween Block Party

Surfside residents, families and friends did not have to go far to celebrate a safe and spirited evening at the Police Department's Halloween Block Party. The popular event at the Byron Avenue and 92 Street neighborhood included glow sticks and candy bags for the trick or treaters and an opportunity for residents to show off their costumes.







The Town of Surfside participated in the School of Justice Career Fair at Miami Dade College North Campus on November 15. (L-R) Human Resources Director Yamileth Slate-McCloud, Officer Alejandro Lorente and Payroll/Accounts Payable Specialist Marisol Rodriguez.

#### Blood Drive at Town Hall on Jan. 31

The Surfside Police Department is hosting a blood drive in conjunction with the One Blood organization. The blood drive will take place on Wednesday,



January 31, 2018 from 12 - 4 p.m. The Blood Mobile will be located in the Town Hall parking lot. For further information contact Dina Goldstein at (305) 861-4862 or dgoldstein@townofsurfsidefl.gov

# SAFETY VESTS FOR RESIDENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT TOWN HALL

The Town of Surfside has a pilot program offering high-visibility safety vests to make the wearer more visible to motorists. Research has shown that reflective vests will increase safety to pedestrians as they walk near traffic areas or cross streets. The "Civilian Safety Vest Program" is providing vests at no cost on a first come, first served basis, available at Town Hall.