



SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Bulletin

23-06

Date: June 13, 2023

OFFICER OF THE MONTH – MAY 2023 – OFFICER RONALD DONOSO

On May 2, 2023, Officer Ronald Donoso was dispatched to a call for service at 9200 Collins Avenue (Residence Inn by Marriott) regarding a 911 hang-up. Officer Donoso was in route to the call when he observed unusual behavior from a female at the Northwest corner of Collins Avenue and 90th Street. She was leaning against the concrete wall with a shirt covering her head. Officer Donoso proceeded to his assigned call however he remained concerned for the wellbeing of the female. Once the call was cleared, Officer Donoso responded to the location she was last seen noticing she was now sitting down. Without hesitation, Officer Donoso approached her and asked if she was alright. She replied she needed medical help because she believed she was having a stroke. Officer Donoso immediately requested assistance from Miami-Dade Fire Rescue who treated the patient and released her on scene.

Officer Donoso's proactive policing and remarkable instincts were exhibited during this unforeseen medical emergency. Officer Donoso went above and beyond the call of duty potentially saving this individual's life. Officer Donoso is commended for his praiseworthy actions along with the dedication and professionalism he demonstrates every day. Congratulations to Officer Ronald Donoso as the recipient of the May Officer of the Month award...well deserved!

HIGH ACHIEVERS

Officer Donoso
Officer Gabriel
Officer Howard
Officer Luke
Officer Valino
Parking Enforcement Officer Perez

SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS

Occupied Burglary

05/05/2023

8800 block of Hawthorne Avenue

While upstairs, the homeowner heard her dogs barking excessively however she did not go downstairs to investigate. When a family member arrived home, she found the rear sliding glass door open with visible pry marks. Nothing was disturbed in the home. The homeowner believes the suspect was scared by the dogs and did not enter the home.



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Grand Theft of a Motor Vehicle Arrests

05/05/2023

8800 Block of Carlyle Avenue

While on patrol, officers observed a stolen vehicle in the residential area. The officers initiated a traffic stop taking the two occupants into custody. A records check revealed the driver did not have a valid driver's license. Search prior to arrest of the passenger revealed possession of cocaine and hallucinogens. Both subjects were arrested and charged accordingly.

Grand Theft Auto

05/17/2023

9001 Collins Avenue – Four Seasons Hotel

Unknown suspect(s) stole an unlocked and running vehicle located on the valet ramp. No video surveillance is available.

Vehicle Burglary Attempt

05/20/2023

Municipal parking lot of 94th Street

A witness observed a male with a screw driver attempting to punch out the door handle lock of a Jeep Wrangler. When the vehicle's alarm was triggered, the suspect fled south in a grey Hyundai Genesis. An area canvass was conducted with negative results and a BOLO was issued to the Miami Beach Police Department. The passenger side front door lock was damaged however no entry was made into the vehicle.

CLICK IT OR TICKET CAMPAIGN

Seat belts have been proven to be one of the best ways to save your life in a crash. Yet, many still don't buckle up. Worse still, not wearing a seat belt is a habit that will pass on to impressionable youth who, in turn, will think it is safe to not buckle up. The Click It or Ticket campaign focuses on safety education, strong laws, and law enforcement support to save lives.

The National Seat Belt Enforcement Mobilization media campaign began on May 15, 2023 and concluded June 4, 2023. The national seat belt enforcement mobilization began on May 22, 2023. The Police Department once again participated in this significant event.

MAY COMMUNITY INITIATIVES / LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The North Miami Police Department hosted their annual Fallen Heroes Memorial Ceremony to honor their fallen police officers on May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the North Miami Police Headquarters. Officer Donoso proudly represented the Surfside Police Department as a member of a multijurisdictional Honor Guard Team participating in the ceremony.



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The 42nd Annual Miami-Dade Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony was May 4th at 6:30 p.m. at Tropical Park. Chief Healy attended this event. Sergeant Lorente proudly represent the Surfside Police Department as a member of a multijurisdictional Honor Guard Team participating in the ceremony.

The North Miami Beach Police Department hosted their annual Memorial Ceremony to honor their fallen police officers on May 5th at 10:00 a.m. at the North Miami Beach Police Department. Captain Marciante attended this event. Sergeant Lorente and Officer Luke proudly represented the Surfside Police Department as members of a multijurisdictional Honor Guard Team participating in the ceremony.

The Surfside Under the Stars event was May 7th from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on 93rd Street between Collins and Harding Avenue. The Police Department assisted the Tourist Board with traffic control, street closures and pedestrian safety from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The FLOW (Florida Licensing on Wheels) was May 9th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

The MDC Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Coalition Meeting was May 9th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Sergeant Matelis attended this meeting.

The Police Department hosted a community blood drive on May 10th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

The supervisory staff meeting was May 16th at 4:00 p.m. in the Police Training Room.

Chief Healy participated in the webinar Responding to Life, Death and Personal Injury Emergencies Police and Fire on May 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. presented by Florida Power and Light (FPL). This webinar provided critical information for Police and Fire Calls to FPL.

The Indian Creek Police Department hosted a FAA/Drone Meeting on May 18th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. A representative from the FAA discussed civilian drone operations. Detective Lage and Detective Leon attended this meeting.

The Town of Surfside's Third Thursday event was May 18th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on 93rd Street between Collins and Harding Avenue. Three police officers assisted with the street closures and pedestrian safety from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

The Police Department hosted a community blood drive on May 21st from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.



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The North Miami Beach Police Department hosted a station tour for 12-13 adults with Autism on May 23rd at 11:00 a.m. A K-9 handler and Officer Mike participated in this event.

The monthly Coffee with the Cops was May 25th at 10:00 a.m. at Starbucks.

The Parks and Recreation Department hosted their annual Memorial Day Ceremony on May 29th at 10:00 a.m. at Veterans Park. Chief Healy and Captain Marciante attended this event. Sergeant Lorente, Officer Donoso and Officer Duran contributed as members of the Police Department's Honor Guard Team participating in the ceremony.

JUNE COMMUNITY INITIATIVES / LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The Police Department hosted an Active Shooter and Hurricane Season Presentation training for all Town civilian employees on June 6th and 7th in the Commission Chambers. The training was taught by Captain Marciante and Sergeant Matelis.

Sergeant Lorente and Sergeant Matelis will attend the FBI Executive Leadership Course in Fort Lauderdale from June 12th to June 16th, 2023.

Sergeant Marian Cruz will graduate from the University of Louisville Southern Police Institute Command Officers Development Course on June 23, 2023.

The Town will host two Remembrance Ceremonies for the 2nd Anniversary of the Champlain Towers South Building collapse on June 24, 2023. The first memorial will take place at the actual time of the collapse and the second ceremony will be from 10:00 a.m. to noon at Veterans Park. The Police Department will assist security at both memorials.

The Police Department will host a community blood drive on June 25th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

Officer Joshua Rosario will be sworn in as Surfside's newest Police Officer on June 26th at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers. We welcome Officer Rosario to our Surfside family.

The monthly Coffee with the Cops is June 29th at 10:00 a.m. at Starbucks.

The Police Department will host a community blood drive and platelets donation on June 28th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.



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TRAINING COMPLETED IN MAY

01-03 Extra-Duty and Secondary Employment (PowerDMS) – All Personnel
07-05 entitled Special Purpose Vehicles (PowerDMS) – All Personnel
10-11 Application and Selection Process (PowerDMS) – All Personnel
911 Public Safety Telecommunication Program – CO Dardon
1201 FITW Instructor Update- Ofc. Duran
2023 Social Engineering Red Flags- All Personnel
Airborne and Bloodborne Pathogens (LocalGov)- All Personnel
Annual Stress Management and Mental Health Awareness Training (PowerDMS) – All Personnel
Annual Firearms Qualifications/Use of Force/Handcuffing- Chief Healy, Capt. Marciante, Sgt. Cruz, Sgt. Lorente, Sgt. Pacheco, Sgt. Torres, Ofc. Colonna, Ofc. Donoso, Ofc. Duran, Ofc. Gabriel, Ofc. Gambirazio, Ofc. Gentile, Ofc. D. Hernandez, Ofc. R. Hernandez, Ofc. Howard, Ofc. Knight, Ofc. Lovellette, Ofc. Luke, Ofc. Matthews, Ofc. Ruiz, Ofc. Saffo, Ofc. Smith
Driving While Distracted (LocalGov)- All Personnel
Executive/Administrative Assistant CORE Plus Training – EA Goldstein
Field Training Officer Course for Law Enforcement Officers- Ofc. Valino
FBI Florida Executive Development Seminar – Sgt. Lorente
Knife Defense Edged Weapons and Tactics – Ofc. Smith
Level 4 Security Awareness Certification – Sgt. Cruz
Local Agency Security Officer (LASO) Certification – Sgt. Cruz
Miami Beach Intel Meeting – Det. Lage and Det. Leon
Sovereign Citizens, Police Agitators and LE Response – Sgt. Matelis, Ofc. Arch, Ofc. Luke
SWAT Training- Sgt. Torres
Tactical Handgun – Ofc. Smith
University of Louisville Southern Police Institute Command Officers Development – Sgt. Cruz
Updated Directive 01-10 entitled Computerized Social Networking (PowerDMS) – All Personnel