



# SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Bulletin

# 23-03

Date: March 9, 2023

### **OFFICER OF THE MONTH – FEBRUARY 2023 – OFFICER RONALD DONOSO**

On February 20, 2023 at approximately 11:58 a.m., Officer Ronald Donoso was dispatched to an emergency call for service of a woman in distress in the area of the 9300 block of Harding Avenue. Officer Donoso along with additional Surfside Police Officers canvassed the area with negative results. Officer Donoso proceeded to the 300 block of 93<sup>rd</sup> Street walking towards the house in the corner of Harding Avenue and 93<sup>rd</sup> Street. Officer Donoso opened the side gate of the home announcing himself as a Surfside Police Officer hearing a woman inside the home ask for help. Officer Donoso entered the home through an unlocked side door discovering an unconscious female sitting on a chair slumped over a table. Officer Donoso immediately requested support from Miami-Dade Fire Rescue for the female in need of emergency medical assistance. Miami-Dade Fire Rescue transported her to Mount Sinai Hospital for treatment.

Officer Donoso's police instincts were proficiently exhibited during this imperative call for service. Officer Donoso is praised for his immediate response, professionalism, and potentially saving this person's life. Officer Donoso's dedication and manner in which he serves the Surfside community is admirable. Congratulations to Officer Ronald Donoso as the recipient of the March Officer of the Month award...well deserved!

### **HIGH ACHIEVERS**

Officer Donoso  
Officer D. Hernandez  
Officer Luke  
Officer Mendoza  
Parking Enforcement Officer A. Acosta

### **SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS**

Auto Burglary

02/18/2023

9100 block of Froude Avenue

The victim left his wallet in the center console of his work vehicle while it was parked in front of a residence in the 9100 block of Froude Avenue. When he returned home, he noticed his wallet was no longer in the center console and had not stop anywhere on his way home.



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## Residential Burglary Arrest

02/27/2023

8900 block of Abbott Avenue

A stack of boxes located on the front porch of a residence appeared to have been opened. Surveillance cameras from the residence captured a subject on the porch stealing the contents from several packages. The subject was arrested by Detectives on 02/28/2023.

## Strong Arm Robbery Arrest

02/28/2023

91<sup>st</sup> Street and Harding Avenue

A strong-arm robbery occurred inside a Miami-Dade Transit Bus. The subject was sitting next to the victim when he placed his hand inside the victim's pocket. The victim told the subject to remove his hand from his pocket. In fear, the victim got up from his seat to report the incident to the bus driver. The bus driver called the police and the subject was subsequently arrested.

## **FEBRUARY COMMUNITY INITIATIVES / LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS**

One of Surfside's younger residents personally invited Surfside Police Officers along with Officer Mike to attend his 7<sup>th</sup> birthday party on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in which they graciously accepted and fulfilled his birthday wish.

The Officer and Civilian of the Year luncheon was held on February 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. in the Police Training Room. Officer Ronald Donoso and Parking Enforcement Officer Cristhian Acosta were honored as the recipients of these prestigious awards.

The Swearing in Ceremony for Chief John Healy was held on February 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers.

The Surfside Under the Stars event was February 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on 93<sup>rd</sup> 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 Surfside Police Department hosted a community blood drive on February 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

The supervisory staff meeting was February 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. in the Police Training Room.



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The Town of Surfside's Third Thursday event took place February 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on 93<sup>rd</sup> Street between Collins and Harding Avenue. Three police officers/or parking enforcement officers with assist with the street closures and pedestrian safety from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Pembroke Pines Police Officer Charlie Herring was tragically killed in the line of duty in a motorcycle crash on February 9, 2023. A public Full Honors Funeral Service was held on February 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the Charles F. Dodge City Center in Pembroke Pines. Sergeant Lorente and Officer Luke proudly represented the Surfside Police Department as members of a multijurisdictional Honor Guard Team participating in the ceremony.

The monthly Coffee with the Cops was February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Starbucks.

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Dolphins Cancer Challenge XIII (DCC XIII) bicycle ride took place on February 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Surfside police officers assisted with bicycle and traffic direction as thousands of bicyclists traveled through the Town of Surfside to reach their final destination the Hard Rock Stadium.

The Surfside Police Department hosted a community blood drive on February 26<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

Officer Robert Hernandez was sworn in as Surfside's newest Police Officer on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers. We welcome Officer Hernandez to our Surfside family.

## **MARCH COMMUNITY INITIATIVES / LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS**

The Surfside Under the Stars event was March 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on 93<sup>rd</sup> 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.

Ellie's Army Foundation (in honor of Ellie who passed away from her illness) is a non-profit organization which provides financial assistance to children and young adults who are battling life-threatening illness. The DirtySocks 5K Run and Walkathon benefiting Ellie's Army Foundation was held on March 5<sup>th</sup> in Aventura beginning at 8:00 a.m. Officer Donoso participated in the event in the capacity of bicycle patrol.

The Surfside Police Department will host a community blood drive on March 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

The supervisory staff meeting is March 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. in the Police Training Room.



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A Three Island Traffic Detail hosted by the Bal Harbour Police Department will be held on March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Law enforcement personnel from Surfside, Bay Harbor Islands and Bay Harbour will primarily focus on aggressive driving, distracted driving, red-light running, speeding, seatbelt use, bike/pedestrian safety compliance and general traffic safety.

The FLOW (Florida Licensing on Wheels) is March 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

The Surfside Police Department will host a community blood drive on March 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

The monthly Coffee with the Cops is March 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Starbucks.

## **TRAINING COMPLETED IN FEBRUARY**

2022 Kevin Mitnick Security Awareness Training - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Aerosol Deterrent Spray/ASP Re-Certification/FIT Testing/Less-Lethal Shotgun Re-Certification – Sgt. Lorente, Det. Leon, Ofc. Colonna, Ofc. Donoso, Ofc. Gabriel, Ofc. Gambirazio, Ofc. Hernandez, Ofc. Howard, Ofc. Lovellette, Ofc. Matthews, Ofc. Mendoza, Ofc. Saffo, Ofc. Valino  
Accreditation Orientation/PowerDMS - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Airborne and Bloodborne Pathogens – CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Basic Telephone Skills- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
CEO Fraud - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Conflict and Dispute Resolution - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Cybersecurity Threats to Public Entities- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Enhancing Work Relationships - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Ethical Behavior for Local Government – Ofc. R. Hernandez  
Developing Effective Communications Skills - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Diversity in the Workplace - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Enhancing Workplace Relationships- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Ethical Behavior for Local Government - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
FBI-LEEDA 902<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor Leadership Institute - Sgt. Matelis  
Florida Purple Alert- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Florida Silver Alert- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Holding Cell/Panic Alarm/Fire Suppression - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
IS-100.C: Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100- CO Darden



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IS-200.C: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response- CO Darden,  
IS-700.B: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System- CO Darden  
IS-800.D: National Response Framework, An Introduction - CO Darden  
MDC Honor Code PowerPoint- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Misuse of Electronic Databases - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Public Safety Telecommunications for Law Enforcement Officers – Ofc. Donoso, Ofc. Duran, Ofc. Gambirazio, Ofc. Mendoza  
QPR Gatekeeper Training - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace – Ofc. R. Hernandez, CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Stress and Your Health - CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Successful Customer Interactions- CO Darden, CO McTaggart  
Surviving Violent Encounters and Threats – Sgt. Lorente, Ofc. Duran  
SWAT Training- Sgt. Torres  
Tactical Medical for First Responders – Sgt. Torres  
The LGBTQ Community - CO Darden, CO McTaggart