POLICE BEAT

Ronald Donoso Sworn in as New Surfside Officer

Officer Ronald Donoso was recently sworn in as the newest police officer for the Surfside Police Department. Born in Ecuador, Ronald Donoso and his family came to South Florida when he was one. Ronald earned his Associate degree at Miami-Dade College and graduated from Florida International University with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Psychology in 2014. Ronald attended the Police Academy as a member of BLE 326. At graduation, Ronald's exceptional performance was recognized as he received the Top Shot Award and the Best Overall Award. In July 2017, Ronald was hired by Surfside as a Community Service Aide. He proved himself to be a responsible and dedicated employee and is excited to start his law enforcement career and serve the Surfside Community.



(L-R) Captain Julio Yero, Officer Ronald Donoso, Chief David Allen and Lt. John Bambis

SURFSIDE POLICE RAISE FUNDS FOR FALLEN OFFICERS





During the holiday season, Surfside Police Officers are proud to support the Police Officer Assistance Trust (POAT) by collecting donations at shopping malls in Miami-Dade County to support the families of fallen police officers. Sergeant Cruz, Officer Luke, Officer Lorente and Executive Assistant Goldstein volunteered their time on December 2 at Aventura Mall (above left) and The Falls Shopping Center (above right).

November Civilian of the Month



Chief David Allen and Dina Goldstein

Dina Goldstein, Assistant to the Chief, organized the annual Halloween Block Party on October 31, 2017. More than 1,000 bags of candy were filled and 2,000

glow sticks were distributed to children. The block party required street closures, traffic direction and logistics to ensure the safety of families and children. Thousands filled the streets to safely enjoy the party on Halloween night - one of the largest annual Surfside events. Congratulations to Dina as the recipient of Civilian of the Month!

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.

NOTE CHANGES IN SHUTTLE BUS ROUTE

With the new streetscape test that is temporally changing 89th and 90th Streets to one-way between Harding and

Hawthorne, the Surfside shuttle bus has changed its route (left). Note that the pick-up locations have not changed.