

POLICE BEAT

NOVEMBER OFFICER OF THE MONTH

OFFICER TAMMY CAMPBELL

On November 12, the Surfside Police received a call from the Miami-Dade Police Communications Unit regarding a juvenile in crisis. A young girl and Surfside resident had been communicating with her teacher via text message and commented that she wanted to hurt herself. Officer Tammy Campbell responded to the home and informed the parents of the situation.

Officer Campbell assumed the lead on this delicate and serious situation. She met with the juvenile and found this was not the first time she thought of harming herself. A veteran officer with years of training with the crisis intervention team, Officer Campbell used her skills and instincts as a mother to establish trust and rapport with the girl providing the help she needed. Officer Campbell also used her professionalism to assist the parents in this very trying situation.

Officer Campbell is commended for her actions in preventing a very serious situation from possibly becoming tragic. Congratulations as the recipient of the November Officer of the Month award.



NOVEMBER CIVILIAN OF THE MONTH

PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ALAIN ACOSTA

On November 21, Parking Enforcement Officer Alain Acosta was en route to a detail when he found a motorist whose vehicle had broken down behind the Abbott Parking Lot. PEO Acosta talked to the man and assisted with traffic direction to relieve congestion in the area. He helped the driver push the vehicle off the crowded street ensuring the safety of the driver. Alain waited with him until the problem was resolved.

This recent event was an example of his extraordinary service to the community he proudly serves. Alain performs these praise-worthy actions often and fulfills any task requested of him. PEO Acosta has been a tremendous support to the Police Department ever since he joined the PD family in 2010 from Parks and Recreation. His work ethic is unsurpassed and admirable. Alain is commended for his self-initiative, kindheartedness and dedication to Surfside. Congratulations as the recipient of the November Civilian of the Month award.

BLOOD DRIVE AT TOWN HALL ON JANUARY 13, 2021

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 13, 2021** from **11 am to 4:30 pm**. The blood mobile will be located in the Town Hall parking lot. For further information please contact Dina Goldstein at (305) 861-4862 or dgoldstein@townofsurfsidefl.gov



Last year's toy give-away event for children at Town Hall.

THANKS TO ALL WHO DONATED TO THE 12TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

Thanks to the many residents and businesses who gratefully donated to the Surfside Police Department's 12th Annual Holiday Toy Drive.

Their gratitude enabled the Town to spread holiday cheer to local Surfside families who have been significantly impacted by the pandemic. Thanks to all for making a difference!