

## POLICE

### TO SERVE AND PROTECT ... YOUR SKIN!

With May being Skin Cancer Awareness Month, the Surfside Police Department held an event to educate the officers of the damages caused by sun exposure and the importance of prevention of skin cancer. Dermatologist Dr. Barry Resnik, performed screenings and provided important information on how to protect their skin.



The Surfside Police Department emphasizes skin safety by providing training and proper gear. The Department is now instituting additional measures by protecting our most important piece of equipment - our skin. This initiative will increase awareness to all our fellow Town employees as well as Surfside residents and visitors.



**THE SPD PROMOTES SPF!**

### CIVILIAN OF THE MONTH - JILL SMITH

Accreditation Manager Jill Smith is an essential part of the Surfside Police Department receiving re-accreditation for the fourth consecutive cycle. The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) requires compliance with more than 250 professional standards for Florida law enforcement agencies to achieve and maintain the highest and best standards and practices.

One of the requirements for re-accreditation is creating a program unique to your department within the re-accreditation three-year cycle. Accreditation Manager Jill Smith recognized the need for information about the dangers of sun exposure for the Police Department employees and Town Hall employees who are exposed to the sun (see story at left).

During Skin Cancer Awareness Month (Melanoma May), Jill organized an essential seminar about skin cancer awareness to educate staff on the importance of sun protection on May 21. She arranged for a dermatologist to conduct a presentation that included answering concerns and a complimentary screening. As part of this initiative, the Police Department will also expand on this program by offering additional gear for sun protection and easy access to sun screen.

Jill Smith is recognized for her initiative, planning and dedication to Surfside and the well-being of our employees. Thank you for your extraordinary work and congratulations as the May 2021 Civilian of the Month.

### PEO WILLY PEREZ HONORED FOR 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

Congratulations to Parking Enforcement Officer Willy Perez on his 25-year anniversary with the Surfside Police Department on June 27, 2021. PEO Perez has been an essential part of the organization's journey and success, offering dedication, work ethic and inspirational longevity. PEO Perez was presented his 25-year pin in front of Police Department and Town Hall staff.



### OFFICER RECEIVES 10-YEAR PIN

Officer Dianna Hernandez was honored for her 10 years of distinguished service to the Surfside Police Department. Chief Julio Yero presented Officer Hernandez with a 10-year recognition pin she will proudly wear on her uniform.



### SGT. MATELIS ATTENDS LGBTQ ADVISORY



The Miami-Dade County LGBTQ Advisory Board hosted the Love is Love Exhibit Kickoff on Friday, June 4, 2021 at the HistoryMiami Museum. Sergeant Jay Matelis represented the Surfside Police Department and attended the event.