

POLICE BEAT

SURFSIDE HOSTS MULTI-AGENCY POLICE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT DETAIL

The Surfside Police Department in conjunction the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six hosted a multi-agency traffic safety enforcement and educational detail on November 10 from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The detail focused on aggressive driving (as part of the Drive Safe campaign), distracted driving, red-light running, speeding, seatbelt use, move-over law compliance, bike/pedestrian safety compliance and general traffic safety. During the enforcement, 113 citations and 28 warnings were issued, two arrests were made and 139 educational pamphlets were distributed. Bal Harbour, Bay Harbor Islands, Golden Beach, Miami Beach, Miami Gardens, Miami-Dade, North Bay Village, North Miami, North Miami Beach, Pinecrest and Sunny Isles Beach Police Departments participated in this event.



POLICE HONOR FALLEN OFFICER



The funeral for Hollywood Police Officer Yandy Chirino, who was killed in the line of duty, was held on November 1st at the FLA Live Arena in Sunrise, Fla. Sergeant Alejandro Lorente, Officer Ronald Donoso, and Officer Juan Duran proudly represented the Surfside Police Department as members of a multijurisdictional Honor Guard Team participating in the ceremony.

SHRED-A-THON AT HAULOVER

Surfside, Aventura, Bay Harbor Islands, North Miami and Sunny Isles Beach Police Departments hosted a Multi-Agency Collection Day on October 23 at Haulover Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Officer Dianna Hernandez and Parking Enforcement Officer Alain Acosta participated in the event.



CIVILIANS OF THE MONTH



The Town of Surfside Parking Division comprises Parking Operations Manager Elinor Joseph and Parking Enforcement Officers Alain Acosta, Cristhian Acosta, Josue "JC" Castro, and Willy Perez. The outstanding members of this department are recognized for their service from June to October 2021 for their exemplary performance and integrity. Parking Operations Manager Joseph supervises the Parking Enforcement Officers, manages six municipal parking lots and 37 multi-space pay stations. The Department's daily duties include monitoring the municipal lots, controlling traffic flow, maintaining pay stations, programming the messaging board and speed trailer and delivering, setting up and removing cones and barricades for events and traffic management. These essential employees also provide exceptional service to the Town Hall and Police Department personnel.

The Parking Department was invaluable in the aftermath of the Champlain Towers collapse. They were assigned critical traffic posts, performing exceptionally in extreme heat and inclement weather while aiding frustrated motorists. Furthermore, they distributed meals to on-site emergency workers, coordinated parking for first responders, delivered supplies to key locations and provided comprehensive support to all emergency response activities.

Parking Operations Manager Joseph and Parking Enforcement Officers A. Acosta, C. Acosta, Castro, and Perez are commended for their strong work ethic, kindheartedness, highest level of customer service and dedication to the Town they proudly serve. These exceptional gentlemen have proven to be an enormous asset to everyone they assist and graciously accept additional responsibility. They are courteous, optimistic and honorable representatives of the Surfside Police Department and humbly exemplify these qualities and perform these praiseworthy actions every day. Congratulations to all of the recipients of the October Civilians of the Month award!