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PRESS RELEASE

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To: All Media Partners

From: Jennifer M. Hansen, Public Information Officer

Date: October 27, 2015

RE: Donations Sought for 2015 Shop with a Cop Program

It's hard to believe that Christmas is literally right around the corner! Law enforcement officers and public safety staff from law enforcement and criminal justice agencies throughout Mono and Inyo Counties are busy planning the Annual Shop-with-a-Cop event. The event is scheduled for Saturday, December 12, 2015.

This is a very special day where our local law enforcement brings the true spirit of Christmas to families in need throughout the Eastern Sierra and Owens Valley. Children from disadvantaged families are identified by the various agencies. On Saturday morning, the children are picked up at their homes by their law enforcement "partners" and taken to breakfast. After breakfast, the officers and children respond Code 3 (lights and sirens) through Bishop to K-Mart to start the shopping extravaganza. Each child is given \$200 to shop for gifts for their families. After all the gifts have been purchased, local volunteers wrap the gifts and then the officers and children travel home where an early Christmas celebration begins!

Our goal for the 2015 Shop-with-a-Cop is to provide Christmas to 50 children and their families. This event is completely donation driven and we are hoping to raise \$10,000! Let's start getting into the holiday spirit and donate to this great event today! Donations can be dropped off at the Mono County Sheriff's Office, Inyo County Sheriff's Office, Bishop Police Department and Mammoth Lakes Police Department. Please make checks out to ESPOA with "Shop-with-a-Cop" written in the memo line. Your donation is tax deductible.

We thank you for your donation to bring Christmas to children in need throughout the Eastern Sierra and Owens Valley!

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