

LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Community Outreach Newsletter



DECEMBER 2025

TIP-A-COP FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS FLORIDA

Working in unison with other local law enforcement agencies, as well as with community restaurants, the Tip-A-Cop program worked their final event for 2025 at Ford's Garage in Cape Coral.

The event raised \$1,600 bringing the year's total to over \$37,000!

We're grateful to Special Olympics Florida for all that they do and we're certain that this sum will go a long way towards bettering the lives of athletes with intellectual disabilities!



TURKEY TROT

Thanksgiving Day began, as it has for the last 46 years, with the Fort Myers Track Club "Turkey Trot."

Crisis Care Canine, Rollie, joined the festivities along with the LCSO Ice Cream Response Team.



**176 arrests, 297 cases cleared, \$65,025
in rewards distributed LAST YEAR ALONE!**

Crime doesn't pay, but we do! Call with your tips.

**SWFL CRIME
STOPPERS**

1-800-780-TIPS (8477)

ANONYMOUS · CASH REWARDS



Your call matters!

ALWAYS

**CHECK THE LEE COUNTY
ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY
BEFORE
REHOMING A PET!**



"ANIMALS & KIDS RESCUE" LUNCH & LEARN

"Animals & Kids Rescue," an equine-assisted therapy and horse rescue not-for-profit, presented at a "Lunch & Learn" hosted by the Lee County Sheriff's Office Animal Cruelty Task Force.



The LCSO Community Outreach Center was filled to near capacity as the group shared information about the amazing work that they do.

Guests brought donated cleaning supplies and children's games for the program to utilize.

Special thanks to "Tacos & Tequila Cantina" for donating a wonderful lunch for all of our guests!



**JOIN SOUTHWEST FLORIDA CRIME
STOPPERS AND THE LEE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**FREE HOLIDAY
GIFT WRAPPING**

**WHERE: LEE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
COMMUNITY OUTREACH
CENTER AT MIROMAR
OUTLETS
10801 CORKSCREW
ROAD, SUITE 190
ESTERO**

**WHEN: SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 13, 2025
12:00 PM TO 4:00 PM**



**FOSTERING
SHELTER
ANIMALS
SAVES LIVES**

- FOOD PROVIDED
- VETERINARY CARE PROVIDED
- TOYS/SUPPLIES PROVIDED

**YOU PROVIDE
THE LOVE!**



**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION,
PLEASE EMAIL GARY LEVINE AT
GLEVINE@SHERIFFLEEFL.ORG**

VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING NEED YOUR HELP

Lives are at risk and we are counting on educated businesses and employees to become aware, know the signs, and take action in cases of suspicious activity.



BE AWARE

Human trafficking is prevalent in the United States, and it often occurs in affluent neighborhoods and legitimate business settings.

Florida ranks 3rd in the nation for number of calls to the National Human Trafficking Hotline.

More than 50% of the criminal human trafficking cases in the U.S. involved children.

The average age of a child when forced into human trafficking is between 12 and 14.

KNOW THE SIGNS

As a community, we can help save lives by knowing and recognizing the signs of human trafficking.

PHYSICAL

- Branding, Scars, Burns, or Tattoos
- Malnourished
- Serious Dental Issues
- Disoriented or Confused
- Infections
- Drug Addiction
- Sleep Deprivation

VERBAL

- Responds as if coached
- Allows someone else to speak for them
- Fearful, Anxious, or Paranoid
- Reluctant to discuss their injuries

TAKE ACTION

If you see suspicious activity, report it immediately to law enforcement. In Florida, call

► 1-855-FLA-SAFE



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SHERIFF CARMINE MARCENO REMINDS YOU... SCHOOL BUSES ARE LIKE TRAFFIC SIGNALS!

When overhead lights are flashing yellow:



Prepare to Stop

When overhead lights are flashing red:



Stop!

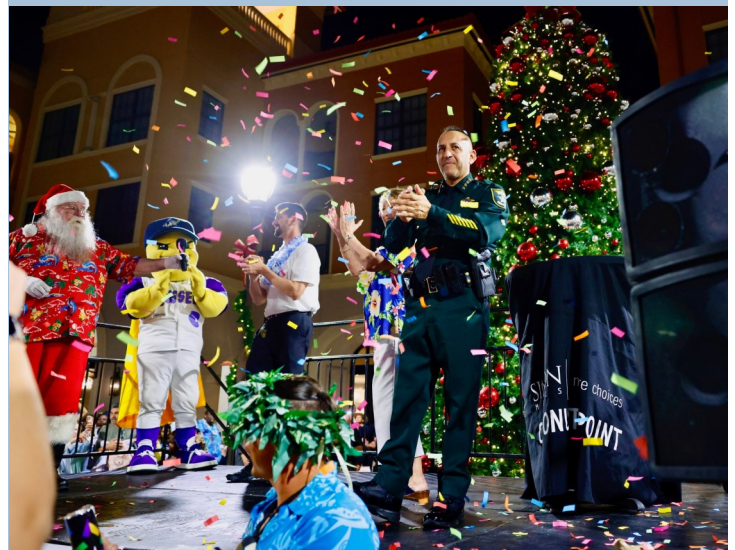
When hazard warning lights are flashing:



Proceed with Caution

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING AT COCONUT POINT

Sheriff Carmine Marceno joined forces with his friend from the North Pole, Santa Claus, at the annual tree lighting event at Coconut Point.



Even Lieutenant Hope made an appearance at the event!



ANIMAL CRUELTY TASK FORCE

Following a remarkable parade, Sheriff Marceno and St. Nick lit the magnificent Coconut Point tree.



Enroll today for peace of mind while you're away

Vacation House Checks

Lee County Sheriff's Office

Take peace of mind on your vacation! Request this public service provided by Lee County Sheriff's Office Civilian Support Unit (CSU). CSU has trained volunteers who share their time and talents to keep Lee County safe.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Ensure perimeter doors, windows, and gates are secured and undamaged
- Report uncollected mail and packages
- Monitor for unusual activity
- Identify any unaccompanied vehicles
- You will be notified if CSU discovers any of the aforementioned items

SCAN HERE



Sign-Up Today!

www.sheriffleefl.org



SPEAK UP

FOR THE VOICE- LESS



◀ Khaleesi was rescued in Cape Coral after suffering horrific neglect at her former owners hands. She was severely malnourished and couldn't even stand. Today, she is healed and in a loving home. Her former owners were jailed on felony charges. One call made all the difference.

SWFL CRIME STOPPERS



STOP DOG FIGHTING AND ANIMAL CRUELTY NOW!

CALL CRIME STOPPERS AT
1-800-780-TIPS
(8477)

TO PROTECT ANIMALS WHO CANNOT PROTECT THEMSELVES.

Paid by CSTF

THE LEE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND
SHERIFF CARMINE
MARCENO REMIND
YOU TO REMOVE
VALUABLES AND TO
LOCK YOUR VEHICLE'S
DOORS EVERY
EVENING.

IF YOU VALUE IT...



LOCK IT OR LOSE IT!



SHOP WITH A COP

Members of LCSO's Fifth Precinct, as well as Community Response Unit staff, spread holiday joy by providing gifts for deserving families.



Special thanks to Target of Fort Myers for their partnership!

These events are conducted annually and

bring immeasurable happiness to participating staff members at the Lee County Sheriff's Office.

**FOLLOW THE LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S
OFFICE ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA
PLATFORMS FOR THE LATEST
SECURITY, TRAFFIC AND
NEWS ADVISORIES.**



Join Our Volunteer Unit

Make a Real Difference in Our Community

WHY VOLUNTEER WITH US?

Support deputies in real-world situations.
Be part of special events and community programs.
Gain valuable skills and law enforcement insights.
Build friendships while serving your community.

WHAT WE DO

School Support
Administration
Communications
Event Coordinator
HR
Marketing
Onboarding
Training
Patrol
Bicycles
Marine
Road



READY TO SERVE?

Scan the QR Code to
start your application, or
Call our office Today!
239.477.1452

Lee County Sheriff's Office - Civilian Support Unit

May your holidays be
filled with happiness
and your new year
filled with *joy.*

