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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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"2nd Annual - Toys for Tickets Program"

The Flagler Beach Police Department is proud to announce the "Toys for Tickets" program will be repeated this holiday season! Citizens who receive a warning citation for a traffic or parking offense will have the opportunity to donate a toy in lieu of paying a fine.

"Christmas Come True" is a non-profit organization based in Flagler Beach, whose mission is "to provide a complete Christmas experience for area resident parents who are unable to financially afford a traditional Christmas for their families."

Beginning Monday, November 14, 2016 and continuing through Friday, December 16, 2016, Flagler Beach Police Department Officers, at their discretion, will be issuing "toy waivers" along with warning citations for non-criminal State traffic and/or City parking offenses. The "toy waiver" allows the motorist to donate a new, unwrapped toy to "**Christmas Come True**" instead of facing a potential civil fine.

Motorists who *voluntarily* choose to participate in the program will be instructed to drop off a new, unwrapped toy, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at:

Flagler Beach Police Department
204 South Flagler Avenue
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"This program was extremely successful last year, when 101 warning citations were issued during the inaugural initiative," stated Flagler Beach Police Chief Matt Doughney. "This is a great way kick off the holiday season after the difficult year we've had due to Hurricane Matthew," Doughney continued. "The goal of the program is two (2) fold: to gain compliance with traffic laws and parking ordinances, and to make a difference in the lives of families in our community that need a little help bringing smiles to their children on Christmas morning."

For additional information regarding this year's program, please contact Chief Doughney at (386) 517-2024.

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