



ROCKY WATSON, SHERIFF
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KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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It has come to the attention of the Sheriff's Department that State-wide fund raising campaigns for the Idaho Sheriff's Association have begun through telephone solicitation. These campaigns are done by a contracted fund-raising company.

Sheriff Watson encourages citizens who want to give, to give locally. There are several non-profit organizations associated with law enforcement in Kootenai County. These include:

Kootenai County Sheriff's Department K-9 Fund: Used to purchase new canines and train both dogs and handlers.

Kootenai County D.A.R.E.: Used to purchase teaching supplies for the D.A.R.E. program for rural elementary schools.

Kootenai County Volunteer Chaplains: Used to help pay for training and equipment for the volunteer chaplains.

Kootenai County Citizens on Patrol: Used to help pay for uniforms, equipment and additional training for volunteer Citizens on Patrol.

Kootenai County Search and Rescue: Helps to pay for the actual expenses of the volunteers who search of lost or endangered persons.

Kootenai County Sheriff's Posse: Used to help to pay for uniforms, equipment and training for the volunteers in this organization.

Kootenai County Sheriff's Auxiliary: Used to help pay the expenses accrued when these volunteers provide meals for Law Enforcement personnel and volunteers during a wide variety of events from search and rescue to major crime scenes.

All donations can be sent to the Sheriff's Department at:

(Organization Name)

5500 Government Way / Box 9000

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