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Acting Sheriff Schmidt Announces New Community Relations Outreach



Milwaukee, WI – Acting Sheriff Richard Schmidt announced a revamped community relations outreach for the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office.

Community organizations are welcome to invite the Sheriff's Office Community Relations Unit participation at their events. Many groups in Milwaukee County have enjoyed having the K9 Unit, Bomb Squad robot and technical equipment display, Motorcycle Unit, and Honor Guard Unit at various school, church and community events. The unit will interact with various park, neighborhood and community groups on a daily basis.

Heading the unit will be Captain Paul Thompson, pictured above. Thompson began his career with MCSO in January 2000, was promoted to Sergeant in 2009, Lieutenant in 2011, and Captain this month. He has served most recently with the HIDTA Interdiction Task Force, and with MCSO divisions including the Criminal Investigations Division, Police Services Bureau, Detention Services Bureau-Patrol Division/TEU, and is a member of the MCSO Special Weapons and Tactics (S.W.A.T.) team. He holds a BA in English from Tulane University and a Master's Degree in Homeland Security and Emergency Management from American Public University.

Captain Thompson is an LESB certified instructor in the disciplines of Firearms, CPR and Vehicle Contacts. He is involved every year with the volunteer program 'Shop With a Cop' and Salvation Army bell-ringing campaign.

Captain Thompson is a former NBA basketball player, and played with the Cleveland Cavaliers, Milwaukee Bucks, and Philadelphia 76ers.

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