

## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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Re: Hernando County Sheriff's Office Unveils New Mobile App

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Hernando County Sheriff Al Nienhuis is pleased to announce the launch of the agency's new mobile app.

This mobile app, which is available via the App Store on Apple and Google Play for Android devices (search Hernando County Sheriff), will serve as a new way for the Sheriff's Office to connect with residents and visitors by providing information quickly and efficiently to any smartphone or tablet user.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office mobile app was developed by TheSheriffApp.com, a developer who has designed similar apps for sheriff offices in Sumter, Highlands, Lake, Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, Lee, Hardee, Okeechobee, Monroe and Walton counties. The app offers immediate access to items of public interest and is easy to use.

Money from the Crime Prevention Fund was used to pay for the creation of the custom app.

Today the public's hunger to have information available at the tip of their fingers is greater than ever.

With the growing popularity of smartphones and tablets, the Hernando County Sheriff's Office is working to make the wealth of information available from the Sheriff's Office easier to access.

The Sheriff's App is a new tool available to the public to keep you up-to-date on the latest news and information provided by the Sheriff's Office. With this mobile app, you'll be able to get all of your information through one user-friendly, convenient site.

This app features news and press releases along with notifications and reminders. Along with social media integration, one of the most exciting features is the app's ability to utilize

push notifications or alerts to notify the public when something serious is occurring in the community.

The best part of all is that the app and all of its features are absolutely free. I hope you enjoy using our new Sheriff's App, and we look forward to receiving your feedback.

## The Office of Sheriff:

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, and remains accountable to them.