



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

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**Re:** Major Robinson Graduates from Prestigious Senior Management Institute  
for Policing Program

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Hernando County Sheriff's Office Major Cyrus Robinson recently graduated from the Senior Management Institute for Policing (SMIP) class held on the campus of Boston University.

The class's 55 participants came from an array of law enforcement agencies from across the country.

This three-week long program focused on the latest senior police executive management concepts and practices.

The goal of SMIP is to bring together leading thinkers in corporate and public management to provide intensive training designed to give police managers the same quality of management education available to leaders in other public and private-sector endeavors. It also encourages discussions of the most challenging issues facing law enforcement today.

The course featured presenters from Harvard, MIT, Tufts and Simmons Universities to name a few. Additional presentations were given by present and former police chiefs from around the country, authors and news anchors/reporters.

Some of the topics covered included leadership, management, mentoring, diversity, negotiations, media relations, public speaking, organizational change and networks, and crisis management internal and external.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office places a high priority on developing exceptional leadership within our agency through providing enhanced training opportunities.

This unique learning experience hosted by Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) provides law enforcement leaders with the skills to communicate in high-pressure situations, as well as how to manage an ever changing workforce with skill and intention.

“Many of the instructors facilitating this 3-week class are very well respected professors from some the most well know universities in Boston,” Sheriff Al Nienhuis said. “Although Major Robinson has been in law enforcement a long time, you cannot attend one of these prestigious classes without picking up some very worthwhile “best practices” to bring back. These acquired skills that Major Robinson received will make Hernando County Sheriff’s Office even more efficient at serving Hernando County's citizens.”

“Furthermore, Major Robinson, through this class, now has professional contacts from all over the country. This will be a great resource if investigative assistance is ever needed,” the Sheriff added.



#### **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, ran unopposed in 2016, and remains accountable to them.**