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SHERIFF'S OFFICE GIVES BACK TO RVA

RICHMOND, VA—Sheriff C.T. Woody, Jr. is pleased to recognize their partners in the faith based community who show a commitment to giving their time, talent and treasure to those less fortunate in the Richmond community.

This weekend St. Paul's Baptist Church collected and donated 2,000 gifts to families of incarcerated loved ones at the Richmond City Justice Center (RCJC). All of the recipients have a loved one who is currently participating in one of the RCJC's rehabilitative programs. The gifts were collected and distributed at a Winter Wonderland Christmas Party held at St. Paul's this past Saturday.

Sheriff Woody, his deputies and staff and community partners/volunteers provided Christmas meals and gifts to nearly 80 families of incarcerated inmates over the weekend as well. Additionally, a charity basketball tournament between Sheriff's deputies, arranged by Sgt. Brandy L. Thornton (seen here in a photo with Sheriff

Woody), collected over 215 donated toys. All of these toys were delivered today to the Mercy House, a recovery house for women and their children which is operated by New Life for Youth and Pastor Carlos Rivera.

"I'm so proud of our staff and our community partners for demonstrating the spirit of giving, and helping to set an example of what the Holiday Season is all about," said Sheriff Woody.



The Richmond City Sheriff's Office is responsible for maintaining a secure jail and a safe court system, along with seamless inmate transport and civil process to preserve public safety. We remain committed to performing these duties with unsurpassed integrity and professionalism, with progressive training that incorporates best practices and technology. While partnering with the community, we strive to lower recidivism by providing faith-based and community-based programming that empowers ex-offenders to become productive members of society.