

It's been 40 days since Sheriff Chitwood began his administration. In that time, there have been a lot of changes and more to come.

To recap we have...

Created the Strategic Planning Committee and under that umbrella:

- · Vehicle Committee
- Uniform Committee
- Paperwork Reduction Committee
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- · Awards Committee · Lieutenants Committee
- Sergeants Committee
- ✓ Merged District 3 and 5 together
- ✓ Streamlined and Centralized CID
- \checkmark Created a Juvenile Services Director position
- \checkmark Began revamping the SRO program
- ✓ Began a Juvenile Electronic Monitoring Program
- ✓ Revamping and Expanding the PAL Program
- ✓ Working with Community Leaders to expand after school programs
- ✓ Placed a captain in Training
- ✓ Began Researching new Recruitment Options
- ✓ Began De-escalation Training
- ✓ Began implementation/expansion of a full time watch commander program
- ✓ Planning an Eastside and Westside Crime Suppression Team
- ✓ Began researching the partial privatization of JSD
- ✓ Began publishing the Command Staff Notes
- ✓ Created a Special Projects coordinator
- ✓ Revamped the VCSO Facebook page leading to a wave of new followers and the identification of several criminals
- ✓ Opened the hiring process to year round
- \checkmark Added more less lethal shotguns to patrol and the airport
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 ✓ Purchasing shields for each patrol district
- ✓ Equipped each District with rams/entry tools
- \checkmark In the process of recreating recruiting materials including handouts & videos
- \checkmark Met with local, state, and national elected officials to lobby on behalf of VCSO
- ✓ Restructured the BWC policy
- \checkmark Conducted a county wide crime suppression operation "Rolling thunder"
- ✓ Began Planning an Annual Awards Ceremony
- ✓ Researching a Civilian Service Aide Program
- ✓ Instituting a Challenge Coin recognition Program
- \checkmark In the process of purchasing IA Pro and Blue Team
- ✓ Initiation of electronic warrant migration from Clerk of the Court to our warrants section
- \checkmark Invited PERF to review our Use of Force and Deputy Involved Shooting policies
- ✓ Partnered with FDLE so that they now conduct our pre-release Firearms Background Checks
- ✓ Partnered with the State Attorney's Office for training and access to the State Attorney "STAC" software program for real time Court case info when conducting research/background information
- ✓ Scheduled Evidence Training by the State Attorney's Office
- \checkmark Began equipping all detectives and patrol sergeants with smartphones
- ✓ Began piloting a new system for electronic search warrants
- ✓ Began development of CompStat reports

Attended numerous community events to include:

- Multiple "Coffee With A Cop" meetings throughout Volusia County
- Engaging Volusia County Youth through organized Dodge Ball and Kick ball games
- Supported community events (MeStrong and Daytona Half Marathon)
- · Planning the Torch Run
- · Inter-Agency Flag Football Tournaments
- Attended the Florida Association of Counties Medical Marijuana Summit
- Attended the New Smyrna Beach Clam Chowder Festival benefitting the Sheriff's Youth Ranch
- · Attended the 5th Annual Matt Miller Motorcycle Skills Challenge