

Community Partnership Connection



Are you ready for the next emergency? Now is the time to prepare!

(September is National Emergency Preparedness Month)



FREE CERT TRAINING

For those looking for an opportunity for some intense emergency preparedness training, CERT is offering a free emergency preparedness and response academy beginning **September 19**.

The CERT Academy provides residents with the information they need to help save lives and reduce trauma in the event of an emergency. CERT Academy training includes disaster preparedness, emergency medical techniques, fire safety, search and rescue, disaster psychology, and terrorism awareness education.

The CERT Academy offers a total of 24 hours of training during six sessions over two consecutive weekends.

The training is free and trainees are not required to become a Citizen Corps volunteer to participate.

To sign up for the Academy, call (775) 325-6927 or (775) 325-6928, or email drussell@washocounty.us

Most people know they should prepare themselves for an emergency. They know they should have an emergency kit, a family plan and know some basic emergency medical techniques.

People know all this, but that doesn't mean they are prepared.

September is National Emergency Preparedness Month and the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) volunteers are using this month to remind the public about the importance of making emergency preparation a year-round activity.

CERT volunteers will provide useful information about emergency planning and public safety at several of September's special events, including the Great Reno Balloon Race and the National Championship Air Races.

Running is for the Dogs...K9's that is!

Sheriff's Office invites Public to Inaugural K9 Run/Walk on September 28th



K9 RUN

10K RUN
5K WALK / RUN
KIDS 1 MILE FUN RUN

Sponsored By:

RENO RUNNING CO.

This race covers all fitness levels and is very family friendly! You can go for your personal best or simply enjoy the miles at a walk with the 10K / 5K runs or you can bring the kids and participate in the 1 mile Fun Run!

Registration

10K - \$30 (increases to \$50 week of the race)
5K - \$25 (increases to \$40 week of the race)
KIDS - \$5 (775) 853-8017
www.RenoRunningCompany.com

SEPTEMBER 28TH
Inaugural Washoe County Sheriff's Office K9 Run at the **The Summit Mall**.

All Runners will receive a **Free high end technical t-shirt, Finishers medal, and a post race breakfast, snacks and refreshments.**

Support our K9 Teams:

Sgt. Wright and K9 Kai	Deputy Bunyard and K9 Ben	Deputy Wood and K9 Ronny
Sgt. McNeill and K9 Jacob	Deputy Daniel and K9 Cezar	Deputy Allen and K9 Astor
Deputy Fisher and K9 Kir	Deputy Zirkle and K9 Thor	
Deputy Solterino and K9 Akim	Deputy Kimberlin and K9 Gunner	

Have fun on your feet and make the Washoe Sheriff's K9's paws your cause by participating in the inaugural Sheriff's Office K9 Run on Saturday, September 28, starting at the Summit Mall in south Reno.

Proceeds from this fundraising event will go towards equipment and training needed to support the mission of the Washoe County Sheriff's K9 Unit.

This event is pet friendly and is open to all levels of fitness and all ages, featuring a 5K, 10K and a Kids 1 Mile Fun Run. All participants receive a free t-shirt, Finisher's medal and a post-race breakfast.

There are nine K9 teams currently assigned to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office. Canines provide invaluable support to public safety through their highly specialized training and unique ability to locate narcotics, explosive devices and fugitives. They help their human partners with the apprehension of suspects who attempt to evade arrest by concealing themselves, or who pose a threat to the deputy or members of the public. For more information, visit Washoesheriff.com.



What: Run/Walk to benefit the Washoe County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit

When: 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 28, 2013

Where: The Summit Mall, south Reno

Cost: 10K - \$30 (registration will increase up to \$50 the week of the race),
5K - \$25 (registration will increase up to \$40 the week of the race),
Kids 1 Mile Fun Run - \$5

Registration: To register visit www.renoringcompany.com

Public alerted to be watchful for scammers asking to wire bail money for a friend or relative



The Northern Nevada Cyber Center and Washoe County Sheriff's Office would like to alert the public to a possible fraudulent scam targeting the compassion and pocketbooks of members in our community.

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office Detention Facility has seen an increase in calls by individuals reporting they were notified that a friend or family member had been arrested and needed money for bail.

These scams usually involve someone claiming to be a representative of a law enforcement agency, a friend of the alleged arrestee, or someone posing as the person arrested. They often ask for wire transfers through services such as Western Union.

We encourage the public to be cautious and always verify requests such as these. The Sheriff's Office does not accept services such as Western Union and does not notify family of arrests. Arrestees are allowed to make such notifications themselves.

Always be cautious and conduct any transactions directly through governmental agencies or licensed bail bonds companies. These services can always be verified through the phone book or other means.

To report an incident of fraud, contact your local law enforcement agency or report the incident to the Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.ic3.gov.

The Northern Nevada Cyber Center is a highly skilled, multi-agency investigative unit located at the Sheriff's Office. The Cyber Center was developed to combat the rapidly growing trend of cybercrime. These crimes include fraud, child exploitation, hacking and other crimes occurring with the use of technology.

Sheriff's Office Selects new Public Information Officer

Washoe County Sheriff Michael Haley announced last week that he has selected Bob Harmon to serve as Public Information Officer.

Harmon will serve as the primary contact for media seeking information about the Sheriff's Office and its many programs, services and initiatives.

Harmon brings over 30 years of experience in journalism and public service to his new assignment. A graduate of the University of Southern California's School of Journalism, Harmon spent 15 years working in newsrooms at both KCBS and KTTV television stations in Los Angeles. In 1995 he moved to Reno to work on the Assignment Desk at KTVN.

In 1997, Harmon was appointed Public Information Office for Nevada Attorney General Frankie Sue Del Papa. Since that time, he has served as PIO for the Washoe County Manager's Office, Nevada Department of Cultural Affairs, Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space, and Washoe County Senior Services. Harmon began working part-time with the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Community Relations Section in 2010.



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***Dedicated Service in
Partnership with our
Community***

Sheriff's Deputy Cole Bunyard named Deputy of the Year by VFW Post 10053



Photo: Danny Waldrop (left) and David Armstrong (center) of VFW Post 10053 present Washoe County Sheriff's Deputy Cole Bunyard with the Post's 2012 Deputy of the Year Award during the Sheriff's Office monthly ACES meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2013.

Washoe County Sheriff's Deputy Cole Bunyard was awarded the 2012 Washoe County Deputy of the Year by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10053 of Verdi.

The VFW Post presented the award "in grateful recognition of unyielding adherence to the highest ideals of law enforcement in maintaining, preserving and protecting the lawful rights of all citizens."

Cole received the award from VFW Post 10053 representatives Denise Estes, Danny Waldrop and David Armstrong during the Sheriff's Office monthly ACES meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2013.

While the VFW feels it is important to recognize local first responders for the work they do to keep the home front safe, the Sheriff's Office took the opportunity to thank the Veterans for their duty to Country on the global front. "The men and women of the Sheriff's Office want to take this opportunity to thank you for your sacrifices and your dedication to our Country," Washoe County Undersheriff Tim Kuzanek told the VFW representatives.



Washoe County Residents can now report graffiti from their iPhones or iPads by installing the new WCSO app available for free from the Apple Store.