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“Coffee with a Cop” Coming to Palmdale

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale is encouraging residents to attend one of the upcoming Palmdale Sheriff’s Department’s “Coffee with a Cop” events.

The first event will take place on Friday, April 4 at 9 am, at the McDonald’s located at 131 East Palmdale Blvd. The second will be held on Monday, April 7, at 5 pm at Tom’s #27 located at 37959 47th St. East.

“Coffee with a Cop” provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department’s work in Palmdale’s neighborhoods.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies, or emotional situations. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship building with the community, and some community members may feel that officers are unapproachable on the street. “Coffee with a Cop” breaks down barriers and allows for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction.

“We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our deputies,” said Captain Don Ford. “These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships.”

“Coffee with a Cop” is a national initiative supported by The United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Similar events

are being held across the county, as local police departments strive to make lasting connections with the communities they serve.

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members one cup of coffee at a time.

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