



WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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PRESS RELEASE

Domestic Violence Resource Center Receives Coats from Sheriff's Posse

October 20, 2016 - As Domestic Violence Awareness Month comes to an end; we highlight the Washington County Sheriff's Office commitment to combat domestic violence year round.

Today the Sheriff's Office Posse donated four boxes of winter coats to the Domestic Violence Resource Center in Hillsboro. Executive Director Sara Wade (inset photo) commented, "The Washington County Sheriff's Office is among our strongest partners and consistently responsive and empathetic to victims and their families. Families fleeing violent houses often leave with nothing and these coats will help them stay warm this winter."

Yesterday, the Washington County Sheriff's Office Domestic Violence Resource Team (DVRT) was one of almost 500 agencies nationwide that participated in the 14th Annual National Family Violence Apprehension Detail. The focus of the detail was to locate and arrest those who were wanted for domestic violence crimes.

The Washington County Sheriff's Office formed the DVRT in 2011 with a focus on both victim safety and offender accountability. The DVRT is comprised of 10 team members from the Sheriff's Office. Two of the deputies on the team are assigned to the Jail Division of the Sheriff's Office. The Jail Deputies are primarily responsible for monitoring in-custody offenders including phone calls and letters in violation of no-contact orders.

Here is a [link to a short video](#) from one of our DVRT members.

If you or someone you know is the victim of domestic violence, please call the Washington County Crisis Line at 1-866-469-8600 or visit us at [Victim Assistance](#).

