

**GRAND PRAIRIE** POLICE DEPARTMENT

# **GPPD Santa Cop Fundraiser**

The Grand Prairie Police Department is in its 32nd year of sponsoring Santa Cop, a charitable organization dedicated to delivering gifts to families in need. However, gifts aren't limited to toys for children, but also include items such as toothbrushes, grooming materials and reading materials. This is a labor of love for volunteers as there isn't a single paid employee involved in running the charity. All cash donations are used to purchase gifts for children, except for operating costs and office supplies. Thankfully, National Auto Body Parts Warehouse has the police department's back by offering office and storage space. This year, we had an overwhelming amount of support which will make several families in Grand Prairie very happy this year. Happy Holidays, y'all!





Grand Prairie Family Honored for Raising Money for PlayGrand

**Adventures** 



An idea for a lemonade stand turned into quite the honor for one Grand Prairie family. After one of our officers paid a visit to Jack and Mason Angerbauer's stand, he alerted GPPD of their efforts. A week later, we called in some reinforcements for refreshments to surprise the young entrepreneurs! They earned almost more in one day than in the four other days of their stand. To make things sweeter, the Grand Prairie Parks, Arts and Recreation Department later awarded the family and Police Department. Money raised will go towards a new all-inclusive playground at The Epic.

#### **OUR MISSION**

The Grand Prairie Police Department is dedicated to service and partnering with our community to maintain a safe environment with a high quality of life.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

On behalf of the Grand Prairie Police Department, I would like to welcome you to our newsletter and thank you for your interest in our department. We strive to accomplish our mission through our core departmental values: commitment to service through community partnerships, innovation and a holistic approach to policing; pride in our appearance, in our professionalism and in safeguarding our community; and respect for our profession and for those we serve.

Please do not hesitate to call us if you need further assistance or would like to speak, in-person, to one of the members of our department.



Steve Dye Police Chief

### Blue Red Run 5K, 10K, and Half Marathon

Runners of all ages laced up their shoes for the Blue Red Run 5K, 10K, and Half Marathon right here in Grand Prairie. Hosted by Dallas Athletes Racing, the event's proceeds are donated to the Texas Police Chiefs Association Foundation which provides money to individuals through the Officer Death Benefit Program. If a Texas law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty, the foundation delivers a check to the surviving spouse, children, or parents in order to provide immediate funds to a family in time of crisis. We'd like to thank all the volunteers who helped make this event a success.

# **EAGLE EYES/SILENT WITNESS**

The Grand Prairie Police Department established the Eagle Eyes program almost two years ago and is designed to deter crime and promote public safety through collaboration between our officers and the community we serve. GPPD is pleased to announce a new phase of the Eagle Eyes community policing program regarding routine notifications to citizens to help prevent property crimes.

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Approximately 90% of crimes committed annually in Grand Prairie, as in most cities, are property crimes, many of which are thefts of unsecured property and burglaries of unlocked vehicles where valuables are left in plain view. Always remember:

- Lock all vehicle doors
- Remove property from plain view
- Remove any and all keys from inside the vehicle