SWEET CHEEKS DIAPER BANK AND HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF JIM NEIL ANNOUNCE NEW PARTNERSHIP IN 2020 AND BEYOND

Partnership to reduce Hamilton County inmate population and increase diaper donations for Cincinnati families in need

CINCINNATI (Jan. 30, 2020) – Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank, Cincinnati’s only nonprofit diaper bank that serves 3,500 children in need each month, is partnering with the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office to launch a work detail program that will reduce female prisoners’ sentences in exchange for volunteer hours bundling Sweet Cheeks’ diapers.

The partnership with Sweet Cheeks will have a direct impact on reducing the inmate population within the Hamilton County Justice Center while creating opportunities for community giveback. In addition to the new work detail program, Sweet Cheeks’ diaper bundles will be added to patrol cars to give officers another tool to facilitate positive reactions while they are out serving the community.

“As Sheriff, I am constantly searching for opportunities from partnerships that will have a positive impact on inmates within the Justice Center while also benefiting our communities,” said Jim Neil, Hamilton County Sheriff. “By creating a partnership with Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank, the inmates participating in the newly formed work detail program will not only receive a reduction in the sentence imposed by the Court, but also know that the work they are doing will directly benefit babies that are in need in our community.”

In addition to providing direct benefits to female prisoners, the new work detail program will significantly increase the volume of diapers Sweet Cheeks is able to distribute each month. Sweet Cheeks depends on an enormous number of volunteer hours to repackage and pack their diapers for distribution – the increase in volunteers via the work detail program will free up Sweet Cheeks’ staff time and add to their capacity in ways they couldn’t accomplish on their own.
“We’re excited to begin working with the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office to increase our impact and reach even more families,” said Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank CEO & Founder Megan Fischer. “With a current wait list of 35 social service agencies in Greater Cincinnati and more than 12,000 babies still experiencing diaper need, this work detail has the potential to positively affect families in the community for years to come.”

For more information, visit sweetcheeksdiaperbank.org and hcso.org.

ABOUT SWEET CHEEKS DIAPER BANK
Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank partners with local social service agencies to provide free diapers to low-income families while raising awareness of the basic health need for diapers. Sweet Cheeks’ vision is to eliminate the existence of diaper need in the Greater Cincinnati community so ALL babies have the chance to be healthy, happy and safe.

ABOUT SHERIFF JIM NEIL
Jim Neil is the current elected Democrat Sheriff of the Hamilton County. Sheriff Neil is a lifelong resident of Hamilton County and has more than 38 years of service with the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office. He is committed to public safety and serving the citizens of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. Sheriff Neil, his wife, and their two children reside in Saylor Park, a neighborhood of Cincinnati.

Sheriff Neil is the recipient of numerous awards, including the National Sheriff’s Association’s Medal of Valor, the Buckeye State Sheriff’s Association’s Medal of Honor, the Fraternal Order of Police’s Act of Bravery, the Hamilton County Police Association’s Police Officer of the Year, Great Oaks Distinguished Alumni, and University of Cincinnati, Outstanding Alumni.

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