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Sheriff's Office Partners with Lights On!

Redwood City, CA. - The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office is excited to announce our partnership with Lights On!. Light's On! is an award-winning, national program designed to help build and foster trust between communities and law enforcement. This program also helps ensure that vehicles are displaying proper lighting equipment, thus creating safer roads for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians. During a traffic stop for a violation involving a headlight, taillight, brake light, or turn signal, deputies will have the ability to issue a voucher instead of a ticket. The recipient takes that voucher to one of several pre-designated auto shops that will repair and/or replace the light for free (up to \$250). Light's On! then reimburses the auto shop for the repair(s). These vouchers help reduce the financial burden that could lead to a potential downward spiral for community members in need.

Sheriff Corpus said, "The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office is committed to finding meaningful ways to have positive interactions with those we serve. Lights On! is an innovative approach to demonstrating compassion and understanding for those who may need assistance to fix a minor vehicle code violation. This program is a win for all – it creates safer streets and encourages positive relationships between law enforcement and the public."

The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office is the first agency in the San Francisco Bay Area to partner with Light's On!. We look forward to working together to bridge gaps, heal communities, and provide a positive path to safer streets.

Sheriff Corpus and Light's On! Vice President Sherman Patterson invite you to join them for a press conference on Tuesday, November 7th at 12:30 p.m., in the Hall of Justice courtyard located in Redwood City.



Please note, Lights On! vouchers are not available on-demand and are only available via a traffic stop from the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office.

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