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Police department supports students wanting to collect items for troops

FORT PIERCE – Students at a local high school have taken their desire to give back to their community to another level.

A group of Fort Pierce Central High School students, representing four organizations, have united to spread a little holiday cheer by sending care packages of hygiene products, T-shirts, socks and non-perishable items to our nation's troops stationed overseas.

"Supporting our troops is very important, especially during these tough economic times," said Natasha Wells, a member of the Medical Reserve Corps and Health Occupations Students Associations (HOSA). "This is the least we can do in exchange for the sacrifices our troops make for us every day."

For the next two weeks, students involved in the Corps, HOSA, Student Government and the Criminal Justice program will be collecting items and is hoping the community will pitch in and donate some items, Wells said.

"The men and women who serve in our military voluntarily place themselves in harms way everyday, similar to what our police officers do in protecting the community we serve," said Chief R. Sean Baldwin. "I am proud to lend a helping hand to our troops. They deserve our support."

Community members can drop off items through December 5, 2008 at the following locations:

- Fort Pierce Central High School, 1101 Edwards Rd in Fort Pierc
- Fort Pierce Police Department main station, 920 S. U.S. #1 in Fort Pierce
- International Long Shore main office, 503 N. 7th Street in Fort Pierce

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