

## **3-09/240.00 - Adopt-A-Deputy Program**

The "Adopt-A-Deputy" program fulfills an existing need for a favorable person-to-person contact between members of this Department and the public. It is designed to generate a feeling of friendship and understanding and to create meaningful rapport between school children and members of the Department based on an informal, friendly relationship with an individual "adopted" deputy sheriff.

The program shall be implemented on request of those public schools at the elementary and junior high school level located within the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County.

In the event a contract city requests the establishment of a program within their school system, the requesting city shall be advised that Department contract city personnel will be used.

Independent (non-contract) cities requesting the program through the Sheriff's Department shall be courteously advised to contact their local municipal police department for information concerning the possible availability of similar programs through their own police department.

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