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LCSO Launches Latest ALLinLEON Initiative, Cease Fire

The Leon County Sheriff's Office recently launched our ALLinLEON campaign, a comprehensive plan to fight crime in our county. The four pronged approach includes numerous law enforcement initiatives but also relies heavily on community involvement. A critical component of ALLinLEON is getting guns out of the hands of violent offenders.

Cease Fire is LCSO's new initiative, in collaboration with Big Bend Crime Stoppers, to offer monetary incentives for individuals who provide tips that lead to the seizure of guns used unlawfully and the arrest of those individuals in possession of the weapons. Tipsters can remain anonymous and receive a \$1,000 reward. This is a program that has worked successfully in communities across the country, including numerous Florida counties.

On Wednesday, August 14, 2019, the Leon County Sheriff's Office, along with Big Bend Crime Stoppers and local business partners will officially launch the program here in Leon County.

LCSO solicited the help of local businesses to fund the Cease Fire initiative and, so far, has raised more than \$20,000. The fundraising component of this campaign will be ongoing and we encourage more local businesses to get involved.

Sheriff Walt McNeil said "This latest element of ALLinLEON is a great example of our community working together to make Tallahassee/Leon County a safer place. Our deputies can't do the great job they do without the help of our community."

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