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## Sheriff's Office Deputies Take Local Children Christmas Shopping

**Riverbank, CA** – The Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department will again partner with local community leaders and businesses Thursday afternoon to help underprivileged children during the holiday season. As part of the annual "Shop with a Cop" program, needy children will be paired with Stanislaus County Sheriff's Deputies for a shopping spree. Afterwards, the selected children will enjoy a Christmas themed pizza party at the Riverbank Community Center. Santa Claus will make his appearance to take pictures with the children and pass out gifts.

Riverbank Police Services Chief Bill Pooley, working alongside Deputy Jesus Sigala, have been seeking the assistance of businesses, private citizens and other local law enforcement officers for the past month in order to find volunteers to help participate in sponsoring a child, serving pizza, or to shop with the children at select participating stores. Children will each be given at least \$100 to spend on winter clothes and other much needed essential clothing.

We wish to specially thank Home Depot in Riverbank for donating fully decorated Christmas trees, Kohl's, Star Bucks and Standard Distribution/Coca Cola for their generous contributions, as well as Round Table Pizza on Claribel Road for donating food for the party.

Festivities are set to begin on Thursday December 15th, at 3 p.m. at the Riverbank Police Services substation. Members of the media are cordially invited to attend.

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