



Gulfport Police Department News Release



Subject: Gulfport Police Officers Join in for the MLK Day of Service

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Narrative

Gulfport, FL-- The plan for the MLK day of service was for the Gulfport Police officers to serve free breakfast to families who may be in need. Officer Langston sent out invitations, and registered families for the event. Unfortunately on the day of the event those registered families did not show up. As a result the Gulfport Police team had to go with their plan B.

For the MLK day of service Chief Vincent, Commander Stone, Officer Mills, Officer Langston with family, and Police Explorer TaShyra all joined together with the support of McDonalds to serve free breakfast to families with small children. Officers took orders placed by the McDonald's customers, served food trays and drinks, and interacted with customers.

Commander Stone assisted with taking orders from the drive through window. Chief Vincent served food trays to dine in customers. Officer Mills solicited customers with small children to receive the donated meals. He also played a great roll in interacting with kids by speaking to them about the equipment on his duty belt and allowed the kids to take a hands on approach by allowing them to try on his police vest. Officer Langston waited on tables by taking customer orders and serving food to them. Tyshyra, although she is a current employee at McDonalds came in on her off day and assisted with taking outside orders for the drive through.

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