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New Sheriff's Office Procedure for Response to FOID/CCL Revocations

Sheriff John Idleburg announces new proactive methods to address individuals who have their Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) Card or Concealed Carry License (CCL) revoked.

Upon receiving notification from the Illinois State Police of a person having their FOID or CCL privileges revoked, Sheriff's Detectives will be assigned to make contact with that individual. Sheriff's Detectives will take steps to recover the physical FOID/CCL Cards, and ensure firearms are no longer in possession of the person with revoked privileges. Sheriff's Detectives will be reviewing all past letters issued by the Illinois State Police dating back to 2016.

While these procedural changes won't eliminate all risks, they will help keep firearms out of the hands of those who can't legally possess them, thereby reducing the risk they are used to commit harm on others.

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "The tragedy in Aurora sent shockwaves through Chicagoland and throughout the country. Our hearts go out to the City of Aurora, the victims of the tragedy, and we are grateful for the brave police officers who risked their lives to save others. I will do everything in my power to reduce the likelihood of such a tragedy in Lake County. My administration is continually evaluating ways we can take proactive approaches ensuring our communities are kept safe; and the measures we are taking regarding FOID and CCL revocations will help us keep a handle on those who are not allowed to have access to firearms."