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MEDIA RELEASE

Sheriff's Office Suspending Participation in Nonessential External Community Events

Due to the respiratory illness COVID-19, and the recommendations from the Center for Disease Control & Prevention and Illinois Governor's Office to avoid large gatherings, the Lake County Sheriff's Office is suspending participation at all nonessential external community events until further notice.

These events consist of, but are not limited to:

- 2020 Spring Citizens Police Academy
- Sheriff's Senior Advocacy Meetings
- Countywide Senior Events
- Youth Mentoring Programs
- Character Education Programs
- Community Coalition Meetings
- Career Fairs
- Drug Takeback Events
- Special Olympic Fundraising Events
- Programming within the Lake County Jail

The purpose of this is to protect the risk of spreading the infectious COVID-19 disease.

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "The most important thing to do right now is remain calm and follow the advice of the Lake County Health Department and Center for Disease Control. Panicking will not help anyone in our community, and it will only lead to disruption. I am cancelling these nonessential events, as I want to do our part to reduce the potential spreading of COVID-19 to the community and our internal staff."

Continue following preventative measures and if you feel ill, do not go into school, work, or the community, contact your doctor. All official information regarding COVID-19 will come from trusted sources such as the CDC, Illinois

Governor's Office, or Lake County Government.

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