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Walla Walla Police Department Community Programs

Press Release

Super 1 Foods Hosts Coffee with a Cop

Coffee with a Cop offers an opportunity to meet local officers and discuss community issues over a cup of coffee!

February 9th, Friday, at Super 1 Foods located at 710 S 9th will host our Law Enforcement Officers and community members will come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relations, and drink coffee.

All community members are invited to attend. The event begins at 10:00 AM on February 9th at Super 1 Foods. Please contact Vicki Ruley at the Walla Walla Police Department with questions: 509 524-4409, email: vruley@wallawallawa.gov.

Coffee with a Cop provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in our Walla Walla neighborhoods.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies, or emotional situations. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship building with the community, and some community members may feel that officers are unapproachable on the street. Coffee with a Cop breaks down barriers and allows for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction.

We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers," said Police Chief Scott Bieber. "These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships."

Coffee with a Cop is a national initiative supported by the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Similar events are being held across the county, as local police departments strive to make lasting connections with the communities they serve.

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members one cup at a time!