

## City beefs up police patrols

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BY LOREEN BERLIN: Two Orange County Sheriff's Department officers have been reassigned to serve the City of Stanton.

They are Deputy Sheriff Motorcycle Officer Ramiro Trujillo and Deputy Sheriff Community Enforcement Officer Scott McTigue. Trujillo is a 24-year veteran of the Sheriff's Department, beginning as a patrol deputy in 1998 for Stanton.

"Because of his great work ethic, he was selected to work on the Directed Enforcement Team and was previously honored as Stanton's Deputy of the Year," said Stanton Police Services Lt. Jim England.

In 2003, Trujillo transferred back to Mission Viejo where he began a career as a Motor Deputy until he was recently transferred back to Stanton to fill the newly-funded motorcycle position.

"During his time in Mission Viejo, Deputy Trujillo became a POST Certified Traffic Reconstruction expert and joined the Department's Major Accident and Reconstruction Team (MART)," England said.

"In 2008 Deputy Trujillo began his second tour in Stanton as a motor deputy and distinguished himself in that capacity until 2012 when the motor deputy position was eliminated," England said.

Trujillo was praised by England for his wide range of experience with traffic enforcement, accident investigations and traffic safety, noting Trujillo's passion for traffic control. "We are fortunate to have him back home," England said.

The second officer is Deputy Sheriff Community Enforcement Officer Scott McTigue, who is an eight-year veteran in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving two combat tours to Iraq, before he joined the Sheriff's Department.

The new position McTigue will work in has to do with issues specific to Stanton, "Which includes, but is not limited to, the homeless population and prostitution," said England.

England further explained that McTigue will be cross-trained as the homeless liaison officer deputy and work with government agencies and private organizations to provide assistance to the homeless community.

Some of the services include reunification with family, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment and housing.

McTigue has a bachelor's degree in social sciences from Chapman University and is currently working on his master's degree in organizational leadership at Brandman University.

"Deputy McTigue has been with the OCSA for more than eight years; the last three years he has served as a patrol deputy for Stanton," said England. "He has distinguished himself with OCSA, becoming a terrorism liaison officer, drug liaison officer, a member of special and critical response teams and as a field training officer and will be working with civic and public organizations, including Stanton Collaborative, Neighborhood Enhancement Task Force and the Human Trafficking Task Force."

"The Orange County Sheriff's Department is proud to provide these services to the citizens of the city and looks forward to a continued partnership with the City of Stanton in public safety," England said.

