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On behalf of the Orange County Sheriff's Office, I would like to thank you for the generous collection of teddy bears that the Windermere Preparatory School donated to the Orange County Sheriff's Office.

The teddy bears that are donated to our agency provides our deputies an opportunity to give a child, that may have been exposed to or involved in a traumatic incident involving law enforcement intervention, something that is easily identifiable and comforting. This not only helps the deputy to gain a child's trust, but it also helps the child cope with a traumatic incident. The solacing effect that the teddy bear has on a child has proven to be an invaluable tool for our deputies responding to serious incidents that involves a child.

We also distribute the donated bears to senior citizens in nursing homes, to children who otherwise would not be receiving any gifts during the holidays and to children who are in hospitals. We try and accommodate any charity or individual that request donation as much as possible. As you can see all of your donated bears will be put to good use. Thank you again for your generous donation and support for this invaluable program.

Sincerely,

Kevin Beary
Sheriff of Orange County

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International and State Accreditation.*

