



Scott County Sheriff's Office

LUKE W. HENNEN, SHERIFF

MEDIA RELEASE

FROM: Sheriff Luke Hennen

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RE: K9 Donation

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Scott County Sheriff's Office received a \$17,000 donation toward the purchase of a new K9 Deputy on Thursday. R&D Batteries, Inc., located in Burnsville, which focuses primarily on the engineering, testing, manufacturing and distribution of replacement batteries used in medical equipment, provided the donation to the Scott County Sheriff's K9 Unit.

The donation will cover the costs to purchase and train the office's newest K9 Deputy – a two-year-old purebred Belgian Malinois named Floyd. K9 Deputy Floyd will be used for apprehension, handler protection, missing persons, narcotics, training and public demonstrations. K9 Deputy Floyd will replace K9 Deputy Bojar, who will retire on February 26th.

"We're fortunate to be part of such a supportive community," Sheriff Luke Hennen told the owners and employees of R&D Batteries, Inc., who all gathered together to meet K9 Deputy Floyd and present the donation to members of the Sheriff's Office, including the Sheriff, Sergeant Marshall Emerson and K9 handler, Deputy Nate Olson.

"We are extremely grateful for their generosity. Gracious acts like these from local businesses, organizations and individuals show law enforcement they have the community's trust, and help provide our deputies with the tools they need to succeed" Sheriff Hennen said of R&D Batteries, Inc.'s donation.

"The initial cost of a new K9 is substantial, securing a donation to fund a project like this is a fiscally responsible way to provide K9 services in our community" added Sheriff Hennen. The Sheriff's Office provides K9 assistance to the entire county – covering all cities and townships and even assisting neighboring counties.

K9 Deputy Floyd and his handler will soon undergo 12 weeks of specialized obedience training and will have continual training as they apply their new skills to real life situations.

