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## Lake County Sheriff's Office Donates Police Cruiser to Grand River Village Police Department

PAINESVILLE, Ohio, March 7, 2024— The Board of Lake County Commissioners is pleased to announce the donation of a police cruiser, a 2017 Ford Explorer, to the Grand River Village Police Department.

The police cruiser being donated is a decommissioned police cruiser which is no longer needed by the Lake County Sheriff's Office, but which is still operational.

"We are always glad to help our law enforcement partners in any way possible. Lake County is blessed with good collaboration with all police officers working hard to provide the best security possible to our residents," said Lake County Sheriff Frank Leonbruno.

"The Grand River Village Police Department serves a vital role in maintaining the safety and security of our community, and we recognize the challenges they face in providing effective law enforcement services with limited resources. By providing them with this new cruiser, we hope to enhance their ability to respond to emergencies, patrol our streets, and protect our citizens," said Commission President John T. Plecnik.

"The Grand River Police Department appreciates the assistance given to the Village of Grand River by the Lake County Commissioners and the Lake County Sheriff's Office with the donation of a decommissioned police cruiser, said Grand River Village Police Chief Paul J. Papes. "We have a good working relationship with the Sheriff's Office as they have provided aid at a time of need, it is truly appreciated. I look forward to building a stronger relationship between us. I also appreciate the support given to Grand River by the Commissioners and the Lake County Sheriff's Office."

"The Board of Lake County Commissioners is committed to supporting our law enforcement partners, and we are pleased to be able to partner with our Sheriff's Department to provide this 2017 Ford police cruiser to the Grand River Village Police Department. This donation is a testament to our ongoing dedication to ensuring the safety and security of our community," said Commissioner John R. Hamercheck.

"We are committed to giving back to our community and supporting those who work tirelessly to keep us safe. We hope that this donation will have a positive impact on the Grand River Village Police Department and the residents they serve," said Commissioner Richard J. Regovich.