

GENERAL ORDER 41.4.14

Share Bear Program

GENERAL ORDER CROSS-REFERENCE: None

SUMMARY

Establishes procedures for the share-a-bear program.

DISCUSSION

Police officers and other personnel occasionally come in contact with children or others who have been traumatized. To reduce the trauma and establish a friendly and caring relationship with the child, the share-a-bear program has been established.

POLICY

I

The crime prevention coordinator shall ensure that funds are obtained for purchase of bears. All bears shall be protected by a plastic cover and a tracking card attached.

II

Department personnel may give an individual a bear at their discretion. The tracking card must be completed and returned to the watch commander (patrol) or the Community Outreach Coordinator

III

The crime prevention coordinator, upon receiving a tracking card, shall replace the used bear and retain the tracking card.

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