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Metro Officer Makes A Difference For Family in Need

On December 1, 2007 the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department held its 3rd annual "Santa Cops" event. This event is held every year to assist local families who are in need, during the holiday season. During this years event, one Metro officer went beyond just the holiday gift giving, and made a difference that will leave a lasting impression.

LVMPD Officer Brooke Newton, a Community Oriented Policing officer, assigned to the Southeast Area Command referred a local family she met at the "Santa Cops" event for another community program that will help the family beyond the holidays.

When officer Newton arrived at the family's home to pick them up the day of "Santa Cops," she noticed the families apartment was sparsely furnished. There was only one bed, and just a few blankets. Knowing that every year a local furniture store helps families that are in need, Ofc. Newton decided to write a letter to Walker Furniture nominating the Hardy Family as a recipient of furniture.

Walker Furniture did select the Hardy Family as a recipient, and will deliver furniture to their residence today. The family's home is located at **3955 Algonquin Drive #160, today, Friday, December 21, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.**

Officer Brooke Newton will be available to talk to media representatives at the above time and location.

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