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INVESTIGATION REPORT (DPS-302-E) (REVISED 2/3/06)

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CFS NO 1200704559	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME 09:41	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME	PRIMARY OFFICER JEWISS, DANIEL E.	BADGE NO 0336	INVESTIGATING OFFICER ALLEGRO, CHRISTOPHER S.	BADGE NO 0950
INCIDENT ADDRESS 00012 Dickinson Dr/ Newtown 06482					APARTMENT NO	TOWN CD	TYPE OF EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE Not Applicable	CASE STATUS Active

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT: S.H.E.S. Student Personal Property Recovery and Return Process

ACTION TAKEN: On Monday, December 17th, 2012, this Detective was tasked by Western District Major Crime Squad (WDMCS) Supervisor, Sergeant Michael DeCesare #205, to assist him with salvaging, sorting, decontaminating, and ultimately preserving any/all personal property identified as belonging to the victims (children and adults) of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting. CSP Sergeant Eric Dency #271 and WDMCS Detective Raymond Insalaco #748 also assisted with the retrieval of items. The area(s) of concentration were 1st Grade Classrooms #8 (D'Amato) and #10 (Soto) where the majority of casualties had been sustained. Conference Room (#9), which was located directly across from Classrooms #8 and #10, was utilized to accomplish this assignment. This process lasted throughout the week and concluded on Friday, December 21st, 2012 at 1700 hours per the direct order of Western District Major Crime Squad Commanding Officer, Lieutenant David DeVecchia #034. The S.H.E.S. was released to the Town of Newtown / Board of Education / Newtown Police Department at that time.

PROPERTY RECOVERY PROCESS: The personal property recovered consisted of children's jackets, coats, hats, gloves, lunch sacks, thermoses, backpacks, and book bags. These items were gathered, cleaned, and packaged with the utmost care. Ownership of some items was easily determined, as the child's name or initials had been either handwritten on the interior collar tag or a form of personalization (i.e. name stitched by the manufacturer) was visibly present on the exterior. In the cases where ownership was not easily determined, those items were grouped together for later dissemination as they were identified.

Additional property collected consisted of the individual child's desk contents. These items were also gathered, cleaned, and packaged with the utmost care. The contents ranged from standard school supplies (i.e. pencils, pens, crayons, markers, rulers, and notebooks) to special folders that

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were uniquely decorated to reflect the child's individual personality, exclusive interests and/or extra-curricular activities they were involved in, hobbies, family members, close friends, memories, and most notably their future aspirations, all of which were captured in the form of handwritten notes and small pictures entitled hopes and dreams. The children's individual artwork that decorated the classrooms and any craft projects that were displayed were also collected. Ultimately, any items the above-noted personnel were able to salvage that may hold or possess any kind of sentimental value to the victim or their families were gathered, cleaned, and packaged to be returned.

PROPERTY PACKAGING PROCESS: Depending on the amount of each child's personal property, it was packaged into either one (1) or two (2) banker-size boxes with lids and labeled on the exterior with their name, classroom, and grade. A JD-CR-18 (Property Seized Without a Search Warrant) form was completed for each individual child's property to be utilized for tracking purposes. A general summation of the contents is listed below:

BOX ONE (1) - contained the individual child's desk contents (i.e. school supplies, notebooks, folders, reading books, projects, etc...)

BOX TWO (2) - contained the child's jacket, coat, hats, gloves, lunch box/sack, thermos, and backpack (if easily identified)

***NOTE: Each individual box's contents contained a fairly equal combination of the above-noted items, however, due to the conditions of the environment from which the items were retrieved from, not all of the contents within the boxes are exactly identical.

INITIAL PROPERTY RETURN PROCESS:

Due to the extreme compassion required during this assignment, a mutual decision was made by Sgt. DeCesare and Lieutenant Mark Sticca #070 to utilize the Family Liaison Officer (FLO), Troopers/Officers already assigned to the victims' families, to facilitate the property return process. Prior to taking possession of the property, this Detective and/or Sgt. DeCesare instructed the FLO to sign the first page of the original JD-CR-18 that accompanied the property to document its release. After doing so, the FLO would bring the property along with the "yellow" Return Compliance page of the JD-CR-18 to the victims' family's residence. The yellow page would then act as a receipt where an immediate family member or the family designee, who physically took possession of the property, would be able to sign for it. The FLO would then return the yellow page to either this Detective or Sgt. DeCesare where it would be paired with the original JD-CR-18, thus completing the property return process.

At the conclusion of this assignment, the Conference Room (#9) was left completely empty of personal property. All furniture in the room was also

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removed by assigned moving company personnel. Any packaged property that had not been returned to the victims' families as well as any property where ownership had yet to be determined, was transported to Troop A in Southbury and secured within the WDMCS-A office on 12/21/2012. This Detective did not assist any further with dissemination or coordinating the return of the remaining property.

This Detective was tasked by Sgt. DeCesare to complete a comprehensive report detailing this assignment and the return of the property. However, approximately one-month later, this Detective was advised by WDMCS-A that each individual FLO would be completing a separate Property Return report documenting his/her involvement and to forward all original JD-CR-18s to WDMCS-A.

***NOTE: Please refer to individual FLO Property Return reports for any additional details.

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