

#1 Community Policing Tool Used by Fort Lauderdale Police

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department and the Reality Check Program partner to help families and connect with the community.

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, UNITED STATES, December 23, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Fort Lauderdale Police Department to give out 10,000 Reality Check video gift cards to help young people and connect with the community.

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The Fort Lauderdale Police department and the Reality Check Program partnered to educate parents and help teens.

Helping a parent's son or daughter is the single best thing a police agency can do to gain community support. The Fort Lauderdale Police department takes the lead with educating parents and helping teens.

The FLPD purchased 10,000 Reality Check video Gift cards to give out to the community.

The Reality Check Program video gift card is the nationally recognized Reality Check Program (normally \$35) on a gift card with a specific code. The user can access the program on a computer, Ipad, Iphone or any other device.

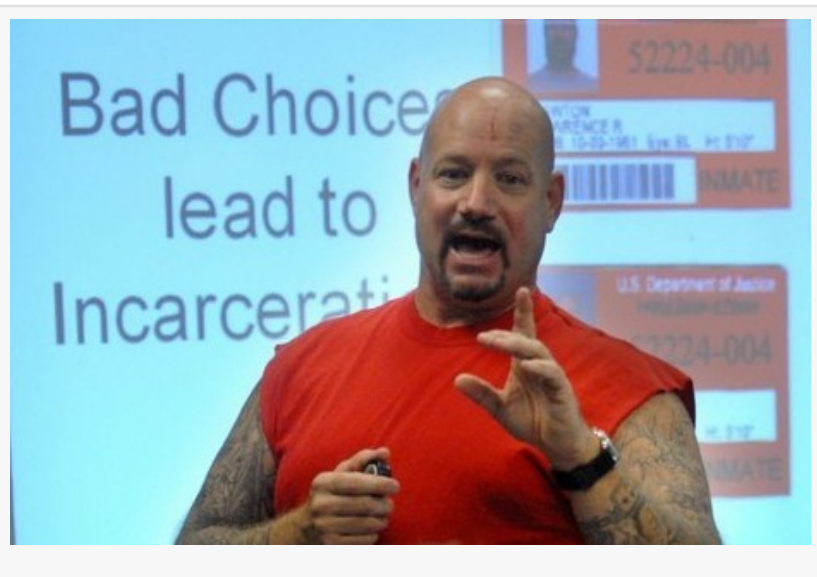
The Reality Check Program has four parts:

1. Choice Making
2. What Prison Is Really like
3. What You Will Lose
4. Avoiding And Dissolving Bad Associations.



A few ways the Reality Check video gift card works and the benefits.

1. An officer who catches a kid, say breaking an abandon house window can give the parent the RC video gift card and say, "This is compliments of the Fort Lauderdale Police department. We caught your son in a minor infraction which could lead to more serious trouble, we're here to help". After watching the video the individual might "get it" and realize that the choices he makes today can affect the rest of his life.



2. By possibly changing the way the individual thinks we save possible future victims.

3. The program fosters a great community relationship between the police and the citizens. Many communities have an "us against them" mentality. By helping citizens (i.e. parent with a wayward kid) the citizens will be more willing to help the police solve crimes. The next time a major crime happens the citizens are more inclined to get involved.

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4. Most police officers join the force to help people. Giving an officer a tool to help people and open a positive dialogue makes it possible to connect with the community in a positive way. The RC video gift card increases moral and has long term benefits for the officer.

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