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SEAL BEACH POLICE TO PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL OLYMPICS TORCH RUN

Seal Beach, CA – The Seal Beach Police Department will be participating in the 36th annual Torch Run for Special Olympics Southern California on Friday, June 10, 2022.

For 36 years, the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Southern California has been the largest public awareness vehicle and grassroots fundraiser with more than 3,500 officers in Southern California championing acceptance and inclusion. The Law Enforcement Torch Run is represented in all 50 U.S. states, Canadian provinces and 46 nations with 97,000 officers around the world, raising more than half a billion dollars since its inception in 1981. The Law Enforcement Torch Run in Southern California is one of the leading programs in the world, raising \$1.54 million in 2019 with participants representing 200 law enforcement agencies.

Special Olympics Southern California enriches the lives of tens of thousands of athletes and their communities through sports, leadership programs, and athlete health. Our free, year-round programs lead to improved health, self-confidence, and independence among athletes with intellectual disabilities and acceptance and inclusion in the community. Special Olympics Southern California has earned a four-star ranking from Charity Navigator for exceeding industry standards. This ranking is the highest Charity Navigator offers to an organization and is given because Special Olympics has demonstrated strong financial health and a commitment to accountability and transparency. Learn more at www.sosc.org.

Law enforcement officials will carry the Flame of Hope through 11 counties and 150 Southern California communities. They'll travel nearly 1,000 miles on streets and highways, through deserts and water, and over mountains.

On Friday, June 10, 2022, the Seal Beach Police Department will carry the torch through the streets of Seal Beach before passing it on to a neighboring law enforcement agency. The torch is expected to run through Seal Beach at about 3:00pm.

For more information about how the Seal Beach Police Department helps to support those in the community, follow us on social media @sealbeachpolice.

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