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## \*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\*

## Seal Beach Police Participate in "Movember" Charity Drive

Seal Beach, CA. –Seal Beach Police Officers gave up their clean-shaven appearance in support of men's health during the month of November. After making a donation, Officers could participate in the no-shave "Movember" charity drive, by growing a moustache, goatee or beard. The initiative was so well received, that it was decided to extend the drive for another month through December. Additional funds were donated to the family of Cypress Police Officer Matt Ward. Ward died last year in an auto accident, leaving a wife and two sons. Over \$1200 was raised for the Movember Foundation.

The Movember Foundation is dedicated to the cause of better health for men. From the Movember website;

The state of men's health is in crisis. Men experience worse longer-term health than women and die on average six years earlier. Prostate cancer rates will double in the next 15 years. Testicular cancer rates have already doubled in the last 50. Three quarters of suicides are men. Poor mental health leads to half a million men taking their own life every year. The Movember Foundation is uniquely placed to address the crisis at a global level. We're funding ground-breaking programs all over the world, engaging with men where they are, to understand what works best, to help make change happen sooner.

For more information about the Movember Foundation go to:

https://us.movember.com/about/cause