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The State of North Carolina – MRAP to the Rescue

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The Harnett County Sheriff's Office used its MRAP vehicle to rescue 50 people from flooded homes at Kenlan Farms in the Linden area. "It was the only vehicle in the county that could get down there," Sheriff Wayne Coats said. The vehicle was acquired from a military surplus program. — Photo/Harnett County Sheriff's Office
Section I – MRAP
The State of Florida
(Mine Resistant Ambush Protected/Armored Personnel) carrier brought in a heart-attack patient during Hurricane Matthew

https://www.facebook.com/VolusiaSheriff/videos/1214355428603657/
Section I – MRAP
The State of New York
Recently received MRAP with Fresh Paint job

Suffolk County Sheriff 2YTLJZ Riverhead, New York, sent us images of their newly repainted MRAP, designed to match their patrol cars.

Bill Holt
1033 Program, State Point of Contact
Section I – MRAP
The State of California

BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICIALS ASSIST YUBA COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE IN THE ARREST OF ATTEMPTED HOMICIDE SUSPECTS

Monday, October 10, 2016/Categories: Press Release

Oroville, Ca--On 10/5/16 the Butte County Sheriff's Office was contacted by Yuba County Sheriff's Office Officials who were investigating an attempted murder, and had reason to believe that the two suspects involved in that case were at a residence in Palermo, in Butte County. BCSO detectives received information confirming that the suspects were at that location.

Yuba County detectives obtained a search warrant for the residence and an arrest warrant for William Allen Hibbens, 46, charging attempted murder, assault with a deadly weapon and terrorist threats. The second subject was identified as Jessica Prater, 39, who was wanted on the same charges.

The subjects were believed to be armed with a firearm. BCSO SWAT team and crisis negotiators were called in to assist with the arrest and search of the residence. Initial contact was met with no response by the subjects inside. A phone was delivered into the residence in an effort to make contact with the subjects inside. After several hours of attempting contact with the suspects, the SWAT team inserted non-lethal chemical agents in the residence and a distraction device in an effort to get the subjects to come out. Within minutes of utilizing that tactic, the subjects came out and were taken into custody without injury to them or any Sheriff's personnel on scene.

The investigation is continuing, and anyone with information is urged to contact the Yuba County Sheriff's Office.

The MRAP, renamed the “Sheriff's Rescue Vehicle” was utilized during this incident to provide a safe forward staging area for hostage negotiators.
Hi Alice,

I wanted to share a success story using our MRAP last night on two barricaded subjects inside an apartment. The U.S. Marshal's Office along with our agency tracked two wanted fugitives to an apartment complex located in the City of Montrose. Both fugitives, wanted on several no bond felony warrants, barricaded themselves inside an apartment within the complex. The Montrose Police Department SWAT Team used our MRAP to move our team to the front of the complex to negotiate a surrender with the fugitives, however we gained no immediate no response. Eventually our team deployed gas rounds into the apartment from the safety of the MRAP. After a nine hour standoff and with the use of a BearCat from the Mesa County Sheriff's Office in coordination with our teams efforts the fugitives surrendered with no one being injured.

The MRAP is the most valuable piece of equipment available to the Montrose Police Department second only to our officers. The MRAP keeps them safe and allows them to successfully do their jobs to minimize loss of life and injury to all individuals involved in these critical situations. We are thankful we have access to this valuable piece of equipment which our city could not afford otherwise. It saves lives.

Just wanted to say thanks.

Lieutenant Blaine Hall
Montrose Police Department
Section I – MRAP

The State of Texas – MRAPS helping communities

Blue Santa delivers Christmas wishes

Blue Santa has been hard at work fulfilling the Christmas dreams of San Marcos youngsters. In photo above left, Erin Chavelli, along with Leroy, Lachlan and Autumn Castello, load gifts into the SMPD's experimental “Blueco” vehicle for delivery above right. Sgt. First Sergeant gives a hug from Roy Zoran after he presented the toy a pedal car the family won in a Blue Santa drawing. At right, SMPD members and volunteers assemble before beginning to deliver gifts.

DAILY RECORD PHOTOS BY DENISE CATHEY
Section IV – Misc. Items

The State of California – MAMBA dispatched to gun battle

The Covina (CA) PD acquired a MAMBA armored vehicle manufactured in South Africa through the Federal Surplus DOD program. The vehicle was UN blue in color and needed a lot of work. Through the use of asset forfeiture money and the support of several local businesses, the vehicle was painted, had bumpers and skids installed and new interior and emergency equipment added. Along the way, a color/thermal Pan Tilt Zoom camera, new driver and front passenger seats, Go Lites, and an LRAD 300 were acquired through the program and added to the vehicle. Once operational, the engine failed while deploying to serve a high risk warrant. A replacement engine was located through the 1033 program and once again the vehicle became operational.

On November 8, 2016, officers from the neighboring city of Azusa, CA requested emergency assistance when three of their officers were involved in a gun battle with a suspect armed with an AR-15 type rifle and were pinned down. Covina officers responded with the MAMBA and were directed to rescue the officers. The officers were safely removed from danger and the MAMBA was positioned in front of the suspect’s location where Covina PD SWAT officers used it as cover while assisting Azusa PD SWAT resolve the incident. This vehicle proved crucial during this incident and its immediate availability ensured it was available during this critical incident.
Section II – HMMWV
The State of New Jersey
Autism for "Trunk or Treat“

On October 31st Sgt. Mike Delucia and Officer Ryan Daly of this agency took the initiative with a military HWMMV to the Shore Center for Students with Autism for "Trunk or Treat". The parking lot was filled with parents and educators to welcome and hand out treats.

Kids and parents loved it!!

Hope all is well. Still going strong!!!

Captain David Scrivanic
Tinton Falls Police
Section II – HMMWV
The State of Kentucky – Supporting their Mission

The Monticello PD would like to relay their appreciation for all that you and the staff at LESO does to help Law Enforcement with their mission.

Corey W. Stratton
P.O.C. Kentucky LESO 1033 Program
Section III – Aircraft’s
The State of West Virginia – Providing Service around the State

Aviation’s Helicopter Provides Police Services Around the State

After months of restoration, a refurbished Bell 206 JetRanger helicopter returned to the West Virginia Aviation Hangar in August. The helicopter was acquired by the West Virginia State Police (WVSP) through the 1033 Program, which stipulates that retired military surplus equipment be made available for law enforcement.

While the helicopter will primarily serve as a backup for the main state police Bell 407 helicopter, it is equipped to allow quick transfer of the 407’s infrared camera and search light for night time use and tracking. From May through October, the helicopter will be flown approximately four times per week to serve in the marijuana eradication initiative, that is for an approximate total of 300 hours for the season. The Bell JetRanger may also be used for taking crime scene photos, tracking fleeing suspects, and for search and rescue missions, such as those performed during the June floods. To read more on this flood rescue, visit the August issue of Quotes, Notes, and Anecdotes.

Over the past decade, WVSP’s use of state helicopters for marijuana eradication alone (federally funded program) has contributed, through their hourly rates, more than $1,000,000 to the Aviation Division’s special revenue account. Funds for the helicopter refurbishment were appropriated from this account.

“We’re like insurance. You never know when you might need us,” explains F/Sgt. Shawn Colbert, director of aviation for the State Police. Colbert estimates the State Police Aviation unit responds to an average of 110 services calls per year.

In addition to this helicopter, the State Police acquired a second helicopter that will also need to be restored, as well as an aircraft tug, through the 1033 Program. Colbert hopes they will also be able to acquire helmets through this program as well. While the 1033 Program is specifically for law enforcement, state agencies can also acquire federal surplus property. To learn more, see Section 4.2 of the Surplus Property Operations Manual at www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/surplus/surplus_operations_manual.pdf.

Though this State Police helicopter must be used for their official business, Aviation does have several aircraft available for use by other state agencies. For example, the Department of Environmental Protection uses aviation helicopters to check on mine sites around the state, while many governors and state officials have used Aviation’s planes to quickly complete their travel for official state business. All aircraft are meticulously maintained while the state aviation pilots complete monthly training.

“West Virginia acquired its first aircraft back in 1929,” shares Aviation Director Charles “Chip” McDowell. “We have evolved and grown over the last eight decades to meet the needs of state government.”

To learn more about the Aviation Division and its aircraft, visit www.aviation.wv.gov.
Section III – Aircraft’s
The State of California
"Duke 6" conducted a search for a lost 16 year old hiker suffering from heat exhaustion and dehydration.

On September 24, 2016, at about 12:30 p.m., Orange County Sheriff’s Rescue Helicopter "Duke 6" conducted a search for a lost 16 year old hiker suffering from heat exhaustion and dehydration. Duke 6 located the hiker on Badger Trail about 3 miles north of Casper’s Park and inserted Sheriff Paramedics to treat the hiker. Due to the hiker’s need for immediate medical attention, the hiker was transported by Duke 6 to Mission Hospital. The hiker avoided heat stroke and other more serious injuries due to the quick response from the Sheriff’s Department Paramedics.

Bill Henninge
Sheriff's Special Officer II
Orange County Sheriff's Dept.
Section III – Aircraft’s
The State of Michigan
The last of the Army Hueys fly off to active retirement

Section III – Aircraft’s
The State of New York – Finding lost hikers

DEC Forest Rangers Find Hikers Lost in the High Peaks

Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of Maine - Thanks

I have attached a couple of photos for you, the case we got last week are working great in the unmarked 2015 Fords. Thanks again for you help.

Deputy Joe Schnupp
Community Relation Officer
Cumberland County Sheriff’s Office
Section IV – Misc. Items

The State of Kentucky - Robot used on a callout

We were recently able to put one of our 1033 robots to use on a callout. The Franklin Co. Sheriff's Office had a warrant service on Friday October 28, 2016, in which a male subject barricaded himself in his residence. He was armed with at least one high powered rifle, and stated to have another.

The Georgetown/Scott County SRT got a request for assistance, to which we responded sending negotiators, entry team members and -of course- our iRobot XM1216 SUGV, Johnny 5.

While deputies of the FCSO were on scene, a muffled pop noise was heard from within the residence. It was thought that the suspect had shot himself. However, the team could not confirm with certainty since he was not visible after a pole camera and then a throw phone were used to attempt to locate/communicate.

It was decided to deploy Johnny 5 prior to making entry. The robot was deployed and in only minutes the operator located the suspect lying on the floor with a rifle nearby. After a moment's observation, the subject was confirmed as unresponsive and likely deceased.

The robot performed perfectly from what I am told. The callout was able to be concluded with a far higher degree of safety using the SUGV because it provided the team with intel they would not otherwise been able to obtain.

Just thought you might like to know that the hardware you work to make available to us is being put to good use.

Best regards,

Lt. Phil Halley
Georgetown Police Department
Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of New Jersey – Transformation of Aircraft Ground Equipment

Good, hard work by one of our many supportive LEAs.

V/r

Lt. Robert Aponte #5025
NJSP-Emergency Management Section

Wow, very nice! Glad they were able to transform this aircraft ground equipment vehicle into a traffic vehicle. I am amazed some times when I see what LEA's can do with the equipment available! Good work by all!! Thanks for sharing.

Dan Arnold
Team Lead, Eastern U.S.
Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of Michigan – “Hopefully we never need any of this”

Linda,

This is how we are using the packs. Basically, half of our law enforcement vehicles will get the backpack – used to carry a folding rescue litter, plus bandages, packing gauze, tourniquets and a space blanket (hypothermia is a huge risk for shooting victims even if the air temperature is warm). The other half will get the small shoulder bag with the same contents as the pack minus the folding litter. The bags are dual use for active shooter or for medical support at search/arrest warrants.

Kaiserslautern helped us make this project possible with the bags and the tourniquets. Hopefully we never need any of this, but as each inspector or Postal Police Officer arrives at a scene, more medical/rescue gear comes with him/her.

Happy Holidays to you and your co-workers. Stay safe,

Thank you,

Karl