

# Sheriff



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## **OCSO AWARDED OPERATION STONEGARDEN FUNDING**

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is one of eight Florida counties awarded federal grant funds under "Operation Stonegarden (OPSG)", associated with the nation's Homeland Security Grant Program.

The OCSO will receive \$177,780 as part of the OPSG effort to enhance law enforcement preparedness and operational readiness along U.S. land borders and international waters.

Those receiving funds in Florida include:

Okaloosa	\$177,780
Palm Beach	\$120,985
Broward	\$119,966
Lee	\$117,559
Miami-Dade	\$115,645
Martin	\$110,325
Monroe	\$96,707
Pinellas	\$96,010

The OCSO grant will be used to cover overtime and fuel costs to assist U.S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP) with smuggling interdiction. It is the OCSO's second award of this grant, and an increase of more than \$22,000.

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The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is accredited by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

"The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office provides equal access and equal opportunity in employment and services and does not discriminate"