

To: Mike Willis
United States Deputy Sheriff's Association

From: Deputy Chief Anthony Escalante
Auburn (Kansas) Police Department

On behalf of the Auburn Police Department I would like to thank you for the generosity of your organization. The USDSA donated three rifle plate carriers and four drug testing kits to our department. The donations will help our increase officer safety and allow a safer response for our community.

We now have a set of rifle plates with every patrol vehicle. Our city sits on the outer edges of our county. Our backing officers may be a good distance away and response time may not be quick even when driving emergent. Rifle plates may make the difference between life and death. It is that simple.

The drug testing kits are an important donation as well. Every community, ours included, is battling the impact illegal drugs has in its neighborhoods. Having the ability to field test suspected illegal substances will certainly play a positive part in our efforts to curtail the illicit possession and sale of illegal drugs.

APD very much appreciates what your organization is doing to help departments.
Thank you very much for our entire department.

Sincerely,
Deputy Chief Anthony Escalante
Auburn Police Department