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Sheriff's Office & Reidsville Police Department Make Donations to Rockingham County CrimeStoppers

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[Wentworth, N.C.]— Rockingham County Sheriff Sam Page and Reidsville Police Chief Robert Hassell were among those in attendance at the monthly CrimeStoppers Board Meeting earlier this week to present the Board with a check from their respective agencies. *"CrimeStoppers helps all of us in law enforcement here in the county",* said Chief Robert Hassell. *"It's a very effective tool that helps us solve a lot of crimes and helps us identify criminals and get them off our streets".*

CrimeStoppers is a program in which members of the community, media, law enforcement agencies, and business work together to solve crimes. Citizens are encouraged, via cash rewards and a promise of anonymity, to provide information leading to the arrest or indictment of criminals. How does it work? Citizens are encouraged to call CrimeStoppers with any information pertaining to unsolved crimes. Each informant is given a code number so that confidentiality and anonymity are ensured. Rewards of up to \$1000 for information leading to the arrest of a criminal provide incentive to otherwise reluctant participants. CrimeStoppers is a 501c(3) non-profit organization made up of community members who volunteer their time and talent to the program.

"I am thankful to the members of the CrimeStoppers Board for the time and effort they put into the program", said Sheriff Sam Page. *"The rewards given out by the program are all donation and fundraiser based, so they work hard to keep it going. The program is of great benefit to us and the community. We receive a lot of tips from anonymous callers, some wanting to do their part to help solve crimes and hold those responsible accountable; others interested in receiving some reward money. All the tipsters remain anonymous and routinely aid our investigators with information that helps them solve crimes and get drugs off the streets."*

Anyone wishing to provide information about a crime or that wants to give a tip to our CrimeStoppers hotline may do so by calling 336-349-9683.



Dr. Anne Wade, CrimeStoppers Board President receives donations from Chief Robert Hassell and Sheriff Sam Page; Picture of Page, Hassell and the CrimeStoppers Board members present for the meeting on June 21, 2017.

