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COUNTY UTILIZES CORRECTIONAL FACILITY INMATES TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT & NON PROFITS WITH CLEANUP THIS SPRING AND SUMMER

(SALEM, NJ) – Freeholder Deputy Director David Lindenmuth, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, and Sheriff Charles Miller today announced that this summer the Correctional Facility inmates will assist the Humane Society and any other local government or non organization with trash pick-up, painting etc. This program is called the "Inmate Work Detail" which started last fall to pick up trash along our county roads.

"We have teamed up with the Salem County Utilities Authority to be active in their Clean Communities Grant. The grant provides the inmates with gloves, bags, litter sticks, etc. The grant also pays for the disposal of the trash collected," said Deputy Director Lindenmuth. "The Sheriff and the Freeholders are always exploring new ways to save tax payers money through innovation and cooperation."

To date, the inmates participating in the program have collected more than 3,000 pounds of trash from around the county including the Salem County Utilities Authority, Salem County Fair, Office of Emergency Management, St. John's Church in Salem, Septemberfest, and the Alloway Halloween Parade.

"By utilizing the inmates we are able to accomplish two primary objectives and that is reforming behavior through community service and saving municipalities and non-profits money," said Sheriff Charles Miller. "The Freeholders have been very supportive of these new reforms and we will continue to explore other areas to save people money and have these inmates give back to the County."

For more information contact Undersheriff Anthony J. Wright or Warden Ray Skradzinski at the Correctional Facility at 769-4300.

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