



BLAND COUNTY

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TO: United States Deputy Sheriff's Association
FROM: Sheriff Thomas J. Roseberry, II *JTR*
SUBJECT: Appreciation for USDSA and Staff

I want to thank the USDSA and staff for assisting our sheriff's office by providing ten belt trauma packs, ten traffic safety vest and two bullet proof vests.

Bland County has a population of 6,824 citizens with a coverage area of 365 miles; mostly rural countryside. Interstate 77 runs through our county and we have two mountain tunnels located on I-77 in our county.

The operational budget at the sheriff's office is limited, to say the least; mostly operating on a "shoe-string budget". Our sheriff's office consists of ten sworn positions. This includes the sheriff, chief deputy, investigator and seven patrol deputies. Other staff consists of a director of administration, two part-time animal control officers, five dispatchers, two volunteer chaplains, and one general volunteer worker.

Some of our deputies are wearing uniforms donated by other sheriff's office's. So you see, the equipment you supplied is not only greatly appreciate but much needed! All of the provided equipment will make it much more safe for my deputies to work on the interstate and in our county.