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## **PRESS RELEASE**

On Monday, August 21, 2023, The Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office will be launching our new Firearms Relinquishment Program. The program will be available at our Headquarters Office, South County Substation, and West Valley Division Office.

The Sheriff's Office is dedicated to the safety of our community. This program is a way for the Sheriff's Office to collect unwanted firearms from our community and prevent the firearms from going into unwanted hands.

A Visa Gift Card in the amount of \$50.00 will be issued for each firearm relinquishment. A maximum of (5) gift cards will be issued per person. The gift cards will be issued on a first come first serve basis until the funds are exhausted.

Firearms can be relinquished 24/7, but if a member of the community wants to participate in the Firearms Relinquishment Program and get compensated, they must visit our West Valley Division Office or the South County Substation during normal business hours or our Headquarters Office will operate the program 24/7.

If any member of the public wishes to relinquish firearms anonymously, they can do so without any questions asked.

The Sheriff's Office will not sell firearms that have been voluntarily and permanently surrendered. All firearms and ammunition will be stored until enough have accumulated to send out for destruction. Prior to any destruction, all firearms will be checked to see if they have been reported stolen.

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