

PALM BEACH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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District 8 / Wellington

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To: Wellington Public Safety Committee

I would like to nominate Deputy Ricardo Cordero for Wellington Top Cop. Deputy Cordero has been with PBSO since 2005 and assigned here in Wellington for the past 12 years.

Deputy Cordero is currently assigned to the Traffic Unit working dayshift. He diligently does traffic enforcement, works vehicle crashes, helps in school zones, and assists Road Patrol as needed. He is fluent in Spanish and is frequently called to translate.

Traffic enforcement has always been a priority as it can reduce crashes. Deputy Cordero had the following excellent stats for June 2018 to May 2019: 1,545 Traffic stops, 200 crash reports, and 253 citations. To measure consistency, I found the following stats for June 2017 to May 2018: 1,525 Traffic stops, 224, crash reports, and 240 citations.

Traffic enforcement can create an adversarial encounter with law enforcement, especially when a citation is issued. In looking back at two years of stats, I also looked at complaints and found none¹. In addition for this time-period, Deputy Cordero has not missed court or had any late reports or paperwork. This is impressive and exceptional.

I believe that the consistent efforts of Deputy Cordero made an impact and helped keep the roads of Wellington safer, without generating complaints. I would like to nominate him for Wellington Top Cop and if you need any further information please contact me.

Respectfully,

Lt. Eli Shaivitz
Executive Officer
District 8 – Wellington

1. A complaint did come into PBSO about a deputy using an "emergency only" access road. This was Deputy Cordero responding to a vehicle crash so the complaint was unfounded.