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Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Launches Third Annual Summer Camp

(CHARLOTTE, NC) – The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) is set to launch its third annual Excelling Scholars Conquering Achievements Pass Expectations (ESCAPE) Summer Camp on Monday, June 16 at 8:30 am. MCSO will welcome nearly 50 kids to a free, one-of-a-kind summer experience that runs through August 7.

Funded primarily through community donations, the ESCAPE Summer Camp is a model of what is possible when a community comes together to invest in its young people. With limited use of taxpayer dollars, MCSO leverages internal staff and donated resources to create this amazing program.

The ESCAPE Summer Camp offers underprivileged youth a chance to explore the outdoors, learn valuable life skills, take part in meaningful field trips, and build lasting friendships. Many of the campers have been mentored by MCSO's Community Engagement Team throughout the school year, and the camp allows those relationships to continue over the summer.

Located at the former juvenile detention center, the camp has repurposed the space into a vibrant environment where learning and fun happen daily. Deputies and detention officers serve as camp counselors, using their personal hobbies and talents to shape the camp's curriculum.

MCSO believes in leading with presence and purpose. This program reflects the agency's commitment to changing the narrative around law enforcement engagement.

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