



FLOYD COUNTY, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

Tim Burkhalter
Sheriff

Tom Caldwell, IV
Chief Deputy

Press Release
March 10, 2011

Sheriff Burkhalter is announcing today the release of The Floyd County Sheriff's Office 2010 Annual Report. "I am pleased to report that we met some pretty serious budget constraints head on and were still able to maintain our level of services to our citizens" said Sheriff Burkhalter. The budget is presented by Sheriff Burkhalter and made available to the citizens in an effort to be open and transparent about sheriff's office operations. It can be viewed and downloaded from www.floydcountysheriff.org

The FY 2010 Budget was the third straight year in which the sheriff's office was forced to operate by making serious compromises in staffing with ten (10) frozen positions. "Obviously, the challenges for us then, and now in 2011, are to operate at the same professional level and with basically the same budget every year but with significant increases in our operating costs. Gas, utilities, supplies, repairs, equipment and inmate food costs have all gone up" added Chief Deputy Tom Caldwell.

Despite all the challenges of falling revenues, the sheriff's office returned just over \$77,000 of its allotments and that savings was returned to the county general fund. In the last three fiscal years (2009, 2010, 2011) The Floyd County Sheriff's Office has and is continuing to voluntarily vacate and freeze more staff positions than any department in Floyd County Government.

"We are trying to do as much, with less, as we possibly can while at the same time realizing services will eventually be effected if the budget picture does not improve" added Chief Caldwell.

Any questions can be directed to Chief Deputy Tom Caldwell (706) 252-4698.

2526 NEW CALHOUN HWY. ROME, GEORGIA 30161 *PHONE: (706) 291-4111 * FAX: (706) 236-2473

"THE FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,  POSITIVE IN OUR COMMUNITY"