Get to Know BSO
History

- Established in 1915 to serve unincorporated areas
- County population of 5,000
- Serving “traditional” roles
  - Law Enforcement
  - County Jail
  - Civil Service & Court Security
Broward County Today

• 15th most populous county in the U.S.
• More people than 16 U.S. states
• In the 1990s, Broward accounted for 10% of Florida’s growth
• By 2020, our population is expected to be double our 1990 population
As South Florida has grown, BSO has expanded into a full service, public safety agency.

- Law Enforcement
- Detention
- Community Control
- Fire Rescue
BSO Today

- Patrol 1/3 of the Broward population of 1.8 million
- Dispatch for over ½ of the Broward population
- Patrol 2/3 of the Broward land mass
- Assist area agencies to provide regionalized support services
Sheriff Scott J. Israel

- 30-year veteran of law enforcement.
- Sheriff Scott J. Israel has continually advanced into positions of increased responsibility as a law enforcement leader. He spent the first 25 years of his career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department. During his tenure with Fort Lauderdale, Sheriff Israel was assigned to the Community Policing Division, the Operations Bureau and the Special Investigations Division. As a member of those Divisions, he constantly demonstrated a unique ability to develop and maintain cooperative working relationships with various community groups and individuals. Sheriff Israel retired from the Fort Lauderdale Police Department as the S.W.A.T. Commander with the rank of Captain after being selected to become the Chief of Police for the City of North Bay Village.

As the Chief of Police of North Bay Village, he continued to foster strategic partnerships with the community to enhance the safety and well-being of the citizens.
Community Programs

Partnerships with civilian volunteers help prevent crime and educate residents about keeping themselves and their families safe.

Programs include:

- Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue Explorer Program
- Sheriff’s Posse
- Citizen Observer Patrol (COP)
- Broward Citizen’s Academy
- Senior Citizen’s Academy
- Civilian Volunteer Program
- TRIAD
On the Web

www.sheriff.org

- Learn about BSO and its community programs
- Request records
- Search civil processes
- View available BSO jobs and apply online
- Read News from BSO
- View BSO’s Most Wanted
- Link to State Sexual Predator search
- Read important safety tips and bulletins
- Search arrest database
- CyberVisor
- And more
City of Oakland Park

Originally established as the City of Floranada in the mid-1920's, the city was reorganized and reincorporated as Oakland Park in 1929 when the population totaled 500. Approximately 8.04 square miles, Oakland Park is located immediately west of US-1 and extends south to the north fork of the Middle River and borders Cypress Creek Road to the north. Western boundaries extend to NW 31 Avenue in the farthest western section.

The district has an annual operating budget of approximately $13 million and provides for 98 positions of whom 88 are sworn, including a district chief, two lieutenants, eight sergeants, 77 deputies and administrative personnel.
Oakland Park District

- 42,300 residents
- 8.04 sq. miles
- 14 patrol zones
Oakland Park District

2012 Statistical Information

- Reported Crimes – 2,594
- Calls for Service – 40,850
- Arrests – 2,026
- Citations – 5,983
- District Staff – 98
  - Chief
  - Lieutenant’s – 2
  - Sergeant’s – 8
  - Deputy’s – 77
  - Civilian Staff – 10
Oakland Park District

District Core Services

• Patrol Services
• Traffic Enforcement
• Drivers License Check Point
• D.U.I. Check Point
• Crime Scene Processing
• Truants
• Street Gangs – Juveniles
• School Resource Officers
  • Northeast High School
  • Rickards Middle School
• Community Relations
  • Residential & Business Security Surveys
  • T.R.I.A.D.
  • Bicycle Safety and Rodeo
  • Citizen Observer Patrol
  • Stranger Danger
• Safety Programs
Oakland Park District

Juvenile Diversion Programs

• School Resource Deputy
  • Northeast High School
  • Rickard’s Middle School

• Explorer Post
  Exploring provides the law enforcement community an opportunity to further an investment in its own future through relationships with fit and capable young adults. Exploring can further each member’s education, encourage participation in a rewarding and productive service activity, and enhance preparation for future roles as citizens and community members.

• Habitual Offender Tracking
  A Juvenile Diversion, Guidance, and Enforcement Program called Habitual Offender Program (HOT). Deputies have made positive headway and results with the juveniles, community and Court system. A positive rapport is established with the assigned youths and parents through face to face sessions. The deputies have been instrumental in assisting the youths with seeking employment and assisting youths with college readiness to include, completing Federal grant applications and completing colleges of interest applications.

• Civil Citation – Alternative to Arrest
  The program will enhance civil citation opportunities as provided by F.S. 985.12. This statute was established to provide an efficient and innovative alternative to custody for juveniles who commit non-serious delinquent acts and to ensure swift and appropriate consequences. The program uses a restorative justice framework to respond to crime, the focus of which is on accountability, competency development and community safety.
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## The Proof is in the Pudding

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State’s Crime Rate Lowest in 42 years

Florida’s Index Crime Rate 1971 - 2012

2012
Down 6.5%

Lowest Crime Rate in 42 Years
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Broward, Palm Beach County crime rates also decrease in 2012
Florida crime rate hits a 42 year low and Broward and Palm Beach counties…
(FDLE, courtesy )

May 16, 2013|By Wayne K. Roustan, Sun Sentinel

Crime statewide reached its lowest rate in 42 years, with Broward and Palm Beach counties following the downward trend, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement reported Thursday.

Broward's overall crime rate dropped by nearly 4 percent in 2012 compared with 2011, and Palm Beach County's rate was down by more than 3 percent during the same period, according to the agency's annual statistics.
State’s Crime Rate Lowest in 42 years

- Media – 24 hour news
- Social Media – world scope no more local news
- Email – the dreaded email blast
- Transparency – availability of data
- Corporate marketing – Fear sells
- What can we do????