Caddo Parish Sheriffs Office Awarded Litter Enforcement Surveillance Camera Grant by Keep Louisiana Beautiful

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Shreveport, LA—Keep Louisiana Beautiful (KLB), the state's leading organization dedicated to combating litter and enhancing community environments, has awarded the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office a Litter Enforcement Surveillance Camera Grant. This grant will support the Sheriff's efforts to enforce laws against illegal littering and dumping.

Sheriff Henry Whitehorn Sr. announced today that KLB has granted \$10,000 to assist in developing and implementing a surveillance camera program aimed at identifying violators and increasing litter citations. "This grant award signifies a strong partnership with KLB, enabling us to purchase cameras, monitoring software, and other essential equipment to enhance our litter enforcement programs," Sheriff Whitehorn stated.

The grant is part of an initiative funded by the State of Louisiana and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, which has distributed a total of \$94,700 in Litter Enforcement Surveillance Camera Grants across eight parishes. These grants have been awarded to public entities that possess the authority to enforce litter and illegal dumping laws within their jurisdictions. "We are building partnerships with all enforcement agencies and prosecutors to strengthen litter enforcement," said Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser. "Sixty-eight percent of Louisianians surveyed expressed a desire for more litter enforcement. We are committed to addressing this issue in our state."

Sheriff Whitehorn further explained, "The Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office will strategically place the cameras in known dumping sites throughout the Parish."

Susan Russell, KLB's Executive Director, emphasized that the Litter Enforcement Surveillance Camera Grant aims to establish new litter camera programs and enhance existing ones through funding and education on equipment selection, setup, operation, and tracking. "Enforcement of litter laws is vital for effectively addressing Louisiana's litter problem. Severe littering negatively impacts many communities. This program will support law enforcement agencies in their investigations and help issue citations to offenders," Russell stated.

Keep Louisiana Beautiful (KLB) operates as a state program under the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism. It promotes personal, corporate, and community responsibility for a cleaner and more beautiful Louisiana. KLB offers local communities various programs and resources focused on litter education, prevention, removal, enforcement, beautification, recycling, waste reduction, and sustainability initiatives. KLB is affiliated with the national organization Keep America Beautiful and is backed by a robust statewide network of Community and University Affiliates. To learn more, visit KeepLouisianaBeautiful.org.

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