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Inmate Road Crews Handling Spring Freeway Clean-up



Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. sent out the inmate road crews to begin the spring clean-up of trash along Milwaukee county freeways. A crew of 6 – 8 inmates with Huber work-release status and supervised by a weapons officer and a K9 team will work weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., April 2 through October 1. The inmates wear reflective safety vests and electronic monitoring bracelets as a security measure.

“Using inmate labor allows inmates to perform a community service while serving their sentence and benefits the taxpayer by reducing the state and local highway clean-up costs,” said Sheriff Clarke. “Only inmates who have no violent history and don’t pose an unreasonable flight risk are considered for this detail. Security in place, as shown in the photo, adequately monitors them. I’ve yet to see a man who could outrun our K9s.”

The program is a partnership with the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW). Inmates leave bags with trash they have collected alongside the freeway, and DTPW trucks handle pickup and disposal of the bags.

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