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## **\*\*MEDIA RELEASE\*\***

### **Blue Envelope Kick-Off 06/04/2025**

On June 3, 2025, the Fort Bragg Police Department, in partnership with the Redwood Coast Regional Center, Parents & Friends Inc., and Art Explorers, kicked off the Blue Envelope Program with lunch at Bainbridge Park.

The Blue Envelope Program is designed to enhance communication between law enforcement and individuals with developmental or mental health disorders. Participants carry Blue Envelope items, such as wristbands or seatbelt covers in their cars, that identify themselves as someone with a communication difficulty, alerting officers the person they are interacting with may require unique communication techniques. It is a nationwide initiative, implemented by dozens of law enforcement and non-profit agencies.

At the kick-off event, participants were invited to select Blue Envelope items including wristbands, stickers, keychains, and seatbelt covers. Attendees also participated in mock traffic stops with officers to decrease apprehension and better understand what happens.

The Fort Bragg Police Department wants to extend our gratitude to the Fort Bragg Rotary Club for fully funding the Blue Envelope program and purchasing all the associated items.

Residents may request Blue Envelope items by contacting Redwood Coast Regional Center, Parents & Friends Inc., Art Explorers, or by visiting the Fort Bragg Police Department.

This information is being released by Chief Neil Cervenka. All media inquiries should contact him at [ncervenka@fortbragg.com](mailto:ncervenka@fortbragg.com).

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