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KANKAKEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RELEASES FREE MOBILE APP TO PUBLIC

March 26, 2020- Kankakee, IL- Sheriff Mike Downey announces the release of a new mobile app, which is available as a free download from the iPhone and Android app stores. The app's timely release will mean the availability of alerts, news, and resources of importance to Kankakee County citizens and businesses. This app includes two important COVID-19 resources:

- **Sign up for CDC COVID-19 alerts from Settings/Notifications**
- **Access a COVID-19 feature with links to social media, travel notices, FAQs, and alerts**

The Submit a Tip feature enables those with the app to submit a crime tip directly to the sheriff's office. The submitted tips are sent anonymously unless a tipster chooses to add their contact information. The app also allows for images to be sent via the Submit a Tip feature.

The app allows users to scroll through a list of some of Kankakee County's Most Wanted fugitives, with direct links to the Sheriff's social media pages.

Under Jail Information users can search for inmates incarcerated in Kankakee County. There is additional information on the county correctional facility, information regarding visitation, commissary, bonding information and more. Users can search for sex offenders (provided by Offender Watch) on an easy to access map or by list. Other important features include a crime map, join our team (with employment information), and year-in-review statistics.

"Although we weren't planning on releasing the app so soon, I thought it was imperative for our social media followers to have another way to stay connected to important updates and alerts, especially with everything going on surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic," said Sheriff Downey. "I encourage you to download our free app and share it with your family, friends, and neighbors so that they can receive our important news and alerts - especially in this very difficult time."

Search Kankakee County Sheriff's Office to download the mobile app onto your smartphone or tablet. It is available free of charge from the iOS and Google Play (Android) app stores.