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## **CITY OF KEARNEY** **PRESS RELEASE** ***For Immediate Release***

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### **Kearney Police will participate in National Coffee with a Cop Day**

National Coffee with a Cop day is a day dedicated to encourage communication and positive interactions between law enforcement agencies and the public. On Wednesday, October 2, 2019, Calico Coffee, at 110 East Railroad Street, will host members of the Kearney Police Department and the communities in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and drink coffee. The event is scheduled from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Coffee with a Cop provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in Kearney neighborhoods. Similar events are being held across the country, as local police departments strive to make lasting connections with the communities they serve.

National Coffee with a Cop day began as part of the National Community Policing Week in 2016 and now continues each year on the first Wednesday in October furthering efforts nationwide to bridge the gap between the community and the law.

"We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers." said Chief Waugh. "These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships and the community policing philosophy which we embrace at Kearney PD."

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members one cup of coffee at a time.

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