

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: ASHLEY SMALL

pr@oneworldstrong.com 281-827-3419

Midtown Houston's 'Coffee with a Cop' Provides Opportunity for Real Community Conversations

Houston, TX, July 20, 2017 - <u>Midtown Houston</u> will host 'Coffee with a Cop' to unite local law enforcement and the community members they serve in a casual setting. The public event will take place on Friday, August 18th from 12pm to 1pm at <u>Bagby Park</u>, located at 415 Gray St. Citizens will have the opportunity to get to know the men and women who ensure their safety on a daily basis, as well as discover mutual goals for the community.

This is also an opportunity for the neighborhood to meet their new District Security Coordinator, Mark Leija, along with public safety officers from the Houston Police Department, Houston Metro Transit Authority Police Department, Harris County Constable Precinct 7 and S.E.A.L. Security Solutions, LLC.

"Law enforcement officers and community members have so few chances to really see one another as distinct individuals," said Cynthia Alvarado, Operations Manager of Midtown Management District. "We're proud to host Coffee with a Cop because it's an experience that builds trust, ultimately leading to greater empathy and stronger community bonds."

Through either casual or serious discourse, citizens can sit down with officers, ask questions and share what's on their mind. For attendees who are not coffee drinkers, there is an alternate option that will satisfy the sweet tooth amidst Bagby Park's lush green scenery. Houston popsicle vendor KICPOPS will serve organically sweetened, handcrafted treats to keep attendees of any age refreshed.

To schedule interviews contact Ashley Small at <u>pr@oneworldstrong.com</u> or 281-827-3419. For more information on this national initiative visit <u>www.coffeewithacop.com</u>.

###

About Midtown Houston

Midtown Houston is served by three separate organizations that work seamlessly together to ensure the community is safe, beautiful, and vibrant neighborhood: Midtown Management District, Midtown Redevelopment Authority and Midtown Parks Conservancy. Midtown Houston holds the Texas Commission on the Arts esteemed Cultural Arts and Entertainment District designation.