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## **Chico Police Department & Team Chico Host 2<sup>nd</sup> “Community Safety Meeting” for Businesses and Residents in the Downtown Chico area on May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**April 26, 2016 (CHICO, CA)** Businesses, property owners, residents, and community members in the Downtown area are welcome and encouraged to attend a second Community Safety Meeting with the Chico Police Department: **Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Old Municipal Building located at 441 Main Street in Downtown Chico.**

Team Chico will visit businesses in the area prior to the meeting with invitations, updates, and requests for input. All businesses and community members are encouraged to attend, particularly those in the area under discussion.

These Safety Meetings were created by Team Chico to improve communication and collaboration with the Chico Police Department in areas where safety is a concern for businesses, residents, and community members.

**All Safety Meetings are free, open to the public, and do not require RSVPs.**

Chief of Police for the City of Chico, Michael O’Brien, states, “The Chico Police Department values partnerships with our community. These ‘Community Safety Meetings’ are an important way for citizens to connect with their police department, and the police department to connect with their community. This citizen interaction is critical in furthering the community policing model we have adopted, and we welcome these types of events for that reason.”

Additional monthly Community Safety Meetings are planned throughout Chico in 2016.

Team Chico is an economic development partnership between the City of Chico, Chico Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Chico Business Association, 3CORE, and Alliance for Workforce Development, Inc.

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