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## **Anniston City Council approves \$10,000 allocation to local Crime Stoppers organization**

The Anniston City Council has approved an allocation of \$10,000 to Calhoun County's Crime Stoppers organization.

The donation comes at a time when the Calhoun County business community and local law enforcement are looking to beef up the local Crime Stoppers program and reignite interest in the organization.

"The Crime Stoppers board is excited about the conversation it's had thus far with local law enforcement and the business community, about the different initiatives we can implement to make sure our streets are safe," said John Blue, chairman of the board of directors for Calhoun County Crime Stoppers.

"We have been talking about various things such as community policing, the High Point Model, and community education. A Gun Buyback program is a small, small piece of the entire conversation."

All potential initiatives of Calhoun County's Crime Stoppers would be held in conjunction with the Calhoun County Commission, Calhoun County Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, and local churches.

### **The City of Anniston**

Nicknamed "The Model City" by founders Samuel Noble and General Daniel Tyler, the city of Anniston is the commercial and industrial center of Calhoun County. The city was incorporated in 1883 and is located in the Appalachian foothills of Alabama, providing an array of living options, business opportunities, and recreational activities such as biking on the Chief Ladiga Trail and visiting the Anniston Museum of Natural History. For more information about the City of Anniston, visit [anniston.al.gov](http://anniston.al.gov).

