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PUTNAM DA KEEPS KENT POLICE OFFICERS SAFER WITH THE PURCHASE OF NEW BODY ARMOR VESTS



CARMEL, NEW YORK – October 5, 2017: Putnam County District Attorney Robert Tendy announced today that he has used money from the District Attorney Asset Forfeiture funds and Safe Street Grant funds to purchase five body armor vests for the Town of Kent Police Department.

Tendy said that “over the past year, various law enforcement agencies have contacted my office and have put in requests for equipment to help in their assignments. Chief Alex DiVernieri contacted my office and said that he could really use these vests—they are so important and can save lives. I agreed right away.”

Chief DeVernieri stated that “the safety of our officers is paramount. I want to thank DA Tendy for purchasing these vests for our officers and providing them with the tools they need to stay safe.”

In the past year, Tendy has used grants and asset forfeiture funds to provide simulator training pistols, body armor vests, and electronic devices to law enforcement agencies working in and for Putnam. “That’s what the money is for, to help the deputies, police officers, and troopers do their job safely and effectively,” Tendy said. “We are going to do a lot more of it. Anything we can do to help, we will do it.”