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Lincoln Police K9 "Marty" has arrived!

LINCOLN, CA, July 16 2008 -- The Lincoln Police Department welcomed their newest four-legged crime fighter to the family today. "Marty" the Police dog has arrived and will be assigned to Officer Scott Goucher to work on patrol. Marty was purchased by a private donation and will be the property of the Lincoln Police Department.

Marty is a four-year-old Belgian Malinois who was born and trained in the Netherlands before arriving in the United States. The Police Department tested several dogs before selecting Marty as their K9. Marty is trained in criminal apprehension, narcotic detection, article search, and suspect trailing. Officer Goucher is an experienced K9 handler having worked as a K9 partner at another law enforcement agency. Officer Goucher is eager and excited to begin work with Marty.

Marty will be the second K9 to join the Lincoln Police Department. Officer Nancy Best has been partnered with Lincoln Police K9 "Whisk" for the past year. "Whisk" is a German Sheppard trained in criminal apprehension and narcotic detection. The main focus of the Lincoln Police K9 unit is crime prevention and drug suppression. The K9 unit conducts several demonstrations and education seminars throughout the year.

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