

## Sheriff recognizes deputy donations

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CANYON COUNTY — As the Idaho Meth Project grows, Canyon County Sheriff Chris Smith is recognizing employees who do their part in fighting the scourge of methamphetamine on the Gem State landscape.

Smith estimates he will hand out about 200 “challenge coins” to employees who have donated to the project.

The coins, with a Meth Project logo on the side opposite the state seal, were redesigned from the standard challenge coin layout. Smith says his staff numbers more than 300, many of which recognize the threat meth use poses to children, adults and communities alike.

“It’s what keeps us in business,” Smith said. “And it’s costing the community a fortune.”

In addition to recognition from their boss, county employees who have donated to the effort have received thank-you letters from Gov. Butch Otter and Idaho first lady Lori Otter.