A few years ago during the summer I attended the Police Athletic league. I met, at the time Officer Santana. The Police Athletic League is a summer camp for kids. For my ambassador newsletter I decided to interview Det. Sanatana. I decided to interview him to show that officers aren’t that different from us and to give you an inside view into what some officers do. I also wanted to interview him because he is a good friend and had an impact on my daily life.

I asked Det. Santana, why he became a cop, he said “My inspiration for becoming a cop was a video game I played when I was nine years old and from there my interest in law enforcement just grew and grew and grew”. For those of you wondering, that game is Resident Evil. When I asked where all he worked he told me about how there are instances where they will go outside of their jurisdiction and help out other agencies. I asked him what all positions he has had, he said that in the academy he was a recruit, learned what he needed to learn to get his peace officer license, when he was in training under an field training officer he was a probation officer, then a standalone officer, after three years he became a corporal which is his current status. I asked what he likes about his job, he said that he is glad that he is able to do things for people that others can’t, things that help protect others from traumatizing experiences, especially in gruesome situations.

I asked him what he does to relieve stress, he said that he always wanted to get into making films, so he “started looking into ways to get familiar with that” he started video editing, youtube videos, making music, and taking his time to learn these things. He says that doing these things have been a huge stress reliever for him and that he tries to do them whenever he has the chance. I asked his opinion about the Crime
Stoppers tip line and he said that it is a very helpful tool and in many cases that it helps them solve cases, he says that they can have barely any evidence and that sometimes the tip they get is exactly what they needed. He says that every Police agency should have a tip line. I am grateful that I got the opportunity to interview Det. Santana.

This is the link to the Full interview if you would like to listen

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1c3joqRRrQnVLF2N-RCqzp1kLdiMblTqH?usp=sharing