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Press Release

On June 23, 2015 Deputy Newman and Deputy Wilson from the Bates County Sheriff's Office responded to a medical call that involved a child whose close were fully engulfed. The child, Alex, had burns that covered over half of his body. Alex was transported by life flight to Children's Mercy Hospital then he was transferred to KU's Burn Unit. Alex will have to remain in the hospital for three months while he is recovering from his burns.

Last week, Deputy Newman and Deputy Wilson asked for the community's help to purchase an Ipad for Alex to help the time pass quicker for him while he is in the hospital. The Deputies were able to raise a total of \$594.00 from donations made by the community. With the donations they were able to purchase an Ipad Mini 3 and an iTunes gift card for Alex. The money that was left after the purchases were made was given to Alex's family to help deter the cost of traveling to and from the hospital every day.

This morning Deputy Newman, Deputy Wilson and Paramedics Ben Strauch and Jerret Reno presented Alex with the Ipad and the gift card along with get well cards that were signed by several people in Law Enforcement. The Deputies would like to thank everyone who graciously donated money for their cause. They would also like to thank the Manager at our local Wal-Mart for giving them a 30% discount towards the purchase of the Ipad. Also a special Thank You to Adrian Bank and Douty's Auto Service for their substantial donation. Deputy Newman and Deputy Wilson said it feels good to live in a community that comes together and helps someone like this in their time of need.

