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Kootenai County Sheriff's Office now provides a new online reporting option for the public. This web based reporting system will allow the public to file certain types of incidences (Lost Property, Scam Calls, Crime Tips and Traffic Concerns) over the internet at their convenience. The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office expects this internet based reporting service to be very popular among citizens who have come to expect services to be provided immediately and conveniently online.

The service will allow the public to file a report at a time that is best for them without having to wait for a deputy to respond or call them back. The public will be able to print a temporary copy of the report upon submitting the report. The report will be reviewed by sheriff's personnel and once approved the filing person will receive an email with a copy of the report attached without cost. The report will transfer into Kootenai County Sheriff's Office records management system and receive the same investigative and statistical analysis ability as if the report had been filed by a deputy.

The web based reporting option will allow deputies more time to address community needs while keeping pace with the public expectancy to complete services via the internet.

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office will be using the Desk Officer Online Reporting System from Coplogic, Inc (<u>www.coplogic.com</u>).

The web based crime reporting system is available on Kootenai County Sheriff's Office newly designed website, <u>www.kcsheriff.com</u>.

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