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## MEDIA RELEASE

### IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**Westminster Police Department has teamed up with the 911 Cell Phone Bank to benefit Abuse Victims and Senior Citizens.**

Since March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, the Westminster Police Department has partnered with the 911 Cell Phone Bank to collect used cell phones. The Westminster Police Department has collected over 500 used cell phones at Police Headquarters and sent them to the 911 Cell Phone Bank to be refurbished. The Westminster Police Department has distributed refurbished phones to victims of abuse and to senior citizens.

Citizens who wish to donate used cell phones are encouraged to drop them off at the Westminster Police Department located at 36 Locust Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, any time or day.

James Mosieur, Director of the 911 Cell Phone Bank, said law enforcement agencies around the country are signing up to participate in the 911 Cell Phone Bank Program. The 911 Cell Phone Bank program started in 2004, and it has already refurbished thirty thousand emergency cell phones, redirected tons of e-waste from landfills and provided thousands of dollars in emergency cell phones for various emergency needs. "No need is greater than supporting law enforcement agencies who work so tirelessly on behalf of their local communities."

The Westminster Police Department wishes to thank the citizens who have donated their cell phones in the past.

Any questions concerning this program should be directed to contact Sgt. Keith Benfer at 410 857-9282.

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