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During the 2012 Gem Show event, the Tucson Police Department partnered with the Primavera Foundation to provide job opportunities to the homeless as well as maintain the aesthetic beauty of the areas in and around the Tucson Gem Shows. We are happy to continue this program for the second year during the 2013 Gem Show. TPD is funding this initiative with asset forfeiture funds. Otherwise known as Rico Funds, the funds are generated through law enforcement activities that result in asset forfeiture proceedings. Once forfeited, monies are deposited into a Pima County Rico Fund account. They are expended in accordance with state and federal laws and guidelines. Individuals hired under this program assist in general clean up responsibilities around the Tucson Convention Center and other areas as directed during the annual Gem Show event. Our hope is to continue this program for many years to come as we believe it provides opportunities that our homeless population otherwise might not have.

On Friday, February 8, 2013, representatives from the Tucson Police Department and the Primavera Foundation will be available to brief the media about the program. The briefing will be held at the Tucson Convention Center in the Main Exhibition Hall and is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.

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