

Texas State Charity Director BUSTED!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Reprinted with permission from UAIP wire service: With blue lights flashing, police arrived on scene at the intersection of IH-10 and DeZavola Road and immediately confined Knights of Columbus Texas State Charity Director James Thomas Wade and his known accomplice Dr. Joseph Arrieta. The two men were held at bay for 23 minutes while the local authorities tried to determine just what charges they could level against them. After a serious radio discussion between the patrolman and his supervisor at police HQ, it was determined, that at a minimum the perpetrators were guilty of panhandling and trying to do good for others. At the conclusion of the radio discussion, it took another 15 minutes for the officer to listen, to the incarcerated pair, long enough to learn that the Police Department had in fact authorized the City Wide Charitable event. Still skeptical however, the officer demanded proof. The proof was in a vehicle in the adjacent parking lot. The crime scene then shifted to that location, whereupon the officer reviewed the 40 page permit package. Yes it was approved by the Police Department; it was for this date and time. In addition the permit included all 32 locations throughout the city. Unfortunately the permitting office failed to communicate with the COPS on the beat. With this information in hand the officer informed his supervisors and they agreed that all charges should be dropped and that other officers throughout the city would be informed as to the legality of the event at the other locations. Overall the event was highly successful with 30 Councils participating and collecting over \$9000 towards their Bishops

Deaf Ministry fund, in a just a few hours. This incident does however underscore the importance of doing your homework prior to holding an event. You must be sure that what you are planning is legal and that you have all the proper permits from the city, county or other authority. i.e. TBAC etc. What ever event you plan, remember to keep the FUN in FUNdraising. Now go out and have FUN and support your Bishop's program.