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DO THE RIGHT THING TO HONOR SCHOOL SHOOTING HEROES Two Redland Middle School Students Helped Classmate Shot in Leg

MIAMI, FL – OCTOBER 17, 2013 – During its first awards ceremony of the new school year, the Miami Police Department's Do The Right Thing Program (DTRT) will be honoring two students from Redland Middle who aided a fellow classmate who was shot in the leg at the end of last school year. The DTRT ceremony is being held Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Miami Police Training Center Auditorium, 350 NW 2nd Avenue.

On May 24, 2013, D'Angelo Marte was shot in the leg while sitting in his classroom when allegedly, a gun in another student's backpack discharged. While other students ran from the classroom, Pablo Sanchez and Rachell Otero sprang into action using D'Angelo's shirt and Pablo's undershirt to apply pressure to the wound. D'Angelo was airlifted to Miami Children's Hospital where he was treated for a fractured leg. Although he has permanent damage to his growth plate, D'Angelo has since returned to school and will be attending the awards ceremony with his grandmother to support and thank his heroic classmates.

Each month, Do The Right Thing honors 10 outstanding students for their positive behavior, accomplishments and good deeds. To date, the program has directly impacted over 215,000 since its inception in 1990.