



## Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office **NEWS RELEASE**

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### MCSO K-9 Demonstration for Media



Milwaukee, WI – Acting Sheriff Richard Schmidt is having the K-9 Unit demonstrate their capabilities for the media on Thurs., Feb. 22 at the MCSO Training Academy at 11:00 a.m.

The MCSO K-9 Unit consists of 17 dogs in three different groups:

- Explosive Ordnance Detection (EOD) - Airport
- Detention Services (DSB) - Jail
- Patrol/Police Services

The EOD K-9s are single-purpose dogs, with the exception of one who is dual-purpose trained for EOD and Patrol. EOD K-9 duties include plane-side sweeps of luggage, cargo, and equipment; unattended bags and vehicles; VIP sweeps of aircraft and buildings; stadium sweeps; school sweeps during bomb threats; private business sweeps; and assisting other local, state and federal agencies.

DSB K-9s are all dual-purpose and are trained in handler/officer protection and suspect apprehension. Five K-9s are cross-trained in narcotics detection, one is cross-trained in cell phone detection, and one in firearms/shell casing detection. Their regular duties include responding to disturbances in the jail; high risk escorts; CERT calls; housing unit and other jail area narcotics sniffs; perimeter tours; assist with money seizure investigations; and mutual aid to other correctional facilities and law enforcement agencies.

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**Patrol K-9s are all dual-purposed trained in patrol functions and narcotics detections. Their regular duties include search and locate suspects through tracking, building or area searches; search for narcotics, particularly at traffic stops, but also during search warrants or criminal investigations. The Patrol K-9s also assist the MCSO SWAT team with safely clearing buildings and locating suspects; search for missing persons, particularly missing children or elderly; and officer protection for both the handlers and other deputies.**

**The MCSO Training Academy houses a display honoring service animals who have passed away.**

**DATE: Thursday, February 22, 2018**

**TIME: 11:00 a.m.**

**LOCATION: MCSO Training Academy  
9225 S. 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Franklin**

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