Presents the Merit Awards Ceremony

Tuesday, November 14, 2017
6:00 pm
Mission
In partnership with the community, we will create and maintain neighborhoods capable of sustaining civic life. We commit to reducing the levels of crime, fear and disorder through community-based, problem-oriented and data-driven policing.

Vision
A Milwaukee where all can live safely and without fear, protected by a police department with the highest ethical and professional standards.
Family and Friends

Welcome to our semi-annual Merit Awards Ceremony.

This evening, the Milwaukee Police Department is proud to honor and recognize members of our organization and everyday citizens for the extraordinary acts they performed. These brave and selfless men and women placed their lives on the line for the safety of our community.

We gather to honor our award recipients twice a year but the work of the Milwaukee Police Department takes place every minute of every day. Please join me as we celebrate and congratulate these remarkable individuals who are committed to forwarding the vision and mission of our Department. They are examples that we can all follow in our daily lives.

To our award recipients, I commend you on a job well done!

Sincerely,

Edward A. Flynn
Chief of Police
Invited Guests

City of Milwaukee
Tom Barrett
Mayor

The Milwaukee Common Council
Ashanti Hamilton
Common Council President

Ashanti Hamilton
1st District

Cavalier Johnson
2nd District

Nik Kovac
3rd District

Robert J. Bauman
4th District

James A. Bohl Jr.
5th District

Milele A. Coggs
6th District

Khalif J. Rainey
7th District

Robert G. Donovan
8th District

Chantia Lewis
9th District

Michael J. Murphy
10th District

Mark A. Borkowski
11th District

José G. Pérez
12th District

Terry L. Witkowski
13th District

Tony Zielinski
14th District

Russell W. Stamper II
15th District

Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission
MaryNell Regan
Executive Director

Kathryn Hein
Commissioner

Fred Crouther
Commissioner

Angela McKenzie
Commissioner

Nelson Soler
Commissioner

Ann Wilson
Commissioner

Marisabel Cabrera
Commissioner

Steven M. DeVougas
Commissioner

Clifton Crump
Operations Manager

Other Invited Guests

Command Staff
Milwaukee Police Department

Milwaukee Police Supervisors’ Organization

John T. Chisholm
Milwaukee County District Attorney

Milwaukee Police Association

Family and Friends
Merit Awards Program

Musical Prelude
Milwaukee Police Band
Retired Lieutenant Karen M. Dubis
   Director

Welcome
Captain of Police Nicole Davila
Milwaukee Police Department

Honor Guard and Presentation of Colors
Lieutenant Derrick L. Harris
   Sergeant Gregory D. Holley
   Police Officer David C. Doughty
   Police Officer Elvis M. Lock
   Police Officer Peter A. Pfau
   Police Officer Dorian L. Ratliff
   Police Officer Thomas L. Struck

National Anthem
Milwaukee Police Band

Remarks
Mayor Tom Barrett
City of Milwaukee

Remarks and Presentation
Police Chief Edward A. Flynn
Milwaukee Police Department

Mistress of Ceremonies
Ms. Mary Stoker Smith,
Fox 6 News
**Award Classifications**

**Medal of Honor**

The Medal of Honor is the highest award granted by the Milwaukee Police Department. It is awarded to a member for exceptional bravery at the imminent risk of life or serious bodily injury. The recipient has demonstrated exceptional courage by performing a voluntary action in an extremely dangerous situation. The act may involve situations where deadly force is used against an officer and the officer prevails or a rescue situation in which the risk of death or injury was substantial.

**The Medal of Valor**

The Medal of Valor is presented to a member who has performed a deed of personal bravery or self-sacrifice so conspicuous as to clearly distinguish himself/herself for gallantry and intrepidity. The act goes beyond normal demands and is of such a nature that the member was fully aware of the threat to his/her safety and acted above and beyond the call of duty at the risk of his/her own life.

**Lifesaving**

The Lifesaving Award is presented to a member who is directly responsible for saving a human life. A member is eligible to receive this award if his/her actions led to the prolonging of the life of a victim to the extent that the victim was released to professional medical care.

**Purple Valor/Star**

The Purple Valor/Purple Star Award is presented to a member who, in the line of duty, sustains any serious bodily injury or permanent disfigurement or permanent or protracted impairment of the function of any body member or organ or permanent or protracted impairment of health. A “V” device will signify combat-related serious bodily injury.
Award Classifications

Chief’s Superior Leadership

The Chief’s Superior Leadership Award is presented to a member at the discretion of the Chief of Police for leadership excellence in the performance of duty and/or honorable conduct and professionalism in pursuit of the Department’s mission.

Distinguished Service

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to a member who has continuously distinguished himself/herself by exceptional service in the performance of his/her duties or great or unusual responsibility wherein he/she has displayed unusual responsibility and initiative, marked ability, keen observation and exceptional energy.

Excellence in Police Service

The Excellence in Police Service Award is presented to a member who makes a significant contribution, above and beyond the call of duty, to the community-service component of the Department’s mission. The award recognizes those instances over a period of time wherein the member’s diligence, teamwork, perseverance and problem-solving ability exemplifies the highest standards of community policing.

Meritorious Service

The Meritorious Service Award is presented to a member who makes a significant contribution to the mission of the Milwaukee Police Department above and beyond the normal call of duty. It recognizes those instances wherein a member’s courage, resourcefulness, tenacity, diligence and/or perseverance in the line of duty goes beyond that which is normally expected of members in the protection of life or property, the prevention of a major crime or the apprehension of an armed and/or dangerous criminal.

Unit Service

The Unit Service Award is presented to a Departmental Unit whose actions through a combination of teamwork, diligence and perseverance is performed in an exemplary manner.
**Award Recipients**

**District 1**

Police Sergeant Logan H. Jeffery ................................. Lifesaving  
Community Education Assistant Monica Sosa .................. Meritorious Service  
Mr. Jacob S. Hensley .................................................. Valorous Conduct  
Mr. Robert A. Manhardt ............................................. Valorous Conduct  
Mr. Robin W. Westrick ............................................. Valorous Conduct  
Mr. John J. Hirschboeck ........................................... Meritorious Conduct  
Mr. Kent Krueger ................................................... Meritorious Conduct  

**District 2**

Police Sergeant Sean A. Mahnke ............................... Medal of Valor Combat  
Police Officer Steven Campbell ................................. Lifesaving  
Police Officer Gustavo M. Gonzales ............................. Lifesaving  
Police Officer Gregory J. Knox .............................. Lifesaving  
Police Officer Bojan Samardzic ................................. Lifesaving  
Police Officer James J. Spinato ............................... Lifesaving  
Police Officer Jose I. Ramirez .................................... Purple Star  
Police Officer Peter J. Ulatowski ............................... Purple Star  
Police Officer Erik A. Andrade ................................. Meritorious Service  
Police Officer Richard J. Klarkowski ......................... Meritorious Service  
Police Officer Luis Vargas-Ramos .......................... Meritorious Service  
Mr. Charles E. Harris ............................................. Valorous Conduct  
Mr. Jaime Curbelo Sr. ............................................. Meritorious Conduct  
Mr. Jaime D. Curbelo ............................................. Meritorious Conduct  
Mr. Jaime V. Curbelo ............................................. Meritorious Conduct  
Ms. Ebony S. Ferrell ................................. Meritorious Conduct  
Mr. Eduardo Sebastian-Baltazar ...................... Meritorious Conduct  

**District 3**

Police Officer Natalie Cruz ....................................... Lifesaving  
Police Officer Scott R. Wieting Jr. ............................. Lifesaving  
Police Officer Lafayette J. Emmons ......................... Meritorious Service  
Police Officer Eric T. Magee ..................................... Meritorious Service  

**District 4**

Police Officer Shahriar A. Solati .............................. Distinguished Service  

**District 5**

Police Officer Michael A. Budziszewski ................... Medal of Valor Combat  
Police Officer Jeffrey M. Kennedy ............................ Medal of Valor Combat  
Police Officer Bryan K. Miller .............................. Medal of Valor Combat  
Police Officer Michael R. Schwanadt ................... Medal of Valor Rescue
Award Recipients

District 5 Continued

Police Officer Aaron V. Frantal ............................................................. Lifesaving
Meritorious Service
Police Officer Mark S. Dillman ............................................................. Lifesaving
Police Officer Kevin Manley ............................................................. Lifesaving
Police Officer Nathan S. Smalkoski ...................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Kody C. Wetzel ............................................................. Lifesaving
Police Officer Jennifer Feather ......................................................... Excellence in Police Service
Police Officer Chad E. Boyack ............................................................. Meritorious Service
Police Officer Jesse J. Busshardt ....................................................... Meritorious Service (2)
Police Officer Michael T. Driscoll ....................................................... Meritorious Service
Police Officer Kyle J. Graf ................................................................. Meritorious Service
Police Officer Jordan J. Hemmings ..................................................... Meritorious Service
Police Officer Anthony J. Milone ....................................................... Meritorious Service
Police Officer Patrick M. Shannon ..................................................... Meritorious Service
Police Officer Brian Wunder ............................................................. Meritorious Service

District 6

Police Officer Michael Dederich ........................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Benjamin T. Delaney ....................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Henry N. Dummann III ................................................ Lifesaving
Police Officer Fabian Garcia ............................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Michael C. Krohn ........................................................ Lifesaving
Police Officer Ryan A. LaFond ........................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Paul A. Miner ............................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Dale R. Staszewski ....................................................... Lifesaving
Ms. Cynthia Campbell ................................................................. Meritorious Conduct

District 7

Police Officer Russell W. Barker ......................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Brian D. Kobelinski ....................................................... Lifesaving
Police Officer Chad D. Poeppey ......................................................... Meritorious Service
Police Aide Jonathan Schroeder ......................................................... Meritorious Service

Intelligence Fusion Center

Detective Richard F. McQuown ......................................................... Distinguished Service
Detective Walter G. Cappelli ......................................................... Excellence in Police Service
Police Officer Christopher C. Agnew ................................................ Excellence in Police Service
Police Aide Andrew M. Wroblewski ................................................ Excellence in Police Service

Marine Boats—Harbor Unit

Police Officer Alejandro Leal ............................................................. Lifesaving
Police Officer Raynaldo Roman Jr. ..................................................... Lifesaving
Award Recipients

Metropolitan Investigations Division
Detective Timothy S. Keller .................................................. Meritorious Service

Neighborhood Task Force
Police Officer Trevor D. DeBoer .......................................... Medal of Valor Rescue
Police Officer Jeremy W. Greene ................................ Medal of Valor Rescue
Police Officer Erik D. Rodriguez ................................ Medal of Valor Rescue
Police Officer Daniel N. Sebald ................................ Medal of Valor Rescue
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff Michael J. Pittsley ... Valorous Conduct Award
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff Christopher M. Rydelski

Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff John K. Scifres ...... Valorous Conduct Award
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff Joseph A. Zarleti ..... Valorous Conduct Award
Kenosha Police Officer Austin J. Brechue ..................... Valorous Conduct Award
Milwaukee Firefighter Steven P. Radomski .................... Valorous Conduct Award

North Investigations Division
Police Sergeant Robert J. Crawley ........................................ Meritorious Service
Detective Rudolfo Alvarado .................................................... Meritorious Service

Office Of Community Outreach And Education
Police Officer Paul A. Marchese .............................................. Purple Star
Police Officer Andrew D. Marx ................................................ Purple Star

Office of Management, Analysis, and Planning
Police Sergeant Chad M. Raden ........................................ Meritorious Service
Police Officer Penny A. Brown ........................................ Meritorious Service
Police Officer David A. Novak ................................................ Meritorious Service
Police Officer Denise A. Rueda .......................................... Meritorious Service

South Investigations Division
Police Officer Jack R. Kelly ................................................ Meritorious Service
Police Officer Stephanie L. Seitz ..................................... Meritorious Service
Police Officer Jose A. Viera ........................................ Meritorious Service

Technical Communications Division
Emergency Communications Operator I Sarah M. Michalski
Excellence in Police Service
Emergency Communications Operator I Stephanie Radtke
Excellence in Police Service

Executive Command Staff
Assistant Chief of Police James Harpole .......... Chief’s Superior Leadership
Assistant Chief of Police William R. Jessup .......... Chief’s Superior Leadership
Excellence In Police Service Award Recipients

Police Officer Chad E. Boyack
Police Officer Anthony J. Milone
Police Officer Jesse J. Busshardt
Police Officer Gary L. Post
Police Officer Bryon D. Downey
Police Officer Jose R. Rivera III
Police Officer Tobias J. Golembiewski
Police Officer Justin R. Schwarzhuber
Police Officer Andrew R. Gross
Police Officer James D. Swiercz
Police Officer Timothy J. Krejci
Police Officer Joshua Yang
Police Officer Michael J. Michalski

Crisis Intervention Team Training Presenters

Alzheimer Association, Southeastern WI Chapter

Autism Society of Southeastern WI

Christopher Prochut

Community Resource Referral Center

Crisis Resource Centers

Greater Milwaukee Foundation

Heather Kersten

Impact 211

Milwaukee County Courts

Milwaukee County Department of Aging

Milwaukee County Mobile Urgent Treatment Team

Milwaukee County Office of Corporation Counsel

NAMI-Greater Milwaukee

Our Space

Outreach Community Health Centers

Psychiatric Crisis Services

The Grand Avenue Club

US Department of Veteran Affairs

Mr. Blaine Layne

Mr. Jessie Smith
Unit Service Award Recipients

HIDTA Heroin Initiative Unit
Supervisor-Special Agent Jacob J. Jansky  Police Officer Miguel Correa Jr.
DEA Special Agent Kellen J. Williams  Police Officer Evelyn Lazo
Detective Matt J. Cooper  HIDTA Analyst Rebekah J. Beaudry
Detective Abner Valcarcel  Assistant United States Attorney Mario F. Gonzales

Honor Guard
Inspector Leslie M. Thiele
Lieutenant Charles Berard
Lieutenant Derrick L. Harris
Lieutenant Madrina Dela Cruz
Sergeant Rebecca L. Carpenter
    Sergeant Greg D. Holley
    Sergeant Scott F. Thorne
Police Officer David C. Doughty
Police Officer Greg A. Geniesse
Police Officer Jaimie A. Hewitt
Police Officer Trent D. Little
Police Officer Elvis M. Lock
Police Officer Peter A. Pfau
Police Officer Dorian L. Ratliff
Police Officer Joel R. Rossmann
Police Officer Erik F. Smith
Police Officer Thomas L. Struck
Retired Lieutenant Gregg R. Duran
Retired Lieutenant Cathy A. Wichman
Retired Sergeant James M. Crouse
Retired Police Officer Kathy R. Schult
Retired Police Officer Clifton L. Stephens

Please join us in Room 182 for refreshments immediately following the program.
Physical Readiness Challenge Award

The Physical Readiness Challenge is the first of its kind for the Milwaukee Police Department. The event tests participants in five physical fitness events. These events being the 1.5 mile run, 300 meter run, vertical jump, pushups and sit ups. Each participant is then scored based on the established Cooper Fitness Standard which considers their age and sex. Their cumulative score is then used to place them into one of six levels. Only participants who score in one of the top three positions earn a fitness pin. Those fitness pins being Gold, Silver and Bronze.

**GOLD PIN**
Police Officer Wyatt Graikowski

**SILVER PIN**
Lieutenant Scott Charles
Sergeant Richard Hoffman
Sergeant Kerry Namin
Police Officer Kai Anderson
Police Officer Savaughn Boston
Police Officer Katie Corrao
Police Officer Darren Picard
Police Officer Froilan Santiago
Police Officer Kenneth Walkowiak

**BRONZE PIN**
Detective Dave Metz
Police Officer Jonathan Bohn
Police Officer Erica Tolentino
Police Aide Dakota Elm
District One

Police Sergeant Logan Jeffery

Lifesaving Award

On June 13, 2017, Sergeant Jeffery responded to E. Juneau Avenue in Downtown Milwaukee as a man had jumped into the Milwaukee River. Sergeant Jeffery saw the man was in the water, under a floating platform, attempting to drown himself. Disregarding his own personal safety, Sergeant Jeffery jumped into the water. Eventually he convinced the subject to grab onto a pole and hold himself up. Sergeant Jeffery held onto the man until other officers pulled them out to safety. As a result of his courage, devotion and quick thinking, Sergeant Jeffery saved the man’s life.

Police Officer Alejandro Leal

Police Officer Raynaldo Roman, Jr.

Lifesaving Award

On September 17, 2017, the officers responded to a subject in Lake Michigan near N. Lincoln Memorial Drive. Upon their arrival, they found an individual in the water and without hesitating entered the cold water. When they reached the man, he told them he wanted to kill himself by drowning and began physically resisting the officers as they attempted to pull him to safety. Eventually they pulled him to land and the man was transported to a local hospital for treatment. As a result of their courage, devotion and quick thinking, the officers saved the life of a suicidal individual.

Community Education Assistant Monica Sosa

Meritorious Service Award

On July 20, 2017, three related burglaries and a stabbing took place on Milwaukee’s East Side. Ms. Sosa heard the request for an officer with a camera and with the ability to lift fingerprints. Due to limited resources, she volunteered for this assignment and tried to lift fingerprints from all of the locations knowing how important solving this case was. Due to her tenacious efforts, she was able to lift a usable print from a window of one of the homes. The print was quickly linked to an individual who worked in the area. Because of this fingerprint, detectives were able to connect all three incidents to this individual. Ms. Sosa displayed a level of professionalism that should be admired. Her dedication is reflected in the quality of her work and her willingness to help her colleagues.

Mr. Jacob Hensley

Valorous Conduct Award

On August 12, 2017, Mr. Hensley was driving southbound on Interstate 43 at the Marquette Interchange, when he saw a car pulled to the side of the road on fire. Mr. Hensley approached the vehicle and saw a man inside the car appearing to be dazed and unaware of the dangerous situation. Mr. Hensley reached inside the vehicle, unlocked the door and pulled the man to safety. As Mr. Hensley was pulling the man away, the car exploded.
At this point, Milwaukee County Sheriff deputies arrived on scene and took control of the situation. Despite the fact that Mr. Hensley had no formal training, he disregarded his own personal safety, and helped a stranger in need.

Mr. Robert Manhardt
Mr. John Hirschboeck Valorous Conduct Award
Mr. Kent Krueger Meritorious Conduct Award

On July 19, 2017, Mr. Hirschboeck and Mr. Krueger were returning to shore after fishing in Lake Michigan when they saw a small fishing boat, which appeared to be unoccupied. Mr. Krueger called out “Mayday” and activated the man overboard button on his GPS to alert the Coast Guard. Mr. Hirschboeck and Mr. Krueger pulled up alongside of the unoccupied boat. Mr. Krueger boarded the boat, and saw that it was unmanned, but did locate a cell phone, which was later determined to belong to the victim who fell overboard. On another boat, Mr. Manhardt heard the “Mayday” call. He began to search for any possible victims and located a man in the water. He threw a life ring to the man but he had gone unconscious. A short time later the Coast Guard arrived and pulled the man from the water. This group’s alertness and motivation helped the Coast Guard rescue the man and gave the victim a chance to survive.

Mr. Robin Westrick Valorous Conduct Award

On September 1, 2017, near Bradford Beach, Milwaukee Police Officers responded to two subjects struggling in Lake Michigan. A short time later, Mr. Westrick along with another subject was rescued from the cold water. When interviewed, Mr. Westrick said he was relaxing at the beach when he saw a subject being dragged into deep water by the heavy current. Without consideration for his personal safety, Mr. Westrick began to paddle toward the subject on his surfboard. Because of this, Mr. Westrick was able to hold onto the subject until first responders arrived on scene and took over. Mr. Westrick’s quick thinking and bravery helped prevent the subject from drowning.

Mr. Charles Harris Valorous Conduct Award

On August 23, 2017, Mr. Harris called MPD as a female was standing on the other side of a fence on the 27th Street viaduct. Mr. Harris began talking with the female and when officers arrived, they immediately took action.
They began a dialogue with her while taking control of some of her articles of clothing through the chain link fence to prevent her from falling. For about 15 minutes, the officers maintained a positive dialogue with the female while keeping her calm. Members of the Milwaukee Fire Department later arrived and placed ladders on the chain link fence to assist the female back over it and bring her to safety. If it were not for the quick actions and calm demeanors of these officers and Mr. Harris, the subject may have succeeded in her attempt to take her own life.

On May 13, 2017, these officers responded to a double shooting near S. 14th Street and W. Becher Street. At the scene, Officer Delaney found the first victim in the backyard bleeding from his leg. Officer Delaney quickly applied his tourniquet which helped stop the bleeding and remained with the victim until medical personnel arrived. Officers Gonzales and Spinato found the second victim bleeding in the kitchen and also applied their tourniquets. The victims were then transported to a local hospital for treatment of their injuries. The rapid response by these officers ensured the survival of the victims.

On April 17, 2016, Officers Ramirez and Ulatowski were driving a marked squad car to an assignment. As they were traveling eastbound on W. Lincoln Avenue, a vehicle traveling southbound on W. Windlake Avenue ignored a red traffic light and struck the squad car. As a result of the accident, Officer Ramirez suffered a concussion, lacerations, and bruising. Officer Ulatowski suffered facial lacerations and a broken left ankle. As the squad car came to a rest after the collision, the officers were able to exit it. They immediately detained the driver who was intoxicated. The passenger in the striking vehicle also suffered injuries because of the crash. The officers contacted the dispatcher via radio to request medical attention and additional squads to the scene. Their actions and quick thinking led to the arrest of the suspect and provided help to the crash victim.

On September 9, 2017, Officer Andrade was dispatched to a subject with a weapon complaint near S. 13th Street and W. Arthur Avenue. Officer Andrade located the man, who was armed with a knife, in a bedroom with a blanket over himself. After engaging in meaningful dialogue, Officer Andrade was able to convince the man to put the knife down. After more dialogue, the subject became agitated when told that he would need to go to Milwaukee County Mental Health.
District Two  Captain Alexander Ramirez
Again Officer Andrade calmly talked to the man and eventually convinced him to seek treatment. Officer Andrade exhibited extreme restraint and professionalism when dealing with an armed subject.

Police Officer Aaron Frantal
Police Officer Richard Klarkowski
Police Officer Luis Vargas-Ramos  Meritorious Service Award
On June 20, 2017, these officers conducted a traffic stop near S. 34th Street and W. Scott Street. They made contact with both the driver and the front passenger of the vehicle, both of whom were uncooperative and refused to exit their vehicle despite a strong scent of marijuana coming from it. For over 40 minutes, the officers tried to get both individuals to exit the vehicle with no success. Eventually the officers saw an opportunity to safely unlock the door and removed one of the subjects, armed with a firearm, without incident. The other armed suspect then became combative with the officers. The suspect was actively resisting for three minutes before officers were able to gain control. A search of the vehicle revealed numerous narcotics. These officers demonstrated courage and exceptionally quick thinking when dealing with a dangerous subject.

Mr. Jaime Curbelo, Sr.
Mr. Jaime D. Curbelo
Mr. Jaime V. Curbelo
Ms. Ebony Ferrel
Mr. Eduardo Sebastian-Baltazar  Meritorious Conduct Award
On September 11, 2017, near S. 18th Street and W. Lincoln Avenue, an individual was engaged in lewd and lascivious acts near a school. Mr. Curbelo alerted the school to the incident so they could keep children away from the area. Mr. Curbelo and Mr. Sebastian-Baltazar attempted to detain the suspect, who was able to break free. Mr. Curbelo, his sons, Mr. Sebastian-Baltazar and Ms. Ferrell were then able to catch up to the suspect and subdue him until Milwaukee Police arrived and took over. It was later revealed the suspect was wanted for multiple bank robberies, burglaries, and other instances of lewd behavior close to schools. This group’s quick thinking and bravery helped prevent the subject from escaping and would have likely continued to commit crimes.

District Three  Captain Shunta Boston-Smith
Police Officer Natalie Cruz
Police Officer Scott Wieting, Jr.  Lifesaving Award
On September 3, 2017, the officers responded to a shooting near N. 39th Street and W. Meinecke Avenue. At that location, a victim had been shot to the chest and was having trouble breathing.
The officers found an exit wound on the victim’s back and placed a dressing on the wound. The officers also discovered the victim had fluid in his lungs. Officer Cruz inserted an airway in the man’s nose to assist with the unstable breathing and monitored his breathing and pulse. Both officers then moved the victim to a more secure location where the Milwaukee Fire Department took over. The skills of the officers and their efficient treatment helped prevent the loss of life.

Detective Rudolfo Alvarado
Detective Timothy Keller Meritorious Service Award

On June 23, 2017, the detectives were sent to a home near N. 37th Street and W. Kilbourn Avenue where a man had barricaded himself inside a home. The man, who spoke limited English, was in the room with his young daughter and was armed. Detective Keller, who is a trained negotiator, and Detective Alvarado, who speaks Spanish, began talking with the man. The man eventually let his daughter go but moved to another room and stated he wanted the police to kill him. Eventually the man surrendered. These detectives showed great courage by negotiating with an armed subject for over three hours while ensuring a safe outcome.

Police Officer Lafayette Emmons
Police Officer Eric Magee Meritorious Service Award

On October 6, 2017, these officers were dispatched to a fight near N. 45th Street and W. Wright Street where they could hear the desperate, urgent, screaming of a woman from a balcony. Fearing that an individual’s life could be endangered, the officers forced open the door to the lower level and ran into the upper unit. The officers saw a mother holding onto her daughter and trying to prevent her from jumping off the balcony. The daughter was breaking free from her mother’s grip and heading over the rail. The officers grabbed the girls’ waist and pulled her over the railing to safety. The girl later admitted she wanted to end her life by diving off the 15 foot balcony. As a direct result of the officer’s immediate determined actions, the juvenile received the mental health evaluation and treatment she desperately needed.

District Four Captain Andra P. Williams
Police Officer Shahriar Solati Distinguished Service Award

In November 2016, Officer Solati was assigned to follow-up on an investigation in which a suspect had committed three sexual assaults on the Northwest Side. With his knowledge of the most recent incident and District Four, Officer Solati used a composite sketch of the suspect to begin interviewing residents in an apartment building near N. 76th Street and W. Green Tree Road. As a result of his investigation, he was able to develop a potential suspect.
District Four  Captain Andra P. Williams
The Milwaukee Police Department’s Sensitive Crimes Division responded to the scene and located clothing consistent with the assaults. The victim positively identified a 21-year-old man as her assailant. Officer Solati’s determination and keen observation skills helped break this case and develop a suspect.

District Five  Captain Timothy S. Heier
Police Sergeant Sean Mahnke
Police Officer Michael Budziszewski
Police Officer Jeffrey Kennedy
Police Officer Brian Miller  Medal of Valor-Combat Award
Police Sergeant Robert Crawley
Police Officer Patrick Shannon  Meritorious Service Award

On July 22, 2016, officers were dispatched to a strong armed robbery near N. 5th Street and W. Wright Street. The investigation revealed a known suspect had beaten and robbed a citizen and then fled the crime scene. The next day, officers were sent to the same address, yet this call stated someone was being stabbed. Again the suspect fled the scene, but returned a short time later. The suspect entered the crime scene by removing the yellow tape and approached officers while holding a knife. The officers engaged the suspect in conversation with the hope he would surrender. The suspect continued to advance, raised the knife, and lunged toward the officers. The officers deployed their Tasers and fired shots to stop the deadly threat presented by the suspect. These officers demonstrated courage in the apprehension of this criminal.

Police Officer Kevin Manley
Police Kody Wetzel  Lifesaving Award

On July 22, 2017, these officers were assigned to a walking beat when they saw a vehicle strike a parked car near N. 22nd Street and W. Capitol Drive. They rushed over to the vehicle and saw the front passenger unresponsive, without a pulse and not breathing. The officers immediately removed the unconscious individual from the vehicle and requested medical attention. CPR was then performed on the subject as the officers took turns performing chest compressions. Eventually they were able to restore a pulse and the subject started breathing again. The heroic actions of these officers helped prevent the loss of life.

Police Officer Mark Dillman
Police Officer Nathan Smalkoski  Lifesaving Award

On January 24, 2017, these officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop near N. 27th Street and W. Clarke Street. The driver refused to pull over and fled the scene.
The officers notified dispatch of their non-pursuit when, from a distance, the same vehicle disregarded a traffic signal a few blocks away. The vehicle crashed into a tree and burst into flames. One of the occupants was thrown from the car while the other two were trapped inside. Disregarding their own personal safety, the officers reached inside the vehicle which was engulfed in flames, and pulled the two occupants to safety. The officers tended to the wounds of the ejected occupant while standing by for the Milwaukee Fire Department. Officers Dillman and Smalkoski demonstrated their commitment to protecting the lives of the citizens they serve.

Police Officer Jennifer Feather  Excellence in Police Service Award

Officer Feather has contributed in helping facilitate the Juneteenth Day event over the last eight years. Officer Feather has taken on many supervisory roles in helping bring in over 150 police officers from around the city and making sure everything runs smoothly. Long before the event, Officer Feather reached out to officers, supervisors and probation agents in pre-planning and taking necessary measures leading up to the event. Officer Feather also set up meetings with community members to brainstorm and address potential problems. Due to Officer Feather’s planning and contributions, the 2017 Juneteenth Day was a great success.

Police Officer Chad Boyack
Police Officer Anthony Milone  Meritorious Service Award

On September 20, 2017, these officers were patrolling near N. 24th Street and W. Center Street when they spotted a vehicle taken in a recent robbery. The officers activated their lights and sirens on their marked squad car and attempted to conduct a traffic stop. The car then fled at a high rate of speed. The officers pursued this vehicle through four different districts for nearly an hour. The fleeing vehicle reached excessive speeds and showed utter disregard for human life. Eventually it was determined by the officers that their squad needed gas and air in their tires and they surrendered the primary pursuit role to another squad. Eventually the three occupants of the vehicle abandoned the car and fled on foot. Two of the three suspects were arrested after a brief foot pursuit. One of the suspects was concealing a gun on his person. The officers were determined to apprehend the suspects and protect the citizens from their terror.

Police Officer Jesse Busshardt
Police Officer Michael Driscoll
Police Officer Kyle Graf
Police Officer Jordan Hemmings
Police Officer Brian Wunder  Meritorious Service Award

On November 17, 2016, these officers responded to N. 26th Street and W. Ruby Avenue for an entry call.
District Five  
Captain Timothy S. Heier

The caller stated a burglary was taking place and when officers arrived the suspect fired a gunshot toward them. Other officers ran toward the shots fired without hesitation as the gunman fled the scene. The search then began for the suspect. A short time later the suspect was arrested without incident. These officers not only acted courageously during difficult circumstances, but also prevented a burglary from occurring. The suspect confessed to the crime and was charged with First Degree Attempted Intentional Homicide and Burglary.

Police Officer Jesse Busshardt  
Meritorious Service Award

On June 11, 2017, Officer Busshardt responded to a call for assistance near N. 22nd Street and W. Locust Street. An undercover officer had been shot at by suspects driving a red Mazda. As a result of his immediate response, Officer Busshardt located the vehicle in the area where the shots were fired. Knowing the suspects were armed and dangerous, Officer Busshardt pursued their vehicle with great determination. The suspects’ vehicle became inoperative and one of the suspects fled the scene on foot. Officer Busshardt, without hesitation, pursued the suspect on foot and quickly apprehended him. Responding officers recovered a rifle and a semiautomatic handgun from the suspects’ vehicle. Investigating officers later discovered a third firearm that was discarded from the vehicle while it was fleeing from the crime scene. Furthermore, it was discovered these suspects had fired their weapons at a citizen a few blocks away. Officer Busshardt demonstrated courage as he placed the safety of the citizens he protects above his own.

District Six  
Captain Jeffrey Point

Police Officer Henry Dummann III  
Police Officer Fabian Garcia  
Lifesaving Award

On May 16, 2017, these officers were dispatched to a stabbing on S. Winchester Avenue in Bay View. When they arrived, the officers found a male victim bleeding profusely from his right arm. Officer Dummann attempted to apply his tourniquet to stop the man’s bleeding but due to the man’s agitation he was unsuccessful. Officer Garcia was then able to apply his tourniquet that stopped the bleeding. The man was transported to a local hospital where a trauma doctor said that had the officers not intervened with these lifesaving measures, the man would have likely died at the scene.

Police Officer Michael Dederich  
Police Officer Michael Krohn  
Lifesaving Award

On September 21, 2017, these officers responded to S. Williams Street in Bay View regarding the welfare of a citizen. An elderly caller believed there was someone dead in her basement but was physically unable to check. Upon entering the basement, an unconscious female was on the floor with no pulse.
District Six

Officer Krohn proceeded to perform life saving measures while Officer Dederich administered Narcan in an attempt to revive the woman. While still unresponsive, Officer Krohn started chest compressions and Officer Dederich performed rescue breaths. After performing CPR, the woman’s pulse was restored. As a result of their courage, devotion and quick thinking, these officers saved the woman’s life.

Police Officer Ryan LaFond

Police Officer Paul Miner

Lifesaving Award

On October 7, 2017, these officers were dispatched to a subject in the Kinnickinnic River near South Chase Avenue. The officers approached the water to get a closer look when they saw an individual holding onto the individual who was in the water. Officer Miner grabbed onto the individual who was helping while Officer LaFond held onto Officer Miner. Officer Miner lowered himself closer to the water and was able to secure the drowning individual. Officer LaFond then pulled them all to safety. These officers demonstrated tremendous courage and disregarded their own personal safety while attempting to save a drowning individual.

Police Officer Dale Staszewski

Lifesaving Award

On April 9, 2017, Officer Staszewski was working to locate a suicidal male subject who had sustained a serious self-inflicted wound to his arm. Officer Staszewski was searching the Kinnickinnic River Parkway in the Jackson Park Neighborhood when he spotted a piece of blue jean material near a fallen tree. The material was actually pants of the man who was missing and Officer Staszewski saw the man in the river at 10-12 feet below the ground level. Officer Staszewski descended onto the loose ground and was able to communicate with the man. The man had a serious wound, fractures, and numerous cuts. Officer Staszewski stayed with the man until medical help arrived. As a result of Officer Staszewski’s immediate actions, paramedics on scene stated that he saved the man’s life.

Ms. Cynthia Campbell

Meritorious Conduct Award

On March 27, 2017, a woman was reported missing from S. 10th Street and W. Euclid Avenue. The missing woman was elderly and had been diagnosed with early stages of Alzheimer’s but was still able to drive her vehicle for short distances. A short time later, Ms. Campbell was leaving work near N. Port Washington Road and W. Capitol Drive. The missing woman pulled up to Ms. Campbell in her vehicle and stated she was lost and unable to find her way home. Ms. Campbell was given the address to where the missing woman lives and began to drive to that location with the elderly woman following in her own vehicle. Ms. Campbell took city streets, deliberately avoiding the freeway, as the woman stated she was fearful of the freeway. Ms. Campbell was able to locate the woman’s residence and return her home safely, driving a total of 12 miles. Ms. Campbell displayed tremendous character and went above and beyond to help a confused citizen in need.
District Seven  Captain Boris Turcinovic
Police Officer Russell Barker  Lifesaving Award
Police Officer Brian Kobelinski

On July 2, 2017, these officers were dispatched to a fire at a house near N. 49th Street and W. Concordia Avenue. Upon entering the front of the residence, they saw four individuals in the lower unit unaware there was a fire. These citizens advised the officers there were residents in the upper unit where the fire was coming from. The officers ran to the stairs and yelled to the residents in the upper unit to evacuate because there was a fire. The officers successfully evacuated nine residents ranging in ages from 4 to 60 years. As a result of their courage, devotion and quick thinking, the officers saved numerous lives.

Police Officer Chad Poeppey  Meritorious Service Award

On July 15, 2017, Officer Poeppey was dispatched to a suicide attempt near N. 67th Street and W. Locust Street. On scene, Officer Poeppey was advised by another individual that a male subject had stabbed himself in the neck. Officer Poeppey located a trail of blood and followed it to where he saw a male with a large laceration and another individual applying pressure. Officer Poeppey helped apply pressure on the subject’s wounded neck. Officer Poeppey aided the subject until the Milwaukee Fire Department arrived and continued medical treatment. Officer Poeppey’s actions helped save the life of a citizen in distress.

Police Aide Jonathan Schroeder  Meritorious Service Award

On June 12, 2017, a suspect was arrested for domestic violence and conveyed to District Seven for processing. During the initial screening, there was no indication the suspect was suicidal. A short time later, Police Aide Schroeder heard yelling from the cell which the suspect was in. Police Aide Schroeder saw the suspect sitting on his bench stating he wanted to kill himself. Police Aide Schroeder briefly left to make proper notifications. Upon returning he observed the suspect with a t-shirt wrapped around his neck. Police Aide Schroeder activated the panic button and other officers responded to the cell block to assist. Police Aide Schroeder and the other officers worked together to remove the shirt from the suspect and save his life.

Intelligence Fusion Center  Captain David A. Salazar Jr.
Detective Richard McQuown  Distinguished Service Award

Since the inception of the High Technology Unit in 2004, Detective McQuown has been a leader in research and application of technological advances in the industry. Detective McQuown has created programs used across the country to capture and process memory from running computers. He has been nationally recognized for his work in malware forensics and his efforts have often led to the discovery of items of evidentiary value, which would otherwise be left unnoticed.
Intelligence Fusion Center Captain David A. Salazar Jr.
Detective McQuown’s ability to develop innovative and creative solutions is indicative of his mindset. Through his initiatives, the High Technology Unit has maintained itself as a leader in digital forensics. Detective McQuown’s resourcefulness and willingness to share his knowledge and experience has helped support investigations throughout the City.

Detective Walter Cappelli
Police Officer Christopher Agnew
Police Aide Andrew Wroblewski Excellence in Police Service Award

On March 28, 2017, this group from the Intelligence Fusion Center helped investigate a shooting on the North Side. They reviewed pole camera footage from the area of N. 27th St. and W. Burleigh Street. They focused the video on a gas station parking lot and the surrounding traffic close to the scene and saw a silver vehicle traveling along Burleigh Street and a firearm being presented from one of the occupants of the vehicle. After running various license plates, the group was able to discover that the suspect’s vehicle listed to silver Mercury Milan. As a result of this information, officers went to the address where the vehicle was listed to. They took two armed suspects into custody thereby, protecting the community from. This group’s attention to detail prevented further crimes from being committed by these individuals.

Neighborhood Task Force Acting Captain Lieutenant Derrick Harris

Police Officer Trevor DeBoer
Police Officer Jeremy Greene
Police Officer Erik Rodriguez
Police Officer Michael Schwandt
Police Officer Daniel Sebald Medal of Valor-Rescue Award
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff Michael J. Pittsley
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff Christopher M. Rydelski
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff John K. Scifres
Kenosha County Deputy Sheriff Joseph A. Zarleti
Kenosha Police Officer Austin J. Brechue
Milwaukee Firefighter Steven P. Radomski

Valorous Conduct Award

On August 14, 2016, the Milwaukee Police Department Tactical Enforcement Unit attempted to stop rioting and restore order during a violent, civil disturbance. This group was near “Ground Zero” of the riots where they could hear gunshots from a very close range and could see rocks and bricks being thrown in their direction. In the midst of this chaos, a citizen was struck in the neck by gunfire.
Neighborhood Task Force

Acting Captain Lieutenant Derrick Harris

The group of officers exited their armored vehicles and moved quickly toward the injured victim. The crowd around them continued to behave violently toward the officers. The officers moved the victim to an armored vehicle where a paramedic and another officer could begin performing lifesaving measures. The victim was conveyed to the hospital where he survived his gunshot wound. As a result of their professionalism, courage and collaborative efforts, this tactical unit risked their lives to save the life of a citizen in desperate need of rescuing.

Office of Community Outreach and Education

Captain Raymond Banks

Police Officer Paul Marchese
Police Officer Andrew Marx

Purple Star Award

On July 20, 2017, these officers were assigned to the Promise Zone Initiative which was a foot patrol beat in selected neighborhoods. While walking on the Northwest Side, they were flagged down by a citizen who wanted to report a nuisance property. As they spoke with the citizen, a vehicle driving recklessly lost control, struck the officers on the sidewalk and fled the scene. Officer Marchese suffered substantial injuries to his elbow and shoulder. Officer Marx suffered a fractured tibia and head injuries. These officers remained calm and sent pertinent information regarding the vehicle involved, out to responding officers. They obtained a description of the vehicle which led to the eventual apprehension of the driver. The ability of these officers to provide important information in spite of their serious injuries, allowed the reckless driver to be apprehended.

Office of Management, Analysis and Planning

Director Leslie Silletti

Police Sergeant Chad Raden
Police Officer Penny Brown
Police Officer David Novak
Police Officer Denise Rueda

Meritorious Service Award

In May 2017, these members of the License Investigation Unit assisted both the DEA and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue with a local synthetic marijuana manufacturing and distribution investigation. MPD assisted with the execution of a search warrant at a Milwaukee convenience store where synthetic marijuana was being sold. A large quantity was located along with scales, packaging devices, a handgun and other related items. A search warrant was also executed at a commercial business located in Oak Creek. An even larger quantity of synthetic marijuana was found at this location. This site was actively being used for the manufacture, packaging and distribution of the drug. Early estimates of the value of illegal items seized were in excess of $2 million dollars. These officers should be commended for their assistance in this investigation and their professional work in removing a dangerous drug from the streets.
On August 31, 2017, these officers helped in a vehicle pursuit of a vehicle taken in an armed robbery earlier that evening. This pursuit lasted for more than 37 miles. These officers were able to safely maneuver their squad car while providing a clear and accurate broadcast of the vehicle's direction of travel. The stolen vehicle eventually became disabled near N. 36th Street and W. Capitol Drive with all four occupants fleeing on foot. Two occupants were arrested a short time later and the other two were identified by fingerprints. Inside the vehicle were four loaded guns, a pound of marijuana and $3,000 in cash. The persistence and courage of these officers resulted in the arrest of suspects and ended their crime spree.

On April 22, 2017, Operator Michalski answered a call from a suicidal female stating she had just tried to hang herself and requested help. Operator Michalski was able to obtain a location from the distressed caller. A squad was immediately dispatched. ECO Michalski engaged in dialogue with the subject and tried to provide reassurance help was on the way. Operator Michalski was able to find out why the female was depressed and talked with her about her situation. When ECO Michalski advised the subject that a squad was on its way, the subject requested to speak with her until the officers arrived. Operator Michalski was effective in de-escalating the distressed caller and maintained courage to remain on the line with her until the police arrived.

On Monday, May 1, 2017, Operator Radtke took a call from a citizen stating he was hearing voices and wanted to commit suicide. A few minutes later, another call came in from the same citizen which Operator Radtke again handled. The caller stated he wished to be with his deceased mother. Operator Radtke was able to engage the caller in conversation until a squad arrived. During the conversation, Operator Radtke reassured the caller that he was doing the right thing by calling. ECO Radtke calmly reminded him that he took the first step in getting help. Operator Radtke’s effective communication and de-escalation skill encourage a distressed suicidal citizen and prevented a loss of life.
Executive Command Staff

Assistant Chief of Police James Harpole

Chief’s Superior Leadership Award

Assistant Chief Harpole began his career with the Milwaukee Police Department in September of 1985 as a Police Aide. Throughout his career, he was promoted to the rank of Police Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and in 2008, Assistant Chief. He has worked in several locations including Districts, the Identification Division, the Data Services Division, the Communications Division, the Patrol Support Division, and the Internal Affairs Division. Assistant Chief Harpole’s current position is the Commander of the Neighborhood Patrol Bureau. This includes all seven Districts, the Neighborhood Task Force, and the Office of Community Outreach. Assistant Chief Harpole has dutifully taken on the added responsibility that comes with his job. He demonstrates leadership on a daily basis with honorable conduct. As a representative of the Chief of Police and the Department, Assistant Chief Harpole’s integrity and work ethic is an example to all members of the Department. His passion for the history of the Department shows his commitment to serving the citizens of Milwaukee and the Department.
Executive Command Staff
Assistant Chief of Police William R. Jessup

Chief’s Superior Leadership Award

Assistant Chief Jessup began his career with the Milwaukee Police Department in February of 1990 and in the past 27 years has been promoted to the ranks of Detective, Lieutenant, Captain, and Inspector and in February of 2016, Assistant Chief of Police. He has served in various assignments including the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Neighborhood Policing Bureau, and Risk Management Bureau. Currently, Assistant Chief Jessup commands the Investigations and Intelligence Bureau and the Risk Management Bureau. Recent restructuring and retirements within the Department have given added responsibility to Assistant Chief Jessup. He has taken on these extra duties with professionalism and his leadership serves as an example to all Department members. His service to the citizens of Milwaukee and his pursuit of the Milwaukee Police Department’s mission is exceptional.
Excellence in Police Service Award

Police Officer Chad Boyack
Police Officer Jesse Busshardt
Police Officer Bryon Downey
Police Officer Tobias Golembiewski
Police Officer Andrew Gross
Police Officer Timothy Krejci
Police Officer Michael Michalski
Police Officer Anthony Milone
Police Officer Gary Post
Police Officer Jose Rivera III
Police Officer Justin Schwarzhuber
Police Officer James Swiercz
Police Officer Joshua Yang

These officers are being recognized for receiving numerous consistent letters of commendation. These letters show the daily outstanding performance of these officers as well as their willingness to go above and beyond the ordinary call of duty. We appreciate the faithful contribution these officers make to the Department’s mission.
Mr. Blaine Layne Certificate of Appreciation

In 2017 Blaine Layne, a local dog trainer, who is the assistant to a local dog trainer, was contacted about what he could do to help out a female who was fearful of gang retaliation due to her being victimized and threatened because of her upcoming testimony in a certain case. The business which Mr. Layne works for was able to provide two service dogs to the victim at a reduced rate of $5,000 (the cost is usually $20,000-$30,000 a dog). The victim and Mr. Layne eventually met, as Mr. Layne worked with the victim for three full days at her residence teaching the victim the do’s and don’ts of caring for a service dog. Mr. Layne stayed with the victim and the service dogs until the victim and the dogs were completely comfortable around each other. The victim would later say that for the first time in her life she felt completely safe and protected. Blaine Layne’s sincerity and devotion has had a profound impact on this individual as well as all the service dogs which he has trained.

Mr. Jessie Smith Certificate of Appreciation

In 2017 Jessie Smith, a local dog trainer was contacted about what he could do to help out a female who was fearful of gang retaliation due to her being victimized and threatened because of her upcoming testimony in a certain case. Mr. Smith, former military and retired law enforcement, provides service and protection dogs for military, law enforcement partners and private citizens. Mr. Smith was able to provide two service dogs to the victim at a reduced rate of $5,000 (the cost is usually $20,000-$30,000 a dog). The victim and Mr. Smith eventually met. Mr. Smith empathized with the victim’s dilemma as he answered all of her questions and honored all her requests. Also, Mr. Smith’s business partner spent three full days helping her get used to her new service dog. The victim would later say that for the first time in her life she felt completely safe and protected. Jessie Smith’s sincerity and integrity has had a profound impact on this individual as well as many other individuals.

Crisis Intervention Presenters Certification of Appreciation

The following community members are being recognized for their tremendous work in assisting the Milwaukee Police Department in their tireless effort in training over 1,200 members of the Department in Crisis Intervention Training. This 40 hour, 5-day course, focuses on bringing together law enforcement officials, mental health providers, individuals suffering from a mental illness, as well as their families. This program also helps officers recognize individuals having a mental health crisis and the best service to provide to them. Due to this effort and the contributions from the Crisis Intervention Presenters, officers have become more advanced at deescalating situations involving mental health individuals. This partnership has been invaluable and greatly appreciated.
Certificate of Appreciation

Alzheimer Association, Southeasten WI Chapter

Autism Society of Southeastern WI

Community Resource Referral Center

Crisis Resource Centers

Greater Milwaukee Foundation

Milwaukee County Courts

Milwaukee County Department of Aging

Milwaukee County Mobile Urgent Treatment Team

Milwaukee County Office of Corporation Counsel

NAMI-Greater Milwaukee

Outreach Community Health Centers

Psychiatric Crisis Services

The Grand Avenue Club

US Department of Veteran Affairs

Impact 211

Our Space

Heather Kersten

Christopher Prochut
In June of 2016, the HIDTA Heroin Initiative was asked to assist the U.S. Attorney General in the investigation of laundering of drug proceeds through several banks in the United States. This investigation recovered nearly $1 million in U.S. currency in three months.

In September 2017, a large scale operation was conducted involving nearly 200 local, state and federal law enforcement personnel aimed at arresting 21 of the targets of this investigation. At the culmination of this operation, 20 of the 21 had been arrested on charges of Conspiracy to Deliver Heroin, Cocaine, and Methamphetamine. Seventeen search warrants were executed on residences and vehicles associated with members of this drug trafficking organization. In total, this investigation yielded over $1.2 million in US currency, over 30 kilograms of cocaine, 1.5 kilos of heroin, 50 pounds of marijuana and 10 pounds of methamphetamine.

This drug trafficking organization was responsible for countless narcotics related crimes which contributed greatly to street level drug dealing in Milwaukee and the violent crimes associated with it. Due to inter-agency cooperation, diligent investigation, and months of collaborative work between this group and multiple local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, a complex high volume drug trafficking organization was disrupted and dismantled.
The Milwaukee Police Department’s Honor Guard unit was restructured in February of 2012 to a team of 16 members. Some of these members have been part of the Honor Guard for 10 to 20 years and range in rank from Police Officer to Inspector of Police.

In October of 2013 a group of four members travelled to Arlington Virginia to receive training from the Army’s Continental Color Guard and Honor Guard Units. These members brought this new training back to the department and have conducted training sessions with the entire unit in order to teach the members what was learned.

In May of 2015, four members travelled to Washington D.C. where they were able to participate in the National Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony with multiple Honor Guard units from across the country. The opportunity to join with other law enforcement agencies to show respect to those officers who died in the line of duty only reiterated why this unit does what it does.

This group has shown respect, dedication, and loyalty to the Milwaukee Police Department through their committed service to the Honor Guard unit.
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Milwaukee Police Department

Mission and Vision Statement

**Mission**

In partnership with the community, we will create and maintain neighborhoods capable of sustaining civic life. We commit to reducing the levels of crime, fear and disorder through community-based, problem-oriented and data-driven policing.

**Vision**

A Milwaukee where all can live safely and without fear, protected by a police department with the highest ethical and professional standards.

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**Core Values**

**Competence**

We are prudent stewards of the public's grant of authority and resources. We are accountable for the quality of our performance and the standards of our conduct. We are exemplary leaders and exemplary followers.

**Courage**

We place the safety of others before our own and accept our moral responsibility to take action against injustice and wrongdoing. Police members are expected to take prudent risks on behalf of the public.

**Integrity**

We recognize the complexity of police work and exercise discretion in ways that are beyond reproach and worthy of public trust. Honesty and truthfulness are fundamental elements of integrity. It is our duty to earn public trust through consistent words and actions. We are honest in word and deed.

**Leadership**

We seek to influence human behavior to achieve organizational goals that serve the public while developing individuals, teams and the organization for future service. We accept our responsibility to be leaders, both within the community and among our peers, and for the actions of our colleagues and ourselves. We are all responsible for the performance, reputation and morale of the Department.

**Respect**

We hold life in the highest regard. We treat all citizens and colleagues with dignity and respect, and are fair and impartial as we perform our duties.

**Restraint**

We use the minimum force and authority necessary to accomplish a proper police purpose. We demonstrate self-discipline, even when no one is listening or watching.
When you do nothing you become powerless. But when you get involved, you feel the sense of hope and accomplishment that comes from knowing you are working to make things better for everyone.

—Author Unknown

Special thanks to the City of Milwaukee residents for their continued support and cooperation in helping to keep our city safe.