



# PUBLIC SAFETY AWARDS

# **JUNE 3, 2025**









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#### **PROGRAM:**

Welcome & Introductions: Marji Graf, President and CEO, Greater Rockville Chamber of Commerce

Presentation of Colors: Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation, Rockville City Police Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office and Rockville Volunteer Fire Department

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Invocation: Father Tim Carr, Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville

Luncheon

Introduction of Guests: Judith Hruz, Media Consultant and Executive Editor, The Greater Olney News

Greetings: The Honorable Monique Ashton, Mayor, City of Rockville

Welcome Presenter to the Podium: Judith Hruz

Presentation of 2025 Awards: Joseph Olmo, Reporter, NBC 4 Washington Sponsored by SERVPRO Team Gutierrez

Final Thanks and Wrap Up: Marji Graf

Jorge Gutierrez, President of SERVPRO Rockville/Olney presents a check to First Responders Children's Foundation

Benediction, Father Tim Carr Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville

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## **EXPLANATION OF AWARDS**

# CITATION FOR BRAVERY

The Citation for Bravery is presented to a member of a public safety organization or the civilian community who performed an act of bravery wherein the member's physical safety was perilously exposed to danger in order to save the life of another or to perform an extraordinary and heroic public safety duty.

# **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION**

The Distinguished Service Citation is presented to a member of a public safety organization or the civilian community who is recognized for diligence, perseverance and timely judgment in the performance of a difficult task that resulted in the protection of life or property, the prevention of a major crime, or the apprehension of an armed and dangerous criminal.

## **W** MERITORIOUS SERVICE CITATION

The Meritorious Service Citation is presented to a member of a public safety organization or civilian community who deserves acknowledgement of a duty or task that falls above the normal scope of his or her job or that could easily have gone undone or unnoticed.

## UIFESAVING AWARD

The Lifesaving Award is given to a member of a public safety organization or civilian community who contributes to saving a human life by physical rescue or through the administration of first aid.

## UNSUNG HERO AWARD

The Unsung Hero Award is given to a member of a public safety department who has devoted a significant amount of time – while on duty or off duty – to providing a service, a good deed or sustained activity that has had a positive impact on a segment of the community. This award recognizes those actions that may not be perceived as traditional duties of a public safety organization, but that result in building trust, increasing public safety or improving the lives of others.

### Officer Zachary Chidlow, Officer Pak Tham and Officer Tony Whitehurst

Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation

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On October 18, 2024, Officer Zachary Chidlow, Officer Pak Tham and Officer Tony Whitehurst successfully intervened during a suicide attempt at the Detention Center. Their quick response, professionalism and commitment to preserving life were pivotal in ensuring the safety and well-being of an incarcerated individual.

Upon identifying the signs of a suicide attempt, they immediately administered first aid, moving the individual out of the cell, placing him in the medical transport chair, and preventing him from choking himself. They played a crucial role in preventing a tragedy.

For their bravery and ability to remain composed under high-pressure circumstances, Officer Chidlow, Officer Tham and Officer Whitehurst are honored with the Lifesaving Award. They are a testament to their dedication to both the safety of individuals in their care and the values of the Department of Correction and Rehabilitation.

## LIFESAVING AWARD

#### Cpl. Harry Dunton, Sgt. Anthony Harris, Cpl. Fnu Ndoh and Sgt. Jesse Rouzee

Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation Sponsored by Montgomery College

At approximately 12:40 p.m. July 20, 2024, Cpl. Harry Dunton, Sgt. Anthony Harris, Cpl. Fnu Ndoh and Sgt. Jesse Rouzee performed CPR on an individual while using the automated external defibrillator (AED) to stabilize the defendant until paramedics arrived to take him to the hospital.

Their courage was extraordinary, as they not only saved a life, but brought peace of mind to those involved in the incident. Their commitment set a great example for the entire team.

For their efforts, Cpl. Dunton, Sgt. Harris, Cpl. Ndoh and Sgt. Rouzee earn the Lifesaving Award.

### Lt. Ken Konishi, Sgt. Lambert Tedjio Sgt. Christopher Vandenengal Lt. Warren Wallingford

Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation

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During a fire emergency on October 22, 2024, Lt. Ken Konishi, Sgt. Lambert Tedjio, Sgt. Christopher Vandenengal and Lt. Warren Wallingford showed quick thinking, displayed a calm demeanor and acted heroically to save lives and ensure the safety and security of staff and incarcerated individuals.

When the fire broke out, they calmly assessed the blaze, contacted Fire & Rescue, and assisted with evacuating the incarcerated individuals and accounting for all of them.

For remaining composed under pressure, following safety protocols and working as a team, Lt. Konishi, Sgt. Tedjio, Sgt. Vandenengal and Lt. Wallingford mitigated the potential for greater harm and are awarded the Distinguished Service Citation.

## MERITORIOUS SERVICE

EMS Provider II Clara Ferrari Firefighter II Aiden Chornock Captain Alain Pankopf Firefighter II Grant Polla Master Firefighter Nathan Hanshew

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The life of a volunteer at the Rockville Volunteer Fire Department requires dedication, hard work and a passion for service. In 2024, the RVFD volunteers provided area residents and businesses with 118,084 hours of staffing.

All riding volunteers have a minimum standby, or on-duty requirement, of 700 hours per year, in addition to extensive training. It is not unusual for volunteers to go well beyond the minimum and give over 1,000 hours per year.

The following members have contributed the most standby hours and emergency calls in 2024:

Highest number of stand-by hours/Live-In Firefighter II Grant Polla: 3,336 hours

Highest number of standby hours/Non-Live-In Master Firefighter Nathan Hanshew: 1,400 hours Master Firefighter Hanshew was honored at last year's award program for his 1,335 stand-by hours

Highest number of emergency calls/Non-Live-In Fire Unit Capt. Alain Pankopf: 218

Highest number of emergency calls/Live-In Fire Unit Calls Firefighter II Aiden Chornock: 852

Highest number of emergency calls/Non-Live in Emergency Unit Calls Emergency Provider II Clara Ferrari

## **UNSUNG HERO AWARD**

#### **Client Assistance Specialist Diana Roche**

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office

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Diana Roche has been working in the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office since 2011 as a Client Assistant Specialist at the Montgomery County Family Justice Center (FJC).

She has assisted over 2,000 victims of intimatepartner violence with her wealth of knowledge of available resources in Montgomery County.

While Specialist Roche has made an impact on countless people, most recently she has diligently been working with a client since September, almost on a weekly basis. The client filed for a Temporary Protective Order against her boyfriend, who physically abused her. Criminal charges were also filed. She helped the client create a safety plan and assisted with navigating the protective order and criminal court process.

Specialist Roche has been a devoted advocate for the client, making her feel safe and heard. Through their work together, the client has received mental health counseling, legal representation, career counseling services, transportation assistance, referrals for medical services and assistance with basic needs.

While the client is still healing from the trauma, she is stronger and more confident – in no doubt due partly to the assistance and steadfast support of Client Assistant Specialist Diana Roche.

For her commitment to making a difference in the community she serves, Diana Roche is presented with the Unsung Hero Award.

## UNIT CITATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Deputy Sheriff I Joshua Evans Deputy Sheriff I Matthew Swinford Deputy Sheriff III Christopher Lund Deputy Sheriff III Shane Scott Deputy Sheriff Sgt. Michael Athey

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Sponsored by BK Technologies

On August 15, 2024, at 4:40 p.m., deputies assigned to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Domestic Violence section responded to a Rockville residence to serve a court-ordered Emergency Evaluation Petition.

On the same day, but prior to the Sheriff's Office receiving the court order, police had responded to the same address for a report of a violent person verbally threatening and wielding a knife at a roommate. The woman, who has a history of mental illness and substance abuse, also owns a vast collection of firearms, and hunting, tactical and throwing knives and switch blades.

The on-scene officers and crisis negotiators attempted to verbally engage the woman for several hours, but were unsuccessful due to the woman barricading herself.

After the deputies arrived on scene and were positioned at a safe distance, they observed the woman sitting in the kitchen, holding a knife in each hand. The deputies also noticed multiple large knives within arm's reach and scattered about the room.

The deputies verbally engaged with the women and repeatedly gave commands to drop the knives, with unsuccessful results. At various times, the woman stood up – with knives in hand – and approached the door near the area of the deputies.

After lengthy negotiations, the woman walked back to the door and dropped the knives. As she turned to re-enter the home, the deputies strategically rushed inside and quickly placed the women in handcuffs to prevent her from grabbing any weapons that could potentially harm herself and others.

She was then transported to the hospital to receive the appropriate medical care.

For their bravery, collaborative contribution and timely judgment to resolve a situation that could have resulted in harm, the deputies are awarded a Unit Citation for Distinguished Service.

## **UNSUNG HERO AWARD**

#### Sgt. Javier Baquero and Cpl. Ronnie Crowe

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

When many law enforcement officers want to be involved in protecting the community from dangerous criminals, Sgt. Javier Baquero and Cpl. Ronnie Crowe have embraced the duties of community policing, knowing that the value of strengthening trust, promoting public safety and enhancing the lives of those they serve is an integral part of police work.

Sgt. Baquero and Cpl. Crowe exemplify the core values of community policing through their consistent and dedicated efforts to connect with the residents, businesses and organizations of Rockville. The officers have made it their mission to foster trust, build relationships and enhance public safety across the city through their proactive and highly visible involvement in numerous initiatives.

Throughout the year, both officers actively participated in foot patrols, engaging directly with residents, business owners and community members to address concerns, answer questions and provide a reassuring police presence. Their accessibility and communication have made them familiar, trusted faces throughout the city.

Their outreach includes regular participation in events at the Rockville Senior Center, where they conducted Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) training, a program they have provided to multiple businesses across the city to ensure preparedness and promote public safety.

Sgt. Baquero and Cpl. Crowe have been vital contributors to "Coffee with a Cop" events, enhancing transparency and informal conversation between law enforcement and

the public. Their efforts in high-visibility patrols further strengthen their presence and accessibility.

Their commitment extends to civic engagement and support of charitable efforts. They have participated in and supported Special Olympics Maryland, city-wide events at recreation and community centers, and charity golf tournaments.

Their outreach to the younger generation includes station tours for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, coordination of a Youth Bike Rodeo, and presentations at schools.

The two have coordinated DEA Drug Take Back events to promote safe medication disposal, and worked closely with local businesses to deliver safety and security presentations. They have been instrumental in organizing multiple National Night Out events across the city, reinforcing communitypolice partnerships.

Their collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce, Main Street Rockville – a community for people of all abilities – and their delivery of House of Worship Security Surveys all demonstrate a deep commitment to inclusivity, public safety and collaboration.

Notably, their pedestrian safety initiatives have directly contributed to increased awareness and safety measures across Rockville, further showcasing their ability to identify community needs and implement impactful solutions.

Sgt. Baquero and Cpl. Crowe devote a significant amount of time, both on and off duty, to these outreach efforts. Their unwavering dedication is a model for community policing. For these reasons, Sgt. Javier Baquero and Cpl. Ronnie Crowe are deserving recipients of the Unsung Hero Award.

## LIFESAVING AWARD

#### Tyler Williams, Civilian

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

On May 6, 2024, shortly before 6 p.m., a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed struck a tree in front of the Courtyard Marriott Hotel on Research Boulevard. As a result, the vehicle suffered extensive damage; its engine block was pushed into the passenger cabin.

The driver of the vehicle was trapped inside and the vehicle was on fire.

At considerable risk to himself, a witness to the crash – a man from Darlington, Maryland – removed the driver before police or Fire-Rescue arrived.

Once at the hospital, medical personnel determine that the operator would survive his injuries.

Had it not been for the passerby - Tyler Williams the driver might not have survived. For his heroic and extraordinarily unselfish act of bravery, Mr. Williams is awarded the Lifesaving Award.

## LIFESAVING AWARD

#### Cpl. Ali Zeighani

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

On June 20, 2024, at approximately 8:30 p.m., Rockville City Police officers responded to Blandford Street to investigate the report of a shooting that had just occurred.

Cpl. Ali Zeighani arrived first on the scene and saw a male lying on the sidewalk, bleeding from a gunshot wound to the abdomen. The victim was having trouble breathing and in obvious pain.

The officer observed a rifle nearby and a person standing near the victim. While maintaining a visual on the victim and the rifle, the officer safely detained the person, who was found not to be the assailant.

The officer then assessed the victim's gunshot wound. He placed a chest seal on his abdomen to relieve the victim's difficult breathing, and then rolled the victim over and located an exit wound on his back.

The officer placed another chest seal on that wound. Montgomery County Fire & Rescue transported the victim to the hospital for immediate surgery. The victim is fine, thanks to the officer's quick response and the medical treatment he provided.

For his outstanding efforts to save a life – in the face of potential danger – Cpl. Ali Zeighani receives the Lifesaving Award.

## **MERITORIOUS SERVICE CITATION**

### Cpl. Steven Pascali

City of Rockville Police Department

#### Sponsored by SERVPRO

On September 14, 2024, Cpl. Steven Pascali was dispatched to a call for a neighbor dispute regarding barking dogs. He arrived and contacted the owner of the dogs and explained the reason for his visit; the owner of the dogs became visibly upset.

The dog owner explained that she and her partner had been the target of ongoing harassment by their neighbors, the complainants in the matter, for months. The dog owner reported that the harassment began when she and her partner placed rainbow and Pride flags in their yard celebrating their sexual orientation.

Cpl. Pascali contacted other neighbors and learned that no others had issues with thze dogs barking and provided statements contrary to the original complaints. The Rockville City Police Department had responded to several calls for service for barking dogs; however, those calls were unfounded, and no barking dogs were heard.

Cpl. Pascali took the time to listen to the victim of the harassment and provided much needed support. He took it upon himself to research the appropriate criminal charges in the case and referred the victim to the District Court Commissioner's Office for relief. Criminal charges were issued.

The police chief was contacted by the victim in the case regarding Cpl. Pascali's compassion and service. She said, "Cpl. Pascali embodies the qualities we hope to see in law enforcement – compassion, understanding and dedication to community service."

Cpl. Pascali routinely goes the extra mile to assist everyone he encounters during the performance of his duties. In this case, he demonstrated the compassion and dedication to duty that positively impacted the lives of Rockville residents. For his professionalism, he has earned the Meritorious Service Citation.

#### **Officer Yocelin Bonilla**

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

On January 21, a mother and her 4-year-old child were dropped off at the police station by a concerned city resident. Speaking with the mother was difficult, as there was a language barrier, but it was easy to see the mother was very lethargic. She began vomiting.Montgomery County Fire & Rescue (MCFR) was called to the station for a check of the mother and child.

While en route to work, Officer Yocelin Bonilla heard the radio transmission and quickly got to the station to assist with translation. She engaged with the mother and child to understand what happened and how we could help them. The mother told Officer Bonilla that they had been out in the cold all day with no food or water. The mother was not dressed for the weather. and although the child had a coat on she did not have a hat or gloves and her fingertips were ice cold.

Officer Bonilla continued to talk to the mother while food and water were obtained for them. Then the officer went to the store and came back with bags of hats, gloves and sweatshirts. Being a mother herself, she was very empathetic and even got a stuffed animal for the child to help comfort her, as well as a blanket and more food and water.

Officer Bonilla not only provided assistance outside of the normal range of her duties, but she purchased the items for the mother and child with her own money, with no expectation or thought of being reimbursed.

For her unselfish acts of respect and her kindness, Officer Bonilla receives the Meritorious Service Citation.

## **MERITORIOUS SERVICE CITATION**

#### Patrol Team 1:

Officer Chance Thrasher
Cpl. Joseph McCann
Officer Damoni Smith
Officer Omar Guevara

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

On January 17, at approximately 7:30 a.m., Rockville City Police officers from Patrol Team 1 – Cpl. Eddie Roman, Cpl. Anthony Casabona, Cpl. Nicholas Weiss, Cpl. Jeff Park, Officer Chance Thrasher, Cpl. Joseph McCann, Officer Damoni Smith and Officer Omar Guevara – were dispatched to a weapons call at the Sleep Inn at 2 Research Court in Rockville. Montgomery County Police dispatch said that a man dropped a firearm in the lobby area of the hotel and left the scene.

The call-taker added that hotel staff also discovered a deceased female in the rear parking lot.

Officer Chance Thrasher and Cpl. Nicholas Weis s arrived almost immediately and secured the scene and located potential witnesses. A photograph of the man was obtained by officers and disseminated for officer safety. A multitude of shell casings were discovered around the deceased female, as well as a firearm.

Officers deduced that the scene may be directly involved with the homicide on Shady Grove Road that the county police was handing at the same time. A crime scene log was started and evidence markers were erected to mark the numerous shell casings and other evidentiary items.

Montgomery County Police homicide detectives, as well as the Forensic Field Services section, responded to the scene. The deceased female had no form of identification and Patrol Team 1 attempted to use a Mobile Automated Fingerprint Identification System with negative results.

Attempting to establish a connection between the two incidents, officers began to search for possible related subjects to the victim from the Shady Grove Road incident. A possible match proved fruitful and linked the two incidents.

Family of the victim eventually tracked her phone to the hotel and upon learning of her demise, became distraught with emotions. Officers from Patrol Team 1 attempted to comfort the family and provide counseling services on scene by dispatching Rockville City Police Department's Licensed Clinical Social Worker to the hotel.

As officers maintained a presence inside the hotel, the suspect returned and attempted to make his way back to his hotel room. After seeing officers standing guard, he attempted to leave the hotel. They were able to stop and detain him before he fled the hotel.

The man eventually provided a full confession at Montgomery County Police headquarters and was charged accordingly.

It is without a doubt, that the combined efforts of Patrol Team 1, using their intuition and intellect, demonstrated a high standard of expertise that should not go unnoticed. The team is receiving the Meritorious Service Citation.

#### Cpl. Ali Zeighani

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

Cpl. Ali Zeighani, a veteran member of the Rockville City Police Department for more than two decades, has proven himself to be a hard-working and dignified member of the police force time after time.

He is currently assigned to the K9 Unit, which specializes in explosive ordinance and firearm detection. He goes above and beyond to maintain his certifications and to maintain his partner, Bolo, 24 hours a day/seven days a week.

Cpl. Zeighani is always looking for ways to ensure the K9 Unit is in a state of constant operational readiness. His commitment to his current assignment is evident through his on- and off-duty work with his partner. He and his partner remain in top physical condition to meet the demands of a K9 team.

During 2024, Cpl. Zeighani was reassigned to a midnight patrol team to meet the needs of the department. He was able to accept that duty and still meet all training mandates required of a K9 team. Additionally, he and his partner are assigned to the Montgomery County Police Department's Special Weapons and Tactics Team. That collateral duty often requires after-hours callouts on very short notice. Cpl. Zeighanihasfosteredacollaborativeworkingrelationship between the Rockville City Police Department and the Montgomery County Police Department.

Cpl. Zeighani serves as a peer mentor to new employees of the Rockville police department. He provides encouragement and guidance to those new hires to welcome them and set them up to be successful members of the department.

He has served in various capacities during his tenure, including serving as a field training officer. Cpl. Zeighani is dedicated to ensuring the Rockville City Police Department trains and equips police officers to best serve the City of Rockville and is a role model to many.

Cpl. Zeighani treats all employees and the public with dignity and respect. His positive attitude and ability to lead others has made the Rockville City Police Department an environment in which co-workers thrive.

For all that he has done, for carrying out each and every assignment with strength and dignity, he receives the Distinguished Service Citation.

## **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE**

#### **Dispatcher Keschia Paul**

City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

Rockville City Police Department dispatchers are often the first contact a citizen has with the police department. Whether they are calling to report a wire or tree down or an injured animal, are looking for resources, or need assistance with a police matter, Keschia Paul is there to guide them.

In addition to those calls, Ms. Paul fields questions from citizens entering the police station lobby and assists officers with calls for service by running license plates, arranging tows and checking warrants. She is knowledgeable, efficient and competent.

Keschia Paul is an exemplary dispatcher who always goes above and beyond when assisting officers; she anticipates their needs and always follows through on requests. Her highest priority is to provide as much information as possible to officers so they can do their jobs as safely and efficiently as possible.

She also consistently demonstrates her dedication to her fellow dispatchers and to the future of the department, committing time to training and mentoring newly hired dispatchers.

Outside of her primary role as dispatcher, Keschia Paul often goes above and beyond for others with the intent to lift spirits and foster a positive work environment. She gives flowers and/or chocolates to others as a way to lift spirits if she knew someone was having a rough day or simply as random acts of kindness to put a smile on someone's face. She also goes out of her way to ensure the police department celebrates its peers.

Ms. Paul always makes it a point to decorate, celebrate and/or acknowledge National Public Safety Communications Week (generally the second week in April) to show the dispatchers they are appreciated.

In 2024, Ms. Paul took considerable time, effort and some of her own money to plan events celebrating major life events of others. She organized a surprise baby shower to celebrate one of our female officers, coordinating every aspect of the event – a beautiful event that allowed peers to celebrate this officer's new baby.

Realizing there was not a dedicated space for a lactation room at the police department for postpartum female employees, Ms. Paul took it upon herself to identify a space, made sure it had the required comforts and created guidelines for the space.

Between September and October of last year, Ms. Paul heard there was a problem with the air conditioning and later a water spill in the sergeant's office. While those issues were not within her primary concern as a dispatcher, she took it upon herself to make the appropriate notifications so that it would be fixed and cleaned up properly. On top of that, she walked around the station identifying other issues that needed to be addressed. One of the main concerns was the clarity of the surveillance cameras. Ms. Paul requested they be cleaned so the captured video would be clear. There were several others small things that were in disrepair that she ensured were addressed.

When Major Mike England announced he was retiring after 45 years of service, Ms. Paul immediately took charge planning a surprise retirement party to celebrate the major's long and storied career. She spent untold hours planning the event, organizing food and gifts, and transporting decorations and equipment to the city. On Dec. 3, past and present Rockville City Police Department employees, city employees and friends celebrated and reflected on the many ways Major England contributed throughout his career.

These are just a small example of the dedication Keschia Paul has for the Rockville City Police Department family. She knows the importance of celebrating people and is always looking for ways to improve the department. She never wants recognition for all that she does; she genuinely wants to make the department a better place and wants people to feel valued.

Today, we hope she feels how much we value her by awarding her the Distinguished Service Award as our Civilian of the Year.

## **CITATION FOR BRAVERY**

Cpl. Ronnie Crowe City of Rockville Police Department Sponsored by SERVPRO

On December 3, 2024, Cpl. Ronnie Crowe was heading home after completing a full shift with the Rockville City Police Department. As he left his jurisdiction, he continued to diligently monitor his surroundings. That included changing his police radio to listen to the dispatched calls in his immediate areas as he drove.

At approximately 4:45 p.m., a call for a shooting that had just occurred in the 18000 block of Town Center Drive in Olney – the heart of that community – went out. Cpl. Crowe, recognizing that he was not too far from the call, immediately got on the air to ask the Montgomery County Police Department supervisor if they would need his assistance. They replied that they would.

Cpl. Crowe redirected from his drive home and quickly arrived on scene. As the first unit to arrive, he had no idea what dangers might be nearby.

He found the shooting victim in a parked car. The subject had shot themself in the abdomen and had fallen unconscious. Cpl. Crowe used his trauma sheers to access the subject's injuries, locate the bullet wound, and begin administering first aid. He updated responding officers and fire-rescue over the air, all the while continuing aid, including CPR, as other units arrived. Fire-rescue took over lifesaving efforts and transported the victim to the hospital. The person succumbed to their injuries.

Cpl. Crowe embodies the values of a brave and dedicated officer. He puts community first and has shown that his commitment to service is not tied to only the hours he is on duty. Where many people would want to return to their families after a full day, Cpl. Crowe willingly stepped up to help someone in a dynamic and stressful situation, not knowing what he might have found at the scene. He never hesitates to help those in need.

He is worthy of the Citation for Bravery.





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