



CITY OF DOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

POLICE DEPARTMENT



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE DOVER POLICE DEPARTMENT HOLDS ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

DOVER, NH, On February 25, 2020, the Dover Police Department held its annual awards banquet at Ember Wood Fired Grill. During the night, the department honored the following employees for various awards:

- **Employee of the Year: Officer Christopher Plummer** received the award in recognition of his attributes in many areas, to include his work as the Whittier Falls liaison officer where he worked tirelessly to better the quality of life for DHA residents. Chris transitioned back to the patrol bureau where he proved to be an asset working to train new officers and improve the quality of department wide trainings in the area of use of force. Chris has spent a lot of his free time and efforts to help create more realistic and advantageous trainings for fellow officers. Officer Plummer's 15 years of experience as an officer, his time in the Drug Task Force, his experience as a Team Leader with the Strafford County Regional Tactical Operations Unit, and his positive attitude and enthusiasm for police work make him an asset to the Dover Police Department and worthy of the recognition as the Dover Police Department's 2019 Employee of the year. *(See Photo 1 of Officer Chris Plummer and Chief Breault)*
- **Mission Award: Officer Allison Couch.** The Mission award recognizes the employee who meets the department's mission while consistently maintaining the appropriate balance between enforcing laws and providing customer service while continuing the department's community policing efforts. Officer Couch lead the department in criminal arrests, while also maintaining an above average number of citizen community policing contacts. Officer Couch was able to do this while also fulfilling her responsibilities as a field training officer. Officer Couch is not only a valuable member of the department, she is an outstanding role model for new officers. *(See photo 2 of Officer Alison Couch and Chief Breault)*
- **Outstanding Partner Award: American Legion Post #8.** In addition to gifting over \$7,000 to the Dover Teen Center, the membership of the American Legion has shown consistent compassion and dedication to ensuring that the teen center can continue its mission of supporting at risk youth. *(See photo 3 of the members of the American Legion Post 8 along with Dover Teen Center Director Steve Pappajohn and Chief Breault)*



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- **Chief Daniel Smith Award for Exceptional Service; Officer Brynn Dunne, Officer David Collis, Officer Michelle Murch, Officer Jenna Donais and Detective Andrew Courter** are the 2019 recipients of this award which is given to employees who have gone above what is normally expected while serving the citizens of the community for their continued efforts as Big Brothers and Big Sisters in the first in New Hampshire “Bigs and Badges” program that matches police officers with youth in the community. The officers donate their own time to meet with their “littles” weekly.
- **Looking Beyond the Traffic Stop: Officer Allison Couch.** This award is given to recognize the officer who self- initiates investigations, makes arrests, or develops informants through the use of effective traffic enforcement and/or field contacts.
- **Creative Innovation Award: Dispatcher John Nelson** for his hard work and technical abilities in troubleshooting, repairing and maintaining phone and radio system issues, saving the department and city money in costly repairs.
- **Traffic Officer of the Year: Officer Michael Volpe** who led the department in traffic enforcement efforts.
- **Community officer of the Year: Officer Killian Kondrup** who led the department in citizen community policing contacts. Community Contacts, which encourage officers to be more social and accessible to the public in a non-enforcement type of interaction, include stopping by local schools, rest homes and parks to make conversation with people in a friendly manner. **(See photo 4 of Officer Kondrup and Chief Breault)**
- **Chief’s Marksmanship Award: Officer Bryon Lynch**
- **Ridings Memorial Marksmanship Awards: 1st place Officer Nate Goard, 2nd place Detective Tim Burt, 3rd place Officer Bryon Lynch.**

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