



**VANCOUVER POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**2024 QUARTER TWO AWARDS CEREMONY**

August 8, 2024

3 p.m.

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14311 SE Mill Plain Blvd

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# VANCOUVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Vision

To reflect the rich diversity of Vancouver and make it the safest city for everyone to live, work and play.

## Mission Statement

We partner with the community to preserve life, protect property and enhance livability through equitable law enforcement and effective use of resources.

## We Value

**Ethics.** Doing the right thing; maintaining self- discipline, credibility and moral behavior.

**Respect.** Treating all people with compassion, respect and fairness; honoring diversity of thought, experiences and opinions.

**Honesty.** Upholding the principles of honesty and transparency.

**Communication.** Communicating with openness, active listening, fostering an environment of inclusion, trust and empowerment.

**Collaboration.** Actively seeking collaboration with each other and the community to achieve mutually desired outcomes.

# VPD EXECUTIVE TEAM

- ◆ **Chief** Jeff Mori
- ◆ **Deputy Chief** Troy Price
- ◆ **Assistant Chief** Kristine Buist
- ◆ **Assistant Chief** Erica Nilsen
- ◆ **Acting Commander** Kathy McNicholas
- ◆ **Commander** Darren McShea
- ◆ **Commander** Michael Whitney
- ◆ **Commander** Chad Williams
- ◆ **Assistant City Attorney** Taylor Hallvik
- ◆ **Human Resources Business Partner** Rob Prociak
- ◆ **Administrative Assistant** Heather Abbott
- ◆ **Records Manager** Olga Dacy
- ◆ **Finance and Logistics Supervisor** Daphine Harris
- ◆ **Public Affairs Manager** Kim Kapp
- ◆ **Administrative Assistant** Teri Kenning

# MEET OUR NEW PROFESSIONAL STAFF



**Vanessa Hung**

Police Records Specialist

Joined VPD April 1, 2024



**Bradley Hunt**

Materials Control Coordinator

Joined VPD May 6, 2024

# MEET OUR NEW POLICE OFFICERS



## **Officer Magnus Anderson**

Joined VPD: November 20, 2023

Graduated from Basic Law Enforcement Academy: May 21, 2024

Informal swearing in: May 23, 2024



## **Officer Regan Cooke**

Joined VPD: November 20, 2023

Graduated from Basic Law Enforcement Academy: May 21, 2024

Informal swearing in: May 23, 2024



## **Officer Bryson Denver**

Joined VPD: November 20, 2023

Graduated from Basic Law Enforcement Academy: May 21, 2024

Informal swearing in: May 23, 2024



## **Officer Jevon Kelly**

Joined VPD: January 8, 2024

Graduated from Basic Law Enforcement Academy: May 21, 2024

Informal swearing in: May 23, 2024



## **Officer Heather Nicholls**

Reinstated: April 1, 2024

Informal swearing in: April 9, 2024

# MEET OUR NEW POLICE OFFICERS



**Officer Trevon Southern**

Joined VPD: May 13, 2024

Previous Agency: Washougal Police Department  
(June 2022 - May 2024)

Informal swearing in: May 14, 2024

# PROMOTIONS



**Sergeant Paul Benton**

Promoted to Sergeant April 16, 2024



**Sergeant Branden Schoolcraft**

Promoted to Sergeant on June 16, 2024

# AWARDS AND MEDALS

Silver Star



Medal of Valor



Medal of Distinction



Purple Heart



Lifesaving



Department Citation



Career Service



Meritorious Service



Special Service



Team Commendation





# LIFESAVING AWARD

The Lifesaving Award is given to an officer who is directly responsible for the saving of a human life. Documentation and supporting evidence, which may include statements of witnesses, physicians, or supervisors, must be included to substantiate the award. This award is also appropriate in those circumstances where the action of an officer prolonged human life to the extent of the victim being released to the care of medical authorities, even though the victim may have expired at a later time. This award is appropriate for officers who prevent the taking of a life by a suicidal subject through imminent and violent means.



**Officer Janell Cusick**  
Lifesaving Award



**Officer Tyler Knotts**  
Lifesaving Award

On May 20, 2024 Officer Janell Cusick and Officer Tyler Knotts responded to a reported trespasser who had taken some food from a nearby restaurant and had gone over to a vacant building nearby. When they arrived, they located a male slouched over, non-responsive, not breathing and without a pulse. The officers recognized this was a likely drug overdose, proceeded to gather Narcan and began CPR. After several administrations of Narcan and continued CPR a pulse was detected, and CPR was continued until medics arrived. The male regained his ability to breathe on his own and was transported to the hospital. The officers quick response to the medical emergency resulted in saving this person's life.

# TEAM COMMENDATION

A Team Commendation is presented to a group of officers, civilian personnel and/or citizens whose collective efforts significantly impact the overall service delivery for the Vancouver Police Department.



**Corporal Jamie Haske**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Andrea Bauman**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Nicholas Copley**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Elena Miron**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Sean Suarez**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Justin Thomas**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Jeremy Vanroyce**  
Team Commendation



**Officer Nicole Vigil**  
Team Commendation

# TEAM COMMENDATION

In May 2024, members of the Vancouver Police Department Honor Guard attended Police Week events in Washington D.C. After their return, the department received a letter from a Senior Oregon State Trooper Clint Prevett, who was accompanying the spouse of a fallen Marion County Sergeant whose name was being added to the Law Enforcement Memorial wall. Trooper Prevett sent a letter detailing the extraordinary work, professionalism and compassion he witnessed from the members of the Vancouver Police Honor Guard during Police Week events.



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