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Community Nominations Sought for Police Service Awards
Deadline for Submissions is March 10

The Durham Police Department (DPD) welcomes nominations from the community for two of its Service Awards that recognize commendable law enforcement and public safety service. Eligible nominees include DPD employees (officers and non-sworn personnel) as well as members of the general public (residents, organizations, DPD volunteers, programs, etc.). DPD accepts nominations from the public/community for the following awards:

The **Certificate of Merit** is presented to DPD employees (police officers and non-sworn staff) for outstanding performance or devotion to duty, possibly involving personal safety.

The **Community Service Medal** is presented to DPD employees (police officers and non-sworn staff), as well as residents, community groups, civic organizations or programs for service to the community ‘above and beyond’ the call of duty that promotes public safety.

The required external nomination form can be downloaded from [www.durhampolice.com](http://www.durhampolice.com). Scroll to the bottom of the homepage to Police Department Complaints and Commendations. The **deadline for submission of DPD Service Awards nominations is Friday, March 10, 2017**. Award recipients are formally recognized in May as part of the department’s annual National Police Week observance.

For more information, call Capt. Marianne Bond, Service Awards Committee Chair, at (919) 560-4432 extension 29202 or email Marianne.Bond@durhamnc.gov.

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