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Community Nominations Sought for Police Service Awards

Deadline is March 31, 2020

DURHAM, N.C. - 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. Scroll to the middle area of the homepage to *Police Department Complaints, Commendations & Awards*. The deadline for submission of award nominations is Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Award recipients are formally recognized in May as part of the department's annual National Police Week observance.

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

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