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Nominations are now being accepted for the Steve Whalen Memorial Policing Award. This award recognizes a Dayton police officer who demonstrates extraordinary commitment and service to the community.

Officer Steve Whalen was shot and killed in the line of duty in March of 1991 while trying to stop a shooting suspect. Officer Whalen was known as a community-oriented public servant who made himself accessible to residents above and beyond his normal police duties.

The Steve Whalen Memorial Policing Award was established in 1993 to recognize a current Dayton police officer who embodies a similar outstanding commitment to the community and community policing.



You can nominate an officer at daytonohio.gov/whalenaward. Nominations must be submitted by April 4, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

The Steve Whalen Memorial Policing Award will be presented at the annual Dayton Police Awards ceremony, to be held in late April.

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