

VIPS NEWS

Denver Police Department | Volunteers In Police Service



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to all those who celebrated during the month of March!

- Olivia Coats
- Paulette Cohrs
- Joseph Dang
- Miguel Fernandez
- Ben Greaser
- Sydney Harmon
- Brian Mandroian
- Bill Nagle
- Kimberli Olivas
- Vic Reichman
- Diane Ricci
- Gerri Szadaj
- Aly Wilson
- Cynthia Wolfe



VOLUNTEERS SIT ON POLICE RECRUIT INTERVIEW PANEL

Under the direction of the Chief, one volunteer is invited to sit on the Interview Panel for those applying to become Denver Police Officers. These volunteers provide citizen-insight for how the applicants will interact and treat citizens they come in contact with. It is an intense requirement with volunteers studying the applicant's thick personnel files and with shifts lasting 5+ hours, the volunteers often interview over 10 different applicants.



FORMER DPD DIVISION CHIEF DR. TRACIE L. KEESEE HONORED

On Thursday, February 20th in celebration of Black History month the Denver Police Museum honored Dr. Tracie L. Keesee for her outstanding service to the Citizens of the City and County of Denver. Dr. Tracie Keesee is a 25 year veteran of the Denver Police Department, co-founder and Senior Vice President of Justice Initiatives, and she served as the first-ever Deputy Commissioner of Equity and Inclusion for NYPD. Mayor Hancock joined with many DPD Officers and volunteers to celebrate this fantastic event.

VOLUNTEERS VISIT SWAT FACILITY

All of the volunteers who received an award (Presidential, Volunteer of the Quarter, Di Holmes Honorary Award, or Volunteer of the Year) or were nominated for an award at our Volunteer Appreciation Brunch were invited on a private tour of the Denver Police Department's SWAT facility. We all had a great time talking with the officers and getting to know their daily tasks and some of their tactics for getting suspects.



Denver VIPS receives award from Sheriff Department



Congratulations to our volunteer, Trina Donovan who received the "Community Partnership Award" at the Annual Denver Sheriff Department Awards Ceremony. This award is given to individuals for exceptional religious and faith-based services and/or activities provided by community service providers. We are so proud of you, Trina!

Metro Denver All Chief's Meeting

On Wednesday, February 12th the Denver Police Department hosted all of the Police Chiefs from the Denver Metro Area. With the assistance of our incredible volunteers, the event went off without a hitch. Our volunteers do a great job



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHTS

RANDY HUNTER

Moved to Denver after retiring from GE Capital in 2016, working commercial real estate in USA and Europe. Decided to volunteer to give back to the community and to make it easier to DPD to have more officers do the important work policing our community. Have brother-in-law and sister-in-law who are both retired law enforcement officers in California and they encouraged my participation.

I currently work in the 16th Street Kiosk, helping answer questions and keeping an eye on pedestrian activities along the mall. Great opportunity to interface with Denver public and tourists and let them know that DPD is here to help.



CAROLYN SNELL

I am a Denver native, full time travel agent, married to the sweetest man on the planet, dog mom and auntie.

I started seriously considering volunteering for Denver Police Department summer of 2014 while watching the Ferguson, Missouri unrest on tv. It seemed unbelievable to me the way police officers were being portrayed in the media. I finally applied the day after the Dallas, Texas officers were ambushed in 2016. I wanted to show my absolute

support for law enforcement in a meaningful way by spending time supporting their efforts in OUR community.

My regular volunteer job is making phone calls for the detectives in the Missing and Exploited Persons Unit. I love being a part of their team and I also enjoy talking with the people in the community they are trying to help.

VOLUNTEER OF THE QUARTER

Congratulations to LeeAnn See, our 2020 First Quarter Volunteer of the Quarter! LeAnn began volunteering with the VIPS program in August of 2018 and started volunteering in the Records Unit in late March of 2019. During her time with the Records Unit, LeAnn tackled various projects to include, but not limited to: Purging of old scanning documents, sorting and entering pawn tickets, sorting, filing and logging returned Traffic Accident Reports (TAR)

and upkeep of the TAR return log. In 2019, LeAnn volunteered 174 hours of her time, most of which was in the Records Unit. LeAnn is always willing to do whatever was asked of her, and often stayed late to complete the task she had been assigned. On multiple occasions, LeAnn would finish a task early and ask what else she could do to help, even going as far as asking to be trained on case transcription.

