



Dayton marks National Police Woman Day, Sept. 12
-DPD is actively recruiting women for law enforcement careers-

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National Police Woman Day honors the service, leadership, and resilience of women in law enforcement. Observed annually on Sept. 12, it is a day to celebrate trailblazers, highlight ongoing progress, and inspire the next generation of officers. The event raises awareness of women's underrepresentation in policing and celebrates their leadership, service, and community impact.

There are currently 57 sworn women officers employed by the Dayton Police Department, which proudly recognizes their contributions and is renewing its commitment to recruiting more women to the profession.

As part of the national 30x30 Initiative, the Dayton Police Department is working to achieve a goal of 30% women among police recruit classes by 2030. Currently, women represent about 16% of DPD officers (the national average is 12%). Studies show that police departments with greater female representation build stronger community trust, excel at de-escalation, and enhance overall public safety.

To support this effort, the Dayton Police Department is attending career fairs at regional universities, such as Miami University, Wright State University, the University of Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky University, Central State University, and Sinclair Community College. The department is also ensuring policies support work-life balance and advancement.

Applications to join the Dayton Police Department will tentatively re-open in January 2026 for a fall 2026 Dayton Police Academy class. For details, please visit JoinDaytonPD.com.

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