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## **Groups to donate ballistic vests to two Dayton K9 officers**

The two newest additions to Dayton's Canine Unit will soon be fully protected when working.

K9 Hugo and K9 Weston will receive new ballistic vests thanks to two donations, one from the Blue Line K9 Project and another from CPG Armor Company.

K9 Hugo will be fitted for his vest, while K9 Weston will receive his vest on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at East Patrol Operations Division North, 417 E. Helena St., at 11:30 a.m.

The Dayton Police Department extends its thanks to the Blue Line K9 project for providing K9 Hugo's vest. Hugo's handler, Officer Randy Betsinger, will assist in getting Hugo measured for his new protective gear. The Blue Line K9 Project, an all-volunteer, non-profit organization, achieves its mission by donating K9 protective and training gear.

DPD also extends gratitude to Cincinnati-based CPG Armor Company for donating a vest to K9 Weston, who is handled by Officer Jeremy Stewart. The owners of CPG Armor Company were made aware of a social media post asking for help in raising funds to buy K9 Hugo a vest and generously stepped forward and offered to donate one. Since the ball was already rolling to get K9 Hugo a vest, DPD asked if CPG's donation could be used for K9 Weston, and they gladly agreed.

We are grateful that both K9 Hugo and K9 Weston will be protected to the same degree as their human handlers when they are working to protect the people of Dayton.

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*Media are invited to attend the vest fitting/donation.*

