



# Sharing Ohio's Best Program

Recognizing Outstanding Community Policing



Agency of the Month

## Beavercreek Police Department

June 2020

### ***Night To Shine Prom. . . .***



For the past 4 years the Beavercreek Police Department has sent officers to greet the participants at the Night To Shine Prom. The event is a prom night experience for people with special needs ages 14 and older, hosted by local churches in all 50 states and across the globe. Each person who attends gets a limo ride to the entrance and is ushered in on a red carpet setting. The officers help greet and interact with these individuals.

### ***R.A.D. Women's Self Classes. . . .***

For the past 2 years, the Beavercreek Police Department has been offering women's self-defense classes. The Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) System is a program of realistic self-defense tactics and techniques. It is a comprehensive course for women that begins with awareness, prevention, risk reduction and avoidance, and progresses on to the basics of hands-on defense training. The program is offered twice a year and is a joint effort with the Beavercreek City School District. A Spring/Summer class is offered to only Beavercreek High School students, mainly seniors going away to college. A Fall/Winter class is open to the citizens of Beavercreek. These classes are one of the biggest attended outreach class offerings.



### ***Safety Town. . . .***

Safety Town is a four-day interactive and educational experience for children entering kindergarten and first grade in the Beavercreek City Schools District. Beavercreek police officers and guest speakers provide age appropriate instruction in various topics including traffic safety, pedestrian and bike safety, fire safety, poison prevention, stranger awareness, Internet safety, school, and bus safety, 911 usage, emergency preparedness, and gun safety. Children enjoy the interactive miniature town by "driving" around the streets and walking along the sidewalks with crosswalks, stop signs and real working traffic signals.





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## ***Quarterly education talks and seminars with Senior Citizens. . . .***

Several officers assist in visiting and teaching on various crime prevention topics at the local Senior Citizen Center. This year, they have branched out to some of the local nursing and assisted living homes, where they have presented on scam/fraud awareness during tax season, active threat protocols, CPTED principles, how to file and report crimes to BPD by utilizing various online reporting tools.



## ***Police Unity Tour. . . .***

For the past eight years two Beavercreek officers, Mark Brown and Chris Williams have represented the department in the Police Unity Tour. The event is a 268-mile bike ride over three days that begins in Richmond, VA, goes to Charlottesville, then to Warrenton, and into Washington D.C. It is in conjunction with National Police Week each year. Each officer must raise \$1800, which goes to the National Peace Officer Memorial Fund to maintain the memorial and inscribe the names of those officers who made the ultimate sacrifice. The motto of the group is "We ride for those who died" and is an important way to support the families of the fallen officers. Each rider picks the fallen officer they ride for and has a commemorative bracelet that they present to the family at the wall on the night of the National Candlelight Vigil.

