



# Sharing Ohio's Best Program

Recognizing Outstanding Community Policing



Agency of the Month

## Willoughby Division of Police

September 2024

The Willoughby Police Department serves the city of Willoughby, located 15 miles east of Cleveland. Willoughby is a small historic town approximately 10.5 square miles in size with a population of 22,300 residents. They are a very community-oriented area which means they partake in several community events throughout the year like the Rib Burn-Off, Car Cruise-In, Artsfest, a 5K run, several concerts and 4th of July Fireworks. The following is three of the best programs and events they chose to highlight.

### ***The Willoughby Police Cadets***

The Willoughby Police Cadets #6020 is a non-profit organization working within the Willoughby Police Department devoted to cultivating well-prepared Cadets for a career in law enforcement. The group has obtained 501(c)3 status to collect donations that provide equipment, training and educational opportunities. They coach and mentor young adults from 14-20 years old on everything related to a successful career as the next generation of Police Officers. The Willoughby Police Cadets learn in the classroom, during practical training and volunteer at all of the community events.





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## ***Touch-a-Truck***

This is an annual event held during the summer by the City of Willoughby which features the police, fire and service departments. The police department featured Zaro from the K9 unit, members the US Marshalls, members of the Emergency Response Team, the motorcycle and bicycle units.



## ***National Night Out***

This is an annual event held in August at Osborne Park. The pool was open to our visitors along with games, music and food. Our police department featured Zaro from the K9 unit, members of the Emergency Response Team, the motorcycle and bicycle units.







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## ***Stuff the Cruiser***

This is an annual event held in the fall at the Marc's Stores location in Willoughby. Non-perishable items and donations were collected and given to McKinley Outreach Food Pantry.

