

# **Sharing Ohio's Best Program**



Recognizing Outstanding Community Policing

Agency of the Month

# **Bexley Police Department**

October 2024

The Bexley Police Department strongly embraces the philosophy of Community Engagement in all its daily operations. Some of the community programs are:

#### **Active Threats Training**

The Bexley Police Department conducted training for the Bexley Public Library Staff on preparing for active threats. The class was split into a classroom session discussing the history of active threats and how police responses has evolved over time, and a live scenario. This essential training for the community equips residents with the knowledge and skills they need to respond effectively in the event of an active threat.

#### **HEARTSafe**

The Bexley Police Department provides training to citizens to teach them how to respond during an emergency involving cardiac arrest.

### **Town Hall Meetings**

In partnership with the FBI Joint Terrorism Taskforce and Jewish Columbus, the Bexley PD has hosted several events and meetings specifically for our places of worship.

## Coffee with a Cop

The Bexley Police Department provides an opportunity for the community to enjoy a cup of coffee and connect with Bexley PD in a relaxed and informal setting.

# **Coffee with Seniors**

Building on the success of the first Coffee with a Cop event in 2023, the Bexley PD partnered with The Bickford Senior Living Facility and Starbucks for the first ever Coffee with the Seniors. The residents and guests wer treated to delicious coffee, donuts, flowers and a visit from K9 Zelig.

#### **Books & Badges**

In conjunction with the Starfish Assignment, the Bexley PD has implemented a "Books & Badges" program. This initiative allows officers to build relationships with children in the community by reading books to them, fostering positive interactions and promoting literacy.