



# The SHIELD

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The SCSO celebrated **National Public Safety Telecommunications Week** in April by highlighting our awesome team of Dispatchers! These incredible men and women, working round-the-clock 365 days a year, are truly the central nervous system of the Sheriff's Office. We thank them for their service, their dedication, and their professionalism.

# Honoring One of Our Own

On Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> the Summit County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard joined law enforcement from throughout the state at the Ohio Peace Officers Memorial Ceremony in London, Ohio to honor those who died in the line of duty over the past year, and to posthumously honor one of our own whose story was nearly lost to time.

The name of Summit County Sheriff's Deputy Rex Faux (1904–1933) was added to the Fallen Officers Memorial Wall. Deputy Faux died on duty in 1933 when the steering mechanism in his patrol car failed as he was returning from a call in Northfield. His name now joins those from throughout Ohio whose “end of watch” came all too soon.



# Summit County Sheriff's Office to receive largest portion of Violent Crime Reduction Grant

In April, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced the recipients of more than \$3.7 million in grant money to local law enforcement agencies to combat violent crime in their communities. The governor's announcement contained 21 police departments and sheriff's offices throughout the state, with the Summit County Sheriff's Office topping the award list at \$421,241.

"This money will be instrumental in our ongoing efforts and planned initiatives to fight violent crime throughout our county, and it will help make our streets safer for those in law enforcement," said Sheriff Fatheree. "I appreciate the state's support in helping us to ensure that Summit County remains a safe place to live, work, and raise a family."

The General Assembly and Governor created the Ohio Violent Crime Reduction Program to provide additional resources to law enforcement to tackle the recent uptick in violent crime throughout the state. The initial \$8 million in funds received a significant boost from the federal government's 2021 American Rescue Plan Act, increasing the total funds available to \$58 million to be doled out over the coming months.



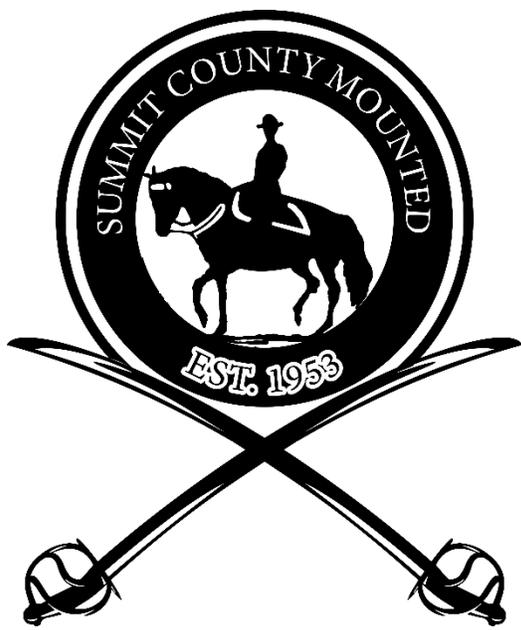
Law Enforcement Agency	County	Grant Amount
Lima Police Department	Allen	\$75,425.00
Cleveland Division of Police	Cuyahoga	\$355,400.00
Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office	Cuyahoga	\$250,670.19
Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department	Cuyahoga	\$163,000.00
East Cleveland Police Department	Cuyahoga	\$149,236.58
Euclid Police Department	Cuyahoga	\$174,771.75
Westlake Police Department	Cuyahoga	\$119,250.00
Columbus Division of Police	Franklin	\$413,908.00
Franklin County Sheriff's Office	Franklin	\$337,850.96
Painesville Police Department	Lake	\$136,482.60
Ironton Police Department	Lawrence	\$84,862.57
Toledo Police Department	Lucas	\$220,000.00
Elyria Police Department	Lorain	\$193,496.88
Mansfield Division of Police	Richland	\$272,000.00
Summit County Sheriff's Office	Summit	\$421,241.13
Warren Police Department	Trumbull	\$218,344.00
Middletown Police Department	Warren, Butler	\$33,000.00
Northern Ohio Violent Crime Consortium: Akron Police Department, Canton Police Department, Cleveland Police Department, Elyria Police Department, Lorain Police Department, Mansfield Police Department, Toledo Police Department, Youngstown Police Department	Summit, Stark, Cuyahoga, Lorain, Richland, Lucas, Mahoning	\$130,418.00



**In April, Attorney General Dave Yost named The University of Akron/Summit County Sheriff's Police Academy a *STAR Police Training Academy*. Only around 15% of academies in the state earn this prestigious accreditation. As part of the application process, our Academy underwent a rigorous review of its policies, performance, and outcomes, conducted by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy.**

**If you're interested in learning more about the Academy or a career with the Sheriff's Office, head to our website and click *Join Our Team!***





**THE SUMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MOUNTED UNIT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1953. IT WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNED TO SERVE A CEREMONIAL PURPOSE, BUT IN THE 1990S IT ALSO TOOK ON LAW ENFORCEMENT DUTIES. TODAY, IT IS ONE OF THE MOST SOUGHT-AFTER MOUNTED UNITS IN THE STATE.**

**THE UNIT OPERATES AS A 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. ALL HORSES ARE PRIVATELY OWNED BY THEIR RIDERS, WHO CONSIST OF FULL-TIME DEPUTIES, SPECIAL DEPUTIES, AND AUXILIARY MEMBERS. IN ADDITION TO SERVING SUMMIT COUNTY, THEY ARE REGULARLY CALLED UPON TO TRAIN OTHER UNITS, AND TO KEEP THE PEACE AT EVENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF OHIO.**



**Horses and riders train on an obstacle course that presents a number of challenges for both to overcome, including accurate shooting, pushing barriers, passing blindly through obstacles, walking over uneven terrain, climbing, and crowd control techniques.**





**Outdoor activities include acclimation to things like flares, raucous crowds, emergency sirens, and helicopters. Despite the mud, noise, and wind, our team performed fantastically during a landing and takeoff executed by the University Hospitals medical helicopter.**



*See our Facebook page for more photos and videos of this training!*



Summit County Sheriff's Deputies joined other safety forces and state and local leaders in April to break ground at the new Northfield Center Township Safety & Administration building.



In May, the Summit County Sheriff's Office and Dr. Insun Park of the University of Akron received an award from the EX[L] Center for their partnership in establishing the Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program between the SCSO and UA.

“Deputy Cottontail” participated in this year’s Easter basket give-away at Suddieth Park, hosted by our friends at Rooted in Christ Church in Akron.



**Our Deputies teamed up with Ohio State Troopers and volunteers from Summit Safe Communities to perform seatbelt checks at Green High School.**

**Students wearing seatbelts received Smarties, those without received Dum Dums!**

**In May, the Summit County Sheriff's Office had another first! Two of our inmates were presented with certificates upon completing the IN2WORK program, a partnership between the SCSO and Aramark. In this program, "trusty" inmates spend six weeks working in the jail's kitchen, learning the ins and outs of food prep, kitchen maintenance, food safety, and more, which increases their odds of finding gainful employment upon their release. We have already had local restaurants approach us that are interested in hiring them! Programs and partnerships like these are crucial to helping reduce recidivism rates in our jail, and in jails and prisons throughout the country. We congratulate our inmates on their certifications and wish them luck in their future as they complete their sentences and turn the page on this chapter in their lives.**



# Sheriff Fatheree and various units from the Summit County Sheriff's Office were honored to participate in this year's Memorial Day Parade in Green.





## **Summit County Sheriff's Office** - KANDY FATHEREE, SHERIFF

### **WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN OUR TEAM?**

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The Summit County Sheriff's Office employs over 300 deputy sheriffs and 80 civilians who are sworn to protect Summit County residents and visitors. We are the policing authority in the City of Green, Coventry Township, Northfield Center Township and Twinsburg Township. In addition, we also patrol the Akron-Canton Airport and the Portage Lakes.

### **BENEFITS OF WORKING AT SUMMIT COUNTY**

- 12-hour shifts
- Numerous extra details
- Paid vacation, sick time, and personal comp. days
- 12 paid holidays
- Employer paid uniform allowance (annually)
- Complete medical, dental, and vision insurance for deputies and their families
- Ohio Public Employee Retirement System pension
- Employee investment opportunities with the Ohio Deferred Compensation retirement plan
- Training facility with an indoor and outdoor range
- Longevity pay
- Employer paid life insurance
- Competitive promotional opportunities after 3 years

### **SPECIALITY UNITS**

- SWAT TEAM
- CRISIS NEGOTIATORS
- CRIME SCENE UNIT
- BOMB SQUAD
- MOBILE FIELD FORCE
- MARINE PATROL
- DIVE TEAM
- MOUNTED UNIT
- COUNTY METRO CRASH TEAM
- OVI TASK FORCE
- HONOR GUARD
- CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

### **DIVISION/BUREAUS**

- CORRECTIONS
- PATROL
  - School Resource Officers
  - DARE
  - K-9
- COURT SERVICES
- DETECTIVE BUREAU
  - Human Trafficking Task Force
  - Computer Forensics
  - Welfare Fraud Investigations
- DRUG UNIT
- TRAINING

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