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Chief's Message



I don't have much to pass along this week. I am still playing catch up with emails while I was away. I did however want to pass along a request from the King County Department of Health. They are actively investigating the pop up food vendors that we have seen along Aurora Ave over the last few months during the night time hours. They have emphasized how dangerous it is to consume food from these vendors since they don't meet the basic health requirements like running water or refrigeration. They also said that it is difficult to hold the vendors accountable if uniformed police officers are purchasing food from them. My request is that if you are in uniform please don't purchase food from an unlicensed street vendor. I would also request that if the inspectors call for assistance that we stand by to assure the peace. They have had some of these vendors become aggressive when confronted. The inspectors will do the enforcement action, if called we are only there to ensure the situation remains civil. Thank you in advance for your help.

Enjoy your weekend,

- Chief Tommy Collins

Suspect Booked for Murder 1 Following Coordinated Police Efforts

On October 27, 2025, at approximately 0138 hours, Shoreline Deputies were dispatched to multiple reports of “shots heard” in district A3. Deputies arrived within minutes, located a gunshot victim inside a vehicle, and immediately began emergency medical aid. Tragically,



the victim did not survive. Deputies from across Metro and Sound, and throughout the county provided perimeter assistance outside the scene and assistance to our tracking K9s that were arriving. Our partner agencies—including Clyde Hill, Bothell, Edmonds, and the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office—all provided critical roving area checks with Clyde Hill providing aerial support with their thermal-equipped drone.

KCSO MCU Detectives, led by Detective Sergeant Thomas E. Liu, responded quickly and later played a key role in locating and capturing the suspect. Detective Sergeant Liu shared:

"Just wanted to let you know that I attended an incident debrief last night, which was organized and ran by Sgt Ian Campbell. The debrief was regarding the homicide that took place on Whitman Ave N, on 10-27-2025. I just want to say that he did a great job with the debrief, which addressed patrols response to this type of incident. He broke down each step of our response to help make improvements. He also wanted MCU there to give some behind the scenes steps in our investigation, so it isn't such a mystery for deputies. Anyways Ian did a great job with this debrief.

Patrol, as a whole, did a fantastic job on their response to the incident. Because of their security measures, crime preservation, canvassing, and relaying relevant information it made our job much easier for detectives arriving on scene. All of this teamwork resulted in the arrest and booking of the suspect later that day.

You guys have a great team up there in Shoreline and MCU looks forward to our next callout together (hopefully it doesn't happen)."

The coordinated response of all units demonstrated exceptional teamwork and commitment to protecting the Shoreline community. Rapid action and a thorough

investigation led to the suspect being charged with Murder in the First Degree. Bail has been set at \$5 million at the King County Jail.

Teamwork Leads to DV Suspect Booked and Charged



Det. Matt Volpe recently reviewed a DV case from October 25, 2025, and commended everyone involved for their outstanding efforts. Because of the officers' thorough reports and detailed work on scene, Det. Volpe was able to secure a search warrant for the suspect's van, recover the firearm used in the crime, and file the case without any issue. The suspect is currently in custody at the Maleng Regional Justice Center and has been charged with Burglary in the First Degree, two counts of Assault in the Second Degree, and two counts of Harassment.

Det. Volpe commended the following officers for their outstanding work on the case:

- **Deputy Elijah Osborne** – Produced an exceptionally clear and thorough report, obtained a strong statement and completed all DV paperwork from a victim who was initially reluctant to cooperate. Specific details helped establish probable cause for the vehicle warrant.
- **Deputy Isiah Shealey** – Located the suspect's van and provided detailed documentation. He conducted a thorough interview that successfully linked the suspect to the van and provided exact details needed for the warrant.
- **Deputy Miguel Hernandez** – Submitted excellent report and high-quality photos along with detailed documentation that greatly supported the investigation.
- **Deputy Kris Goundar** – Delivered a comprehensive report and excellent scene photos that were critical to supporting the burglary charge.
- **MPO Coblantz** – Demonstrated trademark thoroughness and went above and beyond by performing an extensive search for the firearm and following

up with the bomb dog. These extra steps enhanced public safety and strengthened the warrant application.

- **Acting Sgt. Clayton Stultz** – Provided a detailed and complete supervisor report, ensuring a well-coordinated and thorough investigation on scene.

“Your professionalism and attention to detail made this case smooth and successful, and I truly appreciate it. I also wanted to let you know that the prosecutor was very pleased with your work and rush-filed the case today. Your efforts have had a direct and meaningful impact on the victim and her situation. Thanks to the thorough job you all did, she’s now able to feel safe and supported and I know she’s truly grateful for that.”

Detective Volpe, new to Shoreline, looks forward to connecting with more patrol officers. He encourages officers to reach out with any information they feel is important to a case and let him know if he can help with anything.

Joint Effort Locates Missing Shoreline Resident

On October 30, 2025, Officers Maria Liberta and Bryce Lipke were dispatched to take a missing person report in Shoreline. A community member reported his elderly wife, who has Alzheimer’s, had gone for her usual short walk but had not returned two hours later.

Shoreline Police immediately began a coordinated search effort. Ofcs. Liberta and Lipke canvassed the neighborhood and nearby trails on foot, while MPO Ryan Cullen deployed a drone to assist with aerial searches. KCSO Air Support Unit launched Guardian 1, which broadcast the missing woman’s description and assisted with the search from the air.

Additional ground support came from Sgts. Jon Salter and Dusty Davis, Ofcs. Benjamin Oliver and Spencer Trop and Detectives Eric Turner and Edward Welch. Neighboring agencies – Edmonds Police Department, Seattle Police Department,



and the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office—were also notified. Washington State Patrol issued a Silver Alert.

Thanks to these combined efforts, the missing woman was located safely in Bothell around 6:30 AM the following morning—approximately 12 miles from her home. She was returned safely to her family by Bothell police.

This incident demonstrates excellent coordination and teamwork among Shoreline Police, multiple KCSO divisions, and our regional law enforcement partners.

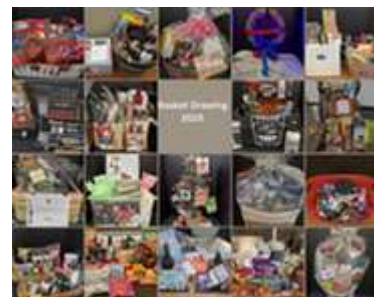
Deputy Bennett Commended by Business Owner



On 10/21/2025, at approximately 2338 hours, Deputy Austin Bennett responded to a commercial alarm at the Spirit Halloween store on Aurora Ave N. Arriving within minutes, he conducted a thorough perimeter check, searching for any signs of suspicious activity. The property owner praised Officer Bennett's prompt and professional response via the city website. His dedication and excellent work ethic is recognized not only by appreciative Shoreline community members but by his Sergeants and co-workers as well.

Thank You for Your Donations!

A huge **thank-you** to everyone who donated to our Shoreline Police "Gift Card Bouquet" for the KCSO Basket Drawing! Thanks to your generosity, we raised \$365 in gift cards and scratch tickets to support KCSO's designated non-profits. Your contributions truly make a difference!



This year, 19 amazing baskets were created by different KCSO worksites, so there's something for everyone. Don't miss your chance to win! Purchase tickets by donating to one or more of the non-profits listed below.

Participating Non-Profits:


1. S.H.E.R.I.F.F. Fund – Code #9008
2. The Soup Ladies – Code #9583
3. KC Sheriff's Office Chaplaincy – Code #9138
4. KC Law Enforcement Explorers – Code #9393

How to use the form:

- Upload a copy of your donation receipt.
- Enter the number of tickets for the basket(s) of your choice
- Submit the form

Drawing closes on Sunday, November 16th.

Enter Basket Drawing Here!

The community took to Facebook to thank Shoreline Police Officers
on National First Responders Day, October 28, 2025 




Shoreline Police Department

5.6K followers • 48 following

Thank you Charlie!!!!

Commendations to Officer Handley who
helped deal with a very sensitive
situation this past week.

Thank you for your service to the
community. I appreciate you for all that you
do in the line of duty.

Thank you for being out there helping to
keep us safe! We appreciate you! 

I think the world of our Shoreline Officers; they have been so
good in our community. We have many helping cover the
needs at our local Costco too. Appreciate their service.

**THANK
YOU**

I have so much respect for our Shoreline officers!
They put their lives on the line everyday for us.
God bless you all!

*Thank
You*