

# AGENCY AT A SO FAR THIS YEAR



5,861 impaired drivers arrested



15,471 collisions investigated



109 fatality collisions



21,926 distracted driving contacts



18,511 seatbelt violations



driver contacts

60,982 aggressive



163,245 excessive speed contacts



66,678 CMV inspections

## HAVE PHOTOS OR STORIES TO SHARE?

Have an amazing photo of your patrol car? A story to share about what your office does within the WSP? We want to hear from you. Part of the fun of The Milepost is seeing and learning about all the different aspects of our agency - and with us being state wide - you can rest assure there is a ton of content out there! Feel free to send in photos and story ideas to TheMilepost@wsp.wa.gov for future consideration.



#### NORTHWEST BATTLE BUDDIES TO VISIT HSB



The Combined Fund Drive is welcoming the Northwest Battle Buddies to the Helen Sommers Building at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 9 - Suite G015. Veteran speakers and their service dogs, as well as some of WSP's own K9 teams will be in attendance. Interested in attending?

RSVP at operationpawpatrol.rsvpify.com

To help honor our current military personnel and veterans, we are also asking you to send photos of those who serve that can be included on a welcome sign at the event! Send images to Erin@Hartstein@wsp.wa.gov.

#### 21st CVEO Class Graduates





**OLYMPIA, Wash.** - The Washington State Patrol (WSP) celebrated the graduation of the 21<sup>st</sup> Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVEO) Basic Class on Thursday.

The nine new CVEOs completed 24 weeks of training: 14 weeks of classroom at WSP's academy in Shelton and 10 weeks in the field alongside a field training officer.

The new graduates of the 21<sup>st</sup> CVEO Basic Class and their assignments include:

- Officer Jasdeep S. Khabra Bow Hill Port of Entry
- Officer Alisa D. Long Ridgefield Port of Entry
   Officer Tyler J. Mesa CVD District 7,
- Bellingham

  Officer Rafael Muniz-Longoria Plymouth Port
- of Entry
  Officer Alfonso Ruiz-Sotelo Plymouth Port of
- Officer Anthony S. Sawyer Bow Hill Port of Entry
- Officer Patrick A. Sheriff Ridgefield Port of Entry
- Officer Ira T. Steinwand CVD District 4, Spokane

 Officer Victoria M. Young - Bow Hill Port of Entry

Members of the 21<sup>st</sup> CVEO Basic Class earned additional recognition for several categories, including:

- Firearms: Officer Patrick A. Sheriff
- **Defensive Tactics**: Officer Jasdeep S. Khabra
- Academics: Officer Alisa D. LongDriving Award: Officer Alisa D. Long
- 2025 Core Values Award: Officer Rafael Muniz-Longoria

Longoria Congratulations, graduates! For additional photos, see page two.





#### **WSP Aviation at Olympic Airshow**

BY LT. KRISTA GREYDANUS WSP AVIATION

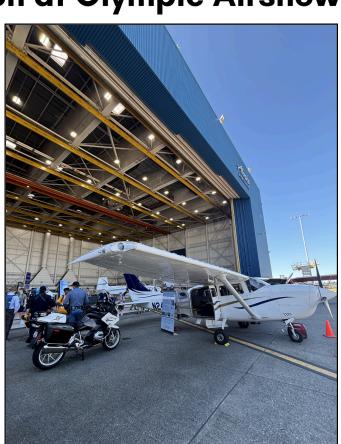
SEA TAC, Wash. - For the second consecutive year, we had the privilege of participating in Alaska Airlines Aviation Day, held at the Alaska Airlines maintenance hangar at SeaTac Airport. This annual event offers a valuable opportunity to connect with our community and inspire the next generation through aviation. Designed to ignite interest in aviation careers, this free event welcomed an estimated 2,000 youth and parents. Attendees had the chance to explore a wide range of aviation-related career paths and the educational opportunities that support them.

Our team had a strong presence at the event, engaging with attendees and volunteers alike. A recurring theme throughout the day was curiosity about our aircraftparticularly the "big black ball" mounted under the left wing—and the frequent comment: "I didn't know the WSP had airplanes!" This sparked meaningful conversations about our aviation mission and law enforcement aviation as a viable and exciting career path. This year, we expanded our display by adding a field component featuring Trooper Bryce Kehn, one of our reserve Tactical Flight Officers (TFO), along with his patrol motorcycle. The addition was a popular one, especially for youth, and helped further highlight the diverse roles within our agency.

Overall, our participation was a great success and contributed significantly to community outreach, career education, and public awareness of WSP's aviation program.

According to the Alaska Airlines website, the free event is aimed at inspiring aviation dreams in youth in local communities. Aviation Day provides the opportunity for young adults to learn about the various paths in the aviation industry as well

as educational paths to a career. Learn more about the event here.









#### WSP K9 team visits elementary school

GIG HARBOR, Wash. - Homeland Security Division (HSD) Explosives Detection Canine Team Trooper Alisha Gruszewski and K9 Maya visited Girl Scout Troop #42339 at Harbor Heights Elementary School. The group was a mix of Daisies and Brownies, ages 6-8 years old, from the Gig Harbor area. The group had an interactive safety talk and canine demonstration. K9 Maya, a 3-year old Belgian Malinois, was inspired by the school's orca mascot and decided to join in on the acrobatics during a group photo.





### **DISTRICT 2:** WSP troopers participate in LEO Special Olympics Torch Run event







**FEDERAL WAY, Wash.** - Washington State Patrol (WSP) District 2 participated in the the Law Enforcement Special Olympics Torch Run on Friday. WSP picked up the torch from members of the Federal Way Police Department and carried it into Pierce County where they handed it off to Fife Police Department to continue along its journey. For additional information about the event, <u>visit here</u>.

#### PHOTOS: CVEO 21st graduation photos





