

# News Release

Two Members of HPD Promoted.

**December 3, 2012**

Two members of the Harrisonburg Police Department have been promoted by Chief Stephen Monticelli. Officer Phillip A. Read will be promoted to the rank of Corporal effective December 23, 2012. Corporal Christopher Todd Miller will be promoted to the rank of Sergeant, also effective December 23, 2012.

Corporal Read has been with the Department since 2009. Read was awarded the Department's Top Honor, the Medal of Valor for his involvement in a police involved shooting while on patrol in December 2011. Read has been a Patrol Training Officer, an Evidence Technician, and SWAT Team Member. Read is a graduate of JMU with a Bachelor's Degree in Justice Services. Read has also served in the Military where he is an Operation Iraqi Freedom Veteran and a Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran where he has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Army Achievement Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, amongst others.

Sergeant Miller has been a member of the Harrisonburg Police Department for nine years. In 2009 he was promoted to the rank of Corporal. Sergeant Miller has been a Patrol Training Officer, a Police Instructor, serves on the CDU (Civil Disturbance Unit) Team, successfully completed the HPD Leadership Academy and has taken an active part as an instructor in the HPD's Citizen's Academy. Sergeant Miller has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from West Virginia State University. With Sergeant Miller's nine years of experience, three as a Corporal, has prepared him for the challenges he will face as a Police Sergeant. Since April of this year, Sergeant Miller has been performing the dual role of Corporal and Sergeant on his Squad.

There will be a Promotional Ceremony to honor Corporal Read and Sergeant Miller on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 10:00 AM at the Harrisonburg Police Department.