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Detective Patrick Smoot Named Kiwanis Law Person of the Year

Harrisonburg, Va.- April 28, 2026 – The Harrisonburg Police Department is proud to announce that Detective Patrick Smoot has been named Law Person of the Year by the Kiwanis Club of Harrisonburg in recognition of his outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to public safety.

Detective Smoot has served the Harrisonburg community since joining the department in June 2016. After several years on patrol, he moved to the Criminal Investigation Division, where he has built a strong reputation as a skilled investigator and dependable partner to agencies across the region.

His work has been marked by professionalism, initiative, and a willingness to assist others on complex and time-sensitive cases. He has taken on numerous leadership roles and is a trusted mentor to those around him including officers, detectives, and professional staff.

In addition to his investigative responsibilities, Detective Smoot serves as an Assistant Team Leader on the S.W.A.T. Team, where he helps support high-risk operations and specialized training with a strong focus on preparation, precision, and safety.

“Detective Smoot represents the very best of law enforcement service,” the nomination stated. “He works tirelessly, elevates those around him, and has made a meaningful impact on public safety in our community and beyond.”

The Harrisonburg Police Department congratulates Detective Smoot on this well-deserved honor and thanks him for his continued dedication to serving the community.

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