



## **Division of Capitol Police**

### *News Release*

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### **Va. Capitol Police Officer Earns Second Consecutive MADD Award**

**RICHMOND, Va.** – For the second year in a row, Virginia Capitol Police officer Breanna Saunders has been named a MADD Hero by the Virginia chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) for her consistent efforts to combat impaired driving.

Every year, officers from across the state of Virginia are recognized for their contributions to stopping drunk driving and making the state's roadways safer. Over the past year, Ofc. Saunders made 18 DUI/DUID arrests. She was honored at noon on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at the annual MADD Law Enforcement Awards ceremony held at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Chesterfield County.

Ofc. Saunders joined the division in June 2023 after graduating from the 100th Basic Law Enforcement Academy of the Crater Criminal Justice Training Academy, where she was elected as the class secretary and treasurer by her peers. She was named Rookie of the Year in 2024, along with receiving her first MADD Award. In addition to receiving her second MADD Award this year, she was named Employee of the Second Quarter for her outstanding performance and embodiment of the Capitol Police's core values of Devotion, Character, and Professionalism.

"I appreciate Officer Saunders' dedication to the division and commitment to the safety of those we serve," Col. John T. McKee said. "Stopping someone from driving while they are drunk or under the influence of drugs is critical to saving lives. We are so proud of her!"



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### About the Division of Capitol Police

The Division of Capitol Police has been leading the nation since 1618 in securing, protecting and serving the seat of government and its people. Our mission is to provide progressive law enforcement and security services to Virginia's government officials, employees, citizens of the Commonwealth and its visitors.

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