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El Paso County Sheriff's Office Detective Awarded the IACP 40 Under 40 Award

Our very own Detective Trey White was named as one of the 40 Under 40 award recipients presented by The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). The 2020 40 Under 40 award recipients represent the top rising leaders from around the globe, exemplifying leadership, dedication, and service to their communities and to the law enforcement profession. The dedicated law enforcement professionals selected for the 2020 award were chosen from a very competitive field of applicants and embody the qualities inherent in excellent law enforcement personnel and leaders.

Here is an excerpt from IACP:

"Detective Trey White learned the spirit of service from his law enforcement mother. Despite many positive interactions with officers, he didn't see any who looked like him or reflected his community, inspiring him to enter the field to make an impact and provide an example of other minority youth while also serving his community.

In his 14 years, Detective White has held many positions; he currently serves as a detective assigned to the Metro Vice Narcotics and Intelligence section, as well as a U.S. Secret Service Task Force officer. He has excelled in both roles, uncovering key information and eliciting confessions to break open difficult cases. Detective White has been sought out for assistance on several high-profile cases, including an unsolved murder case which he worked tirelessly, making trips, participating in surveillance, and building rapport with the suspect's mother. With the task force, he has uncovered several complex, high-dollar financial crimes and has become a respected subject matter expert in financial crimes investigation in his region.

A recipient of the prestigious Medal of Valor, Detective White's service and drive to excel and lead are motivated by his faith, family, and a desire to grow daily. He believes opportunity doesn't wait around for anyone and each day is a chance to grow. Despite his many successes, he is most proud of the dialogue he's had with community members that turned negative situations and biased perspectives into positive interactions. He says, "I have never lost sight of the importance of opening the door for those who will come behind me, regardless of race, gender, or socioeconomic status".

Please join us in congratulating him on an extraordinary achievement.

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