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FLPD FALL 2022 PROMOTIONS

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is proud to announce our most recent promotions.

We invite our community and media partners to join us for a promotional ceremony at the Beach Community Center, 3351 Northeast 33rd Avenue, in the City of Fort Lauderdale on Friday, November 4, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.



Captain Adam Solomon

Adam Solomon joined the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in January 2006. He began his career serving in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer and in the Criminal Investigations Division where he served as a detective in both the Property Crimes Unit and the Violent Crimes Unit. As a sergeant, Adam was assigned to the Patrol Division, Criminal Investigations Division, Street Crimes Division, and the Office of Internal Affairs. As a Lieutenant, Adam again served in the Patrol Division as a shift commander before transferring to the Support Services Bureau where he supervised the Records Division and Logistics Division. His current assignment is managing the new police headquarters project. Adam holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from the College of New Jersey and a Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Central Florida. He has received five public commendations and seven departmental commendations. Prior to joining the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Adam served as a federal police officer with the United States Capitol Police in Washington D.C. as a special agent assigned to the Dignitary Protection Division.



Lieutenant Keven Dupree

Keven Dupree joined the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 2006. After separating from FLPD in 2007 to accept a position as a Special Agent with the U.S. Secret Service, Keven returned to the department in 2013. Keven has served in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer, a member of the District 3 Neighborhood Action Team, and a public information officer. As a sergeant, Keven served in the patrol division, the Special Events and Emergency Management Unit, and was an investigator assigned to the Office of Internal Affairs. Keven most recently served as the sergeant of the department's Training Unit. Keven has been a member of the department's Awards Committee, a post advisor with FLPD's Law Enforcement of Tomorrow program and has served on the SWAT Team since 2015. Keven holds a bachelor's degree in political science and international affairs from the Florida State University as well

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as a master's degree in public administration from the University of Phoenix. Keven also holds a graduate certificate in police leadership from the University of Central Florida. Keven is the recipient of four departmental commendations and three public commendations.



Lieutenant Matthew Guerra

Matthew Guerra joined the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 2009. He began his career in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer and as a member of the District 3 Neighborhood Action Team. Matthew held the position of detective in the Special Investigations Division and as a member of the Rapid Offender Control Unit. He has also served as a member of the Citizen's Police Review Board and the Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team. Matthew was promoted to the rank of sergeant in August of 2019. As a sergeant, he was assigned to the Patrol Division.

Matthew most recently served as an investigator in the Office of Internal Affairs. He holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice management from Union Institute and University. Matthew has 15 departmental commendations and ten public commendations.



Lieutenant John Jones

John Jones has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since 2008. He began his career serving in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer, a member of the Neighborhood Action Team and a field training officer. During his tenure, he also served in the Investigations Bureau as a detective assigned to the Rapid Offender Control Unit and the Burglary Unit. John has been a member of the department's Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team since 2009 and is currently a team leader. During his time as a sergeant, he served in the Operations Bureau and in the Investigations Bureau where he supervised the Property Crimes Unit, the Rapid Offender Control Unit and most recently the General Crimes Unit.

He holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and management from Union Institute and University. John is the recipient of 19 public commendations and 20 departmental commendations. He has also been selected as Officer of the Month four times.



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Sergeant Lauren Collins

Lauren Collins joined the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in October of 2006. She began her career in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer. During her time in patrol, she's served as a field training officer continuously since 2013. She is a member of FLPD's Dive Team and Tactical Police Bike Platoon. Lauren holds a bachelor's degree from Eastern Connecticut State University and a master's degree from John Jay College of Criminal Justice. She is the recipient of three public commendations, three departmental commendations, and an Officer of the Month award.



Sergeant Junior Delpe

Junior Delpe has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since November of 2015. He began his career serving in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer. During his tenure, he also served in the Investigations Bureau under the Violent Crimes Division as an officer in the Community Violence Reduction Unit. Junior received his bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Florida International University. He is the recipient of six public commendations, seven departmental commendations and one Officer of the Month award.



Sergeant Brandon Diaz

Brandon Diaz has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since 2001 and began his career in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer. During his tenure, Brandon served in the Operations Bureau as a part of the District 3 TAC Unit, the Tactical Impact Unit, and the Narcotics K9 Unit. He was also a field training officer and a member of the SWAT Team. In 2014, Brandon was assigned to the Investigations Bureau where he served as a detective in the Economic Crimes Unit and in the Violent Crimes Unit. Brandon's most recent assignment was as a detective assigned to the Recruiting Unit. In 2011, Brandon assisted in the creation of the Fraternal Order of Police Sunshine Committee, an organization dedicated to helping FLPD officers and their families who were injured or in need of assistance. Brandon has additionally served as a union representative for 15 years, holding multiple positions including that of union president. Brandon is the recipient of seven department commendations, six public commendations, and a lifesaving award.

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Sergeant Giovanni Morales

Giovanni Morales has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since 2011 and began his career serving in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer. He is a member of the department's dive team where he currently holds PADI certifications as a Public Safety Diver and a Rescue Diver. Giovanni attended the Marine Corps Institute and Keiser University and is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in business administration. Giovanni is a Marine Corps veteran who served in the 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment. He was deployed with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit in support of NATO's

Operation Dynamic Response in Kosovo and Macedonia, Operation Image Nautilus in Africa, and was also deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. Giovanni is the recipient of three departmental commendations and four public commendations.



Sergeant Eric Pekrol

Eric Pekrol has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since 2010 and began his career serving in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer. During his career, he has served as an officer on the Neighborhood Action Team and as a school resource officer. He is a terrorism liaison officer, honor guard member, and is the Assistant Dive Team Commander where he currently holds a PADI Dive Master Certification. Eric attended the Marine Corps Institute and Broward College and is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in business administration. Prior to joining FLPD, Eric served in the United States Marine Corps as an

infantryman where he was meritoriously promoted to the rank of sergeant. He served in the 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was an operator in the 2nd Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Team Company where he deployed to the Philippines in support of Operation Enduring Freedom-Philippines and deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba in support of the Global War on Terrorism. Eric is the recipient of ten departmental commendations, eighteen public commendations, and an Officer of the Month award.



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Sergeant Stefan Silver

Sergeant Stefan Silver has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since March of 2007. He began his career in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer and was also a field training officer. Stefan was also a member of the department's SWAT team. Additionally, he is a Fraternal Order of Police union representative and was elected to the FOP Executive Board as a Sergeant-at-Arms. Stefan is the recipient of eight departmental commendations, two public commendations and three Lifesaving awards.



Sergeant Daniel Torres

Sergeant Daniel Torres was hired with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 2003. He began his career serving in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer where he later became a field training officer. Daniel also served in the Investigations Bureau as a street level narcotics detective assigned to the Special Investigations Division and as a detective in the Rapid Offender Control Unit. Additionally, Daniel served as a task force officer assigned to the Drug Enforcement Administration where he was named the 2015 Task Force Officer of the Year by the U.S. Attorney's Office in Miami. Daniel has been a member of the department's Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team since 2018 and is currently a team leader. He is also a team leader in the department's Quick Response Force. Daniel is the recipient of seven public commendations and eleven departmental commendations.



Sergeant Christopher Young-Tem

Sergeant Christopher Young-Tem has served the Fort Lauderdale Police Department since 2002 and began his career in the Operations Bureau as a patrol officer. He also served the Investigations Bureau as a detective in the Tactical Impact Unit, the Street Crimes Unit, and the Property Crimes Unit. His most recent assignment was as a detective in the Violent Crimes Unit. Christopher was a member of the SWAT team for 13 years as an operator and a sniper. Prior to joining the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Christopher served in the United States Marine Corps from 1995-1999. Christopher is the recipient of 21 departmental commendations and four public commendations. He was selected as Officer of the Month four times and was the Officer of the Year in 2018.



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Administrative Assistant Odalys Diaz

Odalys Diaz began her career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 2005 in the Records Unit. As a Senior Police Records Clerk, one of her major accomplishments was streamlining the management of internal documents and forms by phasing out the use of typewriters and creating form-fill templates. She also took a lead role in the unit's transition to digital documents. Odalys was promoted to Administrative Assistant in 2018 and was assigned to the Staff Inspections Unit in the Office of the Chief. Her current role is critical in maintaining the department's Excelsior Accreditation status under the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.



Forfeiture Coordinator Lynda Hernandez

Lynda Hernandez began her career with Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 1999 as a dispatcher. In 2014, Lynda, along with other FLPD dispatchers, were hired by the Broward Sheriff's Office as a part of a regional consolidation. For three years, she worked at the Broward Sheriff's Office in Regional Communications assigned specifically as a dispatcher for the City of Fort Lauderdale. Lynda returned to FLPD in 2017 as a teletype operator. She was promoted in August of 2022 to Police Forfeiture Coordinator. Lynda has an associate degree from Keiser University in Radiologic Technology.



Administrative Assistant Michelle Jenkins

Michelle Jenkins joined the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in December 2015 as a Service Clerk assigned to the Training Unit. The position changed to Administrative Aide in November 2018. In October 2022, she was promoted to Administrative Assistant in the Staff Inspections Unit assigned to the Office of the Chief. Prior to joining FLPD, Michelle held several senior positions at large corporations in Broward County. In 2019, she attended the City of Fort Lauderdale Neighbor Leadership Academy. She also previously served as Secretary/Board Member of the Dorsey Riverbend Revitalization Council/Front Porch Florida. Michelle has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Florida A&M University. She also attended graduate courses at Mercer University and Nova Southeastern University in management and ethics. Michelle was selected as FLPD's Professional Employee of the Month in February 2018.

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Accountant Karen Recuero

Karen Recuero began her career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in October of 2021 as an Administrative Aide assigned to the Support Services Bureau. She was promoted to Accountant in July 2022 assigned to the Police Finance Unit. Karen is currently pursuing her bachelor's degree from Florida Atlantic University. She is double majoring in Business Administration and Accounting.



Administrative Aide Marie Redding

Marie Redding began her career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in January of 1975 as a Records Clerk. During her tenure, she has worked in the Records Unit and in Payroll and Personnel. Marie was promoted to Service Clerk in 2005 and returned to the Records Unit. In 2016, she was assigned to the Support Service Bureau working specifically in the Background Unit. In June of 2022, she was promoted to Administrative Aide. Marie was honored with the Professional of the Month Award in April 2022 for her diligent work in hiring more than 50 new police officers. Marie has also been the recipient of three departmental commendations. She has five grandchildren and has rescued three dogs and a cat.



Real Time Tactical Crime Analyst Michael Ryan

Michael Ryan began his career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 2021, as a background investigator. In June of 2022, he was promoted to tactical crime analyst. He is currently a task force member with the Broward Sheriff's Office assigned to their Real Time Crime Center. He is a member of the department's Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team and Peer Support Team. Prior to joining FLPD, Michael retired from the New York Police Department in 2018 as a Lieutenant Special Assignment after 27 years. In 2019, Michael worked as a Consultant/Project Manager for the Broward County School Board's - Safety, Security, and Emergency Preparedness Division. He has a bachelor's degree in business management and is a graduate of the 238th Session of the FBI National Academy. Law enforcement careers run in the family for Michael, his wife Rosa, and now their two children.



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Administrative Assistant Rosa Vazquez

Rosa Vazquez began her career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in August of 1998 in the Community Policing Initiative Unit as a Secretary I. She transferred to the Training Unit in 2004 and was promoted in 2006 to Police Aide III. In 2022, she was promoted to Administrative Assistant, where she continues to work in the Training Unit assisting with the onboarding process for new employees and maintaining Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) certifications for sworn personnel. Rosa has an associate degree in applied secretarial science from Kingsborough Community College in New York. She is the recipient of eleven departmental commendations and five public commendations.

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