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2015 Mark Losey Distinguished Law Enforcement Service Award



Officer Kurt Holden
Wright State University Police
Department

Kurt A. Holden, a six-year veteran of the Wright State University Police Department, is a versatile officer who works on the Bike Patrol, K9 and Crime Prevention units, and as a field training officer and supervisor. Yet, in addition to his busy schedule, he finds time to serve as a coach and mentor to foster youths at the university. The mentoring is close to Holden's heart because he grew up in foster care.

Determined to overcome his difficult childhood, Officer Holden focused on his education and has earned associate, bachelor's and master's degrees. He also is a member of the Independent Scholars Network committee, a program to help former foster children succeed in college.

Officer Holden never misses a chance to help others. He has participated in panels to educate, inform and advocate for children in foster care. He has been a guest speaker for events at Wright State, Sinclair Community College and Montgomery County Children Services.

In November, Officer Holden helped care for a man suffering a heart attack. He was in a restaurant with his family when a diner collapsed. Officer Holden could find no pulse, so he and another patron began administering CPR. They continued resuscitation efforts until medics arrived.