



Yakima Police Department

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Memorial Fund Established for Family of YPD Sergeant Who Died Tuesday

At a news conference earlier today, Yakima Police Chief Matt Murray discussed the death of Yakima Police Sergeant Joe Deccio, who passed away while on duty this past Tuesday.

In addition to discussing how the family of Sergeant Deccio and Yakima Police Department staff members are coping as well as some of the details surrounding Sergeant Deccio's death, Chief Murray announced that a memorial fund was being established for Sergeant Deccio's family.

The account, which has been established at HomeStreet Bank, is now able to accept donations.

Anyone interested in donating to the Sgt. Joe Deccio Memorial fund can do so at the local HomeStreet Bank branch (424 East Yakima Avenue), the Yakima Police Department (200 South 3rd Street), or by clicking on a QR code on the department's Facebook page at the following link - <https://www.facebook.com/YakimaPoliceDepartment/>

Today's news conference can be viewed in its entirety on the Yakima Police Department YouTube channel by clicking on the following link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bfxVOGBTR7s>

Sergeant Deccio experienced a significant medical episode around 2:00 pm on Tuesday while he was on duty. He was taken to Yakima Valley Memoria Hospital where lifesaving efforts were made for about four hours. Sergeant Deccio passed away at about 6:00 pm on Tuesday.