



Phoenix Police Department
Public Affairs Bureau
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MEDIA OPPORTUNITY

Phoenix Police 2026 Annual Awards Ceremony
171 Awards Honoring Those Who Went Above and Beyond

DATE: Wednesday, February 25, 2026
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Orpheum Theatre, 203 W. Adams Street
EVENT: 2026 Phoenix Police Annual Awards Ceremony

The Phoenix Police Department will be hosting the 2026 Annual Awards Ceremony, brought to you by the [Phoenix Police Foundation](#), to honor over 150 employees being recognized for their actions taken during police incidents.

On Wednesday, February 25, 2026, the department will award 171 medals and certificates. Award categories include the Medal of Lifesaving, Medal of Merit, Medal of Valor, Police Shield, Supervisor of the Year, Police Chief's Unit Award and the Volunteer Excellence Award.

Thank you to the [Phoenix Police Foundation](#) and [AXON](#) for sponsoring this event.

The ceremony will be hosted by Assistant Chief Ed DeCastro and Desiree Fluellen, anchor for Fox 10 Phoenix. Short remarks will be made by city leadership and Police Chief Matt Giordano.

Media is welcome to set up in the back of the theater where a mult box will be available to plug into for sound. Media is encouraged to arrive by 5:45 p.m. A PIO will be available by request for interviews.

The ceremony is invitation only, but will be publicly streamed on the Phoenix Police [YouTube](#) channel.

Please email Sgt. Jen Zak, Jennifer.Zak@phoenix.gov, if you are planning to attend.