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## **CITY OF KEARNEY** **PRESS RELEASE** ***For Immediate Release***

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### **Kearney Police Sergeant Graduates School Of Police Staff And Command**

The Kearney Police Department is pleased to announce the recent graduation of Sergeant Jared Small from the School of Police Staff and Command (SPSC) at Northwestern University. Sergeant Jared Small has successfully completed the ten (10) week Staff and Command program hosted by the Williamson County Sheriff's Office in Hutto, Texas, from April 11 – July 1, 2022. This program, which was implemented by the Center for Public Safety in 1983, has graduated over 30,000 students both nationally and internationally. Sergeant Jared Small was a student in SPSC Class #523 which accommodated a total of 36 students for the ten-week period.

The School of Police Staff and Command provides upper-level college instruction in a total of twenty-seven core blocks of instruction and additional optional blocks during each session. The major topics of study include: Leadership, Human Resources, Employee Relations, Organizational Behavior, Applied Statistics, Planning and Policy Development, Budgeting and Resource Allocation.

Each student is academically challenged through written examinations, projects, presentations and quizzes in addition to a staff study paper that are all required parts of the curriculum. Upon successful completion, students may be awarded a total of 6 units of undergraduate credit from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

“Sergeant Small is the 18th member of KPD to attend and graduate from SPSC, continuing a long-standing tradition of leadership development and education at KPD. I am proud of this accomplishment and the professionalism displayed by Sergeant Small while representing KPD.” – Chief Bryan D. Waugh

The Center for Public Safety was established at Northwestern University in 1936 with the specific goal of expanding university-based education and training for the Law Enforcement Community. Since its inception, the Center has broadened its original objective and now provides a variety of courses and programs in the area of Police Training, Management Training, and Executive Development.

The Kearney (NE) Police Department anticipates a variety of benefits from Sergeant Jared Small's attendance at this program. Many of the program's graduates do go on to achieve a variety of leadership positions within their respective agencies.

Local media are welcome and encouraged to attend to learn more.

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