



Scott Moffat '01

Patrol Officer

Allegheny County Police Department

For the past 17 years Scott Moffat '01 has been a patrol officer with the Allegheny County Police Department, dedicated to protecting and serving the citizens of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County.

Mr. Moffat graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in history and a minor in criminal justice. During that time he completed an internship with the Allegheny County Police Department.

After a few years in the Uniform Division, he went on to serve as a detective in the General Investigation Division. He also led the Executive Protection Division, which is responsible for the safety and security of the Allegheny County Executive.

In 2002 Mr. Moffat received a commendation from his department for saving the life of an elderly man. Mr. Moffat has been certified as an instructor for police academy cadets since 2008, and a field training officer for new patrol officers since 2014.

In 2015 he became certified through the International Police Mountain Bike Association as a bicycle patrol officer and currently patrols municipalities that include South Park, Bethel Park and Wilmerding. Additionally Mr. Moffat became the department's first bicycle patrol instructor in 2016, certifying new bicycle officers from across Allegheny County.

He was selected to join the Hostage/Crisis Negotiation Team in 2017, responding to hostage, barricaded and suicidal situations across the region with the Allegheny County Police SWAT team.

"Policing has always changed with the times, and departments must learn to adapt to the current climate. Currents events and incidents always dictate community and police relations," Mr. Moffat said. "Having a positive relationship with citizens, knowing how to talk to people, and being professional is crucial during these times."

Mr. Moffat's passion for the past eight years has been his volunteer work with Special Olympics of Pennsylvania. He has represented Pennsylvania law enforcement at Special Olympics conferences and raised tens of thousands of dollars for the cause. He is in charge of the Allegheny County Police Department's fundraising events, which include a Torch Run for Special Olympics across the state of Pennsylvania and the annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics.

He resides in Bethel Park, Pennsylvania with his wife, Cara Sapida-Moffat, and their four children: Madison, Avery, Greyson and Lilah.

