



SUMMIT POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Sergeant Collin Scarpello
Swearing-In- Wednesday, June 4th, 2025

Sergeant Collin Scarpello grew up in Madison, New Jersey and attended Madison High School, graduating in 2013. He was a member of the men's varsity lacrosse and football teams while in high school. Upon graduating, Sergeant Scarpello attended Rutgers University (New Brunswick) where he was a four-year letter winner on the division one men's lacrosse team; competing in the Big Ten Conference. He graduated in 2017 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Resources. He later returned to school, enrolling in Fairleigh Dickinson University, where he completed a Master of Arts Degree in Homeland Security, with a concentration in Counter Terrorism. While attending FDU, Sergeant Scarpello was a graduate assistant on the men's lacrosse team, coaching alongside his father, Pat.

In 2018, Sergeant Scarpello was hired by the Summit Police Department and attended the Mercer County Police Academy. While there, he was the recipient of the Firearms Award for 100% accuracy in all range qualifications. Upon graduating and the completion of his field training program, Sergeant Scarpello was assigned to the Patrol Bureau. While serving in the Patrol Bureau, Sergeant Scarpello became an Active Shooter Response Instructor, Law Enforcement Security Specialist, Field Training Officer, and a John H. Stamler Police Academy Instructor.

In 2020, Sergeant Scarpello was selected to become a member of the Union County Emergency Response Team (UCERT); a multi-agency, regional tactical team comprised of law enforcement officers throughout Union County. UCERT acts as a rapid deployment force, and is a force multiplier in civil disturbances, personal

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security and escorts for dignitaries, assists with large-scale special events, and is subject to recall at any time.

In 2022, Sergeant Scarpello successfully completed the arduous selection process to become a member of the Union County SWAT Team. The SWAT Team's main functions, among others, include responses for hostage rescue, direct action operations, high risk felony search and arrest warrants, barricaded suspects and subjects, and active shooter incidents.

In 2024, Sergeant Scarpello held the position of Summit PBA Local # 55 President. Additionally, in 2024, he was transferred to the agency's Detective Bureau where he has served as a Detective until his promotion to the rank of Sergeant today.

Sergeant Scarpello has been the recipient of multiple departmental awards including, three (3) life-saving awards, distinguished service awards, exceptional duty awards, and unit citations. In addition to his awards from the Summit Police Department, Sergeant Scarpello has also been the recipient of four (4) unit citations from Union County Prosecutor William Daniel for actions taken while serving alongside members of the Union County Emergency Response Team.

In Sergeant Scarpello's free time, he enjoys coaching 8th grade lacrosse with the Summit Lacrosse Club, spending time with his family and friends, and traveling to the shore. He is joined today by his family.