



WELCOME!

Thanks for being here. Big things are happening with the Denver Police Museum, and we couldn't be happier to share them with you!

The Denver Police Museum is helping to create safer, stronger, and more vibrant communities in Denver and beyond. Since its founding in 2008, DPM has focused on building bridges between law enforcement and our communities. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, DPM is dedicated to providing opportunities for people to hear, see, feel, participate, understand, and appreciate the value of police in our lives and communities. We couldn't do it without you.

United Airlines Flight 629 Update

Denver Police Museum volunteers continue to contact the victims' families and family members of key players in the United Airlines Flight 629 tragedy. As of this newsletter, 55 surviving families have indicated that they will come to Denver to participate in this historic memorial. We expect to have family members of all of the crew attending, as well as descendants of the two FBI agents who got the criminal to confess. The grandchildren of former Denver District Attorney Bert Keating will also join us.

Join us as we honor the victims of this tragedy on the 70th anniversary of this horrific act of terror.

Events Include:

- History Colorado display from **March 2025-January 2026**
- **Church in the City** – Non-denominational service honoring victims and first responders. **October 31 from 8-9pm at 1580 Gaylord Street, Denver**
- Dedication of memorial to victims of Flight 629 – **Nov 1 at 11:00am, Old Stapleton Tower at 3120 Uinta Street, Denver**
- Symposium on **Nov 1 at 7:00pm, Wings Over the Rockies at 7711 East Academy Blvd, Denver** – Find out exactly what happened and how it changed our judicial system and how Americans travel.**



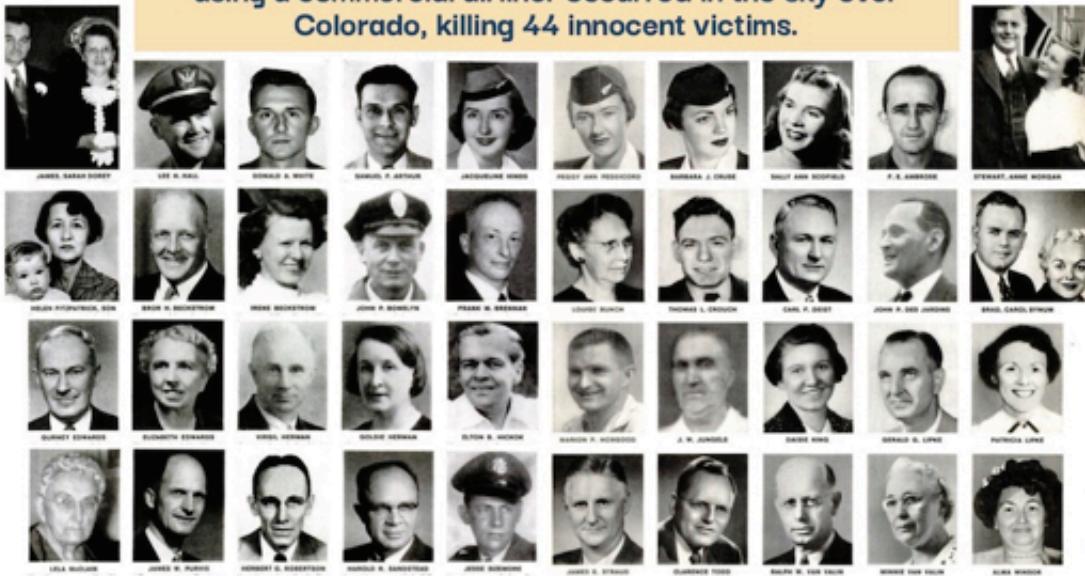
Donate to help raise funds for a memorial with a minimum donation of \$30, and receive a challenge coin honoring victims of United flight 629.



**RSVP to the events at denverpolicemuseum.org/flight629-rsvp

UA 629 Events

On November 1, 1955, The first act of domestic terrorism using a commercial airliner occurred in the sky over Colorado, killing 44 innocent victims.



For more information, visit denverpolicemuseum.org



UA 629 Challenge Coin

We would like to thank our volunteers for their efforts to make this event successful. Jeff Burke and Diane Degenhart have worked tirelessly to identify family members and assist them with hotel arrangements. Linda Remley has worked to set up a special dinner for the families on October 31 at the Denver Country Club with Channel 31 Anchor Jeremy Hubbard as the Master of Ceremonies for the dinner.

On October 31, for the Memorial Service at the church, Mitch Morrissey will be the Master of Ceremonies. November 1 at Wings Over the Rockies Symposium. Andy Love, the son of former Colorado Governor and former Commander of the Colorado National Guard, will serve as the Master of Ceremonies.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the Memorial Service, Memorial Dedication, and Symposium. If you are interested in helping, please email Mike Hesse at mhesse@denverpolicemuseum.org.

Are you interested in attending this event? Please RSVP Here:

UA 629 Events

Annual Hispanic Heritage Trailblazer Award

Stay tuned - The Museum is planning to announce our Annual Hispanic Heritage Trailblazer Awardee this month. The event will be held between September 15 and October 15.

Details are forthcoming.

50th Anniversary of Fallen Officer Donald DeBruno's Sacrifice

We are planning to honor Fallen Denver Police Detective Donald DeBruno on December 10, 2025. This will be the 50th Anniversary of this tragedy and allow us to recognize his outstanding service and sacrifice to the Citizens of the City and County of Denver. We will be replacing his memorial sign and plan to have Detective DeBruno's daughter and grandson participate in the ceremony. Please mark your calendars.



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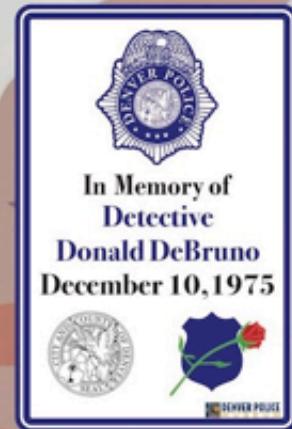
**As we honor the memory of
Denver Police Detective
Donald Lee DeBruno
on the 50th anniversary of his sacrifice
serving the Citizens of Denver**



Detective Donald DeBruno

Ceremony:

**Wednesday, December 10th 2025, at 11 am
17th and Broadway, Denver**



**126th Anniversary of
Fallen Officer James E. Boggio's Sacrifice**

On January 8, 2026 we will be honoring the one hundred and twenty-sixth anniversary of the EOW of Denver Police Patrolman James E. Boggio. We

have successfully found members of his family who will join us for the ceremony! We will be placing a memorial sign at the location where he lost his life and will be doing a special gravesite service at Mt. Olivet Cemetery that morning. Please join us as we acknowledge his service and his tragic death at the age of 25 years.



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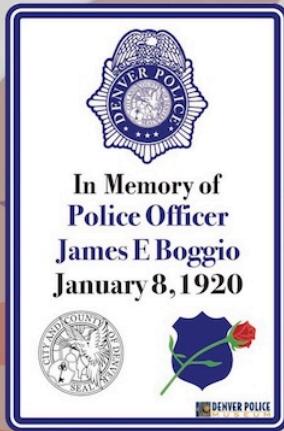


Officer James E Boggio

Ceremony:

Thursday, January 8th 2026, at 11 am

1834 West 46th Avenue, Denver



2025 International Police Chief Conference Denver

This October, Denver will host the International Police Chiefs Convention. This is the third time our city has been chosen to host this important international event. We previously hosted the event in 1975 and 2009. We are honored to host it again in 2025! Over 18,000 police officers throughout the world are expected to participate in this conference. It is a great opportunity to see the latest technology and training techniques available to officers and police departments throughout the world. Planning has been going on since last year's very successful conference in Boston. The Denver Police Museum is honored to be included in the Conference. The Museum will display Denver Police Department artifacts at the Convention Center along with our auto collection, including the 1930 Model A, the 1964 Ford Galaxie, the 1978 Chevy Nova and the 1998 Crown Victoria. We are looking for volunteers to help us with our booth. Please email Mike Hesse at mhesse@denverpolicemuseum.org if you are interested in volunteering.

Youth Events

The Museum is proud to serve Denver area schools through immersive educational programs that incorporate fun and interactive learning for middle school and high school youth. These programs deliver age-appropriate content, create pathways for career exploration in law enforcement, STEM, and public service, and help to build trust between youth and law enforcement.

Youth Programs Impact Report

The Museum's mission is to help create safer, stronger, and more vibrant communities in Denver and beyond. A focus area of our programs is to build community bridges, particularly with youth.

Thanks to the outstanding leadership of Denver Police Museum Treasurer and Museum Youth Coordinator April Overman, the Museum continues to have great success with our many youth programs. We've received encouraging feedback from students and enthusiastic testimonials from partners on the positive impact of our youth programs.

A big thank you to April and the many volunteers who have driven our success over the years and continue to help the Museum make a significant impact on the lives of Denver youth.

[View the 2024-25 Youth Programs Impact Report](#)

Traffic Safety Program for DPD Families

The Denver Police Museum and DPD District 3 Officers hosted a Traffic Safety event for DPD families, students learned what to do, and not do on a traffic stop, and what to do in an accident. Students also experienced mock traffic stops.



Denver Days Winston Downs Neighborhood

As part of the Annual Denver Days Celebration, the Winston Downs Neighborhood requested one of the Museum's historic Denver Police Cars at their ice cream social. Over one hundred neighbors attended this popular event including many children. Pictured below is the 1998 Crown Victoria, our newest addition. Kids loved the opportunity to see inside the car and adults appreciated seeing the names of our 78 fallen Denver Police Officers on the hood of the vehicle.



Denver Police Academy Recruit Class 25-2

On July 28, representatives of the Denver Police Museum had the privilege of welcoming the 52 new Denver Police recruits on their first day at the Denver Police Academy. This is the Museum's new tradition of taking the first class photo along with a vehicle from our fleet.



Denver Police Recruit Class 24-4 and

Lateral Recruit Class 2025-1 Graduation

Forty Denver Police recruits successfully graduated and were welcomed into service by Executive Director of Safety Armando Saldate and Chief Ron Thomas at the July 11 graduation ceremony.

Denver County Judge Judy Smith administered the Oath of Office.



Retired DPD Officer Barb Cisneros and Denver Police Department ViPS volunteer do community outreach in Lafayette Colorado



Lincoln Tech Event



A special shout out to retired Denver Police Officers Fred and Barb Cisneros, and Denver Police Museum Volunteer Doug Pratt for attending the annual Lincoln Tech Classic Car Auto Show. The Museum has always attempted to participate in the Car Show to show our appreciation to the folks at Lincoln Tech for the important role their students played in the restoration of our 1964 Ford Galaxie Police Car. Denver Police District 5 always has a strong presence at the event.



Denver Police Department Anniversary Badge
Honoring America's 250th Anniversary



The Denver Police Museum's Fleet Expands!

The Denver Police Museum would like to thank Marie Dabis of the Denver Police Department and members of Denver City Council who voted to transfer the ownership of this 1978 Nova to the Museum for preservation. This car was listed on the DPD fleet from 1978 through July 2025. This makes this car the longest serving Denver Police car in history.

Interestingly, this model did not last very long in the DPD fleet. When they were purchased they were underpowered and not large enough to transport prisoners and allow for officers to get in and out of easily with their equipment.

Denver and Los Angeles purchased these patrol cars in response to the energy crisis of the era. This particular vehicle survived primarily because it was used to haul the bomb container and was displayed for several years at the police academy.

In recent years the car has been used for community outreach. We bring current police cars next to the Nova so that students can see how technology has changed throughout the years. Historic automobiles can serve as an ice breaker since folks are sometimes hesitant to talk to officers.

The Nova joins the Museum car collection composed currently of a 1930 Ford Model A, a 1964 Ford Galaxy, and a 1998 crown Victoria. The Museum's long-term plans include having a police car from every decade.



From the Archives

News article from July 16, 1923, announcing new Chief after ousting Chief Candish. This reorganization was designed to better respond to criminal elements involved in prohibition. Patrolman could now assist the bootleg squad in enforcement of law.



**Thank you so much for helping us make these events possible
and for your participation!**

Introducing the 2025 Museum Challenge Coin

As a proud member of the Denver Police Museum, you'll receive a limited-edition 2025 challenge coin honoring the service of our Denver Police Officers during the particularly violent time of the 1920s. The 2025 challenge coin acknowledges the sacrifice of the thirteen Denver Police Officers who lost their lives during the decade. The other side of the coin celebrates the Denver Police Department serving as the host of the International Police Chiefs Conference in October of 2025—the third time Denver has played host to the conference including in 1975 and 2009.



As we look forward to the hope and promise of 2025, we hope you will consider continuing your membership or becoming a member of the Denver Police Museum. Your tax-deductible gift ensures our continued success and your support allows future generations to better appreciate the real stories of our law enforcement heroes, their struggle, along with their daily lives and sacrifice. We invite you to join us in our mission help to create safer, stronger, and more vibrant communities in Denver and beyond!

Your contribution directly supports the museum's educational programs, community outreach exhibits and preservation of our historical collections.

Become a Member Today!



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