Berlin Police Department



Service • Integrity • Community

Michael Scheer Chief of Police

Berlin Police Department Service Awards



Distinguished Valor Citation

For an act of outstanding courage, without regard to personal safety while in actual combat with an armed and dangerous adversary, resulting in serious injury to the Officer.



Patriot Citation

Dedication to the defense and protection of the United States flag. Given to a Berlin Police Officer upon hire date.



Gallantry Star Citation

Awarded for the arrest of a person who is a major threat to the community of Berlin.



Life Save Award

For Actions taken by an Officer prior to the arrival of medical personnel that is directly responsible for the saving of a human life. A Life Save award may also be awarded to any Officer who demonstrates extraordinary effort in a futile attempt to save the life of a victim, providing the greatest chance of survival.



SRT Service Commendation

Awarded to any former member of the Zone 4/Lower Camden County Special Response Team that has left the team in good standing after 3 or more years of service. This award is issued in recognition of the member's service and dedication to both the team and the Berlin Police Department.



K9 Service Commendation

Awarded to any former member of the Berlin Police K9 Unit. This award is issued in recognition of the member's service and dedication to the Department as a K9 Handler.



Educational Citation

Awarded to an Officer who has successfully graduated from the FBI National Academy and/or the NJSACOP Command and Leadership Program.



Distinguished Unit Citation

For an act of team effort, which resulted in the performance of outstanding public service. The Distinguished Unit Citation is awarded to each individual involved in the team effort.



Valor Citation

For an extraordinary act of outstanding courage, without regard for personal safety while in actual combat with a dangerous adversary.



Negotiator's Laurel

For an act, demonstrating extraordinary composure and/or exceptional verbal skills employed to deescalate a situation that prevented a significant life threat.



Honorable Service Citation

Awarded for a creditable act, which meets some, but not all of the requirements for other medals, showing initiative and accomplishment. A job well done.



Meritorious Service Award

Awarded for an accomplishment which resulted in the arrest of an armed and dangerous suspect, which also prevented injury or death to the officer or a third party.



Drug Buster Award

Awarded for the successful arrest of a narcotic criminal, generated by an officer in cases that result in the arrest charges of an individual distributing narcotics, or in possession of an abnormal quantity of narcotics.



Distinguished Community Citation

Awarded for services which resulted in extraordinary or outstanding performance of community relations or community service.



National Defense Citation

Awarded to Officers who have been honorably discharged or who are currently serving in a branch of the United States Military.