

# WE'VE GOT YOUR 6



## When Seconds Count - We've Got Your Six

When gunfire erupted on Third and Pine during the evening commute on Jan. 22, 2020, seven people were shot. Within minutes, EMT-trained Seattle Police officers were on scene, rendering aid to those victims. Thanks to SPF's generous donors, officers had the tools, training, and resources to help save lives.

*"When we talk about a penetrating trauma, we have under seven minutes to render life-saving aid," says SPD Officer Tyler Verhaar. "During the mass shooting at Third and Pine, our officers were able to save lives using the EMT training and EMT kits that the Seattle Police Foundation funded."*

SPD is one of the few police departments in the nation to have a dedicated program for EMT trained police officers who provide critical medical aid as they arrive first on the scene.

*"Our EMTs bring advanced medical care in places the Fire Department cannot immediately respond to, like this active shooter scene," says Verhaar. "When we arrive, we have two clocks: Stop the killing. Stop the dying. With our EMT training and equipment, we can now do both."*

Last year alone, SPD EMTs responded to more than 200 life-threatening emergencies where the victim needed immediate care. In 2021, the numbers continue to climb.

The SPD EMT program is not financially supported by the City of Seattle and until SPF donors stepped in, SPD officers were paying for their training and medical supplies out their own of pockets.

This year, SPF is working with SPD to fund EMT training and medical bags for 18 additional officers. Please help us expand this life-saving program by making a meaningful gift today and show SPD officers that the community has Got Their Six!

Thanks to our generous partners at Director's Mortgage, the first \$10,000 raised will be matched dollar for dollar!!!

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