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Trooper James Myers III Receives NDHP Distinguished Service Medal

NARRATIVE: On Thursday, April 24, Trooper James Myers III was awarded the NDHP Distinguished Service for his heroic actions during an incident that occurred March 23, 2024, in Grand Forks County.

That day, law enforcement officers responded to a critical situation in Larimore, where a man had been shot, and the armed gunman remained inside the residence where the shooting had occurred. Grand Forks County deputies and NDHP Trooper James Myers secured the area. The victim's spouse wanted to get to her husband but due to safety concerns, she was told to stay out of the area as the gunman was still active. A short time later, she rammed her vehicle into the home.

Trooper Myers and Grand Forks Deputy Alekzander Harvey, who is now a Trooper with the NDHP, devised a tactical plan and drove a squad car up to the door, provided contact and cover, and removed the spouse from the area. Minutes after the woman was removed, the suspect began firing at law enforcement.

Thanks to the courage and selfless service of Trooper Myers and Deputy Harvey, along with assistance from Grand Forks SWAT members and other Grand Forks County Deputies, the gunman was taken into custody without further injuries.

The NDHP Distinguished Service Medal is awarded to NDHP Officers who in the discharge of official duties have distinguished themselves by extraordinary heroism or devotion to duty during a specific incident or event. Trooper Myers is the eighth recipient of the award.



L-R: Trooper James Myers III and Colonel Daniel Haugen

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