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Beverly Hills Police Host Los Angeles County K-9 Association Training

On November 10, 2010, Beverly Hills K-9 officers, Bob Bloore, Sean Dexter, Dave Tomlin and Finn McClafferty hosted the Los Angeles County Police K-9 Association's monthly training day in Beverly Hills. K-9 teams throughout Southern California took part in this venue, not only to complete training requirements and certifications, but also to strengthen partnerships with the community and to promote police canine capabilities.

Sergeant Brian Weir, the Beverly Hills K-9 supervisor, elaborated further on the importance of this training day: "These monthly training days are a critical component in ensuring that our K-9 teams represent the highest standard of excellence. K-9's are unique and a very special resource, mutually beneficial for both the police and the community. Not only do K-9's detect illegal narcotics and dangerous explosive devices, but on occasion, they've also displayed an uncanny ability to locate missing persons."

Public perception takes a high priority for the Beverly Hills K-9 Units as they make a constant effort in educating the community about the profile of these intelligent animals through city events, visits to public venues and the day to day contact with the public. "Although most of us view the K-9's as terrific crime fighters, the amount of training it takes to get these dogs prepared for service takes years of dedication and commitment," said Lieutenant Tony Lee, a spokesman for the BHPD. "That's why it takes a very special police officer to be assigned to this unit."

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