

NEWS RELEASE

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ADA Coludro receives CMPD Chief's Award for Excellence in Policing

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Police recognized a Mecklenburg County prosecutor today for her work alongside investigators to protect the community from violent crimes.

During the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department's annual awards ceremony, Chief Kerr Putney presented the Chief's Award for Excellence in Policing to Assistant District Attorney Ellie Coludro for her work with the department's Shooting Into Occupied Dwelling (SIOD) Task Force. Also receiving the award for their work with this task force were six CMPD detectives, two N.C. Department of Public Safety probation officers and a criminal analyst.

In June 2015, the SIOD task force was created in response to a series of ongoing shootings between two groups. Detectives assigned to the CMPD's Anti-Crime Unit, ADA Coludro and partners from the state probation department and crime analysis worked together to conduct operations that resulted in the arrests of 20 individuals. Their charges ranged from property crimes to homicide. Charges against these defendants are still pending.

ADA Coludro, who joined the District Attorney's Office in 2005, is a prosecutor on the DA's Crimes Against Persons Team. She is responsible for prosecuting violent crimes such as robberies and felony assaults.

"I join Chief Putney in congratulating ADA Coludro for the work she has done to pursue justice and keep Mecklenburg County safe," said Mecklenburg County District Attorney Andrew Murray. "Our effective collaboration with police fosters innovative strategies that have become instrumental in the protection of our community."

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