



NEWS RELEASE

29 S. State Street | Westerville, Ohio 43081

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Subject:	Officers Morelli and Joering (Photos)		
Releasing Officer:	Public Information Officer Christa Dickey		
Date:	February 10, 2018		
Press Release Log:		Report #:	N/A

(Westerville, Ohio) – Officer Anthony Morelli, 54, and Officer Eric Joering, 39, were killed today in the line of duty. The Westerville Division of Police (WPD) patrol officers were responding to a hang-up 9-1-1 call.

Officer Morelli was a 29-year veteran of WPD; Officer Joering has been with WPD for 16 years.

The incident occurred around 12 p.m. today. Officers Morelli and Joering were fired upon during their arrival at an address on Crosswind Dr. from where the 9-1-1 call originated. The suspect was wounded and transported to an area hospital.

The Columbus Division of Police is leading the investigation.

The City of Westerville and Westerville Division of Police continue to request your thoughts and prayers for the officers and their families.

#