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**John D. Idleburg**  
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## MEDIA RELEASE

### K9 Dax Named Finalist for Hero Dog National Title

Sheriff John Idleburg is happy to announce, due to the large number of votes in Lake County, K9 Dax made it to the *final round* of voting for the 2019 American Humane Hero Dog Award!

K9 Dax began his successful career with the Lake County Sheriff's Office nearly four years ago. He has been directly responsible for tracking and successfully apprehending over 70 suspects. He also tracked and located dozens of missing or endangered children and adults. K9 Dax has been used for over 100 narcotic searches resulting in over 17 kilos of cocaine, heroin and other narcotics seized, hundreds of pounds of cannabis, approximately three quarters of a million dollars in currency, dozens of firearms, and seized vehicles.

K9 Dax is in need of Chicagoland's votes to go from *finalist* to *winner* of this year's national Hero Dog Award!

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "It would be hard to find someone in Lake County who doesn't know of the great work performed by our Canine Teams, especially K9 Dax and Deputy John Forlenza. They are one of the most beloved K9 Teams around because of their incredible work ethic and desire to serve the community. K9 Dax and John have located numerous missing endangered people, countless suspects fleeing from crime scenes, and large amounts of contraband. Even if they don't come out victorious in this voting competition, they are certainly heroes in Lake County!"

To vote for K9 Dax (everyone can vote once a day until July 18, 2019), please visit:

<http://herodogawards.org/dog/dax-2019/>

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