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Westminster Police Department Announces First Female Commander

WESTMINSTER, Calif. – Westminster Police Department has announced the promotion of Sergeant Cynthia "Cindy" Sweasy to the rank of Commander. Sergeant Sweasy will serve as the first female commander in the department's 65-year history.

"We are very proud of Cindy and her accomplishments at Westminster Police Department, including her performance on the recent promotional process. This is a well-deserved promotion and I look forward to working with her in her new position as the first female commander at the WPD," said Police Chief Darin Lenyi.

Sweasy joined the Westminster Police Department in 1998, and has worked in a variety of details and assignments, including field training and supervising the field training unit, working at the Westminster Mall substation, and working as a detective in forgery/fraud. She has also been involved in special projects and committees and regularly participates in community events.

A 25-year veteran of the department, Sweasy is Westminster's first and only female sergeant, promoting to the rank of Sergeant in 2009.

An extended profile about Sweasy and her story and accomplishments can be found on the City's <u>website</u>.

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