



SSPD's K9 Amon Sports New Body Armor Donation

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. Provided More Than 6,225 Vests Since Inception

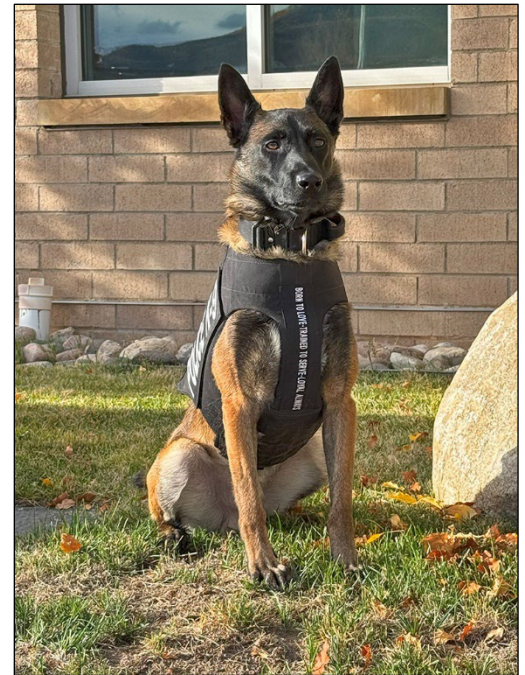
STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-October 1, 2025-Steamboat Springs Police Department (SSPD) K9 Amon has received a bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. K9 Amon's vest was sponsored by Don and Misty Fike of Galesburg, IL and embroidered with the sentiment "*Born to Love-Trained to Serve-Loyal Always*".

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc., established in 2009, is a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States.

This potentially lifesaving body armor for four-legged K9 officers is US made, custom-fitted, and National Institute of Justice certified. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. has provided over 6,225 vests valued at \$6.9 million to K9s in all 50 states, made possible by both private and corporate donations.

The program is open to US dogs at least 20 months old and actively employed and certified with law enforcement or related agencies. K9s with expired vests are also eligible to participate. There are an estimated 30,000 law enforcement K9s throughout the United States.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc., accepts tax-deductible contributions in any amount, while a single donation of \$1,050 will sponsor one vest. Each vest has a value of \$1800.00, weighs an average of 4-5 lbs., and comes with a five-year warranty.



For more information or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please call (508) 824-6978. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provides information, lists events, and [accepts donations online at www.vik9s.org](http://www.vik9s.org), or you may mail your contribution to PO Box 9, East Taunton, MA 02718.

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