

WOMEN IN HEALTHCARE SECURITY NEWS



WIHS Highlight

The security team is committed to promoting a safe and secure environment for all clients, and in doing so, it often goes above and beyond its call of duty. To celebrate Labor Day (Sep. 2) and Security Officer Appreciation Week (Sep. 16-20), NSS has released this article highlighting stories of bravery, commitment, and outstanding service from the regional security teams. Visit our [WIHS-News_page](#) to read the article.



Shining STARS



Healthcare Protection Officer (HPO) Yoana Franco, Healthcare Protection Officer (HPO) Willie Morgan, & Protective Services Supervisor (PSS) Tanner Robinson, Oakland Medical Center, CA NCAL - Life Saving Award

HPOs Franco and Morgan responded to the report of a suicidal young girl on the 8th floor of their facility's garage building. Both HPOs engaged the individual in conversation and attempted to verbally de-escalate her. Once the officers

observed the girl's determination to jump, HPOs Franco and Morgan took the precautionary measures to distract her while PSS Robinson gained access to her to retrieve her back to safety. These two HPOs and the PSS saved a life and were recognized in a beautiful ceremony hosted by the site's leadership.



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Tips & Tricks: 4 Ways to Refine Your Public Speaking

- Become very familiar with your topic and practice your speech to feel prepared
- Include your perspective about the topic and communicate authentically
- Add stories to your speech that could be more visual and thought-provoking
- Identify ways in which the audience can participate: Ask them to share their perspective or ask questions



Resources



Visit our [WIHS-News_page](#) or scan QR code to read "Celebrating Women in Security". This gsx blog post emphasizes the importance of creating a community for women.

On our [WIHS-News_page](#), you will also be able to access the ASIS Women in Security Community LinkedIn group.



Ally Corner

As a female leader in a traditionally male-dominated industry such as security, I am profoundly grateful for the unwavering support of the allies in our organization (BCI and NSS). From day one, I have witnessed true allyship from my male colleagues and leaders, who actively foster an inclusive environment where diverse voices are heard and valued. Their commitment to acknowledging the gaps in our industry has been instrumental in driving meaningful change. Together, we champion programs like this, the WIHS Network, ensuring diversity topics are at the top of the mind in various facets of the business. It is through this collective effort that we are not only reshaping our workplace but also paving the way for future generations of leaders. Thank you for standing with us on this journey. Together, we make a difference! Shared by Debora Finkler, BCI Security Services Sr. Director of Strategy Execution & Change Management. We'd love to highlight examples from our department! Share via email at wihs@kp.org.



Mentoring Moment | Building Confidence in the Workplace: Tips for Women in Male-Dominated Industries

Building confidence in the workplace as a woman is about embracing your strengths, owning your achievements, and pushing past self-doubt. It's essential to recognize that confidence isn't just about being bold, but about trusting your abilities, speaking up when necessary, and staying authentic. Women often face unique challenges, such as imposter syndrome or unconscious bias, but developing confidence means reframing those challenges as opportunities for growth. By setting clear goals, seeking feedback, and building a strong network of allies and mentors, you can create a foundation of self-assurance that fuels success and leadership.

Team Building Idea

Fostering collaboration, trust, and communication within a work environment can strengthen relationships and enhance productivity. A team-building activity, such as the "blind drawing" activity, engages team members and allows participants to work together through problem solving and strategic approaches to complete the game.

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