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## Deputy Sheriff Alyshia Dyer Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department Ypsilanti, MI

Deputy Sheriff Alyshia Dyer began her law enforcement career in 2012 with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department in Michigan. She served as a youth resource officer and was responsible for managing community policing and family engagement strategies to deter youth crime. She helped implement the Washtenaw County's Handle with Care initiative, which improved communication between law enforcement and schools to help children impacted by trauma. She also assisted with the SURE Program (Sisters, United, Resilient,

Empowered), a support group created to empower mothers with children in the criminal justice system.

In 2020, she was accepted to a fellowship with the City of Detroit's Department of Civil Rights, Inclusion, and Opportunity, where she serves on the mayor's Equity Council and studies how policies, such as cash bail, affect poverty. In 2021, she became a research assistant with the University of Michigan School of Law and works with treatment centers in Washtenaw County, Washtenaw County jail, and local courts as a part of a National Science Foundation grant to assess if providing legal services helps improve recovery outcomes for people in substance use treatment programs. She holds a BS in criminology from Eastern Michigan University, a certificate from the University of Michigan's Sanger Leadership Center, and is currently attending the University of Michigan for dual MPP and MSW degrees.

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