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Officer Recovering from Injuries After Dog Attack

A Wheeling Police officer was injured after a dog attack Wednesday night around 10:30 p.m. on Henderson Street.

Police were sent to the area for a possible domestic. Officers searched the area, going home to home, but were not successful in finding anyone involved in a domestic.

An officer approached the door of a house and was met by a barking dog. A person inside the house opened the door to speak to the officer, when the dog lunged at and attacked the officer, biting him in multiple areas, including both hands. The officer made multiple attempts to calm the dog, however, concerned for his safety and trying to protect himself, the officer shot the dog.

The officer's serious injuries required immediate medical attention and was transported to a local hospital for treatment, where he required multiple stitches to close the bite wounds.

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