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The Bristol Police Memorial fund was established in 2023 by the Bristol Police Benevolent Association.

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BRISTOL, CT (WFSB) - The Bristol Police Memorial fund was established in 2023 by the Bristol Police Benevolent Association.

The memorial will serve as a permanent reminder of the ultimate sacrifice that was made by 5 officers who have died in the line of duty, including two killed in an ambush last year.

It will be an area that anyone can visit to pay their respects to.

Sgt. Alex Hamzy and Lt. Dustin Demonte died just 10 months ago.

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James McNamee, James Burns and Ernest Schilke also lost their lives several decades ago.

"None of these officers were in their 30's and 40's, their lives were cut short."

"...three officers in the 30's and 40's, their lives were cut short."



"The community needs something like that, they need to feel that people aren't going to forget about that," said Monika Pawlowska-Bartosik, Bristol.

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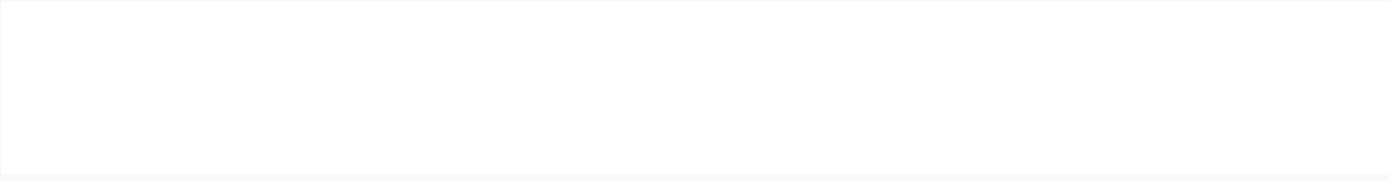
The City of Bristol Mayor's Office and Police Department will also take part in the planning and execution of the memorial.

"This town and these police officer are such a strong brotherhood, they need to remember their own," said Caggiano. "What they decided to do was recreate the memorial that we see in Washington DC that we see at the National Law Enforcement memorial. It's going to be a circular wall that comes here."

Once the project is completed, any remaining funds will assist with future maintenance of the site.

These funds are managed locally through the Main Street Community Foundation.

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They are hoping to raise \$300,000 to put it together.

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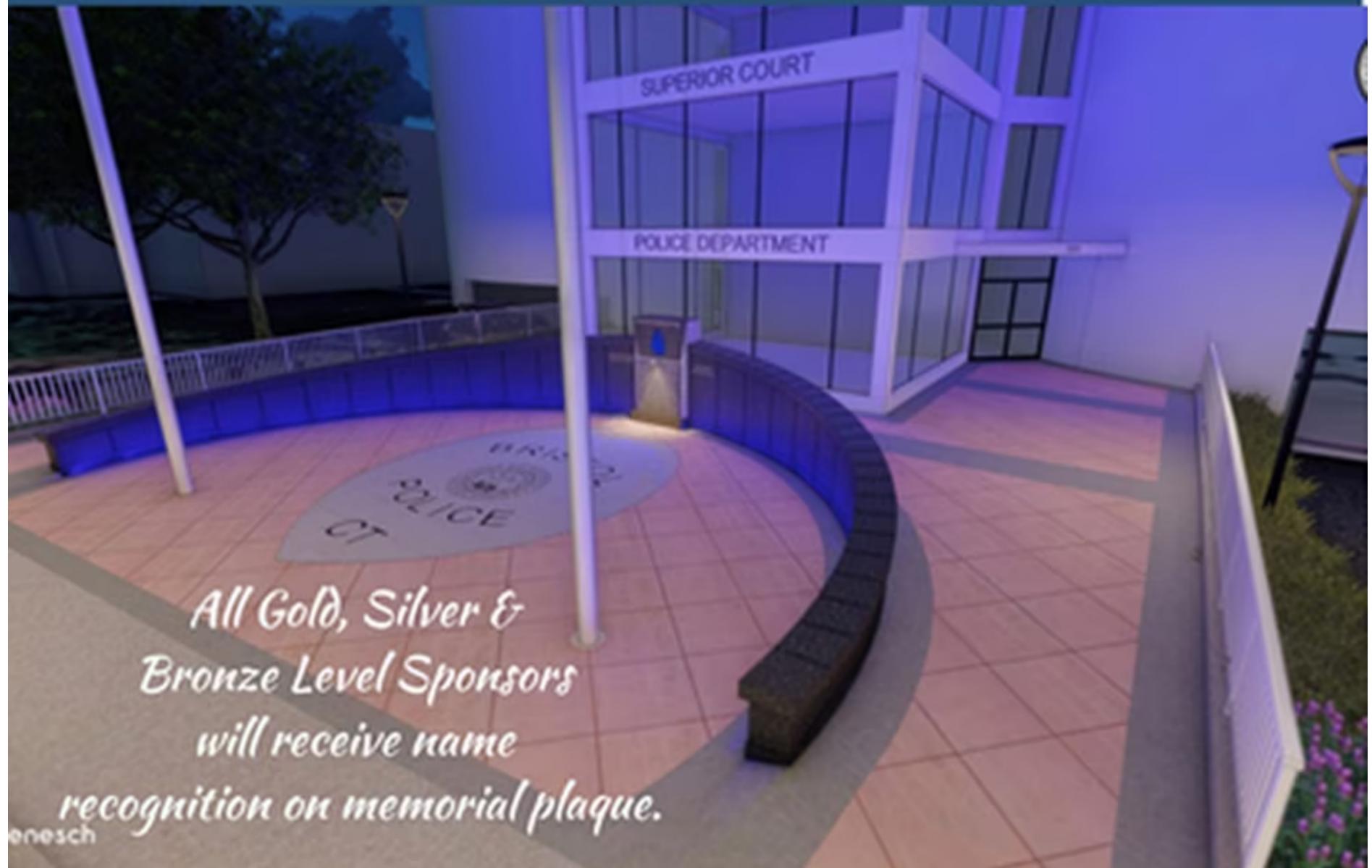
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