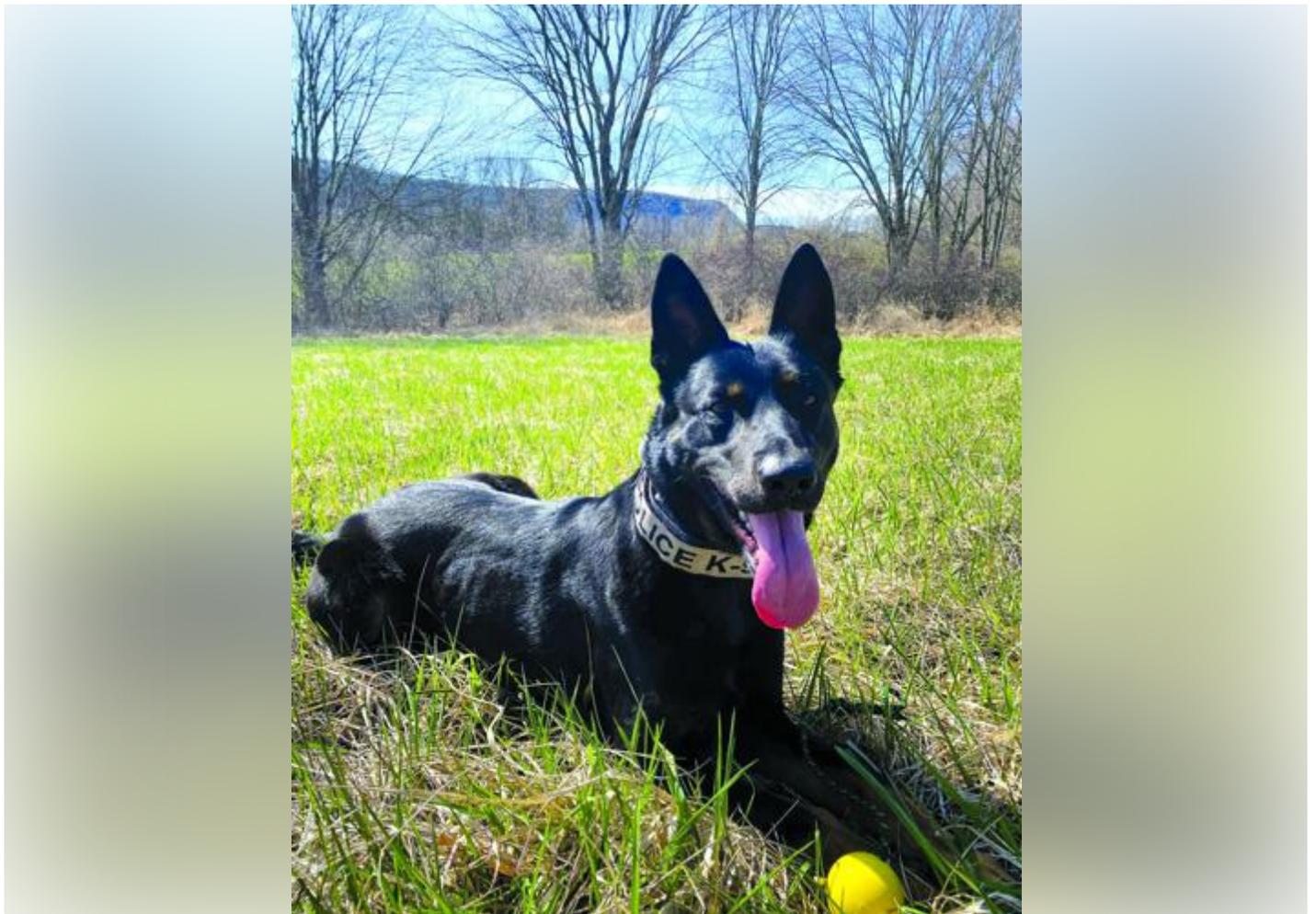


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Southington PD K9 program receives grant

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K9 Kay with the Southington Police Department.
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SOUTHINGTON — The Southington Police Department’s K9 program has received a grant from the Jacob Perkins Memorial Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation.

The Southington Police Department thanked the Main Street Community Foundation for the “generous” donation.

“These funds will go toward equipment, training and care for our dedicated K9 officer, K9 Kay,” the department said. “We are deeply grateful to the Jacob Perkins Memorial Fund for their support and commitment to our community and the safety of Southington.”

K9 Kay, a German Shepherd, Belgian Malinois mixed breed, joined the local K9 unit in 2022. Kay is paired with Officer David Carbone.

According to the Main Street Community Foundation, the Jacob Perkins Memorial Fund was established in 2020 in memory of Jacob Allen Perkins, who was only 20 years old when he died by suicide in October 2019. The fund provides an annual grant to the Southington Police Department to benefit the Emotional Support Dog program or the Southington Police K-9 Unit.

“Jacob enjoyed many things including camping and just being outdoors,” the Main Street Community Foundation said. “He had a strong affinity toward animals, especially dogs, where he seemed to be able to calm and befriend any animal he met.”

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