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Fallen Officer a True Hero

The Police Association of NSW today paid tribute to Plain Clothes Constable William 'Bill' Crews, who was tragically killed on duty in Bankstown last night.

Police Association President Scott Weber today said Constable Crews was a brave officer who died trying to protect the community.

"Plain Clothes Constable Bill Crews performed his duties with courage, integrity and honour.

"It is a sad day for the entire community to lose such a fine young man.

"All police officers, along with their friends and families, have been shaken and saddened by last night's tragic events.

"Our heart-felt sympathy and support goes out to the Crews family.

"The Association has already been in contact with the family, and we will continue to do whatever we can to help them through this difficult time."

Mr Weber said the incident once again highlighted the inherent danger involved in police work.

"All Police Officers put their lives on the line every time they pull on the uniform.

"The death of a colleague is also a very emotional and challenging time for the officers involved, indeed for the entire police community.

"Last night's events have reminded us that the fight against crime is always dangerous, it never stops, and it comes at a heavy cost to us all."

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