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*Today Mayor Johnson released the following statement regarding the announcement that the Sacramento Police Department will receive an \$8.1M grant through the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) to hire 25 police officers:*

"This is a big win in our efforts to continue to reduce the crime rate in Sacramento. It feels like Christmas in September. With devastating budget cuts in July, we had to watch officers turn their badges in for the first time in our city's history. Now we have an opportunity to pin those badges back on our officers and get them back on the street. It's a great day for public safety, which must continue to be Sacramento's top priority."

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